



Words cannot express our gratitude for all of the kindnesses shown to our beloved son and brother during his long and difficult illness and at the time of his passing.

Special thanks to:

Pastor Tim Collard of Faith Baptist Church of Pekin for his many visits and prayers.

Steve Unger, Pastor Adam Taubert, and Jason Dodge for the beautiful memorial tribute.

Henderson Funeral Home of Pekin and Anderson Funeral Home for their guidance in our time of need

All of the community churches for the many, many prayers said on his behalf over the last six years

Church of God for the "Chicken Soup for the Soul" care package

Ladies of the Milford Christian Church for the prayer shawl knitted with love

D & T Catering for the delicious meal

Baptist Church Ladies and the Ladies from Rankin for the awesome desserts

Hoopeston American Legion for the 21 Gun Salute and use of their facilities for the dinner  
USN Military Honors Guard from Great Lakes for the presentation of the flag

Federal Correctional Institution Honor Guard for the Final Salute

For the gifts of food, flowers, cards, phone calls, prayers and all memorials to Faith Baptist, HAHS, or to our family, or whatever you did to comfort us, we truly thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

May God Bless All of You.

The Family of Cortney A. Zimmerman  
Emery and Linda Zimmerman  
Brock & Kym Zimmerman

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## Officials may take of Vermilion Iron, Essex, seek tax hike

Hoopeston aldermen are considering taking ownership of the former Vermilion Iron and Essex properties.

The city council assembled Tuesday night but could not meet officially because agendas for the meeting were not sent until Monday afternoon, violating the Illinois Open Meetings Act, which states agendas must be posted 48 hours before a meeting.

On the agenda for Tuesday was discussion and possible action on accepting the Vermilion Iron property on North Sixth Ave.

Representatives of Hoopeston Economic Development Committee (HEDC), Vermilion County Health Department, Vermilion Advantage, and Foth Infrastructure and Environment urged the council to get the property so it can be cleaned up more quickly.

The corporation which most recently owned Vermilion Iron, Packard Engineering, has disbanded, said Doug Toole, Vermilion County Health Department's

director of environmental health. City ownership of the property would make it easier for the health department to do a Phase 2 environmental study of possible contaminants, and possibly cleanup, of the site.

Toole said the health department received a search warrant to do an overview of the site and for the upcoming environmental study. He was unsure if a warrant could be issued to clean the property.

Toole said, the public often has issues with public money being used to clean private property. However, that would not be the case if the city owned the property.

See VERMILION IRON on other side

## Last chance book sale in final days at Hoopeston library

Hoopeston Public Library has extended its late summer book sale for three days only – Thursday, Aug. 8 through Saturday, Aug. 10, during regular library hours: 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday; 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

All items in the book sale room are reduced to \$1 per bag and new items have been added to the sale since last week. Bring your own bag or use one of ours!

This is absolutely the last sale of the summer, so hurry in now! Lots of good books, VHS movies and cassette books are still available. After Saturday, the book sale will be closed.

For more information, call or stop by the library: 110 N. Fourth St., Hoopeston IL 60942; 217-283-6711


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Golden Harvest Tobacco 12 oz. bag \$13.89

Grizzly Wintergreen 5 pk. roll \$11.89

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(217) 283-6701



## BACK TO SCHOOL

### Block Party Celebration

Friday, Aug. 9 10 a.m.-Noon

Pink Poodle parking lot

(Hoopeston Plaza)

**Free drinks & refreshments**

**Register for Door Prizes**

**First 10 kids per grade**

(kindergarten through sixth)

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## Police News



A **29-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 8:53 p.m. Tuesday that a diamond ring was missing from the 800 block of East elm.

**Cassandra R. Gutierrez**, 18, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 9:45 p.m. Tuesday in the 400 block of East Honeywell. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant for failure to appear/failure to give information after hitting an unattended vehicle, she was taken to the Public Safety Building in lieu of \$575 bond.



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## Briefly

### Parents Preview Night

Parents Preview Night for Hoopeston Area Marching Band camp will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

### Team to hold tryouts

Central Illinois Outlaws travel 12u fast pitch softball team will hold tryouts on Saturday, Aug. 10, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Try outs will take place at the Hoopeston Area High School softball field.

Call 217-304-2023 with any questions.

### Clothing memorabilia sought

Hoopeston Area CUSD #11 is seeking old clothing memorabilia for display purposes throughout the district. Hoopeston Area is interested in extracurricular memorabilia from Hoopeston, Cheneyville, East Lynn, Welling-

### Vermilion Iron continued from other side

"The fastest solution - the easies for us certainly - is for you to say you want to take control of that property," he said.

Linda Bolton, of Vermilion Advantage, said she and Toole are "very committed to Vermilion Ironworks." Bolton called Vermilion Iron "probably one of the nastier sites" in the county.

Bill Nicholls, of the HEDC, said "blight taking over our town is like a cancer." Saying city government must provide for things like fire and police protection, he wondered whether, if officials do not take care of the town, "who's going to come here?"

Alderman Randy Carter said Hoopeston continues to deteriorate "and we continue to turn our heads the other way." He suggested an increase in the city sales tax of one half of one percent, half of which would be used for remediation of residential properties and the other half for commercial property remediation.

Mayor Bill Crusinberry said the increase, which would come on the heels of increased water rates, would amount to 25 cents on a \$50 purchase.

Alderman Bill Goodwine said the cleanup cost of a foundry could be "a couple million dollars" and wondered whether cleaning up after others is the responsibility of government.

The issue will be discussed at a special meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13. The meeting will also include items that could not be acted on Tuesday.

ton, Rankin and Rossville.

Please contact Curt Spaur for any questions at (217) 283-6667 or the district office, 283-6668.

### La Casa del Sol to help HAYS

La Casa Del Sol will donate 10 percent of every purchase to Hoopeston Area Youth Soccer from 3 p.m.-close Thursday, Aug. 8. HAYS appreciates the



### Moo-ving winner

**Jennelle Sechriest** receives a \$400 gift card from **Beth Kuntz**, dairy manager at Hoopeston IGA. Sechriest was the winner of the store's Dairy Month Sweepstakes.

## Obituaries

**JONES** - James "Jim" Jones, 78, of Watseka, formerly of Milford, died Monday, Aug. 5, 2013, at Iroquois Memorial Hospital, Watseka. Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Knapp Funeral Home, Watseka. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Watseka. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour before service Friday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to American Heart Association or American Diabetes Association.

## Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today, tonight, tomorrow. High today 79, low 65. Tomorrow, high 81, low 62.

management of La Casa for hosting this event and for their generosity. No flyer needed!

# Classifieds

## SERVICES

Need your home or business cleaned? Contact Sara at "Suds N' The Bucket" for details. Weekly-Bi-Weekly-Monthly-Or One Time Jobs. (217) 283-4612

## HELP WANTED

Part time maintenance person needed 1 day per week at Autumn Fields. Apply in person between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

## HOUSES FOR SALE

512 N. 6th St., Hoopeston. 3 BR, 1 bath, full basement, corner lot, 2 car garage, huge shop. Needs work. Asking \$32,000. Contact Brandy Jackson, (803) 640-0796.

## LOST & FOUND

Lost: Male black lab, "Cole." Has white stripe from mid neck to belly, wearing orange collar. Last seen in Antioch Rd. area. (217) 339-2328.

## MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Round maple table w/6 chairs, \$200; large matching china cabinet, \$150 or \$300 for set; 4 unit entertainment center (9'w X 6 1/2' h X 18" deep) \$300; antique cedar chest \$100. 2 BR house also for sale. To see items, call (217) 283-6744.

## RUMMAGE SALES

ROSSVILLE: 212 McKibben. Thurs. & Fri., 10-5. Girls clothes S-L, men's L-XL, ladies all sizes, miscellaneous household, wicker chairs, wood bench, 2 end tables, & lamps. Too much to list. Gocking, Galloway and Brant.

HOOPESTON: 1207 Clover Lane. Fri. & Sat., 8-? Girls clothes 0-2 yrs., power toys, girls toys, women's clothes, kids Nikes, basketball hoop.

HOOPESTON: 714 W. Washington (in alley). Fri. & Sat., 8-? Tools, household, lots of misc., some furniture. Something for everyone! Come see for yourself!

HOOPESTON: 618 S. Sixth Ave., Sat., 8-? Back to School Sale: boys, men, women's clothes, hunting clothes, fishing, youth golf clubs, household items, curtains, 2 Harley Davidson twin bed sets, flower arrangements, wall hangings, loads of stuff. See you here!

HOOPESTON: 905 E. Young (in alley) Fri. & Sat., 9-? Brother sewing machine, hunting & fishing items, household. Something for everyone!

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