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## Leaders seek citizen input at community meeting Wednesday

Do you have an opinion about what Hoopeston needs to thrive?

If so, community leaders hope you'll attend a meeting from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Hoopeston American Legion, 502 E. Penn.

Sponsored by the newly-formed Hoopeston Community Alliance, the meeting will focus on the results of the strategic planning process that began in March, when leaders met to determine potential areas that might be addressed.

On April 14, about 100 citizens met to review the list and prioritize goals in major categories, including housing, infrastructure, education and business, among others.

The citizens' choices were reviewed by community leaders and the information has been organized to be presented at Wednesday's meeting.

"We want input from the community," said Karla Coon, a driving force behind Hoopeston Community Alliance. "We want to know what they think is going well. We want to hear their ideas for continued improvements and ways to build upon the good things already in motion."

The goal of the alliance's work is to position Hoopeston for growth, moving forward. To accomplish that, community volunteers are needed to help accomplish the goals that have been set under each of the seven areas.

At the meeting, residents will be asked to become part of the alliance so ALL can work together to build Hoopeston's future.

Attendees will be asked to complete a volunteer questionnaire, answering questions such as how much time they are willing to dedicate to working on projects in one of seven areas. Those areas and their leaders are:

- Amenities—Jim Richards, Marta Pierce
- Business Retention/Attraction—Dick Read, Alex Houmes
- Community Image—Bill Goodwine, Valarie Hinkle
- Education—Dr. Alice Jacobs and Dave Kietzman of Danville Area Community College and Hank Hornbeck and Larry Maynard of Hoopeston Area Schools
- Housing—Randy Carter
- Infrastructure—Mayor Bill Crusinberry
- Services—Harry Brockus and Cody Moore.

See INPUT on other side

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 Community Meeting  
 Wednesday, Sept. 17  
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 American Legion  
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 Tuesday: Beef or chicken & noodles or Speedway (Ranch) Burger  
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 Thursday: Swiss Steak  
 Friday: Cod or Rib eye Steaks  
 Saturday: Prime Rib or Rib eyes  
 Youth League starts Tuesday night. Anyone interested is urged to be here at 6:30.  
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### Briefly

#### Caravan to visit museum

A caravan of World War II vehicles will visit the Vermilion County War Museum on Tuesday, Sept. 16 at 1 p.m. The caravan originates in Crawfordsville, Ind., and travels throughout Indiana and Illinois over several days. Among its participants is a 97-year-old veteran of the war who drove the Jeep he purchased from the Army right after his discharge in 1946.

#### DACC College Day

Danville Area Community College will host their 35th Annual College Day from 9-11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, in the Mary Miller Center Gymnasium.

Representatives from over 60 four-year colleges and universities from 7 different states and the armed forces will be on campus to provide admissions and transfer information.

For more information, call the Admissions office at 217-443-8802.

#### Expect More!

Hoopeston Area School District's Expect More! Committee will once again honor students, staff, and community members who go above and beyond for Hoopeston Area School District. If you would like to nominate

#### Input continued from other side

The idea for strategic planning was brought to Hoopeston City Council by the Economic Development Steering Committee, made up of elected officials and business leaders.

In January, the council approved paying not more than \$10,000 to Champaign County Regional Planning Commission to oversee the planning process. Susan Chavarria, regional planning manager, has worked with officials on the project, leading meetings with officials and citizens.

For more information on Hoopeston Community Alliance or Wednesday's meeting, residents may call Hoopeston City Hall, 283-5833.

#### Weather



Sunny today. High 67. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 45. Tomorrow, sunny. High 69, low 47.

someone for the Expect More! award please fill out the nomination form by going to: <http://www.hoopeston.k12.il.us/expectmore/monination.pdf>.

These forms can be turned in at the office of any building in the district.

#### CRIS meal sites now accepts LINK

CRIS Healthy-Aging Center can now accept Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits which can help seniors age 60 and over buy meals. SNAP participants can use their Illinois LINK EBT cards to purchase meals at one of the CRIS Congregate Meal sites in Vermilion County.

In Hoopeston, CRIS operates a meal site at the Hoopeston Multi-Agency. The Hoopeston site serves lunch at noon on Tuesdays and Fridays. Those wanting lunch at the Hoopeston site must call 283-5544 at least one day in advance to reserve their lunch.

## Classifieds

#### HELP WANTED

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