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Business owners want motel closed after fatal shooting

Two business owners asked Hoopeston officials to look into closing the Downtown Motel after a fatal shooting there on March 9.

Joyce Allen, owner of Allen Accounting/H&R Block, and City Chef owner Gary Wilson spoke at Tuesday night's Hoopeston City Council meeting about the matter.

Allen presented the council with information on convicted sex offenders who live at the motel, as well as information on tax records and ordinances which may help officials shutter the motel.

"I don't want children to be afraid to come downtown

and I don't want parents afraid for their children to come downtown," Allen said. "I ask the council to see if they would look at the ordinances and the records and see what can be done."

Wilson, who opened City Chef this year, said the shooting "has significantly damaged my business. We need to do something now. It can't wait," he said.

Mayor Bill Crusinberry said officials have the same concerns as residents "but everything has to be done in an orderly way," he said. "This has been discussed and we won't let it die, I hope."

See MOTEL on other side

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Hoopeston American Legion
Saturday, March 22
Wine Tasting
starting at 6 p.m.
 Wine with us during a casual evening of tasting. This event will feature six sweet wines, two of which will be complimented with cheese or protein. If you prefer hops & barley, we will offer a variety of beers.
Deb Hackman will be our featured speaker.
 \$20 per person before March 14th or \$25 after the deadline. Payment may be mailed or dropped off at the post home, 502 E. Penn/ P.O. Box 423, Hoopeston IL 60942.
 Complimentary hors d'oeuvres to follow.
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★ **Police News** ★

Adena Rossolillo, 35, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an incident at 10:36 p.m. Wednesday in the 200 block of North Market. Charged with domestic violence on a complaint from a 35-year-old Hoopeston woman and taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Lucas Neal, 29, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 11:59 p.m. Wednesday at VFW, 426 W. Orange. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant for failure to appear, he was taken to the Public Safety Building, Danville, in lieu of bond.

Martin R. Horner, 19, of Cissna Park, was arrested after he allegedly fled from officers trying to make a traffic stop at 2:42 a.m. Sunday. He was charged with reckless driving, illegal transportation of alcohol and speeding and was released on citations.

Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident reported at 11:31 a.m. Sunday in the 700 block of East

Honeywell. An unknown vehicle hit a parked 2001 Ford F-150, owned by Ron Cappellano, of Wellington, which was parked on North Sixth St., just of Honeywell.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 5:01 p.m. Sunday in the 700 block of West Main. Police said James C. Culbert, of Rossville, in a 2011 Ford Focus, backed from a parking space into a 2011 Chevrolet Impala driven by Chloe A. Alkire, of Hoopeston.

Robin N. Irvin, 33, of Hoopeston, was treated at Carle Hoopeston Regional Health Center after an accident at 6:04 p.m. Sunday in the 500 block of West Thompson.

Hoopeston and Vermilion County officials, along with Hoopeston Fire Department, were called to the rollover accident with possible entrapment. Police said Irvin, in a 2000 Ford, received minor injuries.

She was ticketed for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, driving too fast for conditions and no insur-

ance.

A key for a Dodge, with a keyless remote attached, was found Monday near McDonald's parking lot. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

A set of keys was found Monday in the 400 block of east Honeywell. The owner may identify and claim them at the police station.

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Church to host free program on life of Fulton J. Sheen

St. Anthony's Parish presents "CHALK" at 7 p.m. Friday, March 21, in the parish hall. The public is welcome to the 45 minute presentation.

The original dramatic reading, presented by parishioners, focuses on the life journey of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, originally from El Paso, IL. He rose to world acclaim with his "Life is Worth Living" television show

and spiritual writings.

While excerpts are used from this writings, an imaginary journey with his housekeepers takes us through his 70 years, even the less known "Calvary" he experienced in his last decade.

Come and observe a free program of a person was from our diocese and may be beatified soon.

Desserts to follow.

Motel continued from other side

In other business:

- Crusinberry accepted a petition from Steve Bane on behalf of Hoopeston Marathon. The petition, signed by more than 600 people, asks that Marathon be licensed to sell hard liquor, along with beer and wine, which it already licensed to sell.

- Heard from Alderman Carl Ankenbrand that the baby pool "is no more" in preparation for a new splash pad at the McFerren Park pool.

- Heard from Crusinberry that he will ask attorney Andrew Mudd to write an exemption to the city's sign ordinance, doing away with the section that limits sign size to 15 feet but only for Routes 1 and 9.

Representatives of Birkey's had previously asked for a change for new signage at the business.

Obituaries

HUDGENS - Bill L. Hudgens, 78, of Milford, died Sunday, March 16, 2014, at Presence St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee. Funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Milford United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Milford. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Wednesday at Knapp Funeral Home, Milford. Memorials are suggested to Milford-Sheldon Area Education Foundation, Milford Swimming Pool Fund, Milford Ambulance or Cissna Park Athletic Booster Club.

Weather

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