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Gary Miller, Bob Duffin named to police commission board

Two men were unanimously approved to the Hoopeston Police Commission at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting.

Gary Miller, former Vermilion County Chief Investigator, and Bob Duffin, were recommended to the positions by Mayor Bill Crusinberry.

The council voted 5-0 to approve the recommendations. Alderwoman Sue Comstock abstained and aldermen Bill Goodwine and Jeff Johnson were absent.

In other business, Alderman Ed Lotz announced that humane officer Neil Seymour resigned recently.

The city will hire a replacement, which, Lotz said, may be a shared position.

In unrelated business, the council:

Approved a \$608,913 tax levy and a \$351,695 bond tax abatement.

Approved participating in the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association's Min/Max program.

Heard from Comstock that the "tree house" on McNeil still has not been razed. "Our little house is still standing," she said. "I hope Santa Claus comes by and makes our wish come true."

Molly's famous
After Christmas Sale
is being held this week so
Molly can can spend the Sunday
after Christmas with
her grandchildren from near and far.
Flowers & Gifts by Mully Culbert
702 W. Main, Hoopeston (800) 523-1344 Open 7 Days!

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You are cordially invited to an
Open House
celebrating the
90th birthday of
Mary Martha Dean Huckleby
2-4 p.m.
Sunday, December 26, 2010
First Church of God
1004 E. Orange Street, Hoopeston
Hosted by her children.
Cards welcome.

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starting at noon.
SHIP, CAPTAIN, CREW
Saturdays, starting May 22, 11 a.m.
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Blue Moon Sake
Christmas Eve Party
Noon-1 a.m.
Friday, December 24
Drink Specials
DJ 9-1
Give-aways!
Christmas Day
open Noon-1 a.m.
Free Food - Drink Specials
Cash give-aways every hour!
DJ 9-1

Wreath-laying ceremony to honor woman who served in Lincoln's Springfield household

The public is invited to join members of the Ward Hill Lamont Civil War Roundtable this Thursday, Dec. 23 in Springhill Cemetery at the gravesite of Mariah Vance. Vance was a laundress, maid and nurse in the Mary Todd and Abraham Lincoln household from 1850 until the Lincolns moved into the White House after the election of 1860. Her family moved to Danville in 1861 when her husband got a job here as a miner.

Vance's oral history of life inside the Lincoln home spurred a controversial book, Lincoln's Private Life, an Oral History by his Housekeeper Mariah Vance, 1850 to 1860, published in the mid 1990s. Vance's recollections were put into book form from notes written down by an Attica, Ind., woman who, as a young secretary in Danville, had taken her laundry to Vance in the early part of the 1900s.

Although Vance's death in 1904 made front-page news in Danville, she was buried in an unmarked grave until the original Ward Hill Lamont Roundtable group had a marker placed there some 60 years later. Current Round Table member Kevin Young, who was in grade school at

the time, attended the dedication ceremony in 1964 with his parents, who were instrumental in the installation of the marker. Young stated, "As a young man with a huge interest in history, I somehow felt close to the Lincolns as this marker was dedicated. My dad was fascinated with her story, and I am pleased to be a part of the group recognizing her again this year. As a professional historian, it's also great to re-explore areas where I have some personal history as well."

Larry Weatherford, local historian and member of the Roundtable, said, "We proudly recognize this lady on the anniversary of her death again this year. Meantime, we continue to sift through available information to help paint a true and realistic picture of this African-American woman who not only knew the Lincolns well, but was also a well known figure in the community."

There will be a brief ceremony and a wreath will be placed at 1:00 p.m. Thursday at Mariah Vance's final

Obituaries

BETKA - Florence "Floss" Betka, 89, of Hoopeston, died at 6:05 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2010, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

Weather

Mostly cloudy today. High 28. Tonight, chance of snow. Low 22. Tomorrow, chance of snow. High 29, low 21.

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

Snow shovelers listed

The following are willing to shovel snow locally:

- Nathan Lawson (217) 474-1566 (cell) / (217) 375-4202 (home)
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- Cody Wood (217) 504-3935
- Brad Calloway (217) 497-5112

New Year's Eve Party
Hoopeston VFW
428 W. Orange
8 p.m.-1 a.m. Friday, December 31
Featuring
The Greely Wit Band
Party favors-Appetizers-Champagne
\$6 single/\$10 couple
Advance tickets available now!

B I N G O
 every Thursday 7 p.m.
Hoopeston
American Legion
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resting place. Her grave is located in the southwest section of Springhill near the rear entrance of the cemetery off English Street.

Blue Moon Sake
KARAOKE
Every Thursday
8 p.m.-Midnight
75¢ 12 oz. drafts
306 E. Main, Hoopeston

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Holiday Special
\$3⁰⁰ off
20 Pc. Chicken
No substitutions
Expires 1-5-11
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