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HA board, administrators praise Veterans' Day ceremony

A joint effort between Hoopeston Area schools and local veterans was deemed a success by school officials.

At Thursday's board meeting, board members and administrators had nothing but praise for the first Veterans' Day ceremony, held Tuesday in the middle school gym.

High school principal Larry Maynard said credit for the event goes to Penny Woolwine and Wendy Ronna, high school chorus and band instructors.

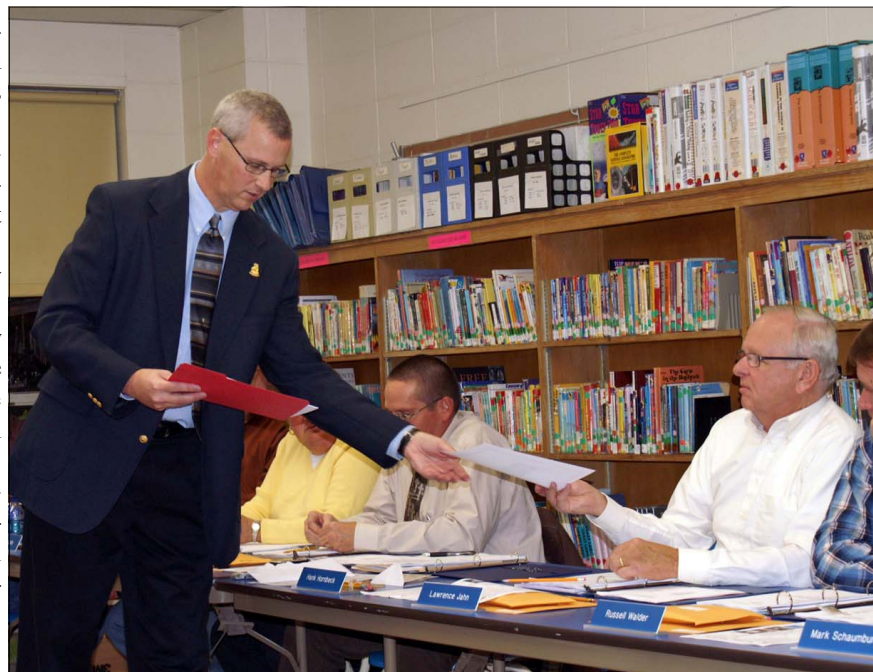
Both band and choral students participated in the program, along with individual students who presented readings on the history of Veterans' Day and that of "Taps."

Maynard credited students for their behavior during the program. "I've never been more proud of our student body," he told the board.

Superintendent Hank Hornbeck estimated 1,000 people were in the gymnasium for the ceremony. "I think it was a very special day," he said.

"I thought it was just out of this world," said board President Mark Wagoner, who thanked custodians for setting up the gym to accommodate guests, as well as the Hoopeston American Legion and VFW for their participation.

Traditionally, local schools were not in session for



Hoopeston Area Superintendent Hank Hornbeck hands a certificate of appreciation to board member Larry Jahn at Thursday's school board meeting. Each board member received a certificate and an "Always a Cornjerker" pin.

Veterans' Day. However, the board and state approved a waiver making Veterans' Day an attendance day. Local service organizations supported the change, suggesting it would provide a chance for students to learn more about the special day.

Honeywell students attended the program in the gym, while Maple and John Greer students had special presentations on Wednesday by the Legion/VFW color guard.

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Police News



A **36-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 9:30 a.m. Thursday that her bicycle was stolen from the 700 block of South First Ave.

Louis Andrew McGee, 24, of Danville, was arrested at 11:13 p.m. Friday at Second Chance, 102 N. Market. Wanted on a Vermilion County traffic warrant for failure to appear/leaving the scene of an accident, he was released on \$300 cash bond.

Becky Gibson, 24, of Ambia, Ind., was arrested at 12:41 a.m. Saturday in the side alley of the 300 block of East Main.

She was charged with battery on a complaint from a 28-year-old Hoopeston woman, who alleged Gibson attacked her.

Gibson was also charged with criminal damage to property on a complaint from Deano's on Main after she allegedly damaged a fence there.

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In unrelated business, the board:

- Set a hearing on the tax levy for 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18.
 - Approved participating in the D.A.R.E. program next school year. The program is paid for with drug free grant money.
 - Approved rehiring Bill Nelson as district attorney.
 - Heard from Maynard that Rossville-Alvin eighth graders and their parents are invited to orientation at 6 p.m. Thursday. That will be followed on Friday by R-A eighth graders being at Hoopeston Area High School.
 - Heard from Maynard and John Greer Principal Dan Walder that discipline issues have declined this year over last.
- Maynard said there has been a 44 percent drop in out-of-school suspensions, while Walder reported that this year, there have been no fistfights at his school. He credits that to a humorous presentation, given on the first day of school, against "Khfooty (Keep Hands, Feet, Other Objects to Yourself) Crimes. "We have found that by focusing on the small stuff, we can prevent some of the bigger things," he said.
- Approved volunteer Lisa Duffin to assist with middle school volleyball.

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

Tyler A. Inman, 22, of Milford, was arrested at 1:57 a.m. Saturday at Parkview Court. He was charged with possession of cannabis and released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Patrick E. Henning, 35, of Hoopeston, turned himself in to police at 9:48 a.m. Saturday. Wanted on a Vermilion County traffic warrant for failure to appear for jury trial, he was released on \$500 bond.

Michelle Castellano, 23, of Hoopeston was arrested at 3:10 p.m. Saturday in the 800 block of East Wyman. She was charged with domestic battery and

Fire Calls



Hoopeston Fire Department was sent at 9:02 a.m. Thursday to the 300 block of East McCracken for a natural gas smell in a house. No injuries were reported.

The department, along with police and ambulance, were sent at 10:29 p.m. Thursday for a possible fire in a garage at 903 Sprague Rd.



Lunch Menus



Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Chicken nuggets, green beans, apple-sauce, cookie

TUESDAY: Cheese pizza, salad, pears, pudding

WEDNESDAY: Beef & noodles, mashed potatoes, peaches, bread, butter

THURSDAY: Pancake & sausage on a stick, tri-tater, orange, grape juice

FRIDAY: Cheeseburger, fries, mixed fruit, Teddy Grahams

Hoopeston Area Middle/High School

MONDAY: Chicken patty or ham & cheese, corn, applesauce, cookie

TUESDAY: Double stuffed pepperoni pizza or pork BBQ, salad, pears, Teddy Grahams

WEDNESDAY: Biscuit & gravy or pancake & sausage, scrambled eggs, peaches, grape juice

THURSDAY: Turkey roast or sub sandwich, corn, mashed potatoes, pineapple, hot roll

child endangerment and was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

A **44-year-old** Hoopeston man reported at 8:17 a.m. Sunday that someone took a radio from the cab of his semi during the overnight hours. The truck was parked in the 200 block of West Elm.

Briefly

Meetings

- Rossville Village Board, 7 p.m. Monday, village office
- Rossville-Alvin School Board, 7 p.m. Monday, grade school library
- Hoopeston City Council, 7 p.m. Tuesday, city hall

Weather



Mostly cloudy today. High 36. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 20. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 36, low 27.

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

FRIDAY: Grilled cheese or fish/bun, beef vegetable soup, mixed fruit, apple juice

CRIS/SAMS meals

MONDAY: BBQ pork, macaroni & cheese, broccoli, apple juice, lemon pudding, bun

TUESDAY: Teriyaki chicken, rice, cheesy cauliflower, pineapple, cupcake, white bread

WEDNESDAY: BBQ beef, diced potatoes, mixed vegetables, mixed fruit, white bread

THURSDAY: Salisbury steak/gravy, potatoes/cheese, mixed vegetables, grape juice, wheat bread

FRIDAY: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green bean casserole, peaches, lemon gelatin, wheat bread

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