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Stipp to move, resign from Hoopeston Area School Board

Hoopeston Area board member Jeff Stipp will resign from the board, effective at the July meeting.

Stipp made the announcement at Thursday's board meeting.

"Sometimes life deals you a hand you don't expect and you just go with the flow," Stipp said after telling the board of his decision.



STIPP

The Hoopeston native said he and his family will move to the Danville area to accommodate both his and his wife's careers.

Board president Larry Lobb expressed sorrow at Stipp's leaving. "You've been a very, very good board member," he said.

Superintendent Mark Conolly said the board has 30 days from Stipp's effective resignation date to appoint a replacement. If they do not, the regional superintendent will name one.

Whoever is chosen will face re-election in

April 2005 when Stipp's term ends. He was first elected to the board in November 1997.

In unrelated business, the board:

- approved a contract with Isaksen-Glerum architectural firm of Champaign for a 10-year Life Safety study. Under the contract, for \$14,915, the company will review all buildings for work that needs to be done to comply with Life Safety codes.

- accepted a bid from McMurray insurance for district insurance. The bid was \$64,121, about \$4,000 less than the next bid, Lobb said.

- learned the district will again qualify for a clean energy grant of up to \$18,916.

This is the second year the district has qualified for a full grant, which will be used to switch to more efficient light bulbs, said building administrator Darrell Brown.

- heard from principals about changes in student handbooks. The handbooks are expected to be approved at the July 15 meeting.

- learned Kristi Hudson will do vision/hearing

Florida man shoots trooper in Iroquois County, kills self

State Police investigating

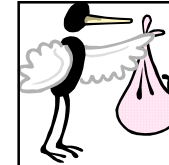
A Florida man shot an Illinois State trooper trying to make a traffic stop, then later killed himself.

According to a press release from the Illinois State Police at Ashkum, the unidentified trooper was on patrol at about 8:30 p.m. Friday when he saw a Chevrolet El Camino run a stop sign at the intersection of U.S. Route 24 and Illinois 49 in Crescent City. The trooper turned on his emergency lights and the driver pulled over. As the trooper approached the vehicle, the driver got out and started firing a gun at

the trooper, hitting him in his bulletproof vest and hand. The trooper was taken to Carle Foundation Hospital. He was expected to be released Saturday.

The trooper apparently returned fire on the man, Michael Geary, 37, of Hobe Sound, Fla. Geary left the scene but was found about 12 miles away, on U.S. 24 and Illinois 115 in Piper City. Another trooper, assisted by the Ford County Sheriff's Department and Piper City police, stopped Geary again. It was then that he apparently shot and killed himself.

The incident is being investigated by the



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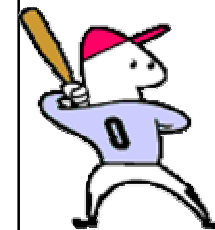
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Briefly

Multi Agency van schedule

This week's schedule for the Hoopeston Multi Agency transportation project is: Monday, Hoopeston/Rossville shuttle; Tuesday, Vermilion County Fair, Danville (leave at 9 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., men's euchre, noon; Friday, ladies cards, noon.

Music Booster winners

This week's winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing are: June 21, Matt Alt; June 22, Daphne High; June 23, Bob Davis; June 24, Sally Sheppard; June 25, Kathy A. Stevens.

Meetings

- Rossville Village Board, 7 p.m. Monday, village office.
- Rossville-Alvin School Board, 7 p.m. Mon-



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Alice A. Russell, 38, of 846 E. Seminary, was arrested at 10:20 a.m. Thursday at the police station. Russell, wanted on a Vermilion County warrant for failure to appear, was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

A **40-year-old** Hoopeston man reported Thursday that he returned home to find his garage door forced open. The burglary occurred in the 500 block of Judson.

A **37-year-old** Hoopeston man reported Friday that someone damaged his 1997 Mercury while it was parked in the 600 block of South Third St.

Someone from Hoopeston Area School District reported Friday that windows were broken at John Greer and Maple grade schools.

The **operations manager** of Community Bank reported Friday that the bank received a counterfeit \$5 bill.

A **28-year-old** Hoopeston man reported Friday that someone took two Nito powered remote control cars from his garage. The burglary occurred in the 800 block of East Seminary.

A **black cell phone** was found Friday at

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Second Ave. and Orange. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Neighbors of a Hoopeston man reported Friday that someone entered and left the man's home in the 600 block of East Washington. It was undetermined if anything was taken.

A **33-year-old** Milford man reported Saturday that someone broke a window on his truck while it was parked in the 500 block of South Dixie Hwy.

Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident Saturday in the alley between North Sixth St. and East Young. An unknown vehicle hit a cable box, causing extensive damage, then fled the scene. Charter Cable was notified.

A **35-year-old** Hoopeston man reported that, in the last week, someone took two swords, a knife and pool cue from his home in the 100 block of East Lincoln. Several glass items had been broken throughout the house.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 3:48 p.m. Saturday at Sixth Ave. and West Thompson.

Police said Nathan S. Alliss of Hoopeston, in a 1995 Dodge, overcompensated when he hit

Obituaries

DAHLQUIST - Vontella M. Dahlquist, 81, of Milford, died at 8:50 p.m. Tuesday, June 15, 2004 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Nursing Home. Funeral services were Saturday at Knapp Funeral

Lunch Menus



CRIS/SAMS Meals

MONDAY: Polish sausage, whipped potatoes, sauerkraut, bun, cherry gelatin/fruit cocktail.

TUESDAY: Chopped steak, parsley buttered potatoes, glazed diced carrots, wheat bread, pineapple chunks.

WEDNESDAY: Sub meet & cheese/sub bun, potato chips, pears, peanut butter cookie, salad dressing.

THURSDAY: Oven fried chicken, whipped potatoes, spinach, wheat bread, strawberry gelatin sheet cake.

FRIDAY: Cubed steak, baked potato, peas, white bread, cooked cinnamon apples w/raisins.

Home, Milford. Burial was in Maple Grove Cemetery, Milford. Visitation was Friday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to United Methodist Church, Milford or a charity of the donor's choice.

TERRY - Ray Terry, 91, of Hoopeston died at 7:10 a.m. Thursday, June 17, 2004 at his daughter's home near Wellington. Services and burial will be private. There will be no visitation. Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Memorials are Suggested to Chestnut Street Church of Christ, 709 E. Chestnut St., Hoopeston, IL

Weather



Thunderstorms likely today and tonight. High 77, low 60. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 77, low 57.

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

gravel, swerved and went into a ditch on the north side of the road, striking a utility pole.

Brian L. Smith, 29, of 719 E. Seminary, was arrested after a traffic stop at 2:28 a.m. Sunday in the 600 block of East Young. Smith was charged with driving on revocation and was released on \$100 cash bond.

Officers discovered a window broken at Hoopeston Area High

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