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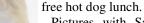
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### Santa to arrive at Candy Cane Lane, Hoopeston on Nov. 25

Santa will arrive in Hoopeston at Candy Cane Lane by horse and carriage on Saturday, Nov. 25.

Santa's arrival will be at the McFerren Park Civic Center from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. to open the Christmas season.

Activities for the day include making an ornament, a necklace, decorating a cookie, writing letters to Santa, face painting and a



Pictures with Santa, carriage rides and coffee and cocoa will be available for a small fee.

Local vendors will have their wares, including jewelry, crafts, candles, etc., for sale for an early start on Christmas shopping.

Come and enjoy the family fun at Santa's



#### **Letters to the Editor**

#### U.S. faces new kind of war

We recently observed and celebrated Veterans of this great nation. Throughout this nation's history, those people that have taken up arms to protect us from our enemies have also preserved our freedoms and all those things we value that are written down in our Constitution. It would be hard to find any group that could be considered greater Americans.

Throughout our short history our veterans have come from the immigrants that have populated our country and become outstanding citizens, no matter what background they came from or nation. There is one common

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Mike Ingram &

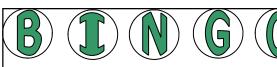
Kayla Brown

8 p.m.-midnight Friday

denominator that has always been characteristic of our veterans. All our veterans give of themselves for the betterment of the nation they have sworn to serve.

Today there is a war in this nation that our veterans can not participate in. It is the Illegal Immigration problem that has become ramp and our of control. Our politicians want to build a wall to keep some illegal immigrants out. Is it really smart to do the same thing the Communists did to Berlin after WWII? Is this the only answer our elected officials can come up with? Won't our politicians have to address this issue with more fer-

See LETTER on other side



every Thursday 7 p.m. **Hoopeston American Legion** 

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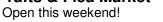
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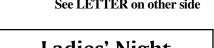


#### **Christmas Open House Saturday**

- ■Mink furry blankets \$24, \$27 & \$36
  - ■Christmas throws & tree skirts
- ■Debbie Drollinger Threatworks gift ideas for Christmas

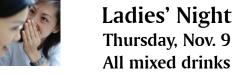
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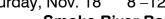


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Sunday, November 19, 2006
Noon-5 p.m.
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#### **Letter** continued from other side

vor and resolve, many times until they do something about it. This issue is not going to go away, so they might just as well deal with it right now.

Every single legal immigrant and their decedent's including legal Mexican immigrants and their descendants are effected by the mass illegal immigration problem. Lest we forget: A house divided will fall, A house that stays together as a group will prosper. Like our Veterans, our legal immigrants are sworn in and vow to observe the laws of this nation, before they can become citizens. Not only do illegal immigrants fail to be sworn in and agree to observe our laws, they break our laws by illegally coming into our country. Surely we do not want to reward law breakers by giving them some sort of

### — Briefly

#### In concert

Jim and Shirley Tubbs will be in concert at 6 p.m. Sunday at Hoopeston Community Church of the Nazarene, 402 E. Honeywell. A freewill offering will be taken.

#### Youth bowling fundraiser

Pla-Mor Lanes will serve chili and grilled cheese from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday as a fundraiser for the Youth Bowling Fund. Cost is \$3.

#### Rossville firemen raising funds

The Rossville Area Fire Department is conducting a door-to-door fund drive for a new fire station. We want to thank the public for their generosity and hospitality to those collecting. Your volunteer fire department is proud to serve this community, but we need your help. This fund raiser will help us attain our goal.



amnesty, do we?

In 1907 Theodore Roosevelt gave a speech with his ideas on immigration and being an American:

"In the first place, we should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes an American and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else, for it is an outrage to discriminate against any such man because of creed, or birthplace, or origin. But this is predicated upon the person's becoming in every facet an American, and nothing but an American...There can be no divided allegiance here...Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all. We have room for but one flag, the American Flag... We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language... and we have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people."

May all my descendants know this to be a fact. God bless our Veterans & God bless America.

> Tom Evans Hoopeston

#### Illinois should protect marriage

While Springfield political leaders continue to deny voters an opportunity to cast a ballot to constitutionally protect marriage in Illinois, the citizens of Pleasant Plains, (located about 15 miles northwest of the State Capitol) were given the chance to voice their opinion, and did so decisively. After Cartwright Township officials placed a question of whether an amendment protecting marriage as between a man and a woman should be added to the Illinois constitution on their local ballot, 75 percent of the citizens voted for the measure, and just 25 percent voted against it.

There is little doubt in my mind that if a marriage protection measure were put to the voters of Illinois, the referendum would win handily. The sample from Pleasant Plains, the center of the state, is a good indication of that. Why are House Speaker Michael Madigan and

### Weather



Chance of rain, snow today. High 40. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 27. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 45, low 30. For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Service (217) 283-6221.

Senate President Emil Jones denying the people of Illinois a chance to vote to protect marriage?

The national election returns provide more evidence that preserving the sanctity of marriage eclipses partisan politics. Media pundits quickly point to recent election results as the voter's way of saying they want change. Yet while many incumbents were swept out of office, one thing remained consistent -- the mandate for protecting marriage continues.

Seven more states adopted constitutional amendments preserving traditional marriage through ballot initiatives. With an average vote of over 70 percent, 27 states have now added marriage amendments to their state constitutions. The American people overwhelmingly reject the idea that marriage could be anything but the union of one man and one woman. The people of Illinois are no differ-

> David E. Smith, Executive Director Illinois Family Institute Glen Ellyn

### Classifieds

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