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Ward 3 gets familiar representation, treasurer, clerk seated

Residents of Hoopeston's third ward have a new - sort of - representative on the city council.

Susan Comstock, appointed by Mayor Bill Crusinberry and unanimously approved by the council, was sworn in at Tuesday night's council meeting.

Comstock registered to run as a write-in candidate for the April election. Although she received more votes than her opponent, she was unable to accept the seat then because she did not meet the residency requirement to run for office.

Comstock, who formerly represented Ward 3, moved from the area and returned last May.

Also sworn in Tuesday were Edye Bookwalter, city treasurer and Gail Lane, city clerk.

In unrelated business, the council:

- Approved a quit claim deed to Community Bank for about 20 feet of property at its site at Rtes. 1 and 9.
- Approved a resolution saying the city will abide by regulations of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 for any work done in flood plains. The city has no pro-



Hoopeston attorney Paul Manion swears in Edye Bookwalter, city treasurer; Susan Comstock, Ward 3 alderwoman; and Gail Lane, city clerk as Mayor Bill Crusinberry looks on at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting.

jects in flood plains, said Alderman Bill McElhaney, water/sewer committee chairman.

• Approved blocking off Main between Market and Third St., beginning at noon on June 27 for activities centered around the new Transformers movie. The Lorraine Theatre will have special attractions and a car show, featuring vintage and new Camaros, as well as three-wheel motorcycles, will be on display, McElhaney said. He, along with Phil Vines and Chuck Wallace, are

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Main Street volunteers give Clean Sweep to downtown area

The weather might have been a bit misty Saturday, but it was not enough to dampen the enthusiasm of 16 dauntless Main Street volunteers who spent the morning, sweeping sidewalks, cleaning parking lots, pulling weeds, cleaning windows and scrubbing flower boxes.

Main Street Sweep is the first of several planned by Hoopeston Main Street's Design Committee. The committee developed a new streetscape plan earlier this year. Greg Mullen, committee chairman, expects to have the plan completed in three phases and wrapped up before the National Sweetcorn Festival in September. The committee hopes the refreshed, more cohesive look to Hoopeston's Main Street district will encourage other segments the community to follow suit.

Mullen was very pleased with the volunteer turnout and the amount of work completed despite the inclement weather.

The next work day will consist of staining existing planter boxes, amending the soil, and adding new shrubbery and flowers.

Anyone interested in volunteering for this project, or any Main Street activity, may call the Main Street office at 217-283-5175, or stop by at 216 S. Market Street, Hoopeston.

Main Street would like to thank the following Main Street Sweep businesses and volunteers: Sheridan's Appliances, Countryside Mall, Rod's Home & Auto, Carol Sapocetti, Jim Richards, Betty Richards, Janet

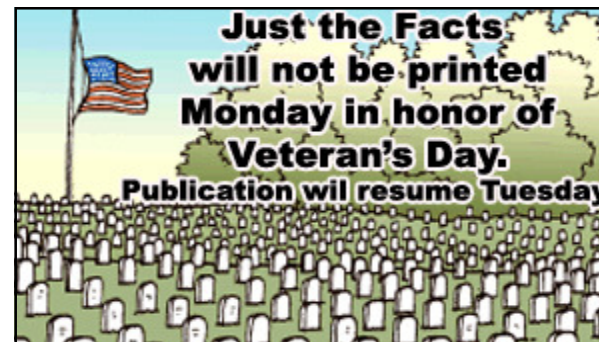


Main Street Clean Sweep volunteers Michael Donnelly, Chelsea Rowe, Connie Huffman, Miss Hoopeston Callie Huffman and the Rev. Janet Eggleston use elbow grease Saturday on Main Street.

Photo submitted

Eggleston, Bill Medler, Alfred Stump, Shirley Reed, Chelsea Rowe, Michael Donley, Callie Huffman, Brenda Cruisenberry, Shawn Swartzentruber, Nancy Stipp, Loni Gress, Greg Mullen and Tom Benjamin.

Thank you also, to L & M Lunch and Anthem Chevrolet for coordinating complimentary lunches for our volunteers.



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Rossville trustees rethink switching to electricity brokers, include seat belts in golf cart law

ROSSVILLE—A move to switch to a company that brokers electricity is getting a second look from village officials.

The village board of trustees approved holding off on a plan to switch from Ameren-CIPS to Affiliated Power Purchasers International of Salisbury, Md., until next year.

Last month, Mayor Terry Prillaman said an APPI representative estimated the village could save more than \$1,200. However, Prillaman told trustees Monday that savings are now estimated to be about \$1,000 and that Ameren may be lowering its electric rates.

- In unrelated action, the board:
- Amended the golf cart ordinance to mandate rear seatbelts, and to be installed by July 1.
 - Approved a zoning board recommendation for a special use permit at 205 Maple for a dog grooming business.
 - Approved spending \$125 for paint for 114-118 E. Attica, in case paint is not donated by a local organi-

zation. The buildings are to be spruced up for the village sesquicentennial in August.

- Authorized Prillaman to sign a grant application for a Rural Development grant to replace older downtown sidewalks.
- Approved Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund credit for prior active duty military service.
- Approved participating in the National Incident Management System.

Rossville, Hoopeston set Memorial Day observances

Rossville and Hoopeston service organizations will hold Memorial Day observances Monday.

In Rossville, Spears-Duke American Legion Post 733 will hold its event at 11 a.m. Monday at Rossville Cemetery. In inclement weather, the service will be moved to the American Legion post.

The public is invited for lunch after the service at the Legion post at the corner of Church and Thompson. A donation of a salad or dessert to share would be appreciated.

• Will allow the American Legion to accept fireworks donations from 10 a.m.-noon on June 13 and 20. Collection will be made at the four-way stop.

• Approved Prillaman's appointments, including Chris Pearson, utility collector; William Shannon, police chief; Bridgett Ault, treasurer; Randy Lusk, superintendent, streets, alleys, water, gas and sewer, as well as building official; Mike Bray, Emergency Management Agency coordinator and Karen Wall, village attorney.

Hoopeston's event, sponsored by Hoopeston American Legion and VFW posts and their respective auxiliaries, will begin at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Floral Hill Cemetery. The observance will feature Hoopeston Area High School band and organization speakers.

In inclement weather, it will be moved to the McFerren Park Civic Center. Such a change will be broadcast on WHPO.

Following the service, the public is invited to a free lunch at the VFW at Fourth Ave. and Orange.

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coordinating the car show.

• Heard from Crusinberry about the odor which has permeated the city. He attributed it to a busy year at Hoopeston Foods, thawing at the lagoons and malfunction of some aerators at the lagoons. Aerators "agitate the water and when they don't, it agitates the residents," he said.

• Heard from Jean Minick that the Chamber of Commerce and Multi Agency will host an after-hours from 5:30-7:30 p.m. May 27.

• She also announced that the Historical Society and Richard McFarland will host an open house at the McFarland Early Americana Museum from 1-4 p.m. June 6. The museum is located on Rt. 1, just south of the city.

• Heard a complaint from Wendy Miller about a problem at Floral Hill Cemetery. A grave abutting her late husband's has several decorations on it. The decorations violate cemetery regulations and make it difficult for her to visit her husband's grave, she said. Officials will look into the matter.

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Briefly

Hydrant flushing

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Girls basketball camp

The 2009 Lady Cornjerker Basketball Camp will be held from June 22-25 at Hoopeston Area High School for

5th grade - 8th grade students. The entry deadline for the camp is June 15. Informational brochures for the camp will be available in the Superintendent's Office at the high school, the middle school main office, and John Greer.

If there are any questions or concerns, contact Coach Ryan High by e-mail: highrm@hoopeston.k12.il.us, or by phone: 283-6661.

Police News

Alphonzo V. Taft, 41, of Hoopeston, was issued a notice to appear in court for restraint of dog by owner or keeper after he allegedly allowed his dog to leave his property in the 700 block of South Second Ave.

Justin B. Baker, 21, of Hoopeston, was cited for reckless driving at 8:40 p.m. Wednesday at Fifth St. and Chestnut. He was released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County Circuit Court.

SPORTS PHYSICALS

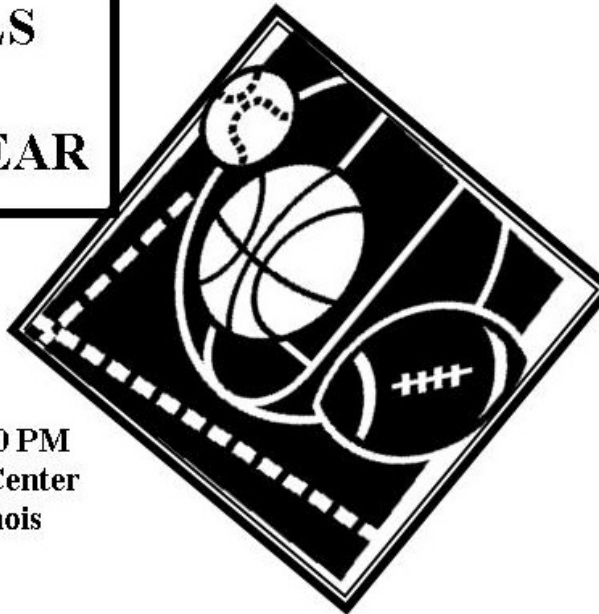
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Obituaries

MASENGALE—Brian J. Masengale, 42, of Rossville, died at 8:16 p.m. Tuesday May 19, 2009 at Provena Covenant Medical Center, Urbana. A celebration of his life will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday at Sunset Funeral Home & Cremation Center, Danville. Visitation will be held from 1-4 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park, Danville. Memorials are suggested to Ashley and Ellie Masengale Trust, c/o Bank of Rantoul-Rossville branch, P.O. Box 188, Rossville, IL 60963.

SHORE - Shirley D. (Miller) Shore, 67, of Ambia, Ind., died at 7:56 a.m. Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at St. Vincent Hospital, Williamsport, Ind. She will be cremated. Burial will be at a later date. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. (Illinois Central time) Friday at Anderson Funeral

Lunch Menus



Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: No school

TUESDAY-FRIDAY: to be announced

Hoopeston Area Middle/High Schools

MONDAY: No school

TUESDAY-FRIDAY: to be announced

CRIS/SAMS Meals

MONDAY: Site closed for Memorial Day

TUESDAY: Chicken jambalaya, apple, chocolate pudding, wheat bread

WEDNESDAY: Meat loaf, macaroni & cheese, whipped potatoes, corn, raisins, white bread

THURSDAY: Chicken fried steak & gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, apple juice, wheat bread

FRIDAY: Hamburger, baked beans, slaw, orange, cupcake, bun

All meals include milk.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 81. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 58. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 79, low 62. Sunday, partly sunny. High 79, low 62. Monday, chance of thunderstorms. High 79, low 60.

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