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Police News



A 29-year-old Hoopeston woman reported Thursday that someone took an undisclosed amount of money from the 700 block of East Orange.

A 44-year-old Hoopeston man reported Thursday that someone broke a window in the 300 block of West Elm.

Anthony J. Chandler, 23, of 614 E. McNeil was arrested at 12:49 a.m. Friday at Front and Thompson. He was wanted on two Vermilion County traffic warrants for failure to appear.

Chandler was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville in lieu of bond.

Ken L. Stone, 60, of 326 W. Washington was arrested at 8:25 a.m. Friday in the 300 block of West Washington. Stone, wanted on an Iroquois County warrant for contempt of court, was taken to Watseka by Iroquois County authorities.

A 29-year-old Hoopeston man reported Saturday that someone tried prying the doors of his home in the 800 block of East Honeywell.

Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident reported at 6:15 p.m. Sunday in the Jerry's IGA parking lot, 1020 W. Chestnut.

Police said an unknown vehicle hit a parked 1998 Pontiac owned by Connis S. Page of Hoopeston.

A 33-year-old Rankin woman reported Sunday that her vehicle was damaged while it was

Letters to the Editor



'Sore losers' try to change deactivation

America is known as a Democratic Society, meaning the majority rules. In November's general election, the voters in the Rossville-Alvin school district voted to deactivate Rossville-Alvin High School next year. As one of 761 voters that voted to deactivate the high school, I now feel slapped across the face by a group of Rossville residents who are attempting to place a proposal on the April election ballot asking voters to reactivate the school.

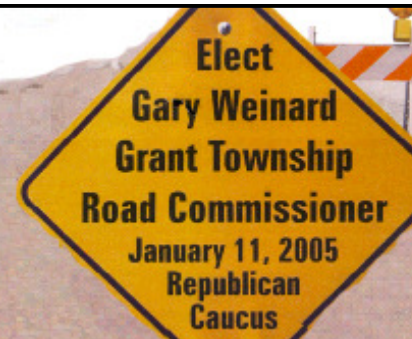
This group has written local newspapers expounding the reasons why they are attempting to do this. Their article makes a poor attempt to inform the readers that they are not sore losers but as a resident of Rossville,

- District 1 County Board member
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Briefly

Tiny Tots

"Fairy Tales" is the theme of this week's Tiny Tots story program in the Hoopeston Public Library Children's room. Tiny Tots is held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 10:30 a.m. Fridays and is open to children ages 1-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

Multi Agency van schedule

This week's schedule for the Hoopeston Multi Agency transportation project is: Tuesday, Champaign, (leave at 9 a.m.); Wednesday, Danville; Thursday,

Obituaries

HARI - Maxine Hari, 80, of Cissna Park died at 11:15 a.m. Friday, Dec. 31, 2004 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Monday at Apostolic Christian Church, Cissna Park. Burial was in Apostolic Christian Cemetery. Visitation was 2-6 p.m. Sunday at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park. Memorials are suggested to Fairview Haven Nursing Home, Fairbury.

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sore losers is the only words that come to my mind unless they have hidden motives not mentioned in their article."

I hope that the 761 voters that voted for deactivating the high school are upset as I am and will let their feeling be known to these crybabies.

Ray Garmon
 Rossville

Miracle Tree workers say thanks

To all those who participated in the 2004 Miracle Tree program in any way, please accept our hearty and heartfelt thank you again for helping to make Christmas a happy time for a large number of children and their families in Grant Township. Thanks go to all those who took tags from the Miracle Trees and bought gifts and to all those who made donations of toys, gifts or money. Thank you goes out to the many businesses, social clubs, churches, civic organizations, school groups, youth groups and anyone else who helped in any way. A special thank you goes to Melissa Bird and her staff at Pamida, to

Hoopeston shuttle half day; Friday, closed for New Year's. To arrange a ride, call the Multi Agency at 283 - 5544.

YMCA offers Military Kids Club for children of servicepeople

The Danville Family YMCA is reaching out to offer support to the children of men and women deployed by the Illinois National Guard. Organized under the Illinois National Guard Youth and Child Services program, the Military Kids Clubs in Danville, Paris and Joliet are the first in Illinois to kick off the effort. "The Y's will act as the hosts sites for the program," said Teresa Hoshauer of the Danville Family Y.

The focus of the Military Kids Clubs is to provide an opportunity for children to be around others who are experiencing the absence of a parent or loved one who is on active duty and away from home.

The program will be available to children age 2-18 of deployed service men and women from all branches of the service. The Military Kids Clubs will be open one

Community center activities include: Monday-Friday, cards, noon; Thursday, men's coffee 9 a.m.

Meetings

weekend a month and provide age-appropriate activities.

Danville Family YMCA Director John Alexander said the collaboration is an example of how the Y fits into local communities. "Our purpose is to build strong kids, strong families and strong communities," Alexander says, "So, it's natural for us to step up and provide support and a caring environment for the families of the men and women who protect our country."

"Taking care of our military families is a priority for the Illinois National Guard," says Brig. General Randal Thomas, Adjutant General of the Illinois National Guard. "This program is another way we can help our military families through the difficult time while loved ones are away."

Danville Family YMCA hosted its first gathering of the Military Kids Club last month. The next meeting is scheduled for January 8. For more information on the Danville program, contact Hoshauer at 442-0563, ext. 14.

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