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Superintendent says governor's effect on schools unknown

Hoopeston Area staff saw a boost in their paychecks this year, thanks to the rollback of the state income tax rate.

The temporary five percent tax expired at the end of 2015, when the rate dropped to its previous 3.75 percent, but Supt. Hank Hornbeck said it may revert to the higher amount.

At Thursday's Hoopeston Area school board meeting, Hornbeck updated the board on what newly sworn in Governor Bruce Rauner may do. Saying he will affect public schools, what the effect will be is not evident because Rauner is "unknown" and "without a track record," he said.

See SCHOOLS on other side



In their new home

Staff of Hoopeston Family Healthcare gather in their new home Friday. The clinic, on Route 1 north of CVS, is part of Gibson Area Hospital and will be open to patients beginning Monday. Pictured are front, from left, Valarie Hinkle, Susie Beckman, Diane Ray and Dr. Adree Venatta; and back, Chuck Burnett, Dawn Gullquist, DiAnna Cornelius, Dr. Laura Smith and Bree Kaufman.

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EAST LANES

Saturday, January 24: Relay for Life fundraiser at 6:30 p.m., followed at 9 p.m. by Flatville Road with Taylor Wolfe Baker

February 7: 7-8-9 Pin fundraiser for Hoopeston All Sports Booster Club Starts at 7 p.m. - Open to everyone!

February 14: Valentines Day Special along with Past Country, 8:30-12:30 and 7-8-9 Pin Tournament at 7 p.m.

February 21: Rock & Bowl fundraiser for Sports Booster Club with prizes for kids!

February 28: Chrissy Riggsby, Darrel Cummins and Jimmy Willis are back with great new & old Country Music!



Lunch Menus



Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: No school
 TUESDAY: Sausage pizza, salad, baby carrots, peaches, milk
 WEDNESDAY: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, celery sticks, pears, bread, butter, milk
 THURSDAY: Ravioli, Max Stick, salad, baby carrots, pineapple, milk
 FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun, fries, cucumber slices, pineapple, milk

Hoopeston Area Middle/High School

MONDAY: No school
 TUESDAY: Chicken wrap or ham & cheese, salad bar, baked beans, applesauce milk, juice
 WEDNESDAY: Ravioli or BBQ rib, Max Stix, salad bar, pears, milk, juice
 THURSDAY: Grilled cheese or cheeseburger, chili, salad bar, peaches, milk, juice
 FRIDAY: Cheese pizza or fish sandwich, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk, juice

Community Awards Banquet

Who's going to win?



6 p.m. Saturday, January 31

Hoopeston American Legion

502 E. Penn St.

Keynote Speaker

Linda Bolton of Vermilion Advantage

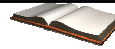
Awards presented by:

- Hoopeston Jaycees
- Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce
- Save the Lorraine Foundation
- The Chronicle

Dinner Tickets: \$12-includes meal
 Chicken Parmesan, Potato, Broccoli Casserole, Salad,
 Garlic Bread, & Dessert


Door entry Ticket- \$5 - no dinner
 Dinner tickets must be purchased through
 Jan. 23 and must be in-hand at banquet.
 Available at WHPO and online at
www.hoopestonjaycees.org

New Books at the Library



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Falling Sky by Rajan Khanna (science fiction)
 Emma Blooms at Last by Naomi King (inspirational)
 Revival by Stephen King
 Sublime by Christina Lauren (young adult)
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Schools continued from other side

When it comes to the income tax, "at some point, Mr. Rauner may have to put it back and say 'I made a mistake,'" because school districts need the funding, he added.

In other discussion, the board:

- Heard from Hornbeck that new security cameras were installed over Christmas break in the weight room and district office.


Obituaries

BURTON - Marshall D. Burton, 62, of Hoopeston, died at 6:04 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015, at home. He will be cremated. Visitation will be 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. memorial service Tuesday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will be at a later date. Memorials are suggested to donor's choice.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 39. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 29. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy. High 43, low 27.



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•Heard from journalism/English teacher Thomas Sage, who explained that students are learning that journalism writing is not the same as essay writing done in most classes. Since this is the initial class on the subject, the "guinea pigs" are the first to learn reporting in the advanced class. "As first attempts go, it's been pretty exciting," he said.

•Heard from high school band instructor Patrick Brooks, who thanked the board for the opportunity for the band to attend the Peach Bowl.

•Set the annual board/administration retreat for February 12.

•Approved Lucy Overlander's resignation as Maple classroom aide effective December 19, 2014; and Laura Anderson's resignation as fifth grade girls basketball coach effective immediately.

Classifieds

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Hoopeston Multi Agency has a temporary part time position: Teen Reach Assistant Director. Send cover letter with resume to Maria Sermersheim at mariasermer@gmail.com or 206 S. 1st Avenue, Hoopeston, IL by January 7, 2015. Minimum of two year experience working with school age children, Associates degree preferred.

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