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HAHS teacher recommended as second ward alderman

Second ward voters may soon have a teacher representing them on the Hoopeston City Council.

Carl Ankenbrand, Hoopeston Area High School art teacher, was recommended to replace Mike Eckersley on the council. Mayor Chalmers Flint made the recommendation at Tuesday's council meeting. The council is expected to vote on the recommendation at its Oct. 15 meeting.

Ankenbrand, who has lived in Hoopeston for eight years, has also served as assistant football and wrestling coach and has worked with the school's art, camera and year book clubs.

In nominating him, Flint praised Ankenbrand's enthusiasm, especially in dealing with young people.

In other action, the council unanimously approved annexing the former video store at Rtes. 1 and 9. The property is currently owned by Community Bank and is part of the city's tax increment financing (TIF) district.

A second parcel under consideration for annexation - Baer's Motel - is hinging on guardianship issues, said city attorney Bill Nelson.

Guardians for property owner Ora Baer must sign paperwork before a hearing can be held to grant the annexation, he said.

In unrelated action, the council:

- kept salaries the same for aldermen elected in April. Those elected to seats currently held by Ed Lotz, Ankenbrand, Nancy Stipp, Don York and John Haughee will receive \$100 monthly and get free water. Surcharges, as well as garbage rates, will still be paid by each official.
- are considering lowering the speed limit on Eighth Ave. between Young and McNeil to 10 or 15 m.p.h. Alderman Rod Kaag said the street is narrow and residents have expressed concern.
- asked residents not to walk their dogs in Floral Hill Cemetery.

New Rossville organization meets with village residents

ROSSVILLE—Organizers of a new group hope village residents will get behind it and help their town.

Members of the Rossville Community Organization met with approximately 60 residents Monday at the Rossville-Alvin Grade School gym to outline plans to help economic development.

Addressing the crowd were Wilma Knight, owner of Gift Baskets by Wilma; Merv Smith of Smith Antiques; Judy Henry of The Freeway teen center; Chris Lawton, a teacher who designed a web page for the community; Marilyn Danner of Danner Construction; trustee Mark Catron and Mayor Terry Prillaman.

Prillaman explained the group's background, saying it started when village officials noted sales tax and Motor Fuel Tax revenues were "decreasing - rapidly."

Rossville businesses "are hurting," he said.

Business owners and village leaders got together to form the group which hopes to capitalize on village assets to bring more people in to shop and live.

"We have so much to offer," Danner said, adding the impetus behind the group was the 2003 Farm Progress Show to be held near Henning. The show is expected to draw as many as 300,000 people to the area next September. "We can't miss this opportunity to get some of that business," she said.

RCO organizers are seeking community volunteers to fill several committees, including marking/public relations, welcoming, beautification/restoration, fund raising, youth advisory, safety and special events. An

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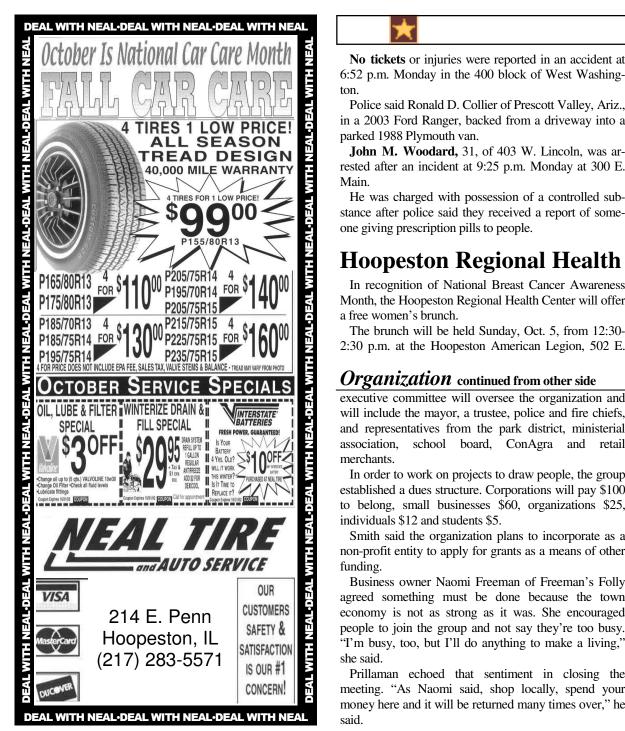
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Police News

Woodard was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Jeremy W. Burks, 20, of 812 N. Market, was arrested after a traffic stop at 12:08 a.m. Tuesday on North Market at Wyman.

He was charged with possession of a controlled substance following a Hoopeston Police Department canine search.

Burks was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

A 49-year-old Hoopeston man reported Tuesday that someone threw eggs on a vehicle on his property in the 700 block of East McNeil.

Chad L. Wenrick, 29, of 201 E. Main, was arrested at 5:01 a.m. Tuesday in the 200 block of West Main. He was

charged with domestic battery on a complaint from a 26-year-old Hoopeston woman who reported he pushed her down and kicked

Wenrick was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Aerobics/Interval Circuit/Resistance Training Starts Oct. 7 Mon.-Wed.-Thurs.

5-6 p.m. **Betty Shaffer** (217) 283-5715

Hoopeston Regional Health Center plans women's brunch

In recognition of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the Hoopeston Regional Health Center will offer a free women's brunch.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at

Police said Ronald D. Collier of Prescott Valley, Ariz.,

in a 2003 Ford Ranger, backed from a driveway into a

John M. Woodard, 31, of 403 W. Lincoln, was ar-

He was charged with possession of a controlled sub-

stance after police said they received a report of some-

one giving prescription pills to people.

6:52 p.m. Monday in the 400 block of West Washing-

The brunch will be held Sunday, Oct. 5, from 12:30-2:30 p.m. at the Hoopeston American Legion, 502 E.

Organization continued from other side

executive committee will oversee the organization and will include the mayor, a trustee, police and fire chiefs, and representatives from the park district, ministerial association, school board, ConAgra and retail merchants.

In order to work on projects to draw people, the group established a dues structure. Corporations will pay \$100 to belong, small businesses \$60, organizations \$25, individuals \$12 and students \$5.

Smith said the organization plans to incorporate as a non-profit entity to apply for grants as a means of other funding.

Business owner Naomi Freeman of Freeman's Folly agreed something must be done because the town economy is not as strong as it was. She encouraged people to join the group and not say they're too busy. "I'm busy, too, but I'll do anything to make a living," she said.

Prillaman echoed that sentiment in closing the meeting. "As Naomi said, shop locally, spend your money here and it will be returned many times over," he said.

Rosemary Mathy of the Carle Cancer Center will be the guest speaker. She will present information on breast cancer, women's health and wellness and offer those attending an opportunity to receive a personalized breast cancer risk assessment. The assessment includes questions that each woman will fill out to receive an analysis of her specific risk of breast cancer.

This is a free event open to women of all ages. Refreshments will be served.

To make a reservation or for more information, call (217) 283-4243.

Obituaries

ERICKSON - Elaine Erickson, 83, of Hoopeston died at 3 a.m. Monday, Sept. 30, 2002 at Heartland Health Care, Paxton. Graveside services will be at 12:30 p.m. Thursday at Floral Hill Cemetery. There will be no visitation. Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today, tonight and tomorrow. High today 85, low 62. Tomorrow's high 82, low

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