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Heavy equipment is used Monday to remove debris from the site of the June 19 tire recycling fire.
Heavy equipment takes big bite out of tire, building debris

Big equipment is taking a big bite out of debris resulting from the June 19 fire at J&R Tire Recycling.

Hoopeston Mayor Bill Crusinberry notified media Friday afternoon that cleanup had started with the first load of burned tires west of the CSX tracks being loaded into trucks. On Monday, truckloads of mangled metal and other debris were scooped up with heavy equipment and loaded into semis, then taken from the scene.

At the July 16 Hoopeston City Council meeting,

Crusinberry said J&R owners had hired ELM Energy, of Peoria, to clean the site, pending Illinois EPA approval. An ELM official included an action plan for the site, with plans to:

- Use heavy equipment to address smoldering debris piles to eliminate smoke and prevent further fire activity, to be accomplished within seven days.
- Cut off and plug existing sanitary sewer connection from the plant to prevent fire runoff from entering the city's waste water treatment system, to be accomplished

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Robinson donation helps fund local youth work camp trip

A generous \$610 donation from Robinson Chiropractic helped make possible the St. Anthony Youth Group mission trip in June. The 21 youth spent one week in Lancaster, Penn., serving others. Local youth included Hannah Bray, Charleen and Colleen Cessna, Aaliyah Colunga, David Cornelius, Katelin Crabtree, Ben Kinney, Rylee Martin, Gretchen and Nick Marx, Dane and Aly Nicholls, Anissa Pemberton, Erika Samet, Terra Scharlach, Olivia Smith, Victoria Spivey, Gizelle Torres, Chris Umbanhowar, Joe Warner and Elijah Yates.

“We teamed up with 130 other youth, broke into 25 teams of six and accomplished 25 projects,” said Aly Nicholls. “It was hard work, but very satisfying. The evening programs were both fun and uplifting. We obviously worked hard, because here we are all at the chiropractor’s office.”

“I especially liked my project,” stated Aaliyah Colunga. “The family we helped lived in a mobile home park and was under the threat of eviction if things did not get fixed up. They could not afford to pay to have their home painted. They could not paint it themselves since they were going through some severe and time-consuming psychological issues within their family. We worked really hard and finished in time to go back and fix every little paint smudge. It looked perfect when we were through. I was so proud.”

“The boys in our group roomed with a group from Norfolk, Va.,” said Dane Nicholls. “Six of the kids were from France. I do not know why, but they seemed to struggle to

understand my fluent French.”

This is the 13th annual Heart Workcamp camp attended by the Hoopeston youth. “We strive to make it not only a service experience, but a social and cultural experience as well,” said Bill Goodwine, one of the five chaperones that also included Laura Warner, Yolanda Pemberton, Rosellen Cornelius and Denise Bray.

This year the group took an extended free day and saw Independence Mall in Philadelphia where the Liberty Bell is located as well as Constitution Hall where the Declaration of Independence was signed. From there they went to New Jersey. The next morning they took the train into New York City, took the subway to visit the Ground Zero Memorial, then toured Chinatown and visited Times Square.



Dr. Christopher Robinson and son Max, stand with Aaliyah Colunga, Dane Nicholls, Aly Nicholls and Bill Goodwine. Robinson Chiropractic donated \$610 to the St. Anthony Youth Group work camp trip to Lancaster, Penn., in June.

Briefly

The gathering

Rossville senior citizens will hold their monthly gathering at 1 p.m. Thursday at Rossville Fire Station. The event is sponsored by Rossville Community Organization.

Class of ‘78 reunion

Hoopeston-East Lynn Class of 1978 will hold its 35th reunion at 6 p.m. August 10 at Hoopeston American Legion. If you know of any family or friends that have not been contacted, please have them email [jenni-](mailto:jenni-fer.sinclair@sbcglobal.net)

fer.sinclair@sbcglobal.net.

Girls basketball practice

Basketball practice for girls going into fifth or sixth grade this year will start Monday, Aug. 5. Practice will be from 8-9:30 a.m. at John Greer gym. Athletes will need a physical, tennis shoes, gym clothes and water bottle.

Police News

Jarred I. Stone, 32, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an incident at 6:22 a.m. Monday at Parkview Court. He was charged with criminal trespass to state-supported property and was released on a notice to appear.

Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident that occurred at an unknown time at Route 1 and Main. A semi truck hit a city street sign, then left the scene.

Christopher Cibirka, 32, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an incident at 8:09 p.m. Monday in the 500 block of East Main, in which he allegedly threatened several people with an undisclosed weapon. He was charged with threatening a public official and assault and was

Debris continued from other side

within seven days.

- Address storm water runoff issues within 14 days.
- Within 21 days, sort debris into three groups: scrap steel to be recycled; clean brick and concrete to be recycled; and used/processed tire debris and building demolition/fire debris.
- From that point, suitable debris will be taken to the Republic landfill in Hoopeston, within 28 days.
- Scrap metal for recycling will be loaded and transported off site within 45 days; material for disposal will be loaded and removed within 60 days; on-site brick and concrete will be crushed for recycling within 75 days.

Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 76. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 57. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 79, low 62.



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