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## Hoopeston Area cross country girls head to state race

Hoopeston Area's girls cross country team wasn't predicted to make the cut at Saturday's sectional cross country match in Lisle.

They not only made one of the top five slots slated to advance to state, they came in third.

Saturday morning did not get off to an auspicious start. The team left for Lisle at 6:15 a.m., arriving at 8:50 to 40 degree temperatures, a 20 m.p.h. wind and a wet and longer (3.1 miles rather than 3 miles) course than the team is used to, said Coach Rich Stipp.

Five teams advanced from each of the five sectionals and will compete beginning at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at Detwiler Park in Peoria. That means Hoopeston Area's runners are one of the top 25 teams in Illinois. "Now that is an awesome thought!," Stipp said.

Eleven teams competed Saturday and 20 girls competed as individuals for 92 total runners. Erika Ramos did not have one of her better races in Seneca the week before and was determined to do better in Lisle. She was the first HA girl to finish, in 11th place. Belinda Cohen

continued to run well and was 16th overall and was tied as the second best freshman in the field.

Ashley Houmes also had a strong performance finishing in 24th. Emily Warner had one of her better races. She has had some physical problems which are now on the way to recovery and she showed she was feeling better finishing in 36th.

Abby Newman was the fifth runner, who has been finishing each race stronger than the one before. She finished at 41. Sherri McCormick at 75th, and Sarah Bock, the 7th runner, finished 87th.

"I would really like to say thank you to the City of Hoopeston for giving us an escort and for all the people who came to their doors cheering us on, as well as the convoy of vehicles that honked their way through town," Stipp said.

"We are so excited and proud to represent Hoopeston Area High School and the communities it represents. They are outstanding young ladies and will do well. What a privilege for me to be their coach."

## HOOPESTON. ROSSVILLE SET TRICK-OR-TREAT EVENTS

Trick-or-treating in Hoopeston will be held from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday. In Rossville, hours are 5:30-8 p.m. Children are urged to only go to those homes with porch lights on and observe safety guidelines while out.

Additionally, Rossville Community Organization will hold a Halloween parade and contest beginning with the parade at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday from the post office through downtown to the high school gym. Costume judging will begin at 6 p.m.

On Tuesday, the Sunday School of the Community Church of the Nazarene is sponsoring Trunk or Treat, an event for children. Adults will have candy and treats in their car trunks, then Trick or Treaters can come to the church and collect candy as they walk through the parking lot to collect their treats.

In case of rain, the activity will be held indoors.

Youngsters will be welcomed in the Country Terrace lobby for treats from 5-6 p.m.



**First Presbyterian Church**  
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### **Fall Pasta Dinner**

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## Letters to the Editor

### Citizen input to board urged

To the citizens of Hoopeston:

It has always been my understanding that the citizens of Hoopeston have valued our schools in the deepest regard. I can not remember the teachers of this district ever going out on strike. We have always been blessed with fine teachers. Why is this? Is it because we have always valued those people we trusted to educate our children?

Of all the taxes we pay for state, county, township, and city services, isn't this one of the most important expenditures? Who are going to run our city, our township, our county, our state, and our nation in the future? Won't that be the kids that are in our school system right

### Briefly

#### Tiny Tots

"Gingerbread Boy and Girl" is the theme of this week's Tiny Tots story program. Tiny Tots meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Hoopeston Public Library children's room.

Tiny Tots is for children ages 1-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

#### Neighborhood Watch

Bruce Vogus of the L.S.T. 325 will be the featured speaker at the Nov. 1 Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch meeting.

Vogus was the Number 3 officer who brought the W.W. II landing vessel back from Greece and helped restore it to a living museum.

The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. at Country Terrace. Everyone is invited.

now? Do we want to give them the best education available or do we want to settle for second or third best?

The issues that seem to separate the board and the teachers are not that great, and I applaud the teachers for looking out for our children of the future. They are trying to educate our school board, so our children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, don't receive inadequate teaching. Don't our kids have enough stacked against them already?

This town has suffered the loss of industry either being shipped out of town, or just plain shut down. Our city government is trying to promote new business to relocate here. As our school board should know there are a number of things that a relocating business looks for when they are thinking about moving to a new town. They look at the housing, utilities, taxes, shopping, location, medical facilities, and the local school system. Not only could we end up with lousy teachers, but we might not be able to attract any kind of new business. Is our school board willing to except the responsibility of turning our town in a ghost town?

I am appalled that there has not been any progress at all between our teachers and our school board! Let there be No misunderstanding, it is our teachers and our school board! We need to have a say in what is taking place, right now. Each of you, whether you have children in school or not, pay taxes and you must be heard so that your opinion can be counted. This issue is too important to let the Hoopeston School Board decide without each citizen voicing their opinion on it!

I believe our school board is letting us citizens and our city down! If you agree with me, tell them; they need to know how you really feel so that a contract can be realized and our teachers can get on with educating our kids.

Tom Evans  
Hoopeston

### Weather



Chance of showers today. High 54. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 31. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 53, low 30.

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

## Classifieds

### APARTMENTS FOR RENT

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