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Board discontinues middle school wrestling so club can form

Hoopeston Area Middle School will no longer have a wrestling program but youngsters that age will not be without a grappling program.

At Thursday's meeting, Hoopeston Area School Board approved discontinuing the wrestling program. Instead, a wrestling club will be formed which, head coach Logan Patton said will be better for all the students.

The Illinois Kids Wrestling Federation-sanctioned club will still practice at Hoopeston Area High School, Patton said.

There are currently 30 youngsters in the program, from Hoopeston, Rossville and Milford. Currently, Patton can discipline Hoopeston Area students for grade infractions but not the other students. With the club, Patton can make sure all wrestlers keep their grades up.

The club will use IKWF guidelines and will have a board of directors. The school will pay the coach's salary until the end of the year.

In unrelated business, the board heard from transportation director Mark Eighner that the district has saved about \$9,000 in fuel costs with the two new propane buses. In January, Eighner will turn in mileage information to the state to receive a 50 cent-per gallon rebate on fuel costs. Additionally, the district got a \$50,000 grant to purchase alternative fuel buses and will get a \$4,000 state rebate.

In other business, the board:

- Heard a brief report from high/middle school band teacher Patrick Brooks about the opportunity for the band to participate in a bowl game in 2015 in Atlanta. The board is ex-

See BOARD on other side



Isaiah Debban, as Johnny Appleseed, jumps from an "apple tree" as his psychologist, Logan Powell, looks on. The boys won a Judge's Choice award at a November 2 speech contest for their duet of Johnny Appleseed. Matthew Kissack also won a Judge's Choice award for his rendition of "Oh Captain! My Captain!" Both were performed at Thursday evening's Hoopeston Area School Board meeting.


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Police News



Raja Tenaja, 48, of Hoopeston, was ticketed after an accident at 8 p.m. Thursday at Hoopeston Public Library parking lot, 114 N. Fourth St.

Police said Tenaja, in a 2008 Mitsubishi Outland, backed into a parked 2000 Chrysler Caravan owned by Nancy J. Stacey, of Rossville, then left the scene.

Tenaja was ticketed for leaving the scene of an accident.

Seth Gredy, 28, of Hoopeston, turned himself in to police at 6:58 p.m. Friday. Wanted on two Vermilion

County traffic warrants, he was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville in lieu of bond.

Matthew L. Cannon, 33, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an incident at 2:45 p.m. Saturday in the 200 block of West Maple. He was charged with domestic battery on a complaint from a 47-year-old Hoopeston man.

Additionally, Cannon was wanted on a Vermilion County small claims warrant.

Cannon was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville on the charges.

A representative of Casey's General Store, 115 E. Orange, reported at 7:03 p.m. Saturday that a man in a red four-door vehicle failed to pay for an undisclosed amount of gasoline.

Fire Calls



Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 2:02 p.m. Friday to the 300 block of South Eighth Ave. for a report of the smell of smoke in the house. No injuries were reported.

Obituaries

SALMON - Amanda Gertrude (Schroeder) Salmon, 98, of Woodworth, died Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2013, at Prairie View Lutheran Home, Danforth. Visitation was 8 a.m. until the 10 a.m. funeral mass Saturday at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Woodworth. Burial was in St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery, Woodworth. Memorials are suggested to Iroquois Memorial Hospice, The Lutheran Hour or donor's choice. Baier Funeral Home, Watseka, is in charge of arrangements.

Letters to the Editor



Returned wreath strengthens belief

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Bertha Parsons
Hoopeston

Hoopeston DAR commemorates Indian Heritage Month

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution observes November as National American Indian Heritage Month. It began with Native American Awareness Week in 1976 and was expanded by Congress and approved in August 1990.

Barbara Standish Chapter, Hoopeston, recognizes the history and culture of our great nation has been significantly influenced by American Indians and the contributions of American Indians have enhanced the

freedom, prosperity and greatness of America today. Their customs and traditions are respected and celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States.

The Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian offers a cultural journey and understanding of America's first citizens and of Native Americans from North, Central and South America. For more information visit their website.

Board continued from other side

pected to vote on the request at its December 20 meeting.

- Approved resignations of Matt Hasik, high school assistant volleyball coach; Rhonda Knight, maple personal aide, effective November 11; and Kevin Root as athletic director, effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year.

- Approved Harold Michael as a volunteer for high

Court Dispositions



October 3

Esther Tetrault, case continued to November 7.

Anthony Chandler, Hoopeston, failed to appear for disobeying police, found guilty by default; sentencing November 7.

Ethan Ervin, Hoopeston, failed to appear for purchase/acceptance of alcohol by a minor, found guilty by default; sentencing November 7.

John Smith, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct, fined \$180; status hearing December 5.

Clarence Callahan III, pleaded not guilty to disobeying police; trial November 7.

Robert I Smith, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to trespassing, fined \$230; status hearing December 5.

Robert I. Smith, Hoopeston, disorderly conduct charge dismissed.

Shane H. Smith, Danville, pleaded guilty to battery, fined \$280; status hearing December 5.

Weather



Chance of snow today. High 34. Tonight, cloudy. Low 25. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 35, low 20.

school boys basketball for the 2013-14 year.

- Heard from Principal Larry Maynard, giving the athletic director report, that Cornjerker Hall of Fame members to be inducted this year include coach Bob Doty and athletes Larry Morts, Bob Summers, John Schaffer and Kirt Davis. The ceremony will be held November 29.

- Learned cheerleaders will hold a fundraiser during the Cornjerker Classic with proceeds to go to tornado victims in Washington and Gifford.

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