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Three area residents attend community development session

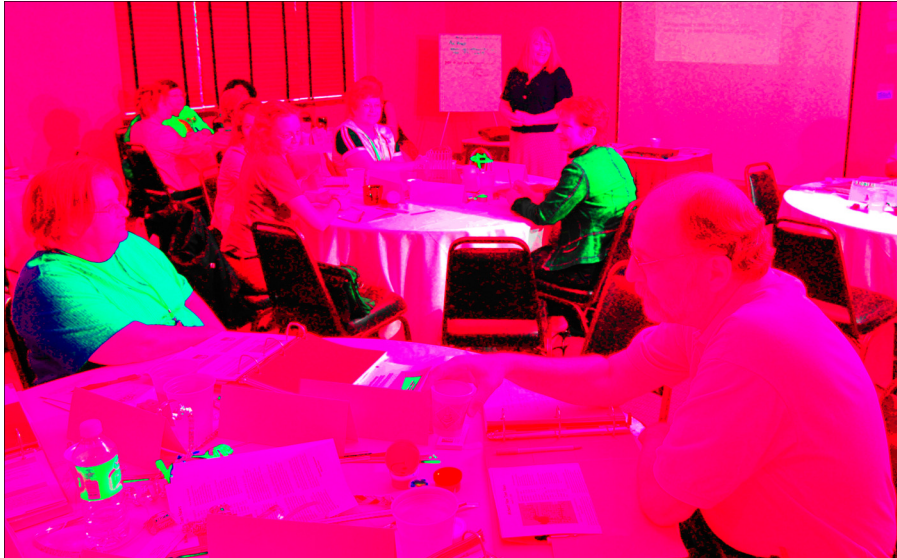
Connie Cain, Jean Minick and Shannon Ruh participated recently with other community leaders in the Midwest Community Development Institute (CDI).

CDI sharpens participants' skills and knowledge in community and economic development so that they can improve economic vitality of their communities. The event, hosted by the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs (IIRA) at Western Illinois University, was held August 15-19 at the Stoney Creek Inn.

CDI is a nationally-recognized training program in community and economic development designed for development professionals, community leaders, and elected officials. Participants are trained in the "how to" of community and economic development and learn techniques to bring positive change to their communities.

CDI attracted more than 65 participants from Illinois, Iowa, and Minnesota. "The participants were remarkably talented and diverse, including mayors, city council members, city and village administrators, staff from state and federal agencies, local economic developers, and community volunteers," said CDI director John Gruidl. "These folks are on the front lines, leading change in their communities".

The five-day CDI featured experts in community and economic development, including Robert Pittman from



Jean Minick, left, was among local participants in the Midwest Community Development Institute, a five-day training session for economic development.

Lockwood Greene, an engineering firm, who has 20 years helping businesses find sites internationally and June Holley, nationally-known for her success in promoting entrepreneurship in southeastern Ohio. Participants also had the opportunity for a field trip along the Moline Riverfront which is being converted from old industrial properties to an attractive urban environment.

Topics included facilitation skills, leadership, marketing your community, the role of the private sector in economic development, strategic planning, and fundraising. Participants had the opportunity to network with colleagues in the region facing similar challenges. Training is part of a three-year certification process and is held each August. Interested people are encouraged to attend next year's training August 13-17, 2007.

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Wellington man captures first feature win at Kamp speedway

Wellington’s Jarrod Warner captured his first feature win at Kamp Motor Speedway on Saturday, Sept. 2, 2006. Warner was driving his Cissna Park Bowl, Wil Kare Trucking, Gillins Oil, Cal Bauer Farms, LaBeau Brothers, First Allied Securities, LS Diesel and Central Body Shop prepared car.

In the feature, Warner started outside his chassis builder, Hoopeston’s Jammie Wilson and never looked back as he dominated every lap of the 25-lap event.

This is the third year Warner has raced modifieds. Heat winners were Wilson in the first heat, Warner second, Dale Hayes, third and Arby Burton in the fourth.

A makeup feature from an Aug. 26 rainout was run where Warner finished fifth. Current points standing in the modified division show Hoopeston’ Wilson leading over Derrick Losh, Burton and national points leader Dan Hamstra.

Racing continues at 5 p.m. Illinois time Saturday.



Seeking Health Center Board Nominations

The Hoopeston Regional Health Center Board of Directors is seeking nominations for three of the nine Board of Director positions. The Board of Directors plays a critical roll in the oversight and governance of Hoopeston Regional Health Center and its success in meeting the mission and vision of the organization. Listed below are general outlines of the personal and professional qualifications for being a Board Member.

Personal Qualifications

Certain basic qualifications must be possessed by all Directors for the Board to function effectively. Those qualifications are:

- Honesty, Integrity, having a sense of justice, and of sound moral character.
- Availability to participate in Board and Community Activities
- Objective and deliberative approach to problems
- Experience translatable to Health Center Operations
- Understanding the role of the Board of Directors as related to the overall organization
- Acceptance of the Board policy relative to conflict of interest
- Willingness to accept responsibility of governance
- Commitment to community health
- Ability to conceptualize
- Respect for confidentiality
- Experience in group decision-making

Professional Qualifications

Since the Board of Directors is a composite of persons who have various professional backgrounds, nominees should have one or more of the competencies below:

- Health care competency
- Financial competency
- Education competency
- Knowledge of the civic community
- Managerial competency
- Legal competency
- Engineering competency
- Knowledge of legislative activity

If you are interested in nominating someone or you have a personal interest in serving on the Board of Directors, please submit your nominations in writing to:

Hoopeston Regional Health Center, Attn. Board of Directors Nominating Committee
701 E. Orange St., Hoopeston, IL 60942

If you have questions regarding the nominating process, please call
David Elliott, Chief Executive Officer at (217) 283-8240.

Nominations must be received by September 20th, 2006 by 4 p.m.



Police News



A CD case turned in to police Sept. 5 was claimed by the owner Thursday.

Louis A. McGee, 21, of 445 First North St., Wellington, was arrested at 11:30 p.m. Thursday in connection with an incident at 11:44 p.m. Aug. 28 at Deano’s Bar & Grill, 306 E. Main.

He was charged with aggravated battery, mob action and criminal damage to property over \$300 on a complaint from a 45-year-old Hoopeston woman.

McGee was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

A 28-year-old Hoopeston man reported Friday that someone damaged his home in the 500 block of West Penn.

Two people were arrested after a traffic stop at 11:40 p.m. Saturday at East McNeil and North Fourth St.

Spencer L. Edwards, 18, of 802 W. Oregon, #33, Urbana, and a 16-year-old Hoopeston boy were

Obituaries

HOSKINS - Christina “Fern” Hoskins, 79, of Hoop-eston died at 1:20 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, 2006 at Hoop-eston Community Memorial Nursing Home. Arrangements were incomplete at Wolfe Funeral Home, Poto-mac.

KNIGHT - Robert L. Knight, 80, of Rossville, formerly of the Indianola-Georgetown area, died Friday, Sept. 8, 2006 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Sunset’s Hough-ton-Leasure Funeral Home, Georgetown. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Indianola. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Memorials are sug-gested to Indianola Woodlawn Cemetery Tree Fund; Indianola United Methodist Church or an organization of the donor’s choice.

Weather



Thunderstorms likely today and tonight. High 73, low 62. Tomorrow, thunderstorms. High 71, low 55.

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

charged with possession of cannabis prohibited and possession of drug paraphernalia prohibited.

Both were released on notices to appear. The boy was released to his mother.

Childcare class to have play school

Students in Hoopeston Area High School’s childcare class are looking for children to enroll in an afternoon play school.

Play school will begin Oct. 3 and will meet from 1:40-3:05 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays during the remainder of the school year. Children ages three, four and five are welcome to attend.

To enroll a child, call HAHS guidance counselor Kay Brown, (217) 283-6661, from 7:45 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

Only a limited number of children will be accepted fro the program.

Those who enroll will be contacted with more infor-mation before the Oct. 3 start date.

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