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## Students use global positioning technology in class projects

If a train passes Thompson Ave. at 9:27 a.m., what time will it finish passing through Hoopeston?

That was among data collected by Hoopeston Area High School students who participated in classes using Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) equipment.

The equipment, including GPS monitors and computers, were purchased with a state grant, said teacher Dave Bibb.

Bibb, along with Barbara Garner and Michael Caparula, integrated GPS technology into their math and sciences classes. The teachers, along with students Nathan Phillips and Carly Elliott, gave a presentation at Thursday's school board meeting.

A recent program involved tracking train travel through Hoopeston, with cooperation from the CSX Railroad, Garner said.

By dividing into groups positioned at crossings throughout the city, students were able to determine the train's velocity and length and gain other information.

A second set of data was to be gathered from a second train but that train was rescheduled for the afternoon. "I'm glad we got one," Caparula said. "I was afraid we'd be there all morning with nothing."

## Briefly

### Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to help place American flag grave markers at Floral Hill Cemetery for Memorial Day. Volunteers may meet at the American Legion at 8 a.m. May 23 or at Floral Hill at 8:30 a.m.

All interested people are encouraged to participate.

**Games, anyone?**

Bibb also used the equipment in a project to determine the water quality at Steely Creek. Students perform nine tests at four sites along the creek. "We think it's excellent," Bibb said. "Our students to something that is real and that's sometimes hard to do."

In other business, the board:

- accepted resignations from building and grounds director Ron Lewis, kindergarten teacher Marianne Weber and math/science teacher Richard Williamson, who are all retiring and from Mark and Martha Lindvahl who are relocating.
- accepted resignations from head football coach Scott Watson, assistant football coach Carl Ankenbrand and assistant student services director Ann Penicook.
- hired Amanda Payne as girls high school physical education teacher. She will also be head softball and high school volleyball coach and eighth grade volleyball coach.
- approved joining the Illinois Energy Consortium, a group of school districts combining to purchase gas. About two years ago, the district joined a similar electric consortium which has saved money on district electric bills, said board president Larry Lobb.

County Terrace hosts area seniors for an afternoon of euchre and other games, the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

The fun begins at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and is open to the public.

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

### Student graduates cum laude

Nichole Shoemaker of Hoopeston was one

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