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Evan Pierce digs holes to plant rhododendron plants on Hoopeston property along Route 1 and Main Street. The work is an internship for a class Pierce is taking at Danville Area Community College.

Design project gives student credit, beautifies landscape

When other children were planting in the family garden, a young Evan Pierce was digging holes—deep holes. That may have been an indication of what his career would be. Pierce, 19, is responsible for the flora and its placement at the City of Hoopeston sign on the north side of Main Street at Route 1. The previous landscaping was torn up when a new water main was installed between the water department building on Main and the new nursing home. Pierce, a student at Danville Area Community Col-

lege, offered to redo the landscaping as an internship for a landscaping design and construction. The project required digging—a lot of deep digging in heavy clay soil. Pierce received help from city workers who brought in backhoes to help remove old landscaping and level the area but did much of the digging himself. Along with the physical aspect of digging and planting, the project also included decision-making about the types of plants that would grow in the soil and provide year-'round eye appeal. Pierce's choices include Cleveland Select Pears, See LANDSCAPE on other side

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Sitting pretty

Louise Bury Nelson, Miss Hoopston 1941, awaits her turn in the National Sweetcorn Festival Grand Parade. Nelson also was recognized at the National Sweetheart Pageant.

Landscape continued from other side

which will have flowers in the spring; Sunny knockout roses, whose yellow flowers will grace the area in spring and summer; rhododendron with attractive green foliage and late-season dark red blooms, and boxwood, an evergreen to provide color during winter.

A border landscaping bricks and red mulch complete Pierce's design.

The budding landscape artist was assisted by Chad Thomas of C&D Outdoor Improvements. Loni Gress was project overseer.

Pierce will be graded on his effort and hopes to make it his career. "I like doing work like this," he said.

Reports of illness after weekend

Several cases of a similar illness are being investigated by Vermilion County Health Department after being reported following the Labor Day weekend.

"A cluster of reported illnesses," which primarily includes vomiting, stomach cramps and diarrhea, is being investigated, said Doug Toole, health department director of environmental health.

As of Friday, 12 people were interviewed "but that's changing frequently," he said. Some who became ill also reported low grade fevers.

Many reportedly ate at an undisclosed Hoopston restaurant but Toole said a diagnoses has not been confirmed so a connection is not established.

Police News



Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident reported at 2:07 p.m. Sunday in the alley of the 700 block of East Honeywell. An unknown vehicle hit and broke a Frontier Communications pole.

Jeff H. Chandler, 36, of Hoopston, was arrested after an incident at 7:22 p.m. Sunday in the 300 block of South Third Street. He was charged with criminal trespass to real property after he had previously been warned from the property. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in lieu of bond.

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