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## Residents asked to vote on Shop Hoopeston First slogans

The Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce would like to thank everyone who submitted slogans for the "Shop Hoopeston First" slogan contest.

Sixteen submissions were received and the Chamber committee has narrowed down the submissions to the top five. Please cast your vote for your favorite slogan on the form below and drop it off at the Chamber office in City Hall or email your vote to info@hoopestonchamber.com.

Please choose one slogan from this list of five (in no particular order):

- Buying out of town? Git R' Done at Hoopeston

- Hoopeston Shopping, a Personal Place with a Personal Touch!
- Keep Hoopeston Growing, Keep the money flowing, Shop Local First!
- Put your money where your heart is – Shop Hoopeston!
- Hoopeston – Live here. Love here. Shop here!

My Favorite Slogan is:

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Drop off at Hoopeston Chamber office at  
City Hall, 301 W. Main St.

## Briefly

### Girls basketball camp

Girls basketball camp for seventh and eighth grade girls will be held July 30-Aug. 3 in the middle school gym. Cost is \$35. Applications are available in the Superintendent's office. Deadline is July 23.

### Coaches needed, signups set

Hoopeston Youth Football still needs JV and Varsity cheerleading head coaches and a dance coordinator for all four levels. Deadline for applications is noon Friday July 13.

Player signups will be 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays and noon-2 p.m. Sundays weekends starting July 14-15, at the football field. Cost is \$50 for football and \$40 for cheerleading per child with discounts given for families with two or more children.

To participate, you will need a sports physical and a copy of your birth certificate.

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Woman doesn't want lagoon issue ducked

A couple of months back, a woman wrote to complain about the fishermen and women at the lagoon. At first I thought she was being hasty, now I would have to agree with some of her concerns.

My two-year old daughter's daily routine now involves feeding the "duckies". Just in the last few weeks, I have seen so much trash just left on the ground or in the lagoon.

This is ridiculous people! There are probably 100 YEL-LOW (in case anyone was having a hard time seeing them) trash cans throughout the park. I have to say most of what I have picked up has been bait containers, wads of discarded fishing line, a bobber and three fishing hooks, one of which my daughter picked up and handed to me. Thank goodness she had the sense to hand it over right away. I'm sure not everyone who fishes at the lagoon is this inconsiderate, but there must be quite a few that are.

Obituaries

**FRANKLIN** - Karen Lou Duffin Franklin, 69, of Wellington died at 10 p.m. Sunday, July 8, 2007 at Glenshire Nursing Home, Richton Park. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Her body will be cremated and burial will be at a later date. Visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

It has been over a week since our favorite mother duck (the one with 13 ducklings) has been incapacitated because of a lure and fishing line she got tangled in. Several people have tried to catch her long enough to free her but once she hits the water, there is no hope of catching her. She still swims pretty fast even with use of just one foot. There has to be someone out there who has the right equipment to catch this duck. Her foot is becoming worse by the day. The other day, I noticed it was very raw because she has been biting at it to try and free herself. I'm not sure if she will recover fully now, even if someone gets her free. I contacted The National Wildlife Preservation Agency in Springfield over a week ago asking for help, and have not heard one thing from them.

I think it should either be a duck lagoon or a fishing lagoon, not both. Obviously, the people cannot cohabi-

Police News

Michael A. Burke, 22, of 1225 E. Williams, Danville, was arrested at 11:35 p.m. Monday at Parkview Court. Police said a citizen called regarding a suspicious vehicle and when officers arrived, found Burke, who was wanted on a Vermilion County warrant for failure to appear.

Burke was released on \$200 cash bond.

Court Dispositions

June 7

**Donald E. Underwood Jr.**, Hoopeston, criminal damage to property, continued to Aug. 2.

**Brian Pettice**, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to nuisance vehicle, fined \$180; status hearing Sept. 6.

**Warren W. Harms**, Hoopeston, disorderly conduct, continued to Aug. 2.

Weather

Chance of thunderstorms today. High 76. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 58. Tomorrow, mostly sunny, chance of thunderstorms late. High 80, low 59.

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

tate with the animals without causing them harm. First, if the ducks stay, something needs to be done to protect their welfare (only allow fishing on half somehow?)

Second, the unsupervised children need to be disciplined when they throw things at the ducks, or try to catch them with their fishing line. Yes, I am talking to you parents that use the park and everything and everyone in it as your summertime babysitter. Start taking some interest in what your children are really doing when you are not around.

Finally, I think someone needs to patrol on foot for awhile, and start issuing some citations for littering. If we can afford to pay some woman \$50,000 for supposedly helping the economical growth of Hoopeston, why can't we take care of the simple things we already have? The "duckies" cost me anywhere from .80 to \$1.00 everyday, and it is worth every penny to watch my daughter caring about something beside herself. It's a lesson we could all learn again.

Michelle Bailey  
Hoopeston

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HELP WANTED

The City of Hoopeston is taking applications for the position of a VISTA volunteer, as an assistant position to the economic development director. This is a volunteer position through AmeriCorps VISTA, which includes working 40 hours per week for one year and receiving an \$865 stipend each month. Applications and job description can be picked up at City Hall, and returned by 4pm on Friday, July 20<sup>th</sup>.

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701 E. Orange Street  
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