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Health department has flu vaccine for chronically ill seniors

The Vermilion County Health Department is currently accepting telephone calls to pre-screen adults for flu shots. Only Vermilion County adults age 65 and older with documented chronic illness are eligible for this first round of immunizations by appointment, according to Director of Community Health Services Lynn Galloway. Those who qualify will be scheduled for immunization later this month.



Missionaries to speak

The First Church of God on East Orange, Hoopeston, will host African missionaries Matt and Elaine Collins as guest speakers. The couple, who serve in Kenya, will speak at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14 at the church about how they were called to missionary work in Africa. Fellowship will follow their presentation with finger foods from the congregation and an African dessert. Everyone is invited to attend.

zation later this month.

No walk-in flu immunizations will be available. "Based on the telephone screenings, we will allocate specific amounts of vaccine to be used in both the north and south areas of the county as well as at our Danville site," Galloway said. She adds, "We hope to make flu immunizations as accessible as possible to those who most need it." Cost of flu shots is \$18.

The health department has received one half (2,750 doses) of the of flu vaccine originally ordered. "Once we knew we would receive a partial order, we began to look at how we can effectively ensure those who are

See FLU on other side

Hoopeston Area drama students to present *Sandbag, Stage Left*

The Hoopeston Area High School Drama Department will present *Sandbag, Stage Left* on Nov. 12 and 13. Performances will be at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Sandbag, Stage Left, written by John Anthony, is a hilarious send-up of courtroom dramas and murder trials. Arnold Meddle is accused of killing his wife by dropping a sandbag on her during a community theatre presentation of *Hello Dolly!* However, his inept attorney ends up turning the trial into a circus, and the constantly disruptive jury doesn't help, either. It's a show filled with memorable lines, goofy witnesses, and fun audience participation.

The production stars Shannon Beaty, Brittany Slack, Scott Chism, Mitchell Lankford, Samantha Johnson, and Jeremy Dobkins, with a supporting cast of up to 35 students.

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Gail Brenner

Briefly

Music Booster winners

This week's winners in the Hoopeston Area Mu-
sic Booster calendar drawing are: Nov. 8, KBA Ltd.,
(donated back); Nov. 9, Dale McCord; Nov. 10, Craftsmen
Printing; Nov. 11, Fr. Tony Lee; Nov. 12, Sharon Dixon.

There will be a Music Booster meeting at 7 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 15 in the chorus room. Everyone is invited.

Tiny Tots

Fire Calls



The Hoopeston Fire De-
partment was called at 10:14 a.m. Saturday to a trash
barrel smoking in the 200 block of East Main.

Police News



A Hoopeston man's address was incorrectly
listed in the Nov. 2 issue. Brandyn Calloway's ad-
dress should have read 812 E. Elm.

Jorge A. Paredes, 24, of 307 Front was ar-
rested at 8:37 a.m. Sunday after a traffic stop at Mar-
ket and Maple. He was charged with no valid
driver's license, operating an uninsured motor vehi-
cle and disobeying a traffic control device (stop
sign).

Paredes was released on \$200 cash bond

Flu continued from other side

most at risk will be immunized," said Administrator
Stephen Laker. He added, "We are not comfortable
having to set such specific priorities, but with only lim-
ited vaccine available, we have no choice".

According to Galloway, the health department has
established three levels of priority within the guidelines
recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention: Level One - those ages 65 and older with
documented chronic illness; Level Two - those 19 years
of age and older with documented chronic illness; Level
Three - those individuals who are over the age of 65.
Galloway said the health department will begin immu-
nizing the Level One risk group this month, and then
include other risk categories as vaccine is available.
"Following careful consideration," Galloway said, "We
believe this plan will enable us to immunize much of the
Vermilion County population considered most vulner-
able to the effects of flu." She said the plan has been
designed to prevent the elderly and those with health
problems from waiting in long lines. "We feel the pre-
screenings will prevent problems that could have arisen

by offering shots on a walk-in basis as was done in the
past when the vaccine supply was greater."

Laker said a portion of the vaccine will be held for
local nursing homes. "We continue to be told there is
vaccine available for nursing homes," he said, "But we
are keeping some vaccine in reserve in case we need to
help out vulnerable nursing home residents and home-
bound individuals."

Those 65 and over with chronic illness who have not
received a flu shot should call the health department at
(217) 431-2662 for a pre-screening. As vaccine is avail-
able and additional clinics are set, local media will be
notified and information will be posted on the health
department's website www.vchd.org.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 53, low 37. Tomor-
row, mostly sunny, chance of showers late. High 58, low
32.

For current weather conditions, call Hoopes-

"Charlie Needs a Cloak" 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.

Youth football election

The Hoopeston Youth Football board will
hold its yearly election of officers at 5 p.m. Sunday,
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terested in being on the board or who would like to be

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