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Alderman says city not wanted by health insurance firm

A Hoopeston alderman believes an area insurance company apparently does not want the city's business.

At Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting, Alderman Bill Goodwine said Health Alliance refuses to classify the city as a small group, which would mean the company would have to accept the city.

The city has about 32 employees. Of those, only 28 have applied for insurance, Goodwine told the council. Despite that, Health Alliance claims the city is a large group with more than 50 employees. To reach that number, Goodwine said, the company would have to include pool lifeguards and volunteer firemen, neither of which is eligible for health insurance.

Goodwine, chairman of the city's finance committee, has been searing for health insurance that is less expensive, while still providing good coverage for employees. Early contact with Health Alliance indicated Hoopeston could save about \$100,000 with the company.

In other business, Ginger Grant questioned why the former EB Collins building at 712 W. Main, was cleaned up for safety reasons while the building north of Harris Insurance still has the sidewalk blocked off, forcing customers to walk into the street.

Alderman Randy Carter accused Grant of having "a

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punch list" of things to complain about and asked if she would be happy once the sidewalk was open by the end of the month.

"Probably not," she said, because the Harris building has water in it and now mold.

In unrelated business, the council:

- Approved conditional uses for Natosha Menschel to operate a beauty shop in her home, 714 S. Fourth St.; and Anderson Funeral Home to expand its driveway to include property to the west.
- Learned the city was able to sell an old fire truck for \$3,850. The truck was purchased by a broker.

New Shipment of Hardy Mums arrives Friday! Sizes: 4" \$1 6" \$3.50 9" (favorite size for planting) \$5.98 3 or more \$4.98 each Hardy asters, Hibiscus African violets and Orchid plants Flowers & Gifts by Mully Cullent 702 W. Main, Hoopeston (800) 523-1344 Open 7 Days!

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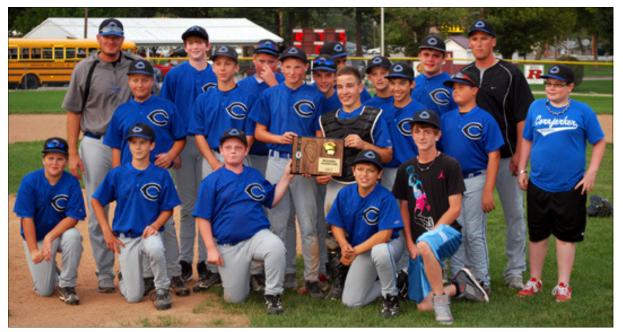


Photo courtesy of Carl Ankenbrand

Regional champs

Hoopeston Area Middle School boys baseball team was named regional champs after defeating the Milford Bats Monday. The team will play Saturday in Watseka against and if they are victorious there, will head to the state competition.

— Briefly

Group to perform

"A Natural High," an Iroquois County gospel group, will perform at 7 p.m. Friday at First Christian Church,

Police News



Justin Ward, 21, of Milford, was arrested after a traffic stop at 12:38 a.m. Wednesday in the 1000 block of South Dixie Hwy. He was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Matthew Baker, 34, of Minier, was arrested after police were called at 1:40 a.m. Wednesday to the 200 block of East Main for a report of a possible battery. Officers ran computer checks on those involved and found Baker wanted on a Tazewell County warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in lieu of bond.

502 E. Main, Hoopeston. Handicapped accessibility is available at the Fourth Street entrance. Everyone is welcome.

Free after school program to start

CAP, a free after school program for first, second and third graders, begins Wednesday, October 3 from 3:30 - 5 at Hoopeston First United Methodist Church. CAP teaches children about God through arts and crafts. Call 217-283-6738 from 8-11:30 am, or leave a message to enroll your child in this exciting adventure.

Weather



Chance of showers today and tonight. High 70, low 46. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 63, low 40. Sunday, sunny. High 61, low 40.

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

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LOST: small grey and white dog with tan legs - dark brown and black spots. One blue eye and one brown. Her name is Jipsi. If you see her, please call (217) 597-8769.

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Electric guitar and amplifier with stand, case and instruction books/CD. \$100. (217) 504-2433

NOTICES

Nominating petition forms for the April 9, 2013 school board election in Hoopeston Area Community Unit School District #11 are now available. Forms may be picked up in the office of the superintendent at 615 E. Orange, Hoopeston, IL on any business day between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm.

A school board candidate's petition must be filed in the same office no earlier than 8:00 am, on Monday, December 17 and no later than 5:00 pm, Monday, December 24.

4 seats (2 in the old Hoopeston School District; 2 outside the old Hoopeston School District) on the seven-member board of education will be filled at the April 9, 2013 election. Candidates elected will serve four-year terms expiring in April 2017.

The Village of Rossville will be accepting sealed bids for surplus property (real estate). Bids to be received NO LATER THAN 5 PM, OCT. 15, 2012 at the Rossville Municipal Office, 120 E. Attica St., Rossville, IL 60963. The Village reserves the right to reject any and all bids on the following properties:

510 Holmes Ave. (Vacant Building Lot ROSS 1168 PIN#08-12-609-007. Approx. Dimen: 92.4' x 173.25' Zoned R-3 (L5 Thomas's 1st ADD and

107 E. Attica (Vacant Downtown Building) ROSS 0486 PIN#08-405-002 Approx Dimen: 39' x 70' (L5 CLKS SUB Gilbert & Satterwaite ADD) Zoned B-1

> Chris White Village Clerk

RUMMAGE SALES

HOOPESTON: 724 E. Main. Fri., 4-7, Sat. 8-? Huge multifamily sale! Lots of baby items (crib, high chair, etc.) bunk beds, TVs, dryer, grill, kids 2T-3T, tween/junior thru adult

HOOPESTON 905 E. Young (in alley) Sat., 8-? Something for everyone!

HOOPESTON: St. Anthony parking lot. 7 a.m. Sat. Furniture, tools, appliances, bedding, dishes, books, exercise equipment. Proceeds to St. Vincent de Paul organization for families in need.