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Milford man sentenced on meth chemicals, weapons charges

WATSEKA—A Milford man was sentenced to six years in the Department of Corrections for unlawful possession of methamphetamine chemicals with intent to manufacture a controlled substance.

Jeremiah J. Gocken, 26, was sentenced July 6 by Iroquois County Circuit Judge Gordon Lustfeldt.

Along with the Class 1 felony, Gocken was sentenced to a concurrent five-year sentence on the Class 3 felony of unlawful possession of a weapon by a felon, according to William Donahue, Iroquois County Assistant State's Attorney.

A Class 1 felony is punishable by probation, local jail time or imprisonment of four to seven years. The Class 3 felony was punishable by a term of two to 10 years because of a previous felony conviction. Donahue requested Gocken be sentenced to the maximum while assistant public defender Scott Ripley recommended probation and time served.

In sentencing, Lustfeldt was guided by Gocken's criminal history. In 2001, he had been charged in Vermilion County with aggravated battery to a child, a Class X felony. The charge was reduced to a Class 3 felony and Gocken was sentenced to probation and time served in jail. Based on that felony conviction, he faced an extended-term sentence in the DOC for the weapons offense.

Gocken will receive credit for time served since Feb. 11 in the Iroquois County jail.

Two other men were arrested with Gocken on Feb. 11. Daniel Caswell, 23, also of Milford, was sentenced to six years in the Department of Corrections on the same charge. However, he is being allowed to attend boot camp and if he successfully completes the program, he will not be jailed.

The third man, Steven J. Allen, of Stockland, faces the same charge and is scheduled to be in court

Healthcare foundation honored by Heart Association

On Friday, June 17, 2005, Hoopeston Area Healthcare Foundation was honored by the American Heart Association at their Annual American Heart & Stroke Hero Day—A Celebration of Heroes, for several programs presented to Hoopeston and area residents.

Pat Bailey, Director of Development for the Hoopeston Area Healthcare Foundation was present to receive a Hero Award from the American Heart Association for the Foundation's contribution to community education. The award was presented for the Foundation's program "Go Red, a Heart-Healthy Seminar for Women" which

Pat Bailey, Director of Development, Hoopeston Area Healthcare Foundation receives "Heart Hero Award" from Peggy Jones, American Heart Association



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The DACC Foundation Scholarship Application allows students to complete one application to be considered for all available Foundation scholarships.

In addition, the DACC Foundation scholarship application allows students to apply for the 21st Century Scholars Program scholarships from the National Science Foundation. The 21st Century Scholars Program

Police News



No tickets were reported in an accident at 10:30 p.m. Sunday in the 800 block of East Washington. Police said Jason A. Funk of Hoopeston, on a 1986 Harley motorcycle, lost control of the bike, swerved and slipped off the bike before it hit a tree.

Funk suffered minor injuries but refused medical treatment.

See HONOR on other side

Honor continued from other side

emphasized a call to action for women to take charge of their heart health. It was about empowering women with knowledge and tools to make positive lifestyle changes to reduce their risk of heart disease—women's # 1 killer. Also included in this award was the WOW Program—We're Out Walking—all about moving—increasing the number of steps walked each week for 12 weeks. Each of these programs was a huge success, touching the lives of many area women (and men.)

The American Heart Association also honored many other Heroes for Leadership, Courage, Learning and Living, Hope and Courage, Safe Communities, Brave Citizens, Lifetime Dedication to the American Heart Association and Hope for the Future.

The entire award ceremony was dedicated to a young nineteen year old woman, a true Heart

provides 30 students each year with scholarships in the fields of computer science, mathematics, and engineering. The NSF awards, valued at \$2,300 per student per year, may be combined with other financial assistance to fund a student's total school costs including tuition, fees, books, housing, commuting allowances, and personal expenses. The program also provides internship opportunities for the scholarship recipients each year with local companies, providing an \$800 stipend per internship.

DACC Foundation Scholarship applications are available in the DACC Foundation, Information, Registration, Counseling, and Financial Aid offices.

Obituaries

KAUFMAN—Eileen K. Kaufman, 74, of Cissna Park died at 1:40 p.m. Sunday, July 10, 2005 at Provena Covenant Medical Center, Urbana. Funeral services will be at 10 .m. Wednesday at Apostolic Christian Church, Cissna Park. Burial will be in Apostolic Christian Cemetery, Cissna Park. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park. Memorials are suggested to Fairview Haven Nursing

Hero, who lost her life to heart disease—Megan Fawver. After graduation from high school—she donated all of her graduation gifts - approximately, \$6000 - to Wildlife Prairie State Park, Peoria, to build a cabin in her honor. Words could not express the emotions running through the family and the "Heart Heroes" present.

Hoopeston Area Healthcare Foundation will continue it's mission, conducting educational programs on heart disease, the number one killer of women. For more information regarding the Heart Health and the American Heart Association, please

Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today, tonight and tomorrow. High today 82, low 68. Tomorrow, high 83, low 68.

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Scholarship applications can also be completed at www.dacc.edu/foundation/scholarship-form.php. The deadline is July 29. Completed applications must be returned to the DACC Foundation, Vermilion Hall, Second Floor, 2000 East Main Street, Danville, IL 61832.

For additional information, call the DACC Foundation Office at (217) 443-8843.

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