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Rankin Fire District referendum passes, Incumbent continues to represent Dist. 1 Rossville voters narrowly defeated a referendum that would have allowed a bond issue to pay for a new fire station.

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A total of 849 voters cast ballots on the issue. Of those, 431 voted against and 418 voted for the bond issue, which would have provided funding for the new Rossville Area Fire Protection District building on Rossville's north side.

District board president Dean Grimes could not be reached for comment at press time Wednesday but Grimes had previously said if the referendum failed, he expected the board to put it on the April ballot.

The Rankin Fire District had better luck with their referendum. They got the nod for funds for a new \$400,000 fire station. Voters in Vermilion, Iroquois and Ford counties approved the measure, 290 to 256. In Vermilion County elections:

• Incumbent Christopher Leigh kept his seat as District 1 representative on the Vermilion County Board, beating challenger Travis Taylor, 2,018 to 1,229.

• Incumbent Linda Lucas Anstey retained her seat as auditor, defeating Republican challenger Stephen W. Green, 17.288 to 13.265.

• Republican Dennis Gardner was elected to circuit clerk, narrowly beating Democrat Darla Cruppenink, 15,739 to 15,613.

Incumbent Susan Miller did not seek reelection.

• Incumbent Peggy Johnson kept her seat as coroner. She defeated Democrat challenger Mike Rortvedt, 19.332 to 12.401.

• Republican Randy Brinegar was elected as state's attorney, defeating Democrat challenger Dan Brown, 15,923 to 15,525.

Incumbent Frank Young did not seek reelection.

HA High school actors to present 'Death by Chocolate'

Hoopeston Area High School presents its fall play "Death by Chocolate" which will take place on November 7 and 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Admission is free; however, free will donations will be accepted during intermission.

"Death by Chocolate", written by Craig Sodaro, is a murder-mystery/comedy. Lead character Detective Nick Noir is a seemingly incompetent, down on his luck private eye whom has one last chance to solve a case and save his business and secretary. Set in Precious Perks Coffee Shop, this play follows the murder case of Vinnie the Leech who died while drinking Precious Perk's famous drink, Death by Chocolate. Noir must discover

the murderer before Death by Chocolate claims any more lives.

Hoopeston Area High School sophomore Christopher Bock plays the lead role of Detective Nick Noir, and junior Katana Byers plays the female lead, Selma, Nick's devoted secretary. Supporting cast members include junior Katie Pajor as Coco Purvis, junior Doni York as Bonbon Purvis, junior Chelsea Rowe as Bobbie Sue Cash, junior Tony Fewer as Henry Higgins Hickenbottom, sophomore Jacy Samet as Yolanda Lamb, sophomore Megan Rosebraugh as Georgia Gore, senior Will Plaza as Francois LePew, and senior Spring Houser as Juniper Berry.



Olympic Hardware

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First Presbyterian Church Hoopeston

Fall Pasta Dinner Pasta • Salad • Bread • Drink • Dessert Friday, Nov. 7 4:30-7:30 p.m. IN TOWN delivery available - 283-6229 Adults \$7 Children 3-8 \$3 Under 3 free







Stop mudslinging, read Constitution

Mud slinging is good for what? I would like to point out the compete hypocrisy of the article I read (October 29) "Election about more issues than economy". It mentioned a "Freedom of Choice Act" that would allow women to make their own decisions about their lives and their baby. Let's look at the name of the act....FREEDOM OF CHOICE! In case you have forgotten this is The United States of America, land of the FREE and home of the brave.

Briefly —

Fire Calls

Thanksgiving dinner

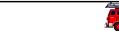
Hoopeston Multi Agency will hold a Thanksgiving dinner for residents 60 and older at noon, Thursday, Nov. 13. Guests may bring a covered dish to share. A freewill offering will be taken. Reservations are required and may be made by calling (217) 283-5544 by Thursday, Nov. 7.

Men's basketball

First Baptist Church will have open men's basketball from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, beginning November 6.

Veterans' Day programs

• Hoopeston Area Middle and High School will present a Veterans' Day program at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11



Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 4:50 p.m. Tuesday to a Dumpster fire in the 700 block of South First Ave. No injuries were reported.



Letters to the Editor

Must you be reminded of some of our great leaders in history that have done the unthinkable in their time? One from right here in Illinois freed the blacks so it would be possible for Senator Obama to achieve this goal. Although some didn't like his ideas in his time he still is an icon to us. But we all know how that one ended.

You would think by now that the finger pointing, bickering, and smears would have stopped, but I guess no one is grown up enough to do so yet. So to

in the middle school gym. All veterans and community members are invited. Students will also collect items to send to the troops.

• Rossville American Legion Post 733 will hold a service at 11 a.m. November 11 at the Rossville Veterans' Memorial. Lunch will be served afterwards at the Legion post. Donations of salad or dessert appreciated. In case of inclement weather, the program will be held at the Legion, corner of Church and Thompson.

Police News

Billy J. Hardwick, 49, of Hoopeston was arrested following an incident at 3:43 p.m. Tuesday in the 700 block of East Maple. He was charged with disorderly conduct on a complaint from a 49-year-old Hoopeston man who alleged Hardwick harassed and threatened him via phone calls.

Hardwick was released on a notice to appear in city court.

Deward A. Schwing, 32, of Hoopeston was arrested at 7:55 a.m. Wednesday in the 100 block of East Lincoln. He was charged with possession of cannabis and was released on a notice to appear.

Weather

Thunderstorms likely today and tonight. High 70, low 46. Tomorrow, chance of showers. High 53, low 36. For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Service, (**217**) **283-6221**.

ALL left-wing, right-wing, idealist, radicals, conformist, republicans, and democrats do us all a favor and read the Constitution!! I believe that would be the first Freedom of Choice Act! You should familiarize yourselves with it!!

> Ryan Rigsby Hoopeston

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