



The Living Lord's Supper
 7 p.m. Wed., April 20 & Thurs., April 21
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★ **Police News** ★

John L. Williams, 42, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an accident at 12:31 a.m. Sunday in the 700 block of North Market. He was charged with DUI, driving while suspended, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, failure to wear seatbelt, operating an uninsured vehicle and leaving the scene of an accident after police allege he hit a tree, then left the scene.

Williams was located and taken to Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital for treatment, then taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville in lieu of \$300 bond.

Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident re-

ported at 8:20 a.m. Sunday in the 400 block of West Thompson. An unknown vehicle left the road, hit a utility box, then left the scene.

— **Briefly** —

Meet & greet
 Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a meet and greet with State Rep. Jason Barickman at 9 a.m. Tuesday at Hoopeston City Hall. All are invited.

Meetings
 • Hoopeston City Council, 7 p.m. Tuesday, city hall



Thinking about church on Easter, but not sure or not sure where?
All are invited, all are welcome!

Easter Sunday Services
9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
 Egg Hunt for Kids: Yes
 Dress: Casual
 Coffee etc.: Yes
 Breakfast Served: Yes
 People Friendly: Yes
 Sermon Relevant & Short 😊: Yes
 Incredible Music: Yes

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Professional intercollegiate sports

I hope you enjoyed this years college basketball tournament, even if your team did not win it. Isn't it refreshing that any team can win, no matter who the prognosticators pick as the ones that should win it. It is nice that a team such as the Indiana high school team that was portrayed in the movie "Hoosiers" can win the championship, no matter what the odds. Besides, these are college teams, with millions of dollars being spent at these colleges to provide

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Yes, this is a million dollar business, with coaches, administrators, universities, the National Collegiate Athletic Association, TV networks, and others sharing in the profits.

Left out are student athletes who entertain and put on the show, who must, before they play their first game, sign a waiver that they cannot accept any proceeds from any of the earnings generated by their play, even years after they leave the school. Video games have been made using some of their images and they cannot receive any revenue from the profits of these games.

How many of you feel that these athletes have been taken for a ride?

The NCAA claims that revenues from the football and basketball programs supports the rest of schools sports programs and insures a championship in each one. They claim that proceeds from the NCAA earning goes back to the student athlete. Do you believe that? I would submit to you that most student athletes do not legally receive

Indoors and Outdoors
By MOLLY CULBERT

A triumph of nature happened in my yard this spring. I transplanted blue bells in a shady fence row many years ago, probably fifty years. They spread all along from front to back of the row and there they stayed because, I think, we mowed the grass in front of them and partly because the soil under the trees self-mulched.

Well this year, somehow, some way, Mother Nature sent out a "scout." One has come up clear on the other side from south to north, from west to east, which happens to be near my front steps. All the spring season seems always to me full of miracles and the journeys of the blue bells is one of many that happened in our own yard. Be aware, look for all the wonders around you!

It's a late Easter but a wonderful one. The greenhouse is full of lilys waiting to be delivered to the churches and other lucky people!

ceive any benefit from any proceeds that they have helped these schools to accrue.

Somewhere between \$700-800 million are earned each year by these people, without a dime going to the athlete. In fact, if any money is given these athletes, they will be in violation of NCAA rules and thrown out of sports.

While this is going on, the NCAA president earns about \$1,500,000. The present one earned about \$750,000.00 as a collegiate administrator before becoming the head of the NCAA..

Only about 50% of the student athletes graduate, and only 01% of these athletes in football and basketball make it to the professional ranks world wide. What are these 50% going to do for employment without a degree and without any hope of becoming professionals?


We expect schools to provide an education to our children both in grade and high school. We also demand that those fortunate enough to receive scholarships for higher education be schooled so that they can at least find work when the school is through with them. After all, education in this country is funded by the tax payer.

To not insure that those attending our universities and colleges receive an education is a disgrace to this country. When other countries fund the education of their children, they achieve an education and become much more able to compete in the workplace of the world. We are responsible for letting our children down.

I would suggest we take away all of the athletic scholarships and give them to students that are going to make a difference in the success and failure of this nation.

At the same time, hire these athletes to entertain us for a fee, do away with the NCAA, and let these athletes take their chances of making the professionals, while earning a living as an entertainer. Take the middle people who are profiting from this slavery out of the equation and pay the people that are doing the entertaining.

Weather



Thunderstorms likely today and tonight. High 65, low 50. Tomorrow, breezy. High 55, low 35

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

Of course this is dreaming on my part. I do like to watch these athletes do things that I cannot do, but I believe the system is broken. I don't really have the answers, but I think as long we keep thinking the same ole way, doing the same ole things, nothing is going to change for the better.

What's new, we seem to stick our heads in sand until things get so bad we can't correct them.

Tom Evans
Hoopeston

Classifieds

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