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## Briefly

### Multi Agency van schedule

This week's schedule for the Hoopeston Multi Agency transportation project is: Tuesday, Bloomington (leave at 8 a.m.); Wednesday, Danville; Thursday, Hoopeston shuttle; Friday, Danville. For more information or to arrange a ride, call the Multi Agency at (217) 283-5544.

Community center activities include: Tuesday, ladies euchre, noon; Thursday, men's coffee 9:30 a.m., men's euchre and community potluck, noon; Friday, ladies cards, noon.

### Music Booster meeting

The Hoopeston Area Music Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the chorus room. Everyone is welcome.

### Pony/Colt League



There will be a meeting for the Pony / Colt summer baseball leagues on Tuesday, March 11 at 7 p.m. at the AmerenCIPS building in Hoopeston. Anyone interested in coaching or volunteering is urged to attend.

### Cholesterol screenings

Hoopeston Regional Health Center will hold free monthly cholesterol, glucose and blood pressure screenings from 7-10:30 a.m. Tuesday. For more information, call Charlene Drawdy at (217) 283-4243.

### Hoopeston Visioning

The Hoopeston Visioning for the Future organization will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday at the nursing home community room.

All interested people are invited to attend.

### Meetings

### Sweethearts

Nathan Anderson and Elizabeth Coon, standing, serve senior citizens at Hoopeston Area High School's annual Sweetheart Dinner Friday. The dinner, originally set for Valentine's Day, was rescheduled when a winter storm was expected to hit Hoopeston. More than 200 Hoopeston Area seniors enjoy a turkey dinner with all the fixings, as well as entertainment, at the annual event, which is sponsored by the school's drama department and student council.

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Letter to the Editor

Former resident defends mayor

I wanted to comment on the letter to the editor about the leadership in Hoopeston submitted by John S. Palmer in the Monday, Mar. 3 issue.

Although I no longer live in Hoopeston, I still keep up with "Just the Facts". However I feel that Mr. Palmer has some facts incorrect. I certainly understand Mr. Palmer's concerns on his "dollars being taken out of his wallet". He should pay the taxes I pay every



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year in my city! However I do agree that everyone (including myself ) has the right to the first amendment.

What I don't agree with is Mr. Palmer's statement on Mr. Flint's dedication. I have known Mr. Flint my whole life and one thing he has is dedication to the city of Hoopeston. Mr. Flint has shown nothing but dedication to the city of Hoopeston since the first day he moved to town. He has started many programs for the younger people of the city Such as "Flint's Drug Busters" even before the



Police News



A 22-year-old Hoopeston man reported Thursday that he was attacked by two men between 8-9 p.m. Thursday on the street at 115 E. Main. The man's hand was injured.

Matthew L. Cannon, 22, of 216 Gilbert, Rossville, was arrested after an incident at 12:51 a.m. Saturday.

Cannon was charged with battery on a complaint from a 22-year-old Hoopeston man who reported that Cannon struck him.

Cannon was released on a notice to appear.

DARE programs. He did this on his time and is something he truly believes in. He opened Flint's Family Fun, so the kids would have someplace to go. He would work all day long at school, only to come home to work until midnight, all because he really cares about the kids (the future ) of Hoopeston.

Although Mr. Flint was not born in Hoopes-ton, I am sure he will spend the rest of his life there, not because he has to, but because he truly loves the city of Hoopeston. So I want to answer Mr. Palmer's question "Why does he not just resign and let some-

A woman's bowling ball was found Saturday morning on Rt. 9. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

A single car key was found Saturday in the 300 block of South Market. The owner may identify and

Fire Calls



The Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 9:08 p.m. Friday to a report of an attic fire in the 700 block of Wilson.

Obituaries

**BOTTGER** - The Rev. Herb L. Bottger, 74, of Oakwood, died at 4 a.m. Friday, Mar. 7, 2003 at Clarian Indiana University Hospital, Indianapolis, Ind. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at First Christian Church, Hoopeston. Burial will be in Burlington Memorial Par, Burlington, Iowa. Visitation will be 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home, Hoopeston, with Masonic services at 8 p.m. Memorials are suggested to First Christian Church of Hoopeston elevator fund.

**JOHNSON** - Paul K. Johnson, 93, of Hoopeston died at 5:55 p.m. Friday, Mar. 7, 2003 at Asta Care Center, Paxton. Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Floral Hill Cemetery. There will be no visitation. Memorials are suggested to the United Methodist Church, Hoopeston. Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home was in charge of arrange-

ments.

**WISDOM** - Mabel Wisdom, 79, of Hoop-eston, died at 5:59 p.m. Saturday, Mar. 8, 2003 at Hoopeston Community Nursing Home. Arrange-

New Books at the Library



Non-fiction:

If I Live to be 100 by Neenah Ellis  
Teen Rights by Traci Truly

Weather



Mostly cloudy, chance of light snow today. High 32. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 20. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy. High 45, low 30.

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body else have the job who will be more dedicated and not complain about the demanding service of the job"? The reason why is because you will not find one person more dedicated to the city than Mr. Flint.

As far as complaining about the demanding service of the job, I think you are not aware of the true complaint. Maybe it is because he wants what is best for Hoopeston or just maybe he (like anyone else) wants to be shown a little appreciation!! As far as living in the "Flintstone age", I would rather live there than any place on earth.

I have one message for Mr. Flint. "Keep up the good work and let no one tell you different!!"

This is my opinion!

Former Hoopestonian,  
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