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## Governor declares propane emergency to increase supply

It's used at barbecues and is a staple of heating rural homes. Now it's also the subject of a govern-declared emergency.

Illinois Gov. Pat Quinn declared an emergency on Monday, in hopes getting more propane in the state more quickly.

Illinois and 30 other states have declared emergencies to quicken delivery amid reports of shortages and price hikes.

Quinn's declaration eases regulations on propane truck drivers, allowing them to drive into other states to fill their tanks. For example, an Illinois driver going to

Texas would be able to cross into the state for propane even if he didn't have proper licenses, said Quinn spokesman Dave Blanchette.

"(T)his was done because, due to the current propane shortage, additional drivers are needed to travel to Texas to haul propane back to Illinois," Blanchette said.

Texas is a major supplier of propane.

In addition, state officials also have lifted limits on how long truckers can operate within a 24 period, in order to allow them to travel further distances to pick up loads.

With less available, the price of propane increases  
**See PROPANE on other side**

## Police News

**Dale E. Simpson**, 25, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a 20-year-old Hoopeston woman alleged he attached her at 2:53 p.m. Monday in the 400 block of East Washington.

Simpson was located and arrested on preliminary charges of aggravated domestic battery and criminal damage to property under \$500. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

A **38-year-old** Hoopeston man reported at 1:38 p.m. Monday that someone took an aluminum hose from a trailer parked in the 200 block of West Lincoln.

**Jose Garcia-Nunez**, 41, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police received a report of domestic violence at 9:33 p.m. Monday in the 800 block of West Young.

He was arrested on preliminary charges of domestic battery, unlawful restraint and interference with reporting a domestic battery on a complaint from a 29-year-old Hoopeston woman.

Garcia-Nunez was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

**VFW Menu**

Orange & 4th Ave., Hoopeston

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## Court Dispositions



**November 7**

**Beau Edwards**, Hoopeston, failed to appear, status hearing December 5.

**Matthew Longfellow**, Hoopeston, failed to appear, status hearing December 5.

**Amy Nosler**, Hoopeston, status hearing December 5.

**Joseph Cannon**, Potomac, pleaded not guilty to disorderly conduct, possession of cannabis; trial December 5.

**Brianne Howell**, Danville, failed to appear, status hearing December 5.

**Lacy Simpson**, Hoopeston, failed to appear, status hearing December 5.

**Christopher Cibirka**, Hoopeston, case continued generally.

**Chase Holt**, Hoopeston, status hearing December 5.

**Terrence Poke**, Danville, failed to appear, status hearing December 5.

**Heather Cibirka**, Hoopeston, case continued generally.

**Chelsey McReynolds**, Danville, status hearing December 5.

### Obituaries

**BURRESS** - Sandra Burress, 69, of Hoopeston, died at 9:05 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, 2014, at home. Cremation rites will be accorded. Memorial service and burial will be at a later date. Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling the arrangements.

**RICHARDS** - Dorothy Richards, 94, of Hoopeston, died at 3:40 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27, 2014, at her daughter's home in Scottsdale, Ariz. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

**RIECHES** - Sarieta Mae (Willenbrock) Rieches, 87, of Milford, died at 3:40 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, 2014. Visitation will be 10 a.m. until the noon funeral Thursday at our Savior Lutheran Church, Milford. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Milford. Memorials are suggested to the church. Knapp Funeral Home, Milford, is handling arrangements.

**WATSON** - Floyd Lyle Watson, 87, of the Rossville-Alvin area, died at 9:23 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, 2014, at home. Graveside service will be at 1:15 p.m. Wednesday at Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to donor's choice. Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling arrangements.

December 5.

**Ruben Espinoza**, Hoopeston, failed to appear, status hearing December 5.

**Vicki Ford**, Hoopeston, failed to appear, status hearing December 5.

**Patrick Griffin**, Hoopeston, case continued generally.

**Starla Casner**, Rossville, status hearing December 5.

**Adolpho Ybarra**, Rossville, failed to appear, status hearing December 5.

**Carla Nunez**, Hoopeston, sentenced to 50 hours public service work in lieu of fines; status hearing January 2, 2014.

**Gloria Colunga**, Hoopeston, status hearing December 5.

**Angel Bane**, Hoopeston, failed to appear, status hearing December 5.

**Leroy Palomo**, Hoopeston, status hearing December 5.

**Jeremy Schwartz**, Hoopeston, status hearing December 5.

**Anthony Chandler**, Hoopeston, failed to appear, fined total of \$560 in two separate cases; status hearing December 5.

**Carrie Gray**, Hoopeston, case dismissed.

**Austin Rhodes II**, Hoopeston, failed to appear, fined \$280; status hearing December 5.

**Ethan Ervin**, Hoopeston, had findings vacated, pleaded not guilty to possession of alcohol by a minor;

**Propane continued from other side**

substantially, from around \$2 per gallon to more than \$5 per gallon late last week.

Midwest propane supplies were affected by a cold, wet fall, in which more propane was used to dry crops, followed by recent record-setting cold temperatures.

To stretch supplies, some Midwest dealers have resorted to "short fills," filling customers' tanks only partially, with amounts dependent on the level of propane already in the tank.

### Weather



Sunny today. High 22. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 16. Tomorrow, chance of snow. High 31, low 17.

trial December 5.

**Kareem Marshall**, Hoopeston, status hearing December 5.

**Eliseo Zamora**, Hoopeston, failed to appear, status hearing December 5.

**Clarence Callahan III**, Hoopeston, found guilty of disobeying police, fined \$330; converted to 42 hours public service, status hearing January 2, 2014.

### New Books at the Library



**Fiction**

Forget Me Not by Fern Michaels

Sabrina's Man by Gilbert Morris (inspirational)

The Spook Lights Affair by Marcia Muller (mystery)

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