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**Police News**



A representative of Hoopeston Foods Inc., reported at 3:40 a.m. July 5 that someone spray painted obscenities on the south wall of the building at 215 W. Washington.

Marvin M. Hofer, 53, of Hoopeston was arrested at 6:54 p.m. July 5 in the 200 block of East Main.

Hofer was charged with disorderly conduct on a complaint from a 53-year-old Hoopeston man who alleged Hofer harassed and threatened him.

Hofer was released on a notice to appear.

Christopher A. Compton, 19, of Hoopeston was  
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- Persons in family: 1.....\$10,400
- 2.....\$14,000
- 3.....\$17,600
- 4.....\$21,200

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**Bidding Ruh adieu**

Betty Shaffer looks on as former Economic Developer Shannon Ruh displays parting gifts she received at an open house on July 3. Ruh, who served in Hoopeston for two and a half years, accepted a position as an urban planner for the City of Peoria.

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## Police continued from other side

arrested after an incident at 8:25 p.m. July 5 in the 400 block of West Lincoln. He was charged with disorderly conduct on a complaint from a 19-year-old Hoopeston man who alleged Compton harassed him.

Compton was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

**A 48-year-old** woman reported July 7 that someone removed part of the ignition from a vehicle in the 800 block of South Fifth St.

**Michael B. Pasley**, 24, of Danville was arrested at 11 a.m. July 7 at city hall. He was charged with aggravated battery, unlawful restraint and aggravated assault on a complaint from a 17-year-old woman who alleged Pasley pushed her into a vehicle and held her against her will.

He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

**A 50-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 11:05 a.m. July 7 that her residence was damaged with a rocket firework that put a hole in her siding. The damage occurred in the 700 block of East McCracken.

**A 40-year-old** Hoopeston man reported slashed tires on his son's bicycle at the Girls Softball Park in the 600 block of East Wyman.

**A 59-year-old** Hoopeston man reported July 8 that he had either lost his wallet or it had been stolen. The wallet contains the man's driver's license, Social Security card and other items.

**No tickets** or injuries were reported in an accident at 11:15 a.m. July 8 at McDonald's, 1016 W. Orange.

Police said Maria G. Villalobos of Ambia, Ind., in a 2000 Chevrolet S10, and Cinnamyn Weinard of Rossville, in a 2001 Dodge van, were both in the drive-through. Weinard was stopped and was hit by Villalobos as she turned.

**George F. Elpers Jr.**, 26, of Hoopeston was ar-

rested at 1 p.m. July 8 in the 600 block of East Elm. He was charged with three counts of residential burglary after Hoopeston detectives investigated several incidents of the crime.

Elpers was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

**A 70-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 4:01 p.m. July 8 that someone entered her home in the 700 block of East Seminary and took undisclosed items.

**A 46-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 8:05 a.m. Thursday that someone took fishing equipment from her property in the 500 block of West Elm.

**Jonathan W. Merrill**, 56, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 2:56 a.m. Friday in the 600 block of East Lincoln. While responding to another complaint,

officers found Merrill, who, they allege, had a gun.

He was charged with aggravated unlawful use of a weapon and was taken to the Public Safety Building, Danville, to await a court hearing.

**A silver Motorola** cell phone and black leather case were found at 9 a.m. Friday on the sidewalk of South Third Ave. at Rt. 9. The owner may identify and claim them at the police station.

**A 25-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 10 a.m. Friday that two bicycles were taken from her property in the 600 block of West Elm.

**An 18-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 3:15 p.m. Friday that someone entered her home in the 300 block of West Lincoln and took undisclosed items.

**A set of keys** was found at 4:30 p.m. Friday at Hoopeston Public Library, 110 N. Fourth St. The owner may identify and claim them at the police station.

**Jose S. Colunga**, 42, of Hoopeston was arrested at 4:40 p.m. Friday at city hall on a Vermilion County warrant for failure to appear.

Colunga was released on \$300 cash bond.

**A 35-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 6:15 p.m. Friday that she received what she believes to be a fraudulent check in the mail from a Texas bank.

## Briefly

### Calendar winners

Recent winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing were: July 4, Bob Alkire, Hoopeston, and July 11, Penny Warner, Hoopeston.

### Gospel music in Christman Park

ROSSVILLE—Two groups are set to perform gospel music Saturday in Christman Park.

The Meltons, featuring George, Nedra and Kenny Melton and Chalesa, from Thorntown, Ind., will perform from 6-8 p.m. on July 19.

Those attending may bring lawn chairs to enjoy Music in the Park. In case of rain, the event will be held in the park pavilion. A freewill offering will be taken.

### Soccer camp registrations

Hoopeston Area Cornjerker Soccer Camp will be held July 28-31. Grades 5-8 will be from 2:30 - 4:30 and grades preK-4 are from 4:30 - 6.

Soccer camp is an exciting experience where players can learn and develop their skills in a fun and action-packed environment. It is also a great way to prepare for the upcoming soccer season.

Registration is \$35 and forms are available at the high school superintendent's office or by calling Coach Klaber at 283-5623. Register by July 16 and receive a free soccer ball.

### Class of '53 to meet

JGHS Class of 1953 will gather at the American Legion at 6 p.m. Friday July 18 for a social hour. Classes of '52, '54, '55, '56 please stop by and say "Hello".

### Meetings

Hoopeston City Council, 7 p.m. Tuesday, city hall

## Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 83. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 62. Tomorrow, sunny, chance of thunderstorms late. High 88, low 65.

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

## Obituaries

**CRAGG** - John Bowen Cragg, Major (Ret), formerly of Hoopeston, died July 11, 2008 in Phoenix, Ariz. Funeral service will be announced at a later date. Memorials are suggested to The Longyear Museum, 1125 Boylston St., Chestnut Hill, MA 02467-1881 or First Christian Science of Fenton, 204 E. Rockwell, Fenton, MI 48430. Hansen Mortuary, Phoenix, is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Cragg's family owned the former Cragg-Cunningham Hotel in downtown Hoopeston.

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