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HA FFA students to advance to district record book contest

Six Hoopeston Area FFA members learned Thursday night that they will advance to the District Record Book Competition on March 17 in Sullivan.

Those who are advancing are: Kendall Walder for beef production entrepreneur; Matt Stock, turf grass management; Bryce Leigh, swine production entre-

preneur; Mason Layden, diversified crop production (corn and soybeans) entrepreneur; Nora Fouriez, diversified crop production; and Bailee Waymouth, equine science entrepreneur.

This puts these students in the top 25 in the state in
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Last hurrah?

Snow, thunder snow, sleet and rain all made an appearance Monday in Hoopeston as residents continue to hope that winter is winding down. Above freezing temperatures and rain midweek are expected to melt much of the snow that has accumulated but could lead to local flooding. Please check storm drains near your home and clear them of debris, if needed, to help water drain and reduce the risk of flooding.

Upcoming Classes/Events at DACC-Hoopeston

•Email and Attachments, Wed, Feb 19 9a-12p, \$15

•Jeff Primmer, Advisement and Counseling,
Wed, Feb 19, 8:30-10:30a

•General Paranormal Stories, Tues, March 4,
6-8p, \$12 class fee

•VITA Tax preparation, Tues & Thurs 3-7p, Sat 8a-12p
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their respective areas at this time. If these students come away with another victory at the March 17 competition, they will advance to state competition which would place them in the top 5 for their class.

These students have worked extremely hard with their teacher/advisor Emily McCray.

This is not something that is just completed during the school year. The students work year around, going to fairs and other events, by keeping records of their time income, and expenses.

A big salute to these six young people for their work and dedication to the farming industry, and thank you to McCray for her hard work and dedication to her students.

Briefly

Birthday wishes

Sally Sheppard will turn 93 on February 20 and would love to receive cards from friends. They may sent to Sally at 630 E. Elm, Hoopeston IL 60942.

Shimkus to hold open office hours

U.S. Rep. John Shimkus will hold open office hours in his Danville office from 2:30-4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20. Anyone interested in scheduling an appointment with the congressman should call (217) 446-0664. Appointments are not necessary but are helpful in keeping waiting times to a minimum.

The office is located at 201 N. Vermilion St., Suite 218.

Prior to his open office hours, Shimkus, along with U.S. Sen. Mark Kirk, will attend Vermilion County Farm Bureau's Ag & Rural Issues meeting at 1 p.m.

Jaycees to hold festival forum

Hoopeston Jaycees will hold a forum about the 71st National Sweetcorn Festival at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, at Hoopeston American Legion Post, 502 E. Penn St. It is open to the public.

Everyone is encouraged to voice their opinions about what they would like to see at this year's National Sweetcorn Festival.

Lions cancel breakfast

Hoopeston Lions Club would like to announce they will not hold their annual pancake and sausage day this year. Instead, the club will hold fish fries from

Obituaries

TIARKS - Elmer R. Tiarks, 94, of Cissna Park, died Saturday, Feb. 15, 2014, at Iroquois Memorial Hospital, Watseka. Funeral will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. John Lutheran Church, Ash Grove. Burial will be in St. John Lutheran Cemetery, Ash Grove, with military rites by Cissna Park American Legion Post. Visitation was 4-7 p.m. Tuesday at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park and one hour before service Wednesday at the church. Memorials are suggested to the church building fund, Cissna Park Ambulance or donor's choice.

WALDER - Harriet Walder, 91, of Paxton, formerly of East Lynn, died Sunday, Feb. 16, 2014, at

their stand in McFerren Park the first Saturday of every month from May through October.

We hope you will come out and support the Lions Club as we raise money for our community activities.

The Lions Club is in need of new members. Anyone interested in joining, please call 283-9336.

Eagle Day rescheduled

Danville Area Community College Eagle Day has been rescheduled for 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. February 26.

Police News

Luis H. Avelar, 34, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an incident at 6:15 p.m. Sunday at McDonald's, 824 S. Dixie Hwy.

He was charged with violation of order of protection on a complaint from a 29-year-old Watseka woman who alleged Avelar violated terms of an order of protection issued by Iroquois County authorities.

Avelar was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 26. Tonight, showers likely. Low 11. Tomorrow, showers, chance of rain/snow late. High 51, low 28.

Illinois Knights Templar Home, Paxton. Visitation will be 9 a.m. until the 10 a.m. funeral Wednesday at Aspostolic Christian Church, Cissna Park. Burial will be in Apostolic Christian Cemetery, Cissna Park. Memorials are suggested to Illinois Knights Templar Home, Paxton. Arrangements are by Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park.

VFW Menu
Orange & 4th Ave., Hoopeston
Wednesday Wings
5-8 p.m. 50¢ each
ThirstyThursdays & Tacos 5-8 p.m.
\$1.25 domestic beers, \$2 imports
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