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Flames flare up Tuesday morning at J&R Tire Recycling. The flames were visible along Market Street. Meanwhile, further in the rubble, sprays of water from an unseen sprinkler watered more rubble. Also, firemen have returned to the scene a few times to extinguish hot spots.

## Monitoring continues in wake of tire recycling fire

At least one person in a van monitored Hoopeston's air quality Tuesday in the wake of last week's fire at J&R Tire Recycling.

The man drove around Hoopeston, pulling to the side of the street every few feet, left arm extended out the van window to take air readings with a hand-held monitor. A laptop in the passenger seat kept track of the readings.

Meanwhile, behind the Ameren substation on Route 9, workers monitored runoff collected from the water - with estimates as high as 3 million gallons - used to fight the fire.

In a third wave of monitoring, EPA workers were expected in Hoopeston Tuesday to collect debris from the fire that wafted into residents' yards.

See **MONITORING** on other side

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## Briefly

### Dental program to be at park

The Colgate-Bright Smiles Bright Futures Dental Van will be at McFerren Park in Hoopeston from 9:30-11:30 a.m. June 27.

Bright Smiles provides free dental screenings and goody bags with dental supplies to children ages 3-18. Children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

The program is also sponsored by HALO Project, a Healthy Community Initiative Sponsored by Presence United Samaritans Medical Center's Foundation.

### 'The gathering'

"The Gathering," Rossville's monthly get-together for senior citizens, will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at the fire station. The event is sponsored by Rossville Community Organization.

### Mega-reunion scheduled

Hoopeston High school classes of 1967, 1968 and 1969 will hold a three-day reunion the weekend of July 19-21. Information can be found and reservations made at [cornjerkerks676869.org](http://cornjerkerks676869.org). A mega-reunion t-shirt is also available and may be ordered by anyone.

The reunion committee includes Jim Gholson, Class of '68; Randy Carter, class of '67; and Loni Gress, class of '69.

### Library to be closed Saturday

Hoopeston Public Library will be closed Saturday, June 29, to allow library staff to attend the annual American Library Association conference.

### Church to host program on Liberia

Milford United Methodist Church will host a program on Liberia featuring a slide show from the January mission trip taken by Pastor Gene Turner and Linda Decker. The event will be at 5 p.m. Friday. A meal will be served prior to the slide show. The public is invited to attend.

The trip was sponsored by a Methodist cluster including churches in Rankin, Cissna Park, Rossville, Potomac, Wellington, Milford, Stockland and Hoopeston.

Dehkontee Tarr, a Liberian citizen will attend. Tarr is traveling the United States and is a guest of the Illinois Great Rivers Annual Conference.



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## Letters to the Editor

### Fire department thanks community

The Hoopeston Fire Department would like to thank all of the area residents, businesses and organizations who stepped up to donate items and volunteer their time to ensure firefighters had the food, water and other supplies they needed while battling the fire at J&R Used Tire Service last week.

Volunteers were on site throughout Wednesday, Thursday and Friday providing firefighters with re-

freshments when they would take breaks after hours of continuously battling the massive inferno that engulfed the old FMC building.

The Hoopeston Fire Department and all the other departments from around the region which provided personnel never lacked for any kind of supplies due to the diligent efforts of the men, women and children from throughout the area who chose to sacrifice their time to help emergency personnel meet this challenge head-on.

The Hoopeston Fire Department expresses its deepest heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to all of those who donated and volunteered their time during this trying situation.

Hoopeston Fire Department

### Police News

The owner of prescription sunglasses found Sunday were claimed by the owner Monday.

Jose J. Mendez, 41, of Hoopeston, was charged with restraint of dogs by owner after several citizen calls about two dogs running loose.

Mendez was issued a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Candace R. Searcy, 28, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 5:51 p.m. Monday while walking in the 200 block of East Main. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant for theft over \$500, she was released on \$100 bond.

### Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department were called at 7:20 a.m. Monday to the 500 block of South Fourth St., for an activated carbon monoxide detector. No injuries or illness were reported.

### New Books at the Library

#### Fiction

The Classroom: The Epic Documentary of a Not-Yet-Epic Kid by Robin Mellom

Emily & Jackson Hiding Out by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Junie B., First Grader: Turkeys We Have Loved and Eaten (and Other Thankful Stuff) by Barbara Park

### Weather

Chance of thunderstorms today, tomorrow. High 87, low 70. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 86, low 70.

## Obituaries

**PRUITT** - Josephine Helen (Callahan) Pruitt, 90, of Milford, died June 23, 2013 at Heritage Health in Hoopeston. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at Knapp Funeral Home, Milford. Funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Milford. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Milford. Memorials are suggested to the church building fund or Milford Crossroads Youth Center.

### Monitoring continued from other side

Mayor Bill Crusinberry announced Monday that the federal Environmental Protection Agency would have teams in town Tuesday to collect the debris that had settled on residents' property.

Starting Thursday, residents who believe their property was missed can call City Hall at 283-5833 and leave their name and address.

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