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State Rep call Quinn state of state a look at past, not future

SPRINGFIELD—As a freshman legislator listening to his first State of the State address from the floor of the Illinois House, State Rep. Josh Harms (R-Watseka) wanted to see a renewed commitment to growing Illinois' economy, but was instead treated to a speech more focused on the past than the future.

"Governor Quinn had a real opportunity to wipe the slate clean and come out with an aggressive jobs and economic policy here," said Harms. "What we received was a divisive look back rather than a vision forward."

"Illinois has over 210,000 unpaid bills totaling over \$9 billion dollars. We have the worst budget deficit in the

nation. Since 2008, Illinois has lost the third most jobs in the country, and our unemployment rate is well above the national average at 8.9%. The last thing Governor Quinn should be discussing is gun control and gay marriage."

Harms, a former teacher who was sworn into office in January, will serve on a range of committees during the upcoming legislative session including the Higher Education Appropriations, Economic Development, Cities and Villages, Business Occupational Licenses Public Safety: Police and Fire in addition to his requested Agricultural and Conservation Committee.

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 Mayor Bill Crusinberry

It's our
Sweet 16 Anniversary
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 Giving away 2 Miranda Lambert tickets
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\$1 off
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Briefly
Open house
 Hoopeston Multi Agency will hold an open house Friday to wish outgoing executive director Chalmers Flint well and to allow residents to meet new director Marcie Sheridan.
 The event will be from noon-3 p.m. at the Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave.
Memorial wrestling tournament
 The first Dan Magee Memorial Tournament will be

 **Hoopeston Lions Club**
Pancake Breakfast
Saturday Feb. 9 6 a.m.-Noon
also serving
Biscuits & Gravy & Eggs
Hoopeston American Legion
 502 E. Penn St.
Adults \$6 Under 6, free
Sausage available - 2 lb. bulk or patties

 **St. Anthony Youth Group & Friends**
13th Annual
Jambalaya Dinner
 (Hot dogs available, too)
& Mardi Gras Party
"Les bon temps roulette"
 (Proceeds go toward our Mission Trip to New Orleans)
Mardi Gras Evening
Tuesday, February 12
St. Anthony Parish Hall
 Serving from 4:30 to 7 p.m.
 Adults \$10- Under 8, \$5
 Buy 5 tickets, get the 6th FREE
Walk-ins welcome! Takeouts available!
For party tables, advance tickets, or rides,
please call Bill Goodwine, (217) 283-9683

held Saturday at Hoopeston Area High School. The event, named in honor of former Hoopeston wrestler Dan Magee, is IKWF sanctioned and is a four man round robin, where available. First through fourth places will be awarded trophies in age divisions of 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12 and 13-14.
 Concessions will be available at the tournament.

Coaches needed
 Hoopeston Youth Football Association is looking for coaches for the 2013 season. Applicants must be 21 for a head coach and 18 for assistant coaches. Please apply at Razor's Edge 708 W Orange, Hoopeston.
 Applications will be accepted through March 1.

Weather 
 Mostly sunny today. High 36. Tonight, clear. Low 23. Tomorrow, sunny. High 38, low 31. Sunday, showers likely. High 47, low 35.
 For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Service, (217) 283-6221.

Second Chance Saloon
 102 N. Market, Hoopeston
Saturday, Feb. 9
Pool Tournament
 Double elimination (Race to 2)
\$5 entry fee. Enter by 1 p.m., starts at 2 p.m.
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Feb. 15: live music by local band Furion 9-12

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HOOPESTON ROTARY
Pancake & Sausage Day
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 Hoopeston Nazarene Church seeks office secretary for 10hrs. per week. Computer, budgeting, and communication skills required. Email resumes to hoopnaz@yahoo.com or mail to 402 E. Honeywell by 2/20. (217) 283-9771 for more info. Must be willing to submit to background check.
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