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Letters to the Editor

Widow of Jerky creator weighs in on fray

My name is Eleanor Hobbs. Dick Hobbs was my husband, and I would like to comment to everyone in Hoopeston over what has been happening concerning the memorial to him and the "Cornjerker Nation".

My husband loved Hoopeston, he loved the school and most of all, he loved the kids he taught and coached. He created the Jerky out of his feelings of support for this community and the school kids.

The Jerky is a symbol of pride to all of Hoopeston, and I feel it is being tarnished with all of this childishness and self serving. How unhappy Dick would be if he had any idea that this type of thing was going on.

From what I understand, the Cornjerker Nation, which is the brainchild of Mr. Curt Ellis, is Curt's own tribute to his version of the Jerky that Dick had created. How would it be an honor to Dick Hobbs by using Curt's modified version of Dick's creation on a memorial wall?

I spoke to Susan Comstock on the phone several

times when all of this first started and was assured by her that the memorial to Dick would include a wall with a painting of the original Jerky that Dick created. I stated my wishes for my husband, that if it is truly a memorial to him, that his creation NOT be changed. I think the school (who has the copyright) should be protecting Dick's original Jerky. She assured me it would be the original, the one that hung in the gym, and that she would keep in touch with me regarding all of this. As of the last few weeks, Susan has not been in touch with me, and I wonder if this is due to her close contact with Curt Ellis.

I have heard that Curt stood up in front of everyone at a recent meeting and stated "This town has used my Jerky for 19 years." I have a question for you, Curt. Should you not rephrase that to "This town has used my alteration of Dick Hobbs' Jerky for 19 years"?

Dick did not create the Jerky to have someone else lay claim to it. He created it for Hoopeston's sports

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Police News

A 66-year-old Hoopeston man reported at 9:15 a.m. Sunday that someone damaged his swimming pool during the overnight hours. The damage occurred in the 500 block of South Fifth Avenue.

A 26-year-old Hoopeston man reported at 12:08 p.m. Sunday that someone took several CDs and a wallet from his vehicle while it was parked in the 300 block of East Penn.

Ashley D. Coffey, 24, of Hoopeston, was ticketed after a traffic stop at 7:31 p.m. Sunday at Market and

Penn. She was charged with driving while license suspended and disobeying a stop sign and was released on \$100 cash bond.

A 27-year-old Hoopeston man reported at 7:52 p.m. Sunday that someone put white paint on his vehicle while it was parked in the 800 block of East Seminary.

A statue of a rabbit was turned into police Monday. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

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Briefly

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Youth football signups

Hoopeston Youth Football is still signing up football players and cheerleaders. Call Lee Curry, (217) 304-1084 or got to Razor's Edge Barbershop or call the shop at (217) 283-7883 to get signed up today!

Names to be added to memorial

The Ross and South Ross Veterans Memorial Committee of Rossville will be adding veterans' names to the Rossville memorial. Veterans who are presently serving are eligible, along with any prior

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program, and most of all for the school kids.

If Curt wants something to call his own, he needs to come up with an original logo, and not try to ride my husband's coat tails as he seems to have done for

veterans.

Applications may be obtained and returned to Rossville Village Office or the Rossville Historical Society.

Court Dispositions



July 1

Traci Thilmony, case continued generally.

Brian Field II, Hoopeston, new sentencing hearing August 5.

David T. Cannon, Hoopeston, new sentencing hearing September 2.

Brandi Warner, Hoopeston, fined \$180; status hearing September 2.

years.

Curt claims that when Dick was his teacher that he asked Dick if he could change the Jerky and Dick told him that he could. Fine, he may have, I cannot or will not dispute this. Dick loved to help his students grow, improve and be creative, change things and see what ideas they could come up with. But knowing my husband as I did, I am sure that Dick did not mean for this to be used for Curt's own gain, but to be used for the Sports Boosters as Dick meant when he gave them his original.

If Mrs. Comstock and Curt Ellis want to use Curt's altered version of the Jerky for their "Be a Part of It" campaign, fine. But let it be known that it is Curt's version of "Dick Hobbs' Jerky."

How sick at heart Dick would be to hear what is happening to something he gave so gladly to the town he loved.....

Mrs. Richard Hobbs
Tuscola

Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today and tonight. High 92, low 69. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 88, low 66.

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

New Books at the Library



Nonfiction

The Last Stand: Custer, Sitting Bull, and the Battle of the Little Bighorn by Nathaniel Philbrick

1,000 Dollars and an Idea by Sam Wyly

Career as a Naturalist, Park Naturalist, Field Naturalist, Fish and Wildlife Manager

Career as a Nurse

Obituaries

ESPINO - Amador Espino, 84, of Hoopeston, died at 1:12 p.m. Monday, August 2, 2010, at Provena United Samaritans Medical Center, Danville. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

JONES - Lewis Daniel "Dan" Jones, 79, of Rankin, died at 11:15 a.m. Sunday, August 1, 2010, at home. Cremation rites will be accorded. Knapp Funeral Home, Rankin, was in charge of arrangements.

Classifieds

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