

Email:

Wednesday, Dec. 17.

Police News

served.

ington.

of Wellington.

**Cinema Classics at HPL** 

Hoopeston Public Library's Cinema Classics will cele-

brate Christmas with a free showing of the Charles

Dickens' story of Ebenezer Scrooge at 1:30 p.m.,

The 1938 version of the holiday classic stars Reginald

Cinema Classics @ the Library is a free monthly pro-

gram for adults. Popcorn and soft drinks will also be

**Donations welcome** 

Those who would like to donate to the McFerren

Two Hoopeston men were arrested after an alterca-

Roel Acosta, 25, and Ricardo Acosta, 29, were each

charged with aggravated assault and released on a notice

Hoopeston police are investigating a hit-and-run acci-

dent reported at 4:42 p.m. Sunday at Hoopeston Mara-

thon parking lot. A parked 2008 Chevrolet, owned by

Peggy Justice, of Hoopeston, was struck by a 2007

Dodge utility vehicle. A license plate number given to

police indicates the vehicle is owned by Debra Burton,

Chad Hardison, 29, of Hoopeston, was arrested after

police were called at 10:35 p.m. Sunday to the 200 block

of East Main for a domestic dispute. He was charged

with domestic battery and criminal trespass on a com-

Hardison was taken to the Public Safety Building in

plaint from a 30-year-old Hoopeston woman.

Danville to await arraignment.

to appear in Vermilion County Circuit Court.

tion at 6:28 p.m. Sunday in the 400 block of east Wash-

Owen as Scrooge and Gene Lockhart as Bob Cratchit.





Phone/Fax (217) 283-9348 publish@justthefacts.net Lourdine Florek, owner the Facts<sup>©</sup> Tuesday, December 16, 2014 Hoopeston's only locally-owned daily news publication www.justthefacts.net P.O. Box 441, Hoopeston, IL. 60942 *Briefly* 

Park Christmas lights may send checks to Light Up McFerren Park to Hoopeston City Hall, 301 W. Main, Hoopeston IL 60942.

## **Food for Fines**

Hoopeston Public Library's Food for Fines has started. During December, the library will accept canned goods and nonperishable food items within their expiration dates, along with household paper products, as payment of overdue fines. Each item or package equals \$1 toward the fine. (Some single items or packages may not qualify.) All items will be donated to Grant Township Food Cupboard.

the FLOWER SHOP think, dream on 2 create **Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting** Saturday, Dec. 20 1 p.m. Santa Claus will be here! **Special Christmas Hours** Monday-Thursday 9-5 Friday 9-6 Saturday 9-5 Sunday 9-3 702 W. Main, Hoopeston (217) 283-5578



## Letters to the Editor



AWESOME------doesn't even begin to express the reactions and comments we have received since the lighting of the Christmas lights in McFerren Park. This project started as a conversation between a couple of friends saying "Wish we could light up the park." From there it was "Why can't we light up the park?" We asked the park superintendent what he thought, and found that it was also a dream of his. From there the planning began. A committee was formed and ideas were shared. This has taken more than a year of planning to get us where we are today.

This project could not have been completed with just the ideas of this committee.

It took the 90 plus volunteers who spent hours in the cold on November 8 to put the lights around the fence, and erected the many displays. They worked from morning until after dark until everything was completed.

We can't say enough good things about the City of Hoopeston and Carle Hospital maintenance employees who unloaded all of the displays, and framework for the displays. Some of the boxes weighed over 1,000 pounds.

A special thanks to the City Parks Department for their endless hours out in the cold putting lights on the buildings, and making sure all of the lights worked. Street and Alley for putting out directional signs and traffic barrels. Thanks also to Bill Bruens for long hours spent making sure we had power to operate all of the lights along with guidance from Tom Spear. Also thanks to the Auxiliary Police, and HEMA for traffic control the first night.

And last, but certainly not least we want to thank everyone that believed in our vision, and gave generously through donations. There are far too many to list, but if you see the banner in the park with their names, please tell them thank you.

Hopefully we can continue to make the "Lights in the Park" bigger and better next year.

Thank you Hoopeston. We couldn't have done it without your help and generosity.

Co-chairman

Russ Leigh and Loni Gress *Think before damaging graves* 

To all visitors of Floral Hill Cemetery,

My sisters and I recently took grave blankets out to our loved ones at Floral Hill Cemetery. Upon arriving at my daughter's grave, I was appalled to find our metal plant hanger damaged beyond use and all of the angels we left on her grave were either broken or stolen.

Unfortunately, this is not the first instance where we have items removed from our family grave sites. This is very disheartening and taken personally.

While these might be trivial items to some, to our family, these are tokens of memories and fondness of and to our loved ones. It is not a matter of their value; it is a matter of respect to their final resting place and shame to those who cannot respect these items.

Floral Hill Cemetery should be a place of tranquility. We should have a feeling of comfort that our loved ones are in a place of well-being instead of worrying what is going to be done to their gravesite.

I am writing to share our recent displeasure. I am sure we are not the only ones who have encountered this type of experience and I grieve with those who have.

Bless those who frequently visit the cemetery and caress the grounds of our loved ones. For those who choose other, please stop and think before you act. Consider every site as one of your loved ones and respect them one and all alike.

God bless everyone.

Deborah M. Tyler Hoopeston

### Thank you, Molly

Recently I went into Flowers by Molly Culbert to buy a bouquet of flowers for the young lady who gave birth to my great-granddaughter.

As I ordered the flowers, I realized something was missing. It was the smile and helpfulness of the lady who had basically waited on me and helped me all my life - a slight, little lady, always dressed meticulously, a bright smile and a twinkle in her eyes.

Whether it was the death of a close one or the birth of a new one, Mother's Day and birthdays, she always came up with an idea for the prefect flower arrangement or gift.

I hope by now you know that it was Molly Culbert. Recently, I read that the business had been sold. To the new owners, congratulations!

However, my story is about Molly and her kindness, not only to me, but to her previous customers. For many years, I lived away and all it took was a phone call to get flowers for any occasion. No questions asked about the bill, just the amount I wanted to spend. Of course, a bill came later. My thank you cards always expressed how beautiful the arrangements were and how they were appreciated. I am sure this has been time and time again for those customers close and for customers far away.

Recently I had the pleasure of visiting with Molly at the nursing home. I was there to visit another family member, but I made it a point to find Molly.

# New Books at the Library 🔭

#### Fiction

The Escape by David Baldacci (regular and large print)

A Wedding on Ladybug Farm by Donna Ball (large print)

Let Sleeping Dogs Lie by Rita Mae Brown (mystery) The Patmos Deception by Davis Bunn (inspirational)

At Bluebonnet Lake by Amanda Cabot (inspirational) Murder Simply Brewed by Vannetta Chapman (inspirational)

The Cinderella Murder: an Under Suspicion novel by Mary Higgins Clark

The Burning Room by Michael Connelly (regular and large print)

Flesh and Blood: a Scarpetta novel by Patricia Cornwell (regular and large print)

The Death Cure by James Dashner (young adult)

The Maze Runner by James Dashner (young adult)

Change of Heart: an Edilean novel by Jude Deveraux (large print)

The Job by Janet Evanovich and Lee Goldberg (regular and large print)

The Mistletoe Promise by Richard Paul Evans

If I Stay by Gayle Forman (large print)

The Fault in Our Stars by John Green (large print) Deceived: a Private Justice novel by Irene Hannon

(large print/inspirational)

### Weather

Chance of rain today. High 44. Tonight, decreasing clouds. Low 23. Tomorrow, sunny. High 32, low 22.

As I turned the corner to go to where she was, coming down the hallway in a wheelchair was the meticulouslydressed little lady with a smile on her face and a twinkle in her eye. We had a nice visit, talking back over the years.

There is a saying about God throwing away the mold when he made certain human beings. Well, He certainly did that with you, Molly Culbert.

I am sure that your family appreciates and loves you. I hope I am speaking for everyone else who has known you over the years, that you are appreciated and loved by us, too.

Ronald Billingsley Rossville

	ANNOUNCEMENTS
Annu	ual Avon sale Fri.& Sat, 9-4, 1027 W. Thompson, Hoopes-
ton. l	Lots of daily, gift items, 10%-50% off.
	APARTMENTS FOR RENT
723	W. Orange St. Clean and quiet 2BR for rent. Available
now	. Rent \$400 plus utilities and deposit. Stove and Ref.
furni	ished. References required. Mike 312-371-8585
Cree	kside Terrace, Cissna Park, IL.1 BR handicapped accessible
apart	tments for low income (62+). Appliances provided, many
amer	nities. For information call 815-457-3535. Equal Opportu-
nity l	Housing
	HELP WANTED
Cade	e's Heating and Air LLC, of Hoopeston seeks reliable
HVA	AC installer/service tech. Preferred candidate will have 2-4
years	s of HVAC experience; knowledge of HVAC service, in-
stalla	ation, be self driven and able to diagnose HVAC problems.
Abili	ity to fabricate sheet metal a plus. This is a full time position,
8 a.n	n5 p.m. M-F with some after hours rotation. Salary based
on e	experience. Send resume to ramcade@frontier.com. For
ques	tions, call (217) 283-7762.
Seek	ing full time lube tech. Must be friendly, willing to work as
a tea	im member. Apply in person at Hoopeston Express Lube,
Hoop	peston Plaza.
	HOUSES FOR RENT
	droom house New carpet, new paint with garage. \$550 per
	th available immediately. call 217-304-2145.

Call (217) 283-9348 or email publish@justthefacts.net to place your ad!

