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Hoopeston Area High School's WYSE team. Pictured, back, from left: Devon Toner, Katie Pajor, Morgan Walder, Neil Smith, Michael Donley, Kraig Van Wieringen, sponsor Stephen Wanderlich; and front, Katana Byers, Aubrey York, Alex Houmes, Larra Brogdon, Nicole Lowe, Garrett Smith. Not pictured: Sara Hayn, Andrew Jordan.

HA's WYSE team takes third place in annual competition

A team of fourteen Hoopeston Area High School students won third place in the 32nd Annual Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering (WYSE) Academic Challenge Regional Competition on Tuesday, February 16 at Danville Area Community College.

Individual award winners included: Alex Houmes, senior (first place, computer science), Kraig Van Wieringen, junior (first place, mathematics), Devon Toner, senior (second place, computer science; second place, physics), Neil Smith, junior (second place, engineering graphics; third place, mathematics), and Katie Pajor, senior (third place, English).

Houmes, Smith, Toner, and Van Wieringen will advance to the WYSE Academic Challenge Sectional Competition on March 11 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

Comprising the remainder of the team, recommended

for membership by their teachers, are seniors Larra Brogdon, Katana Byers, Andrew Jordan, Nicole Lowe, Garrett Smith, and Aubrey York, and juniors Michael Donley, Sara Hayn, and Morgan Walder. The team is coached by science teacher Stephen Wanderlich.

WYSE Academic Challenge is a competitive series of tests created and administered by Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering, sponsored by the University of Illinois College of Engineering. These tests of engineering aptitudes in mathematics and science are designed to present a challenge to the brightest high school students in Illinois and Missouri. Test material is drawn from senior high school and freshman level college curricula. Written by teams of college and university faculty, subjects include biology, chemistry, computer science, engineering graphics, English, mathematics, and

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Briefly

RCO Community Awards

Rossville Community Organization is sponsoring the seventh annual Community Awards Banquet at 6 p.m. Friday, March 19, at Hubbard Trail Country Club. The ceremony will follow the dinner, which will be catered by Merita's.

Ballots for the five community awards, in which the entire community may nominate the citizen of their choice, may be picked up at the bank, village hall, post office or Larkin's Barber Shop. Deadline to return the ballots is March 5.

If you can't attend the banquet, please participate by

Senior assessment freeze help to be offered at township office

Vermilion County Supervisor of Assessment Bill Kizer announced that the Senior Citizens Assessment Freeze Homestead Exemption commonly known as the "Senior Assessment Freeze" was mailed last week to all seniors who were eligible in previous years. The exemption is for property owners 65 or older in 2010 with household incomes of \$55,000 or less in 2009.

This year, satellite sign up locations have been added, to help seniors complete the applications and have the forms notarized.

The first satellite sign up session will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday. A second will be held from 1-4 p.m. March 11. Both will be held at Grant Township Building, 526 S. Market.

WYSE continued from other side

physics.

Tests increase in difficulty as students advance from the regional to the sectional competition and then to the state finals. Students have 40 minutes to complete multiple-choice tests that range in length from 30 questions (computer science) to 100 questions (English).

Weather



Chance of flurries today. High 27. Tonight, decreasing clouds. Low 11. Tomorrow, sunny. High 33, low 16.

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

voting for the people you feel deserve to win.

Parade set for returning serviceman

Aaron and Allison Foster will come into town at 1 p.m. Saturday. There will be fire trucks and other family and friends at the high school parking lot to greet them. The family would like to invite the town to welcome them as well. From the school, the caravan will travel down Route 9 to We will be coming down rt 9 headed west to Market, then turn east on Main down to Eighth Street to the family home on McCracken by Schumacher's.

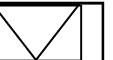
Youth football meeting

Hoopeston Youth Football will meet at 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28, in the Hoopeston Public Library basement. Anyone interested in being an officer or board member, please attend.

Girls softball meeting

Hoopeston Girls Softball meeting will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the John Greer art room..

Letters to the Editor



In agreement on contractor registration

I agree with Bertha Parsons 100 percent. I tried to put my thoughts in a letter and Bertha said all I wanted to say. Thank you Bertha.

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