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Briefly

Multi Agency van schedule

This week's schedule for the Hoopeston Multi Agency transportation project is: Monday, Hoopeston/Rossville shuttle; Tuesday, Kankakee, (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: Monday, ladies cards, noon; Tuesday, ladies euchre, noon; Thursday, men's coffee 9:30 a.m., men's euchre, noon; Friday, ladies cards, noon.

Music Booster winners

This week's winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing are: Aug. 18, Barbara Egnew; Aug. 19, Nikki Davis; Aug. 20, Ann Weber; Aug. 21, Ellen Dobkins; Aug. 22, Evelyn Swartz.

Mobile office hours

A representative of U.S. Rep. Tim Johnson will hold Mobile Office hours Monday in northern Vermilion County. The schedule includes:
Rankin Library, 10-11 a.m.

Hoopeston City Hall, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Rossville City Hall, 1-2 p.m.

Bowling meetings

- Tuesday Night Classic League will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Pla-Mor Lanes. Anyone interested in bowling is urged to attend. If unable to attend, call Randy Hiltz, Doug Wagoner or Pla-Mor Lanes. Bowling starts Sept. 2.
- Fall leagues are now forming. Anyone interested in bowling may call Pla-Mor Lanes, 283-5195.

Road work

CIPS will move light poles and trim trees on South Market which may result in detours and traffic congestion. Residents are asked to use another route.

Meetings

- Rossville Village Board, 7 p.m. Monday, village office.
- Rossville-Alvin School Board, 7 p.m. Monday, grade school library.
- Hoopeston City Council, 7 p.m. Tuesday, city hall.
- Hoopeston Area School Board, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, high school library.



Police News



Charles D. Landers, 36, of 105 S. Bank, was arrested at 3:45 p.m. Thursday at city hall. He was charged with domestic battery on a complaint from a 29-year-old Hoopeston woman.

Landers was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Maricela G. Ybarra, 28, of 521 S. First Ave., was arrested at 5:25 p.m. Thursday in the 500 block of South First Ave.

Ybarra, wanted on a Benton County, Ind., warrant, was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Jackie C. Mosier, 20, of 710 E. Wyman D-3, was arrested at 4:40 p.m. Thursday in the 700 block of East Wyman.

Mosier, wanted on a Vermilion County warrant, was released on \$300 cash bond.

A bicycle reported stolen Aug. 14 was found Friday in the 300 block of South Market.

A 62-year-old Hoopeston man reported Friday that someone broke a window at his home in the 900 block of Sells Dr.

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Letter to the Editor

Ordinance “not worth paper it’s printed on”

I cannot leave my old dog out in peace up here on East McCracken because of numerous cats that are left to run at will during the day and night. Especially this one cat, which, as far as I am concerned, was abandoned by the people who own the property near my house. Nobody lives in the house to watch the cat. The property owners think they can meet their responsibility by coming over once a day and leaving food and water for the cat on the front porch. Through their ignorance, they do not realize that the cat is going hungry because all of the other cats are eating its food. Therefore, it has to prowl the neighborhood for food. The cat is always on my property aggravating my dog along with one of my neighbor’s dogs who has scratched the door badly at their house because of this cat.

Sure, I have got in touch with the animal control officer and played the by the law game. The law’s idea of enforcement is to call the property owner and ask them to do the right thing and control the cat voluntarily instead of putting their foot down and enforcing the law. I had to complain many times before the law would even issue a ticket. Now it is going to take 30 days before the

owners of the property have to go before a judge. Meanwhile, the cat is still roaming around the neighborhood, hungry with no tags or shots actually putting the public in danger of rabies transmission. I might add that this cat is roaming around children at a day-care center every day.

I know there are many responsible cat owners out there but, there are by far many more irresponsible cat owners in Hoopeston. This is why I say the cat ordinance is not worth the paper it’s written on. It has no teeth and is rarely enforced. If I let my dog run around like many cat owners leave their cats run around, the law would be down here in a heartbeat. I need help now, and cannot wait around until the law figures out what they want to do.

The sad thing is that the property owners of where the cat has been abandoned only live two blocks away. The real victim in this whole mess is the cat. He just wants something to eat. I do not blame the cat. I actually like cats but, like any other domestic animal they have to be controlled and in my opinion the City of Hoopeston’s Animal Control system is broke and is not up to the job. No, I do not blame the cat. I blame the system and the irresponsible owners of the property where the cat lives.

Police continued from other side

Shirley D. York, 78, of Hoopeston, was ticketed for failing to yield at an intersection after an accident at 3:34 p.m. Friday.

Police said York, in a 1998 Mercury, was southbound on South Fourth St., entered the intersection of East Main and hit a 2003 Honda driven by Cory W. Borders, also of Hoopeston.

A passenger in Borders’ vehicle complained of

head and neck pain and was expected to seek medical treatment.

A 39-year-old Hoopeston man reported Friday that someone took numerous items from a 1989 Toyota parked in the 200 block of West Elm.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 2:06 p.m. Saturday at Jerry’s IGA, 1030 W. Chestnut.

Police said Damon C. Butler of Hoopeston, in a 1993 Chevrolet, was leaving the parking lot, veered and hit a parked 2001 Pontiac owned by Tosha Piper, also of Hoopeston.


Obituaries

McKIBBEN - Orlo A. “Mac” McKibben Jr., 62, and Carolyn E. McKibben, 61, of Wellington, died Wednesday morning, Aug. 13, 2003 after a fire in their home. Funeral services were at 3 p.m. Saturday at Knapp Funeral Home, Milford. Visitation was one hour before services at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Weather

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