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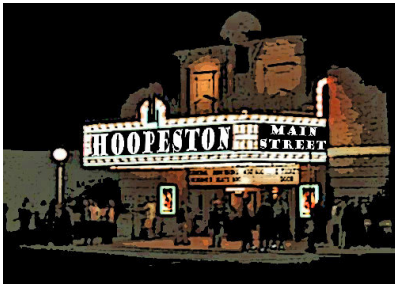
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Main Street seeks volunteers for downtown spring cleaning

April showers have come and gone and now it's time for May flowers.

Saturday, May 16, Hoopeston Main Street is planning a morning of sweeping streets and sidewalks, washing outside windows, planting flowers and simply giving our downtown a good spring cleaning.

Hoopeston Main Street's Design Committee is seeking community volunteers to assist in the project. Main Street considers even a simple clean-up an element of restoring Hoopeston's downtown business district.



If you would like to participate in the Spring Street Sweep please contact Judi Benjamin, Main Street Coordinator, at 217-283-5175 or Greg Mullen, Committee Chair, at 217-283-6416. Better yet, stop by our new location at 216 S. Market Street and sign up in person.

As a way of saying thank-you, Hoopeston Main Street will provide lunch to any volunteer signing up before Wednesday May 13.

Hoopeston Hospital Auxiliary membership dues by May 31

Membership dues are still being accepted through May 31st by the Hoopeston Healthcare Auxiliary. If you would like to become a member or retain your membership please mail your contribution to Rita Rethelford, Treasurer, 904 Wilson Ave, Hoopeston.

There are no meetings to attend. Your membership dues allow the auxiliary to contribute funds toward an item requested by a department on the hospital campus. Dues from the 2009 drive will be applied to the purchase of new dining room furniture for Hoopeston Nursing Home.

While any amount will be accepted, the suggested dues are \$25, \$50 or \$100. Memorials can be made to honor a friend or family member. Please include the name/address of the person to notify of your gift.

If you have any questions please call Rita at 283-5026 after 4:30.

Your support of the healthcare campus facilities is always appreciated.

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Indoors and Outdoors

By Molly Culbert

Some days bring back memories so real and so precious, so vivid, even though many years have passed, that they are a part of who we are. Such are my memories of Memorial Day in Missouri when I was around six years old. A memory of my Grandpa Parker, my brother and me Grandpa's beloved wife had died before my brother and I were born. We filled a big space in his heart and he wanted us to share his memories so we were a part of decorating Grandma's grave.

How different it all was then. First, there were no silk flowers, as we know them now, and no florist close, though there was a greenhouse twenty miles from us that offered red geraniums. But we didn't do that. Grandpa had a yard full of flowers: rose bushes, lilacs,

bridal veil, iris, peonies and "snow ball bushes" that we call hydrangeas today. We woke very early, cut the flowers and "made" bokays.

By the way, it might be fun for you to know Iris were called "flags," the country people called peonies "pineys," and everyone shared their garden flowers with everyone else.

Some traditions still linger, maybe always will. That's why you see red geraniums in the urns and there are peony bushes and iris planted in the cemetery. Please be careful of them. They were put there by loving hearts long ago.

By the way, Memorial Day was called Decoration Day by many.



Just hatched

Two baby robins lie waiting for their mother in a nest in the 700 block of Scott Drive. The fledglings hatched the morning of May 4.

Police News

A 26 inch Roadmaster bicycle was found at 9:15 a.m. Monday in the 400 block of East Seminary. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Court Dispositions



April 16

Adena Rossolille, Oglesby, failed to appear in two cases of preparation and placement of garbage and refuse, found guilty by default; sentencing May 21.

Jeffrey T. Smith, Ludlow, failed to appear for disorderly conduct, found guilty by default; sentencing May 21.

Donald W.J. Burgett, Milford, pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct, \$180 fine converted to 23 hours public service work; status hearing June 18.

Jonathan W. Merrill, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to restraint of dogs by owner or keeper, fined \$180; status hearing July 16.

Ambrocio Ybarra Jr., Hoopeston, pleaded not guilty to disorderly conduct; trial June 4.

Leonard Yazzie III, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct, fined \$180; status hearing June 18.

Tom Lambert, Hoopeston, case dismissed by city attorney.

Aaron Linares, Hoopeston, pleaded not guilty to disorderly conduct; trial June 18.

Teanna Lambert, Hoopeston, pleaded not guilty to restraint of dogs by owner or keeper; trial May 21.

Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today and tonight. High 71, low 54 Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 69, low 51.

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