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Area businesses feature petitions to keep Kickapoo kicking

Residents interested in helping save Kickapoo State Park from closing have to look no further than some area businesses.

Petitions asking that the park be kept open have been placed on counters of some local stores and residents have been more than willing to sign.

Kickapoo, along with 10 other state parks, are set to close November 1, while 13 historic sites will close October 1. The closings are part of an effort to balance a budget that had a $2 billion shortfall.

The move will force 73 layoffs from the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and Department of Natural Resources. Additionally, another 179 employees will be laid off from the Department of Children and Family Services and 73 from the Department of Human Services.

On November 1, entrances to parks on the list will be barred and the public will not be able to enter. Each park will have one employee to provide maintenance and security.

Among historic sites, several connected to Abraham Lincoln are set to close before February 2009 celebrations of the 16th president's birthday.

State parks set to close include:

- Kickapoo State Park, Oakwood
- Castle Rock State Park, Oregon
- Lowden State Park, Oregon
- Hennepin Canal Parkway State Park, Sheffield
- Illini State Park, Marseilles
- Channahon Parkway State Park, Channahon
- Gebhard Woods State Park, Morris
- Hidden Springs State Forrest, Strasburg
- Moraine View State Park, Leroy
- Weldon Springs State Park, Clinton
- Wolf Creek State Park, Windsor

Historic sites that will close October 1 are:

- Dana-Thomas House, Springfield
- Lincoln log cabin near Charleston
- David Davis mansion, Bloomington
- Fort de Chartres, Randolph County
- Vandalia statehouse
- State center at Bishop Hill, Henry County
- Carl Sandburg birthplace, Galesburg
- Cahokia courthouse
- Bryant Cottage, Bement
- Jubilee College, near Peoria
- Apple River Fort, Elizabeth
- Fort Kaskaskia, Randolph County
- Pierre Menard home, Randolph County

Hoopeston Multi Agency lists Labor Day raffle winners

Winners in the Hoopeston Multi Agency Labor Day raffle have been announced. They are:

$250 cash, J.P. Teare
$100 grocers from Sav-U-Mor, Ann Potter
$100 savings bond from Community Bank, Jan Haggerty
Handmade afghan, Gladys Cleveland
Year subscription to Chronicle, Sue Anvick
$30 gas card, Dr. Thomas Lee
$30 gas card, Dorothy Metz
$30 gas card, Carolyn Eyrich-Mastin
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Handmade quilt, Bud McVicker

Winners who have not picked up their prizes may do so at the Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave.

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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
- Financial competency
- Education competency
- Knowledge of the civic community
- Managerial competency
- Legal competency
- Engineering competency
- 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
John Crawford, Chief Executive Officer at (217) 283-8240.

Nominations must be received by September 12th, 2008 by 4 p.m.

Briefly

Softball Association elections

Hoopeston Girls Softball Association will hold election of officers at a meeting at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7 in the Hoopeston Public Library conference room. Anyone interested in holding an office for the 2009 season should attend.

Preschool screening

A free preschool screening for all three-, four-, and five-year-olds will be held Tuesday, Sept. 16 at First Presbyterian Church, 915 E. Orange, Hoopeston. The screening will determine knowledge of general concepts, speech, language and motor skills. Birth-three screenings will be available on the same day. Parents should bring their child's social security number.

To schedule an appointment, call (217) 283-6668.

Correction

It was incorrectly reported in Tuesday's issue that Turner Hunt, manager of the Benton County, Ind., wind farm, would speak at the United Methodist Men's meeting Sept. 3. Hunt will speak at the meeting on Sept.10.

The meeting will start at 5:30 p.m. at Fast Lanes for dinner. The meeting is open to the public. Wives are also welcome.

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Police News

Heather Dionne Failla, 25, of Hoopeston, turned herself in to police at 9:11 p.m. Wednesday. Wanted on Vermilion County warrants for failure to appear, she was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville in lieu of $15,000 bond.

Weather

Mostly cloudy today. High 74. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 57. Tomorrow and Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs near 78, lows near 58.

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

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