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Hoopeston Ambulance to become part of Arrow group

Hoopeston Ambulance Service is becoming part of Champaign-based Arrow Ambulance.

Harry Brockus, Carle Hoopeston Regional Health Center CEO, and Larry Sapp, Carle Arrow Ambulance director, spoke at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting about the change.

Hoopeston Ambulance Service and Arrow have had a management agreement for about a year and a half, Brockus said, adding the local board approved the change.

Under Arrow, Hoopeston will have improved ambulance coverage, as Arrow ambulances from other locations will be able to cover Hoopeston when needed.

Brockus said the number of ambulance calls has increased significantly, especially to neighboring communities with volunteer services which are "struggling to maintain their core staff."

Sapp said local ambulances have been on more calls than anticipated. Those calls include taking patients to Carle Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital; intercepts with ambulances from other towns, which allow local paramedics to board the other ambulances to provide advanced treatment to patients; and transfers to hospitals in other places, such as Chicago, Indianapolis and St. Louis.

Of Hoopeston Ambulance's current 18-member staff, 11 are paramedics and another three are taking paramedic classes, Brockus said.

Brockus also announced that the service will donate an old ambulance to Hoopeston Emergency Management Agency and that a separate ambulance had already been given to Hoopeston Fire Department for training purposes.

Hoopeston's volunteer ambulance service was established by ordinance in 1984. A tax levy was established to purchase ambulances, which has continued as running

the service was first transferred to Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital, then the management agreement with Arrow, and now the integration with the larger service.

The local service currently has two Advanced Life Support ambulances and a third unit used as backup, Brockus said.

In unrelated discussion, a civic improvement committee meeting prior to Tuesday's council meeting resulted in a recommendation to increase the number of liquor licenses available in Hoopeston.

Currently there are five Class A licenses, two each of AA and B and three AAA. The committee is recommending increases to five AA and three B licenses, plus the creation of 3 BB licenses, which would cover beer and wine only at businesses such as pizza parlors.

The council is expected to vote on the matter at its September 3 meeting.

In other business, the council:

- Heard from Alderman Carl Ankenbrand that the pool closed August 14. At last week's special meeting, resident Darlene Medler said high school lifeguards had agreed to work past the date for adult swim hours but Ankenbrand said that when asked, the students declined to work past the closing date.

- Heard from Kelly Ferrell about a planned skate park fundraiser to be held at McFerren Park. The event is expected to include face painting, scavenger hunt and other activities for younger children during the day and a dance in the evening for others.

- Heard from resident Randy Shields who asked what, if anything, is going on with the Lorraine Theatre. Mayor Bill Crusinberry said a local group is seeking legal advice about forming a nonprofit corporation and working to get the theater from MainSource Bank. The theater has developed an issue with mold, he said.

Tomato Contest

Bring in tomatoes Friday morning. Show all day Saturday, pick up Sunday after 2. You can bring in anything from the garden but only Tomatoes will be judged.

Mums will be here next Wednesday!

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- Coffee Corner-Wellington
- Mr. B's Cafe
- Henning's
- Fast Lanes
- Pizza Hut
- Pamida
- Country Terrace



Photo by Carl Ankenbrand

The winning team in Hoopeston Area's team-building Amazing Race last week included, from left, Kay Brown, Nancy Luke, Shelle Franke, Jamie Pruitt, Jackie Gregory, Chelsea Deck, Logan Patton, Nikki Pruemmer, Eric Zorns, Debbie McBride.

Amazing Race gets HA staff ready for first day of school


Hoopeston Area C.U.S.D. #11 staff started the new school year off differently than they have in the past. Friday, the entire district spent the day at McFerren Park participating in team building activities to roll out the district's new slogan, Expect More!


Staff was divided into teams of 10, each wearing a nametag that also included their title and hometown. Each team had its own colored bandana for members to wear while participating in an Amazing Race competition that started at the Putt-Putt golf course. Teams raced to get a hole-in-one before they could receive their next clue.

There were five additional stops during the race that included filling buckets with pool water, unlocking Anthem Chevy cars, filling up backpacks with school supplies for students in need, carrying teammates on Carle Hospital stretchers, and unscrambling puzzles that spelled out Expect More!

Staff then enjoyed a picnic lunch provided by Mr. B's Café, followed by a presentation from Superintendent, Hank Hornbeck. The goal of the day was to unify the district around the new slogan and it was an overwhelming success.

The public will be hearing a lot about the new slogan, Expect More! and will be invited to join in helping Hoopeston Area Schools set high expectations for ourselves, our students, our families, and our communities.

Weather 
 Chance of thunderstorms today. High 86. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 62. Tomorrow, sunny. High 82, low 58.

Police News 
 Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident at 7:07 a.m. at Hoopeston City Hall. An unknown vehicle hit a parked 2004 Chevrolet S-10 owned by James A. Prather of Hoopeston.

Obituaries

BELL - Laverne (Lober) Bell, 86, of Cissna Park, died Sunday, Aug. 18, 2013, at home. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Thursday at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park, and 10 until the 11 a.m. funeral Friday at Christian Bible Church, rural Cissna Park. Graveside service will be at Cissna Park Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the church or Cissna Park Athletic Boosters.

FLYNN - Marian "Penny" (Bracken) Flynn, 85, of Lakeland, Fla., formerly of Hoopeston, died at 8 p.m. August 15, 2013. Interment will be at a later date. Memorials are suggested to First United Methodist Church, Hoopeston.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED
 Local HVAC contractor is seeking a HVAC technician for installation. Applicant must hold a current clean drivers license. Refrigerant license and previous HVAC installation and service experience is preferred. Only serious applicants respond by sending resume to 101 E. Penn Hoopeston IL., or email to ramcade@frontier.com.

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 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.

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