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## Children are a special concern of county circuit judge

Judge Claudia Anderson has a soft spot for children but can be hard on kids who break the law.

Anderson, who serves on the bench in the Vermilion County Circuit Court, was the speaker at Monday's Hoopeston Police Department Neighborhood Watch program.

She was appointed to the bench in 1997 to replace Judge Rita Garman, who was appointed to the Appellate Court. Anderson has since been reelected and, during her tenure, has served on the juvenile and felony divisions, is currently serving a rotation on "the pot-pourri division" which hears varying cases, and in July returns to the juvenile division.

Beside having served as a judge over juveniles, Anderson is the mother of three girls and has a background in education. "Before I went to law school, I taught school," she said.

One of the biggest problems Anderson has

seen stems from the combination of young people and drugs, either using or selling. "Many are uneducated high school dropouts who plant to make their living dealing drugs," she said. "What I see are kids who are dropping out, typically in the ninth or 10th grade. These kids grow into adult offenders. They 'graduate' from juvenile to adult court," she said.

Sometimes, sending a young person to a juvenile facility serves as a deterrent later on. "To have to spend time in a juvenile facility can wake you up," she said. "If you catch them quick enough, sometimes that works."

Anderson believes drugs are a driving force behind much of the crime in Vermilion County. People commit other crimes, such as robbery, burglary and home invasion, to fund their drug habits. "It's a cycle," she said. "They steal to sell what they steal to buy drugs."

## Briefly

### Youth basketball sign-up

Today is the last day to sign up for the Hoopeston Area Youth Club Basketball program which starts Feb. 14.

Forms are available at all the local school buildings and the superintendent's office.

### Tiny Tots

"A Pocket for Corduroy" is the theme of this week's Tiny Tots sponsored by the Hoopeston Public Library. Children will meet at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Hoopeston Multi Agency.

Tiny Tots is for children ages 1-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

### Active Seniors

The Active Seniors group will meet at 1:30

p.m. Tuesday at Country Terrace Apartments. Bring your friends for an afternoon of cards or games.

The group meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Everyone is invited to join in the fun.

For more information, call Charlene Ervin at Country Terrace, 283-9215.

### Volunteer tutor training

The Danville Area Community College Adult Literacy Project, the Reader's Route, is conducting volunteer tutor training. This is a 12-hour training and all sessions must be attended.

Training will be offered from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14 and 21 (brown bag working lunch) at Crosspoint Human Services.

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### Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Sausage pizza, carrot sticks, peaches, cookie, milk.

TUESDAY: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread, oleo, fruit snack, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Ravioli, max stix, salad, pears, milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken strips, fries, Goldfish, fruit cocktail, milk.

FRIDAY: French toast sticks/syrup, sausage links, fruit juice, oranges, milk.

### Hoopeston Area Middle/High School

See JUDGE on other side

### Judge continued from other side

Drug use also leads to more violent crimes, including domestic violence, which is often directed at parents and grandparents.

Anderson related the story of "a lovely couple in their 80s" whose grandson financially manipulated and threatened them. "The only time they have any peace is when he's in jail," she said.

Two drugs are especially problematic, Anderson said. "The drug that I have the biggest concern for and the one that causes problems is co-

### Police News



Gary L. Catron, 29, of 528 E. Wyman, was arrested at 12:53 a.m. Thursday following a traffic stop at Seventh Ave. and East Thompson.

Catron, wanted on an Iroquois County warrant for contempt of court, was turned over to Iroquois County authorities.

## The Resale Mart



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In the building behind

901 E. Main, Hoopeston

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### Lunch Menus



MONDAY: Sausage pizza or ham & cheese/bun, salad, pears, milk.

TUESDAY: Chicken casserole or rib/bun, salad, cherry crisp, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Burritos or mini corn dogs, fries, salad, cheese slice, pears, milk.

THURSDAY: Ravioli/max stix or hamburger/bun, corn, fruit cocktail, milk.

FRIDAY: Chicken strips, tri tator, pretzels, oranges, milk.

### Rossville-Alvin schools

MONDAY: Taco/soft shell, chips/salsa, corn,

caine," she said, adding there are also more methamphetamine labs in the county.

Anderson also told those attending how to be a good witness, by being aware of details, such as the license plate and color of suspicious vehicles and clothing a suspect is wearing. "The hard part is remembering it until you get to court," she said. "Justice moves very slowly and that aggravates me."

While Anderson hands out sentences every day, she tries to do her best and let it go. "I'm the judge here on earth and in the Vermilion County courthouse and if I call it wrong, I'm counting on

### Obituaries

**GREENE**—Charles Leland Greene, 86, of Hoopeston, died at 7:15 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 7, 2002 at Hoopeston Community Nursing Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be 4-6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

### Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 52. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 35. Tomorrow, chance of rain changing to snow in the evening. High 47, low 30. Sunday, chance of snow. High 35, low 25..

For current weather conditions, call the Hoopeston Weather Line at (217) 283-6221.

peaches, chocolate cake, milk.

TUESDAY: Sub sandwich, dirty potatoes, carrot stick/dip, apple slices, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Sloppy Joe, scalloped potatoes, pineapple, shape-up, milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, applesauce, homemade bread, milk.

## Sweetheart Dance

Friday, Feb. 8 8 p.m.-12 a.m.

### Second Chance Saloon

102 N. Market, Hoopeston

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