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Call 283-5531 for additional information

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2003 corn yield expected to break Illinois record high

SPRINGFIELD—Illinois corn for grain yield for 2003 is expected to be a record-breaking 169 bushels per acre, up 15 bushels from the Sept. 1 forecast, according to the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

"Farmers haven't had a harvest like this one since 1994, the year the previous record was set at 156 bushels, said ag department statistician Brad Schwab. "The increase in yield was the result of a much higher than expected grain weight. Mother Nature was extremely kind to farmers this year by providing cooler than normal temperatures and no major weather or pest factors

have occurred in the last month to hinder crop yields."

If expectations hold true, production would reach a record 1.87 billion bushels with this yield, 25 percent more than the corn produced in 2002, and five percent greater than the previous record production set in 1994.

Harvest is progressing well with many farmers waiting for the crop to dry down or switching to soybeans as they mature.

Thirty-two percent of the crop was harvested as of Oct. 5, compared to 33 percent last year at this time and the average of 42 percent.

TEAM IMPACT to make second Hoopeston appearance

Show features brute strength, testimony

Feats of strength will be combined messages of inspiration and inspiration as TEAM IMPACT returns to Hoopeston.

The Texas-based group breaks down barriers with their audiences by breaking bricks, ice and performing other feats.

Mixed with their performances are Christian testimony and motivational messages for young people.

The group is performing at 7 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday night at the McFerren Park Civic Center.

Suggested admission cost is a \$2 donation at the door.

The national group is made up



of 27 members which are divided into smaller groups that travel the world.

Performances include such acts as lighting ice on fire and then breaking it, as well as breaking baseball bats, bending steel bars, smashing full pop cans and tearing two-inch thick telephone books.

Different feats will be performed each night so residents are encouraged to attend more than one performance.

Press photo

Barry Handley of TEAM IMPACT demonstrates his strength in this photo provided by the organization. Members of the team will be in Hoopeston through Sunday.



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Briefly

Bazaar

The Rossville Methodist Church Women will hold their annual bazaar Saturday. Doors open at 9. Home-made candy, country store, holiday gifts and variety shops will be available. A chicken and noodle dinner will begin at 11 a.m.

Bowling for Toys

The Ford County ABATE chapter will have "Bowling for Toys and Joys Saturday at Pla-Mor Lanes. Sign in will be from 5-6. Bowlers are asked to bring a new toy to be donated to the Hoopeston Multi Agency. Cash donations will also be accepted.

Jewelry sale

Today is the last day to take advantage of a jewelry sale benefiting Hoopeston Area Health Care Foundation. The sale, sponsored by Unger's Jewelry, is being held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital lobby.

A portion of all sales will be donated to the foundation. This is the third year the Ungers have hosted the event.

Stop smoking

The Vermilion County Health Department is offering free adult smoking cessation classes on Wednesdays Oct. 22, 29 and Nov. 5 and 12 at the YWCA, 201 N. Hazel, Danville. Classes begin at 6:30 p.m. Up to four weeks of nicotine replacement patches will be offered to those completing the class.

To register, call (217) 431-2662, ext. 241 or 302.

Girls, leaders wanted

Green Meadows Council of Girl Scouts is organizing for the 2004 program year and both girls and adult volunteers are wanted and welcome. Girl Scouts serves girls ages 5-17. For more information, call (800) 328-5112 or visit www.greenmead-grlsct.org.

Halloween party

The Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce will host a

Obituaries

BAER - Ora J. Baer, 91, of Hoopeston, died at 1 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2003 at Heritage Manor in Mt. Zion. Arrangements are incomplete at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home.

Halloween part from 2-3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26 at the McFerren Park Civic Center. Costume prizes will be awarded from age birth-10, games, refreshments and fun

Hunter safety course

The Vermilion County Sheriff's Department will hold a Hunter Safety Course from 6-9 p.m. Oct. 24 and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 25 at Rossville American Legion, 104 Thompson Ave. Attendance on both days is required. Students should bring a sack lunch Saturday. Capacity is limited. To reserve a seat, call (217) 442-4080.

Rutherford announces bid for re-election to state senate

State Senator Dan Rutherford (R-Pontiac) will run for a second term in the Illinois State Senate next year. Rutherford made his public announcement last week before hundreds of supporters at his annual chicken dinner in Pontiac.

"Eleven years ago, I went to the General Assembly making jobs my number one priority," Rutherford said. "I will revisit that same priority. We have to get people back to work if we want to get the economy back on track."

Long term care funding is also at the top of his to-do list. "Many of us have family members in a long-term care facility," he said. "We are also facing the reality that we must plan for our own future. I want to ensure these homes are available and suitable for families well into the future.

Rutherford also comment on the ag economy, saying the development and marking of new uses for ag products will be of extreme importance in the coming years.

Police News



A boy's Street Blade bicycle that had been turned into police was claimed by the owner Tuesday.

Weather



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