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Senior services, beautification topics of Watch meeting

Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch attendees got two for the price of one Monday when two speakers shared the evening.

Kristi Hudson, local coordinator of Keep Vermilion County Beautiful, and Betty Shaffer, executive director of the Hoopeston Multi Agency, shared the spotlight.

Hudson talked about the newly-formed Trash Walkers group, a pilot program of volunteers who meet from 9-10 a.m. Saturdays to pick up trash in various areas around Hoopeston.

The group, in its fourth week, has collected trash near Honeywell, John Greer and Hoopeston Area High School and this week will meet behind Read

Chevrolet. "If we have as many volunteers as we did last week, we should be able to clean up all of Greater Hoopeston," Hudson said.

Hudson asked residents to pick up trash in their yards prior to mowing - and shredding - the trash. "That's the biggest pet peeve we garbage picker-uppers have," she said. "Of course the second peeve is picking up trash Saturday and seeing trash there again on Sunday."

Anyone who would like to volunteer for Trash Walkers is asked to meet at the designated weekly site.

Shaffer outlined the programs offered at the Multi Agency, including information and referral, transportation and Healthy Moms/Healthy Kids. Counseling

President of local company dies

The president of a local business has died.

John Steele, president of Hoopeston Foods, Inc., died unexpectedly on Friday, July 4 in Aikin, Minn. Mr. Steele, of Apple Valley, Minn., was 54.



JOHN STEELE

Mr. Steele was a member of a small investment group that purchased the former Pillsbury plant in Hoopeston in July, 1995.

Mr. Steele was previously worked for Pillsbury, selling the company's private label goods.

He is survived by his father, Lawrence, one son, two daughters, two brothers, two sisters and his fiancée.

Funeral services for Mr. Steele were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at White Funeral Home, Apple Valley. Visitation was 5-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

In accordance with his wishes, the body was

Wiccans set to speak at August Neighborhood Watch meeting

Members of the Wicca group who planned to open a witch school in Hoopeston will be the featured speakers at the Aug. 4 Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch meeting.

Police Chief Mark Drollinger announced the speakers at Monday's meeting. Admitting the subject is controversial, Drollinger said "If they're going to come here, we can duck our heads and hide or we can find out about it."

Drollinger hopes the meeting will have "open minded discussion" and said members of the Correllian group "are forthcoming. They'll be glad to speak with any group within reason."

Seating at the meeting, held at Country Terrace, is limited. Those who regularly attend Neighborhood Watch will have reserved seats. Seats will then be open to Hoopeston residents and then those out of town.

For more information, call the police station at

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Letters to the Editor



Editor's Note: the following letter is in response to one written by Massachusetts attorney Dana Eilers on the WitchSchool controversy.

My fellow Hoopestonians,

I figure that the above attorney is one of those pompous New Englanders who look down the tip of their noses at us so called backward Midwesterners. You know the type.

He or she is probably one of those socialistic liberal types who know what is best for everybody.


Well, I think studying the dark side is not good for us and is certainly a bad example for our children. I also think shame on the individual who sold the building to these witches.

It goes to show that in this depressed town people will do just about anything to make money. Even deal with the Devil and his guardians of evil his witches.


I myself, am going to purchase this attorneys book which will save me from making a trip to the store for toilet paper.

The one above will bring me everlasting light not darkness from below. GOD BLESS AMERICA!

John S. Palmer



Police News



The black and yellow Next bicycle reported stolen was claimed by the owner Tuesday.

A 44-year-old Hoopeston woman reported Tuesday that someone took a green 1994 Mercury Topaz from the 700 block of East Wyman.

Danny K. Bryant, 46, of 611 Lyle, Milford, was arrested at 3 p.m. Tuesday at city hall.

services are available at the Multi Agency through many

~~See WATCH on other side~~

Bryant, wanted on a Kankakee warrant, was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

A 51-year-old Hoopeston man reported Tuesday that a Schwinn Frontier bicycle was taken from the 800 block of East Elm.

The bicycle was found Wednesday. It had been borrowed by a friend.

Watch continued from other side
area agencies.


Other popular offerings is the agency's transportation program, which takes senior citizens, those with disabilities and Multi Agency clients on in- and out-of-town trips and the community potluck, held the second Thursday of each month. Rep. Dan Rutherford is scheduled to speak at today's potluck at 11:30 a.m.

Two new programs may be of special interest to seniors, she said. One is a new drug purchasing club started by the state of Illinois. The group is for those who are 65 or older or disabled and, for a \$25 administrative fee, may receive reduced prices on prescriptions.

Anyone interested in the program, which is not based on income, may call the Area Agency on Aging Helpline at (800) 252-8966.

The second program is the national Do Not Call Registry for telemarketers.

Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today. High 82. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 62. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 82, low 65.

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

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