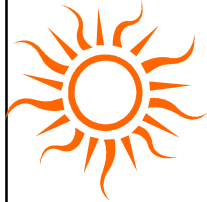


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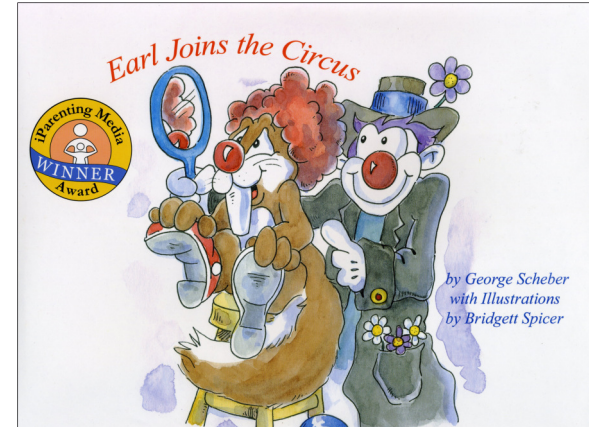
Tiny Tots to kick off with author's book-signing, reading

Sheldon author George Scheber will entertain youngsters of all ages with tales about the adventures of Earl the Squirrel.

Scheber will sign books and read to children during the kick-off of Tiny Tots at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Hoopeston Public Library children's room.

"Earl Joins the Circus" is the latest in a series of books about Earl's adventures. Books are published by Make Me A Story Press. More information is available at www.earlthesquirrel.com.

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 and adult.



Rossville congregation contributes to Katrina relief effort

Rossville United Methodist Church spearheaded a drive from the Little Jordan Cluster of Methodist Churches (Hoopeston, Rossville, Bismarck, East Lynn, Milford,

Cissna Park, Rankin, Wellington, Goodwine, and Stockland) to take a truckload of furniture and usable items to Daulphin Island and/or Mobile, Ala.



Photo contributed

Volunteers sort through items Sunday at Rossville United Methodist Church. Goods are going to Alabama hurricane victims.

Donations were loaded into a semi Sunday afternoon and included clothing, dryers, beds, cribs, recliners and other items.

Bob Ray and Dale McCalla manned the trucks that transported the donations. The men were expected to arrive there Monday and disperse items with the help of two churches.

Money was collected for fuel for the trip and any not used was to be donated for additional relief efforts.

The area was selected because Mary Jo Ray of Rossville has

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Act of vandalism angers resident

I would really like to thank the person/persons who ripped the yellow ribbon from my tree Sunday night. I woke up Monday morning and looked out in my front yard to find the yellow ribbon I had put up over 6 months ago in the grass. This ribbon was put up when my brother-in-law, Anthony McMillan, shipped out to Iraq. It was not coming down until he came home. On the yellow ribbon was written, "Until he comes home...PFC Anthony McMillan." I am absolutely disgusted that someone would have no heart at all and do this kind of thing.

I do know that we get all different walks of people around here during Festival weekend, and I do realize also that we live right outside the park...but that

doesn't give anyone the right to destroy my property. I can put up with the constant flow of people, the trash that accumulates, and the noise of the festival, but what I cannot tolerate is someone destroying something that might be meaningless to them, but means so much to us.

It was amazing to see this community come together when we lost one near and dear to us this summer. That's why I find it so hard to believe that someone could do this. Maybe it was someone against the war in Iraq...if it was, oh well. This ribbon was not to support the war, it was to support my brother-in-law, who is unfortunately over there right now. The ribbon supported ANTHONY, not the war.

Whoever it was that did this, I just wanted to say, "Thank you for destroying something so meaning-

ful to my family." I really hope that you had your fun! Was it worth it? I sure hope so! Next time, why don't you have a heart? Oh, that's right, that's probably why you did it...you have NO HEART!

Annette McMillan
Hoopeston

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Briefly

Half price lipid screening

Hoopeston Regional Health Center will conduct a half-price lipid panel screening for only \$65 Sept. 26-30. The screening measures cholesterol, HDL, LDL and triglycerides.

To take advantage of the special at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital lab, people must contact their physicians for a doctor's order with a diagnosis.

The hospital lab is open 24 hours per day.

For more information, call Pat Bailey, (217) 283-4243.

Harvest Supper

Rankin United Methodist Church will hold its 10th annual Harvest supper from 4-7 p.m. Saturday at the church, 328 N. Main. A Freewill offering will be taken. Carry-outs are available and home delivery will

Petition packets for general primary election available

Petition packets for candidates who wish to run in the March 21, 2006 General Primary Election are available in the office of Vermilion County Clerk Lynn Foster. Packets may be picked up between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The first day petitions may be circulated is Sept. 20. Petitions must be filed with the Vermilion County Clerk Monday, Dec. 12 - Monday, Dec. 19.

Local offices to be nominated a the March 21 election include county clerk, treasurer, sheriff, supervisor of assessments, regional superintendent of schools, board of review and county board members. Precinct committee people and members of the Democratic State Central Committee will be elected at

this time.

Federal, state and judicial offices will also be on the ballot.

The candidate(s) who receives the highest vote total of each political party for each office in this election will be placed on the Nov. 7, 2006 General Election ballot.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 90. Tonight and tomorrow, chance of thunderstorms. Low tonight 65. High tomorrow 81, low 58.

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

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