

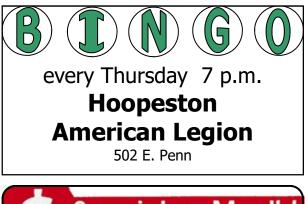
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Email: Phone/Fax (217) 283-9348 Lourdine Florek, owner publish@iustthefacts.net he Facts<sup>©</sup> Thursday, June 2, 2011 Hoopeston's only locally-owned daily news publication P.O. Box 441, Hoopeston, IL, 60942 www.justthefacts.net **Police News** Public Safety Building in Danville in lieu of \$1,750 A green Huffy 10-speed bicycle was found at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday in the 300 block of West Washington. The bond. owner may identify and claim it at the police station. A set of keys was found at 9:55 a.m. Tuesday in the **Briefly** 300 block of East Washington. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station. **Derby rescheduled** An employee of Casey's General Store, 225 E. Or-The Colby Haskins Memorial Homerun Derby, canange, reported at 7:05 p.m. Tuesday that someone in a celled because of the weather, has been rescheduled for red truck failed to pay for gas. Saturday. Chase R. Miles, 20, of Hoopeston, was arrested in Service people's signs connection with an incident at 10:29 p.m. Monday at Military signs in downtown Hoopeston and on the Second Chance Saloon, 102 N. Market. He was charged highway were put up to recognize the persons servwith assault on a complaint from a 48-year-old Hoopesing overseas. Once service people are home, organizton woman and was released on a notice to appear. ers would like to take their signs down. Anvone Joey Bennett, 21, of Hoopeston, was charged with whose sign should come down, please email or call assault at 10:13 p.m. Tuesday, based on a complaint Bertha Parsons at bparsons63@aol.com or 217from a 16-year-old boy. Bennett voluntarily went to the 283-6876. If anyone needs a new sign, let them police station where he was charged and released on a know. There is a small fee to cover the cost.

Organizers are also looking for addresses of service persons so the community may send cards and packages. Hearing from those at home can be a joy to those serving this country and keeping everyone safe. Addresses will be printed for all to see.



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notice to appear in city court.

Sasha R. Lanham, 36, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 11 p.m. Tuesday after a traffic stop in the 1200 block of Daisy Lane. Wanted on a Vermilion County traffic warrant and a small claims warrant, she was taken to the

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### Wind farm letter not entirely accurate

The Tuesday, May 24 issue of "Just The Facts" contained a letter to the editor from The Horseshoe Wind Farm Negotiating Committee stating much inaccurate information. One example is the statement that Stockland Fire Protection District received over \$20,000 from EON, the present owner of the Settler's Trail LLC building the Sheldon, IL wind farm. The fire district actually received \$11,190 towards the purchase of <u>USED</u> "Jaws of Life" type rescue equipment. But there is more to the story. This donation was not just from the goodness of EON's heart.

EON Corporation needs to run underground, high voltage power lines throughout the wind farm. In order to do this they need to be granted an easement through the various drainage districts in the area. When cables are buried in the drainage districts' rights of way it leads to more difficulty in maintenance of the drainage system in the future and more expense. Any digging involves avoiding cables and liability if cables are damaged.

### Obituaries

**BOWEN** - Margaret E. (Probasco) Bowen, 75, of Watseka, formerly of Milford, died Saturday, May 28, 2011, at Watseka Rehab & Health Care Center. Graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Sugar Creek Cemetery, Stockland. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. Knapp Funeral Home, Milford, was in charge of arrangements.

**JUDY** - Melva Judy, 56, of Potomac, died at 11:27 p.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2011, at home. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

**PUTNAM** - Juanita (Melin) Putnam, 92, of Hoopeston, died at 4:45 p.m. Monday, May 30, 2011, at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Anthony Catholic Church, Hoopeston. There will be no visitation. Rosary will be recited for the family at 9:15 a.m. Thursday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to Hoopeston Public Library or St. Vincent DePaul Society of the church.

### Letters to the Editor

Coon Creek Drainage District entered into negotiations with EON for compensation for future costs that will be encountered. EON flatly refused to provide monetary compensation to any of the drainage districts within its wind farm footprint, only promising to repair any immediate damage it might do. To avoid any litigation that might occur with EON from refusing to grant an easement, the Coon Creek Commissioners suggested a donation of rescue equipment that might benefit the entire Stockland community in which the majority of Coon Creek lies. EON seized upon this opportunity as a PR coup and arranged with a fire equipment supplier for some old, but serviceable equipment to be donated.

In the meantime a contract was signed with EON stating that any cables must be buried at least six feet deep through the easement. EON promised to allow the commissioners to be present during the laying of the cable to be sure terms of the contract were met. One day I discovered the cable was buried without the promised notification. Now there is no way of knowing if the cable is buried six inches deep or sixteen feet deep.

In conclusion, EON's donation was a payoff to Coon Creek Drainage District, and the other districts in the area, for them to go away. Make no mistake, it was appreciated by the community, but it saved EON tens of thousands of dollars in compensation that should have gone to the various drainage districts.

I believe examples such as this are part of the reason the Iroquois County Board is very cautious about lifting the moratorium on new wind farm construction until they are very sure everyone will be adequately protected. We are fortunate to have a board whose majority is more concerned about the health, safety, well-being, and property values of its citizens

## Weather

Showers today and tonight. High 68, low 47. Tomorrow, cloudy, chance of rain late. High 65, low 54.

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than the desire to make a quick buck.

Marvin Stichnoth Former Chief, Retired, Stockland Fire Protection District Commissioner, Coon Creek Drainage District

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