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## Police credit citizens with catching battery suspect

Two citizens in Wellington aided police in catching a man wanted for aggravated battery and escape.

The unnamed citizens approached Robert S. "Bobby" Akers and brought him to Hoopeston police, according to a written statement from Police Chief Mark Drollinger.

Akers was arrested at 6:15 p.m. Monday, still wearing the handcuffs put on him when he was arrested Sunday night.

He was charged in connection with an incident

in which he allegedly struck an unidentified 26-year-old Hoopeston man in the head with a machete. Akers was taken into custody Sunday night and escaped while handcuffed.

Drollinger said the men allegedly had an argument at a residence in the 300 block of West Maple and, after the incident, Akers left the scene and was later arrested, then escaped.

Akers was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Drollinger expressed thanks to those who pro-

## Owners plan new look, tenants planned for Downtown Motel

New owners of the Downtown Motel plan to refurbish rooms and fill them with new tenants.

Fred Tabor and Mary Atton of Hoopeston purchased the motel at an auction Friday. The winning bid of \$32,500 was the second bid offered during the auction.

"That might not be as big a bargain as you think," Tabor said Monday evening, referring to the cost of refurbishing the motel. "There will be no profit from that thing for a long time to come."

Purchasing the motel was a "spur of the moment thing," said Tabor, who learned of the auction Friday morning.

Currently, some rooms at the motel are rented as apartments. Those will be converted to suites and will be rented as rooms or suites.

Although none of the tenants will be immediately asked to move, Tabor said that once refurbished, the motel will have no permanent residents. Current tenants will be notified that they must move before construction starts so the owners do not have increased liability during the refurbishing process, he said.

Rehabilitating the structure will take some time but Tabor is not sure how long. "We'll take it slow and easy and take it one step at a time," he said, adding he plans to use local contractors in the project.

Tabor said the restaurant that accompanies the motel will be reopened and run by his daughter, Bonnie Tabor, and her husband, Jose Monas, who has 10 years' experience as a chef.

The restaurant will feature American cuisine. "It won't be a serious threat to any of the local restaurants but I do think we can offer something that nobody else does," he said. Those who know him, he said, fancy him something of a good chef, as well.

Tabor hopes to improve the reputation of the motel and make it a welcoming place for visitors to the National Sweetcorn Festival and other events. "We have good reputations," he said., "I want it to have a good reputation. We're going to try to make it a nice place for the city of Hoopeston.

Tabor was born and raised in Decatur, served in the military and is a retired millwright.

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## Briefly

### Teacher request forms

Honeywell and John Greer schools will send teacher request forms home with students on Friday, May 6. Maple school has forms that may be picked up in the office. All forms are due on or before the last day of school, May 26. Those with questions may call the appropriate school office.

### Hydrant flushing

The Hoopeston Water Department will start flushing fire hydrants on Fridays starting May 27. Flushing will continue throughout the summer.

### Memorial Day services

The Hoopeston American Legion and VFW will host Memorial Day services at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Floral Hill Cemetery. The Hoopeston Area High School band will play and comments will be given by

each respective organization and other dignitaries. Nathan Wells will be the featured speaker.

In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held at the McFerren Park Civic Center.

After the ceremony, a free luncheon will be held at the VFW, corner of Fourth Ave. and West Orange.

### Diabetes seminar

Dietitian Beth Totheroh will present information during the third diabetes seminar sponsored by Hoopeston Area Healthcare Foundation.

The seminar will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in the Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital community room.

Totheroh will speak on Sweeteners, Desserts, Hot to Rate Your Plate, focusing on portion control and

## Hoopeston, Wellington firemen to host Crash & Bash

Firemen from Hoopeston and Wellington are getting fired up about Saturday's Crash & Bash demolition derby.

The event is the second joint venture between the departments and is held to raise money for equipment. Last year, the Hoopeston department used its portion of the proceeds towards a ventilation chain saw, said Fire Chief Greg Shipman.

Gates open at 2 p.m. for the pits and inspection of cars; grandstand gates open at 4:30 p.m. and racing begins at 6 p.m.

Admission is \$7 for adults, \$5 for children and free for children six and younger.

Drivers interested in taking part may still do so. Driver registration fee is \$30 per car and \$15 per pit pass.

For more information, call Greg, (217) 283-4680 or Phil, (217) 339-2200.

## New Books at the Library



### Children's Room

#### Fiction

The Case of the Bigfoot Beast by Tracey West  
The Case of the Glowing Alien by James Gelsey  
The Case of the Unicorn Mystery by Heather Alexander

## Police News



No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 2:28 p.m. Sunday in the 700 block of South Third St.

Police said Milton E. Ford, of Hoopeston, in a 1960 Ford, backed from a driveway into a 2003 Ford owned by Deborah Dixon, also of Hoopeston.

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A Day at Camp by Nancy Parent  
Dora's Pirate Adventure by Leslie Valdes  
Families Have Together by Harriet Ziefert  
Five Little Monkeys Bake a Birthday Cake by Eileen Christelow  
The Golden Goose by Dick King-Smith

## Weather



Partly cloudy today and tonight. High 72, low 52. Tomorrow, chance of thunderstorms. High 71, low 50.

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### EVENTS

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### MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

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1229 S. Second Ave., Hoopeston. Sat., 8-noon. Household, clothing, horse tack.

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