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Health department announces some flu vaccine available

Vermilion County health officials say they now expect to receive at least a limited amount of influenza vaccine. "Late last week we received word a limited supply of



Let there be light

Dana Haley of Haley Electric installs a red flashing light at the intersection of Market and Penn last week. The light is the top part of the old streetlights that were at the corner prior to road construction. Hoopeston officials decided not to purchase new lights due to the cost but, Haley said, street and alley superintendent Dave Knake found the old lights were divided into three pieces and saved the city money by utilizing the red parts of the traffic signals.

vaccine will be available for us to distribute to high risk populations in Vermilion County during December," said Public Health Administrator Stephen Laker. "Once we received word of the limited availability, we began working to determine how to best utilize it". The health department will announce how the vaccine will be distributed in a few weeks. "Giving flu vaccine in December is later than normal," Laker said, "but well within the traditional December through March flu season."

Vermilion County has been assured 2,750 doses of influenza vaccine – half the county's original request for the coming flu season. Last year's records show the health department gave over 5,400 flu vaccinations. "We also know that about 4,000 of those flu shots – 75% - went to those most at risk according to CDC guidelines," Laker said. This year, he anticipates a greater demand since there is such a limited supply. "Anytime there is a declared shortage, it increases demand," he said adding, "but our obligation to Vermilion County residents is to ensure that we protect those populations most vulnerable to influenza".

Laker encouraged healthy adults to forego flu shots this year, and he is encouraging Vermilion County health providers to follow the recommended guidelines for those who should be immunized. "We will have such a limited supply of vaccine, we want to make sure it gets to those who most need it," adding, "We may even have to prioritize those priorities already set by the CDC."

Centers for Disease Control guidelines say those most at risk are: children age 5 to 23 months; adults age 65 and older; people age 2 to 64 with underlying medical conditions; women who will be pregnant during flu season; nursing home and long term care residents; children 6 months to 18 years who are on chronic aspirin therapy;

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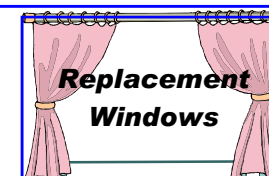


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Father to walk for heart health

The 2004 Vermilion County Heart Walk will be held on Saturday, Oct. 23 at the V.A. Illiana Health System Pavilion. Registration and the Health Fair will begin at 9 a.m., and the walk will start at 10 a.m.

This year's Heart Walk is dedicated to the memory of my son, Carter, who passed away in January of this year. Carter was born with a heart defect called Hypoplas-

tic Left Heart Syndrome. Before the early 1980's, children born with this defect could not survive more than a few days. Due to the efforts of the American Heart Association and organizations like it, treatment for this defect is now possible. Though treatment is possible, it is perilous and very complex. Continued research is

needed to perfect this and many other treatments for heart defects.

The American Heart Association is the largest voluntary health organization working to prevent, treat and defeat heart disease, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases. Since 1924, the American Heart Association

has helped protect people of all ages and ethnicities from the ravages of heart disease and stroke.

The Heart Walk helps fight heart disease and stroke by raising money to support lifesaving research, professional and public education, and advocacy so people across America can live stronger, longer lives. It also helps people take the first steps toward a heart-healthy lifestyle by becoming more physically active.

If you would like to make a donation by sponsoring a walker, like myself, or would like to become a walker yourself, please contact me at (217) 283-5150.

Thank you,
Jeff Wise

Briefly

Tiny Tots

“Johnny Appleseed” 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

Police News



A 44-year-old Hoopeston man reported Sunday that someone took Halloween decorations from his yard in the 700 block of East McCracken.

Vaccine continued from other side

health care workers in direct patient care; out of home caregivers and household contacts with children less than 6 months of age.

Flu shots will cost \$18, as previously announced by the health department. “I urge people to use common sense and not fall prey to exorbitant prices for flu shots,” Laker said. Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan last week urged consumers to watch for price gouging as has occurred in other states where flu vaccine is in short supply.

The health department will *not* establish a waiting list. Information on Vermilion County flu clinics will be posted on their website at www.vchd.org, and announced through the local media.

Community Health Services Director Lynn Galloway said, “This will be a difficult year in which our residents will have to rely on good, old fashioned preventive medicine.” As the flu season approaches, public health reminds people to use greater care in washing their hands frequently and correctly. Galloway urged parents to take the time to teach their children to correctly wash

accompanied by an adult.

Breast cancer awareness

In honor of October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Hoopeston Regional Hospital is offering a mammogram special Nov. 1-5 and 8-12, allowing women to have the test done at a significantly reduced rate. To schedule an appointment, call the radiology department at (217) 283-8252.

Road closed

Route 9 will be closed this week at the Cheneyville railroad crossing. Thompson Ave. is the detour

their hands often to reduce the spread of germs. In addition, keep alcohol-based hand cleaner for a back up if hot water and soap are not available; cover your mouth when you cough, but not with your bare hand; clean and disinfect surfaces at home and work; avoid contact with people who are sick; do not go to work or school if you are sick; if you do not feel well, please do not visit hospitals or long term care facilities; if you feel sick, call your doctor. Symptoms of flu include fever, headache, tiredness (extreme), dry cough, sore throat, nasal congestion, body aches.

The Vermilion County Health Department will have pneumonia vaccine available by appointment only. Call (217) 431-2662 for information or for an appointment.

Weather



Partly cloudy today and tonight. High 64, low 52. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 68, low 51.

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



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