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Photo submitted
Lloyd Smith, left, Hoopeston Regional Health Center ambulance coordinator, teaches first aid to local scouts, Adam Pajor, Justin Novak, and Alex Pajor. Chris Webb on the table in a mock first aid situation and Assistant Scoutmaster Dawn Pajor looking on.

Hoopeston Boy Scouts work on rank, badge requirements

Boy Scout Troop 118 of Hoopeston have been busy in the past month working on rank and badge requirements. Almost all boys of the Troop have earned the rank of Tenderfoot. Adam Pajor has successfully earned

the rank of Second Class and is working towards the Order of the Arrow leadership program.

The boys have been working on requirements such as
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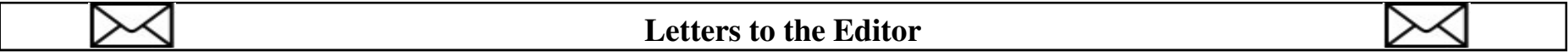
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Letters to the Editor

Consider monetary cost of homosexual

While lamenting God's view of homosexuality, those approving homosexual "marriages" may be forgetting the monetary costs. Even those who do not care about the consequences of sin care about anything that affects their wallet.

Consider if homosexuals get what they are after; equal marriage rights. Most marriages come with pension and health benefits of some kind. If a spouse who gets social security dies and their income was more than the other spouse, the widow/er gets an increase from their deceased spouse's benefits. Other pensions offer remaining spouses health benefits as well. Suppose that two

siblings live together to save money. The same can be said of two women or two men who live together to be able to enjoy a better home and companionship but they are not homosexuals. Many live this way today. Suppose they are retired on social security and one dies who had the most income. Hello! The remaining person usually has to move as they can no longer afford the home and they see nothing of the other's pension. But if homosexuals get marriage rights in the same situation, the remaining person gets some monetary benefit as well as health coverage. Is this fair? Of course not!

If full marriage rights are given to those who live in sin, does this portend that siblings and friends may try to

get a legal marriage so they can share deceased spousal benefits? What a position to people in!
 And where are the "extra" funds for supporting this homosexual lifestyle coming from? Think about it!

Alice Lawrence Fink
 Hoopeston, IL 60942



Court Dispositions

April 2

John P. Smith, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing; case to be filed with Vermilion County Circuit Court.

Justin Plecker, Hoopeston, sentenced to 30 hours public service in lieu of \$230 fine; status hearing June 4.

Jeffrey A. Coss, Hoopeston, status hearing July 2.

William Fulton, Westville, failed to appear at status hearing; case to be filed with Vermilion County Circuit Court.

Scouts continued from other side

knot tying, overnight camping, handling of the flag, preparing and cooking meals. All boys have set the goal to become Eagle Scouts and in order to attain that level of achievement they must do a certain number of badge requirements plus work their way up the rank system. They have been working heavily on badges and are on their way to earning the First Aid badge, Fingerprinting badge and also the Orienteering badge.

Scouts active in the Hoopeston Troop are: Justin Novak, Trevor Hurt, Alex Pajor, Chris Webb, Adam Pajor and Kameron Hoskins. Boys in grade six and above, but not yet 18 years old, may join the Boy Scouts.

For more information on how to join, call Scoutmaster Mike Webb at (815) 984-5157 or go online to www.cubscoutpack118.com and click on the Boy Scout link.

Seed America, Perrysburg, Ohio, failed to appear at status hearing; case to be filed with Vermilion County Circuit Court.

Police News

An employee of Casey's General Store, 115 E. Orange, reported at 9 p.m. Sunday that the drive of a purplish Dodge Caravan failed to pay for \$33 of gas.

Obituaries

CROSS - Charles W. Cross, 55, of Normal, formerly of Milford, died Friday, April 10, 2009, at home. A celebration of his life will be held from 1-3 p.m. Saturday at Knapp Funeral Home, Milford, with a military salute following by the Normal American Legion post. His body will be cremated and the ashes sprinkled on the family farm in Milford. Memorials are suggested to his 11-year-old daughter, Cota Lee, Bromenn Hospice or Community Cancer Center, Normal.

Weather

Chance of thunderstorms today. High 63. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 45. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 66, low 50.

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

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