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## Hoopeston Area finances in good shape through end of June

Despite being owed more than \$573,000 by the state of Illinois, Hoopeston Area ended its financial year in good shape, according to business manager Mark Eighner.

Eighner provided information at Thursday night's board meeting showing all district funds were in the black except for the municipal retirement fund, which showed a negative \$15,000.

As of June 30, the end of the fiscal year, the education fund had a balance of \$476,000 after income of \$10,714,000 and expenses of \$10,238,000.

The education fund covers all expenses of educating

students.

Other funds and their year-end balances include building, \$231,000; transportation, \$48,000; working cash, \$85,000; tort, \$115,000; and Life Safety, \$33,000.

Eighner said of the \$573,000 owed by the state, \$170,000 is transportation fund money not received. He said the state made the first and fourth payments of last fiscal year but failed to make the second and third payments.

In other business, the board:

- approved bids for milk, bread and fuel products, from Prairie Farms Dairy, Watseka; IBC Sales (Interstate Brands/Butternut) and Illini FS, respectively. Each company was the only bidder in its particular category.

- Approved resignations from Jane Comrie, high school PE/high school girls track, and Lori Montez, high school personal aide.

- Hired Tom Maire as middle/high school cafeteria cashier; Kristina Prince, high school PE/head softball coach; and approved Marty Fry as attendance officer at 12 hours per week.

- Approved extracurricular assignments.

- Approved building policy manuals.

- Approved the estimated budget for fiscal year 2011 and approved preparation of a tentative budget, which will be on display for 30 days before passage.

- Approved the fiscal year 2011 migrant program at \$29,500. The program is paid for with federal money.

- Heard from Superintendent Hank Hornbeck that Hoopeston Area will share its Vermilion Area Special Education bus with Rossville-Alvin and prorate costs on the number of students using the service from each district.

- Heard from Scott Kellerhals of Hoopeston Fire Department, who thanked the board for allowing the department to use the weight room.

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## Police News



**Police investigated** a hit-and-run accident reported at 9:20 a.m. Wednesday in the Dollar General parking lot, 415 S. Dixie Highway. An unknown vehicle hit a 2006 Ford driven by Arnold L. Watson of wellington, as Watson was pulling into a parking space and the unknown vehicle was leaving.

At 2 p.m. Thursday, Ray L. Cross, 53, of Potomac, was arrested in connection with the hit-and-run. He was charged with leaving the scene of a vehicle damage accident and operating an uninsured vehicle. He was released on notices to appear for each charge.

**A 20-year-old** Hoopeston man reported at 7:48 a.m. Thursday that someone damaged his car in the 600 block of South Fourth Street.

**Patrick E. Henning**, 37, of Hoopeston, turned himself in to police at 4:58 p.m. Friday. Wanted on a Vermillion County warrant for failure to appear/jury trial, he was released on \$500 cash bond with a new court date.


**David Ingram**, 34, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police were called at 10:30 p.m. Friday to the 300 block of West Penn for a fight in progress.

Ingram was charged with battery and was released on


a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

**Daryl Brown**, 20, of Hoopeston, was charged with failure to signal when required after a traffic stop at 11:54 p.m. Friday at Fourth Street and Elm. He was released on his driver's license.


## Fire Calls



Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 1:30 p.m. Thursday to Country Terrace Apartments for an activated fire alarm, found to be a false alarm.



## Letters to the Editor



**Thank you to Wally Johnston**

I would like to thank Wally Johnston for taking the time to voice his opinion in the facts about immigration. I am sure there are many other folks that share his opinions on this issue. I would hope that others would voice their opinions, as well.

I definitely agree that all men should be created equal. All of those that want to be created equal must obey the laws set forth by the citizens of this nation. There are many service people in our armed forces (most citizens of this country) and many becoming citizens through the proper channels each year.

It is understood that many illegal immigrants who cross our borders now are poor and destitute. This is nothing new for immigrants coming to this country.

## Obituaries

**LLOYD** - Marguerite Lillian (Jackson) Lloyd, 92, of Hoopeston, died at 6:07 a.m. Wednesday, July 14, 2010, at Country Terrace Senior Living Apartments, Hoopeston. She will be cremated. There will be no visitation. Graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to Hoopeston Community Memorial Nursing Home, 701 E. Orange St., Hoopeston IL 60942; Country Terrace Senior Living Apartments, 705 E. Orange St., Hoopeston IL 60942; or Hoopeston First Christian Church, 502 E. Main St., Hoopeston IL 60942. Anderson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.


Most of the immigrants that arrived at Ellis Island in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, before it was closed down, were just as poor and did not speak English. There is a big difference, however. Those that went through Ellis Island became U. S. citizens legally, and most learned the English language and obeyed American law.

Those that cross our borders illegally now believe that they are automatically entitled to be American citizens and afforded all the benefits of full American citizens.

You say that a state law would cause interstate wars. There have been wars going on for decades in Mexico, Central America, South America, and along the U.S. border. You lived in Arizona for 25 years, and were not aware of this! Are you proposing that we let these wars expand to Central North America?

Of course the expansionism that was a direct result of Manifest Destiny in the late 19th century, when we bought and fought for the New Mexico Territory, has been a sore point to the Mexican people for years. Are you suggesting that we concede this territory back to Mexico now? Should we also give back to Britain the land we fought for when we gained our independence in

## Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today, tonight and tomorrow. High today, 87, low 70. Tomorrow, high 88, low 71.

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the 1770's?

Until the people now entering our country go through the proper process of becoming legal citizens, I am afraid your voice is being received with deaf ears.

I would want to ask you this: Have illegal immigrants broken the law? Should they be treated better than legal citizens?

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