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Hoopeston area nature to be featured in first garden walk

Area residents will be able to experience the beauty of nature and help children at the same time.

Hoopeston's first garden walk, sponsored by Water Features by Jack Miller, will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 27. Tickets for the walk are \$5 in advance or \$7 the day of the walk, with all proceeds going to Playground Project 2002.

Unlike health walks, the garden walk is more of a self-guided motorized meandering. Participants may begin and end the event at any of the gardens, which include flower, vegetable and water gardens in Hoopeston, rural Hoopeston and a Danville location. Three of the gardens are within three blocks of each other, "a nice little stroll," Miller said.

The idea for the walk came from garden walks Miller

and his wife, Sarah, have participated in in Chicago. The owner of products Miller uses in his water feature business sponsors the largest water garden walk, the Parade of Ponds, which the couple has attended.

Miller began working on the project at the start of the year, asking some people to participate and seeking the names of others who might.

With a list of gardens compiled, Miller made the event a charity fundraiser and selected the playground project as the recipient of funds "because they need it," he said. Future walks will benefit other causes, he added.

The Millers' garden is among those on the walk. There, participants will also see a stained glass display, shadow boxes with butterflies and Miller's brother, au-

See WALK on other side

High temperatures, humidity cause danger of heat illness

Temperatures over 90 and high humidity this week make the risk of heat-related illness high, too. To avoid respiratory distress, heat exhaustion or heat stroke, experts list the following tips:

- Stay in the coolest environment available. Use air conditioner if it is available. When using a fan, keep windows open on the shady side and use the fan to ventilate living quarters. Spend time in air conditioned public places if no air conditioning is available and temperatures are above 95 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Drink plenty of cool water and other non-alcoholic and non-caffeine liquids.
- Eat light, easily digested food, avoiding hot, heavy meals. Limit cooking to keep indoor temperatures down.
- Dress in loose fitting, lightweight and light colored natural fiber clothing. Wear a hat to protect your head

from the sun.

- Limit activity in the midday, when temperatures are highest. Adjust working hours for those working outdoors or in non-air conditioned buildings when possible, and provide frequent breaks with plenty of fluids.

- Bathe or shower frequently in cool water.

- Do not increase salt or potassium intake without consulting your doctor. Check all medications with your doctor or pharmacist for increased risk of heat related illness.

- If you feel ill, call your doctor or 911.

- If you are age 60 or older, have been sick lately, or live alone without air conditioning, it is strongly recommended that you go to an air conditioned place for at least several hours each day when a heat warning is in effect.

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Walk continued from other side

thor Charles Miller, will have a display of his works.

Miller will also have a drawing for a 6'x8' pond kit, valued at \$1,200, which he has donated for the event. The kit includes a skimmer, pump, biofall, underlayment, liner and underwater lights. Tickets are \$1 or six for \$5 and are available at Kankakee Federal Savings Bank and Iroquois Federal Savings and Loan.

Briefly

Turtle Derby winners

Dave's Electronics was the owner of the grand champion turtle in the annual Hoopeston Jaycees Turtle Derby Saturday. Heat winners were Pamida, Oat's Bait Shop, Monical's, H&R Block, Hennings, Flowers & Gifts by Molly Culbert, Sewing Boutique and Dave's Electronics.

Food cupboard needs donations

The Grant Township Food Cupboard needs egg cartons, grocery-size plastic bags and small plastic containers. Items may be taken to the food cupboard at 525 S. Market.

Tickets for the drawing and garden walk will also be available at Jerry's IGA from 9 a.m. to noon and 3-6 p.m. July 20 and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. July 27.

Advance tickets may be purchased by calling Jill Nelson, (217) 283-7538; Kathy Watson, 283-6961; Suzi Root, 283-7754; or Miller, (217) 339-2453.

The day of the walk, tickets will also be available by

Football sign-up

Hoopeston Youth Football and cheerleading will have sign-up from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, July 20 and 27 and noon-2 p.m. Sunday, July 21 and 28 at the Midget Football Field on Sixth Ave.

Cost is \$40 per child.

Basketball shootout

Participants are being sought for the 10th annual "Hoop - There It Is" 3-on-3 basketball shootout Aug. 17-18 in Christman Park, Rossville. For more information, call Kevin Thomas, (217) 748-4118.

Soccer sign-up

Signup for Rossville Youth Soccer will be 8-10 a.m. and 5-7 p.m. July 22 and 23 at the Rossville Park pavilion. For more information, call (217) 748-4162.

Obituaries

McELHANEY - Dale McElhaney, 77, of Danville, formerly of Hoopeston, died at 6:29 a.m. Saturday, July 13, 2002 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Sunset Funeral Home & Cremation Center, Danville. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park. Visitation was 4-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to the Parkinson's Foundation or Second Church of Christ, 3350 E. Voorhees, Danville, IL 61832.

Weather



Mostly sunny, today. High 90. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 65. Tomorrow, partly sunny, chance of afternoon thunderstorms. High 90, low 65.

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

calling Nelson, Watson or Miller.

Anyone who would like to participate in next year's garden walk is asked to call Miller at 339-2453.

Police News



A **30-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported Sunday that someone took a chrome Mongoose bicycle from the 400 block of South Third St. The bike is valued at \$130.

A **39-year-old** woman reported Monday that the driver's side door of her vehicle had been scratched. The damage occurred in the 400 block of West Lincoln.

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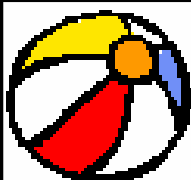
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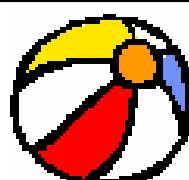
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