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Spiffing, games, golf cart rodeo scheduled for cleanup day

People of all ages are expected to turn out Saturday to help spiff up Hoopeston's downtown as part of the nationwide Great American Cleanup.

Twenty-four Hoopeston American Legion members will plant wave petunias and vinca vines in the boxes that GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP" dot the downtown, said Brenda Crusinberry, event coordinator. Those boxes were repainted last weekend in anticipation of the event. Additionally five hibiscus will grace the parking lot between State Farm and Unger's.

Hoopeston Cub and Girl Scouts, as well as karate students have also volunteered to help with the cleanup.

Work time is scheduled to start at 9 a.m. To get volunteers off to a good start, Café Delights will serve donuts to workers. At noon, work ends and volunteers will be treated to lunch, when Crown Ford brings its grill downtown.

Many local businesses have been wonderful about providing donations for flowers, food and other items. "We've just been blessed all over the place," Crusinberry said. "I was very pleased with the generosity of our businesses."

Fun time starts at 2 p.m. with games for kids in Rotary Park. National Honor Society members will oversee that activity.

Organized by Tony Gress and Chuck Wallace, a golf cart rodeo will feature a timed obstacle course with challenges along the way. Registration will take place just before the rodeo. The winner will receive a trophy.

Goers are encouraged to vote for their favorite posters. Designed by Carl Ankenbrand's sixth grade art students, the contest theme is recycling and reusing. First through fourth places will be awarded with prizes.

In case of rain, the contest will be moved to the Methodist Church—something Crusinberry hopes doesn't happen.

Rain could ruin the event, as it has the last few weeks of Keep It Clean Crew cleanups on Saturday mornings. Currently, no rain is scheduled during daytime hours Saturday, but if it does. Crusinberry said she's going to add to the water supply. If it rains, "I'm going to cry a lot," she said.



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Sure sign of spring

A mother bird tends to her young in a next in a Hoopeston yard. The corn in the nest indicates the mother got a little help feeding her young.



Court Dispositions



March 3

Andrew Cornelius, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to restraint of dogs by owner or keeper, fined \$180; status hearing April 7.

April 7



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Lacy Simpson, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to general nuisance, fined \$180; status hearing May 5.

Della Bell, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to general nuisance, to pay \$80 costs; status hearing May 5.

Octavius Stancle, Hoopeston, pleaded not guilty to restraint of dogs by owner or keeper; trial May 5.

Cherlyn Powell, Hoopeston, failed to appear fo general nuisance, found guilty by default; sentencing June 2.

Weather



Chance of showers today. High 55. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 40. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 66, low 52.

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

Obituaries

MARTINEZ - Arnoldo "Noney" "Arnie" Rodriguez Martinez, 66, of Hoopeston, died at 9:07 a.m. Monday, April 25, 2011, at St. Vincent Hospice Center, Indianapolis, Ind. Funeral service will be at 11:30 a.m. Friday at St. Anthony Catholic Church. Following the service, cremation rites will be accorded. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Thursday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to American Heart Association, Greater Midwest Affiliate, Memorials and Tributes Lockbox, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago IL 60674.

Police News



Steven M. Howell, 33, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an incident at 1:37 a.m. Tuesday at Centennial Manor, 426 E. Honeywell. He was charged with disorderly conduct on several complaints alleging loud music. He was released on a notice to appear.

Correction

Ann Penicook was incorrectly identified in Wednesday's issue as the retiring home ec teacher. Ann Potter is actually the home ec teacher.

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