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## Home repair grants, low interest repair loans available

The City of Hoopeston Economic Development office wants to make residents aware of a U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development program that allows qualifying very low income homeowners in Hoopeston to apply for home repair grants or low interest home improvement loans. The program is designed for communities with 20,000 people or less.

A Rural Development repair loan is similar to a home improvement loan. The money must be used to improve or modernize homes, make them safer and more sanitary, or remove health and safety hazards. Eligible repairs include roofing, siding, windows, foundation repairs, kitchen cabinets, septic systems, and furnace/air conditioning. The maximum loan amount is \$20,000. Loans can be made for a term of 20 years at

one percent interest. The applicant needs to own and occupy the home, have acceptable credit and be able to repay the loan.

A limited number of home repair grants are also available to applicants who meet very low income guidelines, are 62 years of age or older, and who can demonstrate an inability to make loan payments. There is a \$7,500 lifetime limit on repair grant funds. Grant funds can only be used to address health, safety or accessibility issues for the home. Unlike loans, grants do not have to be repaid. Grants are frequently made in conjunction with small loans.

"We want the community to know that we can help homeowners afford needed repairs that can make their

See REPAIRS on other side

## Outdoor ash receptacles, pocket ashtrays to be distributed

Hoopeston residents are being asked to can their cigarette litter.

The city is the recipient of a \$2,500 Keep America Beautiful grant to deal with smoking litter, said Kristi Hudson, who will coordinate the pilot program.

Beginning Friday, new outdoor smoking receptacles will be placed throughout Hoopeston, starting at Hoopeston City Hall. Mayor Bill DeWitt will help install the first one at 10 a.m. Friday.

The receptacles, in beige and terra cotta, will also be made available to businesses. Thirty-five were purchased with part of the grant money at \$51 each, but businesses may purchase one for just \$10, Hudson said.

Along with the outdoor ash receptacles, Hudson will be handing out pocket ashtrays to residents. Five target areas have been selected, including Hoopeston

Foods, Silgan Containers, Pamida, before Hoopeston Municipal Court and during the Sweetcorn Festival Parade, when participants in the Keep Vermilion County Beautiful float will hand them out to smokers.

In all, 1,000 pocket ashtrays are available and Hudson will hand them out to other smokers who contact

The aim of the grant was to lower cigarette litter in a targeted area. Hudson chose Third Ave. to Third St., Main & Penn plus Hoopeston Plaza. One scan of the area has already been done to determine the amount of cigarette litter before action was taken and another will be completed after the outdoor smoking receptacles and pocket ashtrays have been distributed.

The grant Hoopeston received was underwritten by Phillip Morris

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# Fish Fry

5-8 p.m. Friday **American Legion** 

## 502 E. Penn, Hoopeston

Also serving ribs Homemade onion rings available

Carry-outs available 283-6312



## **Olympic Hardware**

516 N. Dixie Hwy. Hoopeston (217) 283-5186 Open Sundays





## DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES

in Hoopeston

Tentative start date Aug. 20 (due to heat)

Contact Carolyn Daniel (217) 283-7846

Private lessons also available



every Thursday 7 p.m.

# **Hoopeston American Legion**

502 E. Penn



## **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

- Commitment to community health
- Ability to conceptualize
- •Respect for confidentiality
- •Experience in group decision-making
- •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

#### **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

Managerial competency

Financial competency

Legal competency

Education competency

- Engineering competency
- •Knowledge of the civic community
- •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 4th, 2007 by 4 p.m.



## **New Books at the Library**



### **Children's Room Fiction**

Beetle Bop by Denise Fleming

#### **Obituaries**

**DAHLQUIST** - Harold J.A. Dahlquist, 92, of Milford died at 12:15 a.m. Monday, Aug. 13, 2007 at Hoopeston Regional Health Center. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Knapp Funeral Home, Milford. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Milford, with military rites by Milford and Watseka American Legion posts. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Milford United Methodist Church or Milford Ambulance Service.

## **Repairs** continued from other side

homes safe and improve their standard of living," said Nancy Bitto, Area Specialist. "People interested in a loan or a grant and think they might be eligible should give us a call. We can walk them through the process, check their eligibility, and get them on the road to making the repairs," Bitto added.

"The City of Hoopeston is supporting this program by distributing information and referring qualified Hoopeston residents to the local Rural Development office," said Shannon Ruh, Economic Development Director. "This program will be good for local homeowners. It will also help local small businesses by generating work for contractors, builders, and home repair companies," Ruh added.

To learn more about these programs, homeowners are encouraged to contact Bitto at the Champaign Rural Development Office at (217) 352-3536, ext. 4 or email her at nancy.bitto@il.usda.gov. Information is also available online at www.rurdev.usda.gov/il. Eligibility rules apply.

### Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today. High 91. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 61. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 84, low 57.

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

Charlie & Lola's Numbers by Lauren Child (boardbook) Charlie & Lola's Opposites by Lauren Child (boardbook) Corduroy's 4th of July by Don Freeman Freddie and Flossie by Laura Lee Hope

## Classifieds

#### APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Large 3 BR upstairs apt. 1 car garage. \$400 mo./\$400 dep. (217) 772-1255

#### HELP WANTED

Part time maintenance person for apartment complexes in Hoopeston. Painting, dry walling and minor plumbing is just a small list of requirements needed. This position will vary in hours needed. Send resume to: Maintenance Person, P.O. Box 657, Robinson II. 62454

Part time, 20-25 hours+. Some hours on weekends. Class B CDL required. Send resume to Box C, Just the Facts, P.O. Box 441, Hoopeston IL 60942

Hoopeston Migrant Head Start is accepting applications for teachers, teaches assistants and bus aides at the Wellington site. Please send resume to P.O. Box 136, Wellington IL 60973 or fax to (815) 984-4500. Call (815) 983-3706 with any questions. EOE

Waitresses, evening shift cooks needed. Send resumes to Box D, c/o Just the Facts, P.O. Box 441, Hoopeston IL 60942

#### NOTICE

The Village of Rossville will be accepting sealed bids on a 1999 Ford Crown Vic until 5:00 p.m. Monday, August 20, 2007. Sealed bids will be accepted at the village office located at 120 East Attica Street in Rossville, Illinois. Bids will be opened at the regular board meeting scheduled on Monday, August 20, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. The Village reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Chris Pearson Village Clerk

#### **RUMMAGE SALES**

917 S. Second Ave., Hoopeston. Fri. & Sat., 7-? Baby items, home interior, small appliances, household, 1½-year-old refrigerator.

Large Rummage Sale! Good Shepherd Lutheran Church parking lot (corner of Market & Honeywell), Fri. Aug 17th & Sat. Aug 18th from 8:00 a.m. until noon.

#### WANTED

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