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Hoopeston police officer injured in accident Tuesday night

A Hoopeston Police officer will be off work for a few days, recovering from injuries he sustained in an accident Tuesday.

Officer Roger Beatty was treated and released from Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital after the accident at 6:47 p.m. at Second Ave. and Lincoln.

According to police reports, Beaty, in a 1999 Ford Crown Victoria squad car, braked to avoid hitting a 1989 Dodge Caravan driven by Walter Lee Hollis, 38, of 501 Judson. Beaty's car skidded into a tree, damaging the front end.

See POLICE on other side

New owners make changes, add dishes at Chinese eatery

New owners of the China Wok Chinese restaurant hope to provide area residents with good Chinese food and many choices.

Andy and Judy Dong purchased the restaurant in March and have made several changes, not only to the menu but to the eatery's interior.

A lunch buffet, served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily, and dinner buffet, served from 5-8 p.m., were added. A new menu with daily lunch specials was expected to arrive this week, said Judy Dong.

The couple has also upgraded the buffet table, added booths and installed new carpet to make the restaurant more pleasant for customers.

Feeding the public is nothing new for the couple, who moved to Hoopeston from Minneapolis, Minn. The couple owned a Chinese restaurant there for three years before learning the China Wok was for sale. The Dongs, including two-year-old daughter Tiffany, visited Hoopeston and liked it. "It's quiet and safe," Mrs. Dong said. "We like it here."

The Dongs plan to add delivery service when an employee is found. Following an idea implemented



A sample of the lunch buffet at Hoopeston's China Wok restaurant.

in Minneapolis, they also plan to offer gift certificates to good students and would like to work with school officials to get the program started for next school year.

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Jana Lithgow receives BS degree

Jana Kay Lithgow, daughter of Craig and Gail Lithgow of Hoopeston, received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree with an emphasis in Management from the University of Missouri on May 19.

Lithgow was selected by students and faculty to give the senior address at the College of Business Convocation. At MU, Lithgow was a four-year member of Phi Beta Lambda professional business fraternity and served as the chapter president during her junior year. She also was a recipient of the Sam M. Walton Scholarship in Business and received the MU Excellence in Leadership Award.

Lithgow has accepted an offer of employment from the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City and will begin work June 3.



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Obituaries

OLSON - Nina Olson, 103, of Danforth, formerly of Hoopeston, died at 5:35 p.m. Tuesday, May 28, 2002 at Prairieview Lutheran Home, Danforth. Funeral services will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be 1 p.m. until the time of services. Saturday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Gilman United Methodist Church, Hoopeston United Methodist Church or Prairieview Lutheran Home.

Police continued from other side

Hollis was ticketed for failure to yield at a marked intersection.

In other police activity:

A 53-year-old man reported Tuesday that someone took a cell phone from his vehicle parked in the 900 block of Sells Dr.

Peter S. Kunce, 24, of 2458 Greenhill Rd., McMinnville, was arrested at 4:46 p.m. Wednesday at the police

Briefly

Teacher requests

Parents of Maple School students may need to fill out a new teacher request form due to staff changes. Mrs. Root has been moved from second grade to kindergarten teacher for next year. The May 24 deadline has been extended to allow parents to make necessary changes.

Vacation Bible Schools

• The East Lynn United Methodist Church will hold vacation Bible school from 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 3-7. It is open to children ages four through eighth grade and will

station. Kunce, wanted on a Vermilion County traffic warrant for failure to appear for arraignment, was released on \$500 cash bond.

Patrick J. Hardwick, 36, of 313 N. Market, was arrested twice Wednesday.

The first arrest was the result of an incident at 6:15 p.m. in the 200 block of Main when he was charged with reckless driving, no valid driver's license and improper lane usage. The charges stemmed from a 27-year-old Hoopeston woman who reported Hardwick ran her off the road.

He was also arrested in connection with an incident at 7:20 p.m. He was charged with disorderly conduct on a complaint from a 29-year-old Hoopeston woman who reported Hardwick threatened her vehicle with a large stick and called her obscene names.

He was released on a notice to appear.

Douglas J. Brookwalter, 20, of 311 1st North St., Wellington, was arrested following an incident at 9:32 p.m. Wednesday in the 200 block of East Main. He was charged with battery on a complaint from an 18-year-old Hoopeston man who said Brookwalter struck him in the face.

Brookwalter was released on a notice to appear.

Weather



Partly cloudy, scattered showers, thunderstorms today. High 80. Tonight, scattered showers early. Low 64. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 84, low 60.

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

feature games, crafts, songs, snacks and Bible stories.

• The First Baptist Church of Hoopeston will hold vacation Bible school from 9-11:30 a.m. June 3-7. Classes are open to children four years through sixth grade. The theme is "Space Station 2002."

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Neighborhood Watch

Officer Dallas Bowman of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources will be the featured speaker at the Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch meeting at 6 p.m. Monday at Country Terrace.

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