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Hoopeston to participate in 'Great American Cleanup'

Hoopeston will get a clean look on April 26 as residents and organizations take part in the Great American Cleanup.

The event, sponsored by Keep Vermilion County Beautiful and Keep America Beautiful, will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 26, said local coordinator Kristi Hudson.

On that Saturday, Hudson hopes residents will turn out in force to pick up around town.

Vermilion Waste is bringing a dumpster in to collect trash and Hudson will have garbage bags and

possibly latex gloves for volunteers. Those who volunteer will receive McDonald's certificates, Hudson said.

While April 26 is the official date for the cleanup, groups or individuals may choose another date to do their part if that date is inconvenient. However, Hudson is asking those who clean up on a different date to let her know so volunteers can receive recognition for their efforts.

One group has already started cleaning. The First Presbyterian Church selected Route 9 as its area and cleaned it Saturday, Hudson said.

Residents are asked to call Hudson with areas that especially need cleaning or for other information. She may be reached at 283-4012 during the day and 283-4258 evenings and weekends.



Closed

Bags cover the pumps at the Hoopeston Shell station which closed Monday. Further details were unavailable at press time.

Briefly

Book fair

You can pre-order the new Harry Potter book at the Middle School Book! The Scholastic Book Fair will be open in the Middle School Library through Wednesday April 16. Hours are from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. with a family event Wednesday from 3:30-7 p.m.

This is a great opportunity to do some Easter shopping, order your copy of *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*, and help improve the Middle School Library.

Correction

It was incorrectly reported in the April 9 issue that Sally Stipp will receive a Golden Ruler award. The award is being presented to Nancy Stipp.

In the same story, it was reported that the price of school lunches will go up by \$2. Lunch prices will actually go up to \$2. Just the Facts regrets the errors.

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More on dogs

In regards to the potential ban on pit bulls in Hoopeston, I say that is a bunch of bull. If these dogs have not bitten anyone, I see no basis for a ban on them unless the city council is going to base their decision on the opinion on paranoid neighbors.

What breed of dog is next? I have a Doberman Pinscher who is a big baby and barks like dogs do. If you ask the people that know him, I am sure that they would express the fact that he is more than likely to lick you to death than bite you.

I would also express my opinion that the reason that many of the dogs in town bark is the fact that cats run around Hoopeston like uncontrolled rats. I know because I have caught many cats in my live trap. The only people that are getting any satisfaction out of this process is the vet and any small fine that the city might receive. The cats are usually back out on the street the next day.

Letter to the Editor

To close, as far as Sergeant Dewitt's opinion on pit bulls, as far as I now, he is not an authority on animal behavior. This is my opinion. Paid for by the first amendment of the United States Constitution.

John Palmer
Hoopeston

And still more

This letter is in regards to the banning of pit bulls. I have two of my own and their actions are based on how they were raised. It's not just pit bulls that are aggressive. There are numerous types of dogs that are aggressive. If you would try to ban them from here, that would be like trying to ban a certain race from Hoopeston.

All dogs are the same, just like humans, and you can't judge them by their racial features or something one person has their dogs doing, like fighting, trying to bite people or just trying to scare

people.

Pit bulls are pets to some people like a rabbit is to others or like Maggie is to Officer Bolin. I am sure no one would like their pet taken away because of one person's actions. That would be like taking away a life-long companion.

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Police News

A 19-year-old woman reported Sunday that her 1999 Caprice was damaged while it was parked in the 800 block of East Young.

Saul Mendoza, 19, of Della Acres, Rankin, was arrested after a traffic stop at 4:24 p.m. Sunday at South Eighth Ave. and West Elm.

He was charged with driving while suspended, no valid registration and on a Vermilion County warrant for failure to appear and was released on \$219 cash bond on the warrant and on citations for the traffic offenses.

A 42-year-old man reported Monday that his Nokia cell phone was lost or stolen at Rtes. 1 and 9. If found, it may be turned in at the police station.

Weather



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