

Is your computer crashing regularly, or worse, won't boot up at all? Is it making strange noises that keep you up at night with worry? Don't worry—Computer Works will come to your aid. We service all makes and models of computers, will do upgrades, or can custom build a new one, to fit your needs. New & Used products available. Bring your computer to Computer Works, 303B E Main, Hoopeston, for a free estimate, or give Teresa a call at 217-283-9552. Cooketech wireless also available.



NOW OPEN

Wash: Car \$20 Trucks/SUVs \$30
Wash & Wax: Cars \$40 Trucks/SUVs \$50
Shampoo: Estimate available upon request

Dependable Auto Collision & Detail Center

710 W. Honeywell, Hoopeston (217) 283-9567

Full Body Shop Repair
Restoration/Cosmetic Repair for rust & corrosion/Complete
Body Repair for major accidents/Free Estimates



CADE'S HEATING & AIR
Your Family's Comfort is Our Main Concern!
Rickie J. Cade
Owner/Operator
616 E. Honeywell Ave., Hoopeston, IL
Phone: (217) 283-7762
Cell: (217) 304-3289
Heating, Air and Geothermal Systems



**Thursday
is \$1 beer
night at
V.F.W.
Public Welcome
Benefits welcome!**

Lourdine Florek
owner/publisher

Just the Facts[©]

Phone/Fax:
(217) 283-9348
Email:

publish@justthefacts.net

Thursday, February 8, 2007

Hoopeston's only locally-owned daily news publication

P.O. Box 441, Hoopeston, IL. 60942 www.justthefacts.net

Hoopeston Council unanimously approves bed and breakfast

Visitors to Hoopeston will have a new place to stay in the near future, thanks to action by the Hoopeston City Council Tuesday night.

The council unanimously approved a conditional use requested by Phyllis and Tony Freeland to open a bed and breakfast in their home at 322 S. Fourth St.

The request had also been approved by the Hoopeston Plan Commission.

Last year, the Freelands hoped to sell their home to a Chicago-area woman who wanted to open a bed and breakfast there. She later changed her mind and opened the business elsewhere.

In unrelated discussion, the council learned a second place for guests to stay may also be created by Gary C. Dickinson Jr. and Karen Hoth, owners of the former McFerren Building.

The pair submitted a proposal to turn the Willdon Building into hotel rooms and condominiums, along with a café and possibly other small commercial busi-

Candidates file for election

Some area voters will have a choice in the April 17 election while in others, not enough candidates filed to fill the slate.

Candidates had until Monday to file paperwork in both the Hoopeston Area School Board and Hoopeston City Council elections.

For school board, five candidates are running for two seats in the former Hoopeston School District.

Incumbent Mark Wagoner is seeking reelection and is being challenged by newcomers Joel Bird, Kathleen Franklin, Stephen P. Highfill and Mark Schaumburg.

In the area considered out of the old district, Chris Elliott of Rankin is running unopposed.

See ELECTION on other side

nesses, said Shannon Ruh, city economic developer.

Dickinson plans to visit Hoopeston in March to tour the building and meet with the council to answer questions about his proposal.

In unrelated business, the council:

- Heard from Alderman Bill Crusinberry that a record number of water meters - more than 50 - were frozen in recent cold temperatures. City crews thawed them all and insulated some against future

See COUNCIL on other side

New lawyer to represent city

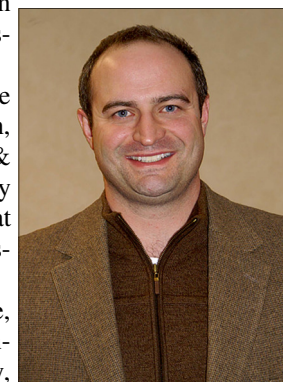
A new lawyer has taken over representing Hoopeston.

Frank Mulholland of the attorney firm of Manion, Devens, McFetridge & Schum was introduced by Mayor Bill DeWitt at Tuesday night's Hoopeston City Council meeting.

Mulholland, of Danville, was graduated from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, with a BS degree and a major in paralegal studies. He received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law, Champaign, in 2001.

Along with representing the city, Mulholland practices in the areas of personal injury, Worker's Compensation, criminal law, family law and real estate.

He replaces Brian Manion who moved from the area.



MULHOLLAND



every Thursday 7 p.m.

Hoopeston American Legion

502 E. Penn

Cupid Approved Gifts at Unger's Jewelry

Lots of new items at great prices!

Win a \$2,000 diamond ring for your Valentine during Customer Appreciation Days.

Drawing will be held Feb. 14

Ungers Jewelry

314 E. Main St., Hoopeston



**10TH
ANNIVERSARY**
Saturday, Feb. 10
Join us from 1-5 p.m. at The Pump for free chicken dinner. Music by Michael Ingram and Kayla Brown
8-12 p.m.
at the McFerren Park Civic Center
Brat Pack
Drink specials, Prizes, Give-Aways
BJ's Pump
Bar & Package Liquor Store
1023 W. Main, Hoopeston



Guitar Hero

Contest

DEANO'S ON MAIN

Call (217) 283-5610 for details.

Pre-registration required. Must register at Deano's 3 days prior to contest starting date.

Starts at 5 p.m. until contestants are done.

March 4 - Contestants choice

March 11 - Judges Choice

March 18 - Dress the part of the musician or song
Semi Finals Sunday, Mar. 25.

Winners and runner up from weeks 1-3.

Sunday, April 1 Championship for all weekly winners

Must compete in at least 2 weekly contests

\$25 Weekly Prize to the Winner

\$100 to the Champion

Obituaries

PROBASCO - Donnie Probasco, 71, of Hoopeston died at 2:18 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5, 2007 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Visitation will be 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Election continued from other side

Incumbents Steve Unger of rural Hoopeston and Mark Eighner of Rankin did not seek reelection.

Hoopeston's Ward 2 will have a race with incumbent Jerry Yonkers being challenged by Nathan Phillips.

Other incumbents are running unopposed, including Ed Lotz in Ward 1, Nancy Stipp in Ward 3 and Brandon Hamilton in Ward 4.

The Rossville-Alvin School Board will have three new members since incumbents Ray Rice, Dale Lithgow and Eric Roberts did not seek reelection.

STEELE - Raymond Lowell Steele, 80, of Springfield, formerly of the Hoopeston and Rossville areas died at 10:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4 at St. John's Hospital, Springfield. Funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will be in Mann's Chapel Cemetery, Rossville. Visitation was 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to the Alzheimer's Association.

Candidates for the seats include Donna White, Joseph Krlcich, Darren Duncan and Kyle Zarate.

In the Rossville Village Board election, incumbent Bunny Tweedy is running unopposed for a two-year term and newcomer Mary Beth Rhodes is the only candidate running for one of three four-year terms.

Incumbents Mark Catron, Vic Lackey and Scott Sprague are not seeking reelection.

Council continued from other side

freezing, he said. He suggested residents run their faucets at a trickle during extremely cold temperatures to avoid freezing.

•Cruisenberry also announced that Jennifer Lile, a former water department employee, returned to the water office.

Lile was laid off during a staff reduction last year but employee Elena Smith recently quit and Lile was rehired.

•Heard from Ruh that progress is being made on property owners surrounding the proposed site of a motel. Two of three property owners have verbally agreed to the plan to cap wells on their property.

A third has not but Alderman Bill Goodwine said that owner has "a legitimate technical problem" and will agree if the problem can be solved.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 21. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 6. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 22, low 7.

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

Police News



Police are investigating an accident reported at 12:01 p.m. Tuesday. Flossie Irvin of Hoopeston was stopped facing southbound on South Sixth Ave. at the intersection with West Orange when an unknown vehicle struck her from behind. The driver of the unknown vehicle then backed up and left the scene, headed northbound.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 1:53 p.m. Tuesday at North Sixth Ave. and West Honeywell. Brock A. Baker of Hoopeston, in a 1998 Pontiac, was northbound, slowed to turn left on Honeywell and slid into a Verizon telephone pole.

Fish Fry 5-8 p.m. Friday American Legion



502 E. Penn, Hoopeston

Also chicken breast & shrimp & grilled fish
Includes salad or slaw, baked beans, fries, roll.

Carry-outs available 283-6312

Classifieds

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

HOOPESTON: Adult complex. 2 bedroom - 1 bath. Full basement. Used only for small business. NEVER BEEN LIVED IN. All new appliances. Walk to stores. Quiet surroundings. Available NOW. \$475 + deposit. No pets. (217) 260-2546.

HELP WANTED

The Village of Rossville (an E.O.E.) is accepting applications for the position of "Police Chief". Salary D.O.Q. Residency required. Send resume to Mayor Terry Prillaman, 120 E. Attica St. Rossville, IL. 60963.

The Village of Rossville (an E.O.E.) is accepting applications for a full time "Patrolman, and a part time patrolman, Salary D.O.Q. PTI certification required. Send resumes to Mayor Terry Prillaman, 120 E. Attica St. Rossville, IL. 60963.

HOUSES FOR SALE

3-4 BR, 2 lots. Shed & pool stay. Will consider contract. Quick possession. (217) 283-4329 or (217) 474-3862.

Call (217) 283-9348 to place your ad.

*"I would not be
where I'm at today
if it hadn't been for
the therapy team."*

-Lester Walz

