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Hoopeston Area board turns down request to use Jerky

A request to use the Cornjerker mascot on a billboard in Hoopeston was turned down by the school board Thursday.

Two Hoopeston Area students, Josh Friant and Mike Farrell, had asked permission to use the Jerky on a billboard.

The students, who work at Hoopeston Books and Gifts, were asked by business owner Ed Hubbard to create a billboard of things they love about Hoopeston. The project began about two and a half months ago, Hubbard said.

In support of using Jerky, Jeff Keith, also of

Hoopeston Books and Gifts, said he felt the students were trying to educate people who come to town about the unique mascot, which, he said, could be used as a marketing tool to help the district's finances.

The board, however, voted to retain control on the copyrighted symbol. "If we ever start letting individuals use it, I don't know where we'd stop," said board president Larry Lobb. "How would you close the door?"

The board voted 6-0 to disallow use of the Jerky. Member Duane Sheppard abstained and, after the meeting, said he had "mixed emotions on it. I can see

Briefly

Multi Agency van schedule

This week's schedule for the Hoopeston Multi Agency transportation project is: Monday, Hoopeston shuttle; Tuesday, Lafayette, Ind. (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 bridge, noon; Tuesday, ladies euchre, noon; Thursday, men's coffee, 9:30 a.m., community potluck and men's euchre, noon; Friday, ladies cards, noon.

Music Booster winners

This week's winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing are: April 19, David and Debra Lankford; April 20, Family Style Beauty Salon; April 21, Ron and Elsie Cloud; April 22, Kenny Blakey; April 23, Russell Walder, Rankin.

Tiny Tots

"Dinosaurs" is the theme of this week's Tiny Tots story program at the Hoopeston Public Library

children's room.

Tiny Tots meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 10:30 a.m. Fridays and is for children ages 1-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

Church to study 'Purpose'

The Milford Christian Church family will be celebrating "40 Days of Purpose" beginning at 7 p.m. April 24 with a kick off at the church gymnasium and April 25 during regular Sunday worship.

Small home-based study groups in the area will present a video series and worship opportunities following the book, The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren. For information or to sign up for a group, call (815) 889-4474 or 889-4674 or e-mail milfordcc@hotmail.com.

Meetings

- Rossville Village Board, 7 p.m. Monday, village office.
- Rossville-Alvin School Board, 7 p.m. Monday, high school library.

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Entries may be dropped off at Unger's Jewelry or the Chronicle

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\$50 prize for the winning entry!

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Police News

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A **36-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported Thursday that the temporary license plate was missing from her 1995 Dodge Ram. The plate is 1165838.

Jason A. Cox, 20, of 302 W. Penn, was ticketed for failure to yield after stopping and driving while license suspended following an accident at 12:35 p.m. Friday.

Police said Cox, in a 2001 Dodge, was southbound on Bank, stopped, entered the intersection at East Main and collided with a 1988 Chevrolet driven by Paul Strawser of Rankin.

No injuries were reported.

A **blue Nokia** cell phone was found Friday on Rt. 9 by Casey's General Store. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Rafael Resendez, 18, of 709 S. Third St., where

See **JERKY** on other side

Jerky continued from other side

it could be beneficial to the community," he said.

This is not the first time someone has wanted to use the Jerky, although many others do not ask. Walmart was the most recent to use the symbol without permission, said Superintendent Mark Conolly. The store had stadium blankets made with the Jerky but pulled them after school attorney Bill Nelson intervened.

In unrelated action, the board took no action on a plan to eliminate high school golf and cross country teams.

"It's something the board's been working on for a couple of months," Lobb said. While the board had considered cutting the sports, it feels that with a possible Rossville-Alvin deactivation, Hoopeston Area "will be directly competing for Rossville-Alvin students," he said. Dropping the teams might result in some R-A students not choosing Hoopeston Area. "I just don't want to see Hoopeston Area be noncompetitive in any way," he said.

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was arrested at 12:50 a.m. Saturday in the alley north of the 300 block of East Main.

He was charged with criminal damage to property after police said he broke out the rear driver's side window of a squad car.

According to police, Resendez was put in the squad car after police responded to a fight call. He was released on \$100 cash bond.

Michael A. Burke, 19, of 322 W. Lincoln, received three tickets after an accident at 4:20 p.m. Saturday at Honeywell and Market.

Police said Burke, in a 1994 Dodge, failed to stop at the intersection and hit a 1991 Dodge driven by Carrie M. Gray of Hoopeston.

Burke was ticketed for leaving the scene of a property damage accident, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

Board members Jeff Stipp, John Smiley and Mark Eighner agreed with Lobb. Sheppard said he would "rather shine in academics but I'll go along with the majority."

Board member Mark Wagoner said the sports should be cut in light of budget-related staff cuts.

In other business, the board approved the resignations of Josh McCarty, high school P.E. teacher;

Obituaries

LINDSEY - Frank E. "Pa Paw" Lindsey, 64, of Hoopeston died at 7:58 p.m. Thursday, April 15, 2004 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation was 6-8 p.m. Sunday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Weather

Chance of thunderstorms today, tonight and tomorrow. High today 75, low 49. High tomorrow 68, low 50.

For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Service, (217) 283-6221.

Classifieds

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