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Residents urged to listen for siren song during spring storms

In the lore of the sea, a siren song attracted sailors to their deaths but in the world of weather-watching, the sound sirens can save lives.

Hoopeston has two siren systems, said Earl Drollinger, Emergency Services and Disaster Agency (ESDA) coordinator.

The oldest system has sirens located on the city water tower and the Willdon Building. The newer system has sirens located near the Hoopeston Public Library and about a block north of the VFW. In the event of a severe storm or tornado, both sets of sirens sound with long blasts for three to five minutes.

The older sirens are also used as fire sirens with shorter tones and as part of the monthly siren testing program the first Tuesday of each month.

The new sirens are not used for fires or testing. "They're not set up that way," he said.

Drollinger or ESDA assistant director Rod Drollinger, decide when the sirens should be sounded for storms. That decision is based on information gained from certified weather spotters sent to locations outside the city limits, along with data from specialized weather programs on the computers of the Hoopeston Police Department and at the homes of two spotters.

Spotters, including both Drollingers and Jeremy Green and Jon Stuart in Hoopeston and Jeremy Green in Bismarck, have attended Sky Warn classes to receive their certification. "These guys have been trained and know what they're doing," Drollinger said.

See SIREN on other side



The Pride of Hoopeston

The Hoopeston Lions Club installed new officers Monday. Pictured are, front from left, Monty Read, lion tamer; Bob Hatfield, president; Jim Means, secretary; back row, John Reed, lion tamer; Chuck Pajor, board member; Phil Pajor, third vice; Russ Leigh, treasurer; Bob Butterworth, governor-elect, District 1E; and Scott Brown, vice president. Not pictured are Bill Crusinberry, second vice; Chad Yaden, tail twister, and board members Rich Thompson, Clark Johnson and Charlie Smith.

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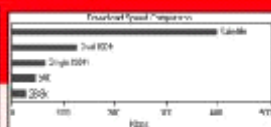
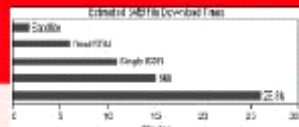
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Briefly

‘Beginning Again’

The Hoopeston Ministerial Association and Hoopeston Multi Agency will host an informational meeting on a newly-formed “Beginning Again” group.

The group offers support in a time of loss.

The first meeting will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 5 at the Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. Organizers hope to meet twice monthly, with one meeting offering professional leadership and the other a more casual sharing.

For more information or to arrange transportation, call Darryl McDaniel at (217) 283-6691 or the Multi Agency, 283-5544.

Dead Serious...About Life

Monday is the last day to pre-order tickets for *Dead Serious...About Life*, a presentation about teen problems to be presented at 7 p.m. June 11 and 12 at the McFerren Park Civic Center.

Siren continued from other side

If more spotters are needed, some auxiliary police officers and ambulance personnel have been trained and may be used but Drollinger said they are called out in severe situations only.

Spotters are sent to several locations, including Rt. 9 west of Hoopeston, west on Thompson and then a half-mile south; the first road west past Floral Hill Cemetery and on Lovers’ Lane Road.

Based on conditions at these locations, Drollinger decides whether Hoopeston is in imminent danger from a storm. If so, he notifies Hoopeston Police dis-

patch personnel to sound the sirens.

Sirens are meant to warn people who are outside that they need to seek shelter, Drollinger said. The sirens are not geared for people who are already in their homes. “If you’re indoors and hear it, that’s fine,” he said.

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The system works - most of the time. Due to equipment malfunction or human error, sometimes mistakes can happen but Drollinger said everyone involved in the process tries their best. And this year, they may get quite a bit of practice.

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‘Welcome’ sign to be put up

The Hoopeston Rotary Club plans to erect a welcome sign on Rt. 1 at the south edge of Hoopeston.

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Weather



Morning fog today. High 75. Tonight, chance of thunderstorms. Low 58. Tomorrow, thunderstorms. High 72, low 55.

For current weather conditions, **(217) 283-6221**.

Classifieds

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE MOVED - The office for Attica Terrace, Fortees and Wyman Terrace has moved from Bray’s General Store in Ross-ville to Wyman Terrace, Apartment A-1. Phone is (217) 283-4129. Jud Fenner, Site Manager.

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