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Photo by James Evrich

A truck drives down Penn St. after Monday evening's deluge. Many Hoopeston streets were flooded after the rain and many residents spent Monday night and Tuesday bailing out basements and cleaning debris from their yards.

## Heavy rains, high winds wreak havoc in Hoopeston

A combination of high winds and an estimated five inches of rain hit Hoopeston hard Monday evening, causing flooding of streets and basements, along with downed utility lines and tree limbs throughout the city.

The National Weather Service issued a flash flood warning based on the torrential storm, which at times dumped an inch of rain an hour on an area from just north of Rossville to Hoopeston. At 7:34 p.m., reported that nickel-sized hail was falling on the city.

City employees worked into the night closing flooded streets and standing near downed lines to warn passing

motorists. Hoopeston firemen were also awash in calls. According to records, fire calls included:

• 6:01 p.m., Country Terrace, 701 E. Orange; fire alarm activated.

- 6:05 p.m., 505 N. Eighth Ave., electrical line fire
- 7:04 p.m. Hoopeston Foods, 215 W. Washington; fire alarm activated.
- 7:23 p.m., Country Terrace, 701 E. Orange, fire alarm activated.
- 8:13 p.m., 812 N. Market, assist family from flooded See RAIN on other side



### **Cornjerker Golf Outing**



Saturday, June 10 Hubbard Trail Country Club Tee times 8 a.m., 1 p.m. \$50 (includes 18 holes, cart & ribeye steak sandwich lunch) For info call Kevin Root 283-6660

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# New visiting Specialists at Charlotte Ann Russell Medical Center

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**217-283-5644** For your appointment 801 East Orange St., Hoopeston, IL

## Volunteers sought for new playground installation project at Maple Elementary School

Maple School PTO is buying new playground equipment! The equipment will be handicappedaccessible and is recommended for children from preschool through 12 years old. What's

Each year, the PTO has a fundraiser to help provide extras for the children and classrooms at Maple. The profits are used to help buy library books, computer software, pay for class field trips and numerous other things above and beyond the Maple School budget. We are trying to help enhance the educational opportunities for our children. Maple School houses preschool through second grades

What:Maple School playground<br/>equipment installationWhen:8 a.m. June 3What's needed:Volunteers to help install equipment,<br/>people willing to provide or serve<br/>food.Contact:Tonna Hoffer, 283-7503 after 4:30 p.m.<br/>Jane Long, 283-4343<br/>Eileen Tyrrell, 283-5270

We appreciate community support of our annual fundraiser and are excited this equipment will be available

**Police News** 

Blizzard told police he did not see the car due to the

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at

Police reported that Brandon M. Young of Hoopeston,

12:38 a.m. Tuesday in the 200 block of East Wyman.

heavy rain. He was at fault for improper backing.

for children and families in our area.

Installation of the new equipment is being planned for June 2 and 3. Preparation work will be done on June 2 and the actual installation will begin at 8 a.m. on June 3. If you are able to help as a volunteer worker, or providing or serving food to the workers, please contact Tonna Hofer at 283-7503 after 4:30 or Jane Long at 283-4343. To see what type of equipment is needed, please contact Eileen Tyrrell at 283-5270. Help in any way with this project would be appreciated.

The staff and students at Maple school want to thank you for your continued support. Come enjoy our new playground equipment this summer!



and currently has about 350 students.

**No tickets or injuries** were reported in an accident at 4:07 p.m. Monday in the 400 block of East Maple. Police said Daniel R. Blizzard of Washington., backed

a 2003 Cadillac from a driveway into a parked 1998 Pontiac owned by Andrew and Gary Fink.

## VCWIB announces new, user-friendly employment website

Vermilion County Workforce Investment Board (VCWIB) announces the newly updated website for the Vermilion County Illinois and Employment and Training Center or the "One-Stop": www.vermilion-countyietc.com.

The site is more user friendly and offers information on the VCWIB, 18 One-Stop Partner agencies, Vermilion County Employer Links, Labor Market Information and Online Links of local, state and federal websites.

The One-Stop Partner link includes information on

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home.

 $\bullet$  9:22 p.m. 605 S. Seventh St., check for possible electric short.

• 9:40 p.m. 615 S. Fourth St., check for possible electric short.

•11:16 p.m., 527 W. Maple, check for possible gas leak.

Water was running across streets several feet high in some places Monday night. By Tuesday morning, most programs and services offered through the partner's agencies and contact information.

The Employer link has local websites for those employers who list job opening on their company website. Any employer in the area may have their site listed here.

The VCWIB Calendar list dates of the WIB's Committee meetings and events, budget classes offered at the IETC and Job Corps Orientations.

There site also lists upcoming events and gives directions to the IETC.

of the water had drained but areas of Front St. and McCracken still had some areas of standing water. As residents cleaned up Tuesday, their eyes were sky-

ward, waiting for the next batch of storms.

According to the National Weather Service, scattered thunderstorms were predicted for Tuesday afternoon and evening, with stronger storms predicted Wednesday as a cold front is expected to move into the area. A possibility for storms exists Thursday, as well. in a 2002 Jeep, backed up eastbound and hit a parked 1997 Hyundai owned by Melody Stone, also of Hoopeston.

A **52-year-old** employee of Casey's General Store, 225 E. Orange, reported Tuesday that a store window had been broken and several items taken.

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#### Weather

Chance of thunderstorms today and tonight. High 82, low 62. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 78, low 59. For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Service, **(217) 283-6221**.

HOUSES FOR RENT	
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