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From the Blotter

Robin N. Irvin, 35, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 11:55 a.m. Thursday at Downtown Motel, 200 E. Main. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant for criminal trespass to land, she was released on \$171 bond plus a \$75 failure to appear fee.

An unidentified man sought medical treatment after he was struck by a vehicle.

Police said the accident occurred at 12:46 p.m. Thursday at Hoopeston IGA, 1030 W. Chestnut, when Deborah Clayburn, of Hoopeston, backed a Dodge Caravan from a parking space and hit the man.

Briefly Donations for afterschool program

Hoopeston Multi Agency is accepting donations to fund its afterschool/summer program for youngsters.

Students in kindergarten through age 17 are available to participate in the program, which will start August 24, the first day of school.

Donations may be mailed or taken to Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave., Hoopeston IL 60942. Volunteer tutors and mentors are also needed for the program.

Cub Scout signup

Hoopeston Cub Scouts will hold signups from 6-7 p.m. August 14,21 and Sept. 11 and 18 at Hoopeston Methodist Church. For information, call Jim Pancake, (217) 274-3937 or Christie Pancake, (217) 260-6238.

Applications for school supplies

Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave., is taking applications for school supplies for the coming year. Supplies will be distributed August 13 and 14, from 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. The agency is also Megan L. Lane, 27, of Hoopeston, turned herself in to police at 12:45 p.m. Friday. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant for failure to appear, she posted \$279 bond and \$75 fee for failure to appear and was released with a new court date.

Zacaria C. Sage, 28, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 5:15 a.m. Saturday after police were called to Market and Main. He was charged with criminal damage to city property after allegedly tearing down a flower pot. Sage was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston

Sage was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

accepting donations of school supplies to be given to local youngsters.

For more information, call the Multi Agency, 217-283-5544.

Weather

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Wrestling Nationals is becoming just another tournament as Hoopeston Area grapplers have busy summer season

Ever since the state series ended both the high school and youth wrestlers' regular season, the Cornjerker wrestling team has still been hard at work preparing for the next season. Multiple wrestlers that have competed on the national level all summer long, getting the best competition they could possibly find.

It started with the Middle School National Duals, where Ezra Elliott, Tyson Coon, and CJ Curry competed for Team Illinois bronze, silver, and gold, respectively, wrestling teams from Indiana, Iowa, Ohio, Texas, and others. Also, Hoopeston's own coach Logan Patton was the head coach of Team Illinois Bronze.

Next, after placing fourth in state, Cole Gaddis was asked to represent Team Illinois at 126 lbs. in a sixth grade and under dual in Battle Creek, Mich. Coach Patton was asked to be an assistant on this team as Team Illinois went undefeated and won the Midwest Grand Challenge. Gaddis went 4-3 in his first national dual, in what was just the beginning of the national scene for him this summer.

Gaddis did such a great job in Michigan, he was asked to represent Team Illinois Blue and Orange at the Virginia Beach Duals, one of the biggest national dual tournaments in the nation. With 66 teams, Team Orange and Blue took sixth. Gaddis went 6-4 against the nation's top wrestlers in his class over a three-day span.

The high school team, ready to join the action on the national level, went to the Iron Sharpens Iron camp in Dubuque, Iowa, where more than 40 teams compete over four days.

The Cornjerkers took incoming freshman and sophomores to this camp and came away with 14th place. After the team camp, wrestlers stayed in Iowa for more wrestling that weekend. In an individual tournament, The Rumble by the River, 13 Cornjerker wrestlers competed. We came home from Iowa with 6 medalists. Ezra Elliott and Cole Gaddis both bumped up divisions (Ezra wrestling in the high school division and Cole in the middle school division) and both came home with second place medals. Gaddis pinned or major decision (win by 8 or more) everyone to the finals. And Elliott pinned his opponents in the first period before losing his finals match by 2. Anthony Colunga took third and Elijah Venecia took fourth in the middle school division.



The Cornjerker wrestling team at the River by the Rumble in Dubuque Iowa

Owen Garrett took third place in the 8 and under division. Dale Ashby took fifth in the high school division. Ashby lost his first match by 1 point and wrestled all the way back to take fifth in the biggest bracket of the tournament. The only two he lost to were place winners.

The next tournament was Midwest Nationals, where 29 states were represented. Nine Cornjerkers hit the mats that day, and came home with three medalists. Again Elliott bumped up to the high school division were he took second place, losing to the Indiana state champ in the finals.

Austin Linares took fourth place in the high school 220 lbs. weight class. Christian Chandler took fifth place in the high school 155 lbs. weigh class.

For the last national competition of the summer, the boys headed back to Michigan for an individual and a dual team tournament. There were six Cornjerker wrestlers competing in the individual tournament.

The tournament placed the top 4 and the boys battled hard but brought home no hardware from the individual side. Elliott bumped up one more time and made it to the semifinals before losing their 5-1. He made it to the blood rounds, the top six, where if he won he would place and he lost 7-5 in overtime.

Gaddis wrestled in the sixth grade and under division and he made the road a little tougher on himself. He lost his very first match and wrestled all the way back to the blood rounds, top six, as well. Here he lost a hard fought Photo contributed

battle to a Michigan stud.

Gaddis bounced back, as he had to compete the next day for Team Illinois Gold in the Grand River Rumble Duals. Coach Patton was also asked to coach the team as well. Team Illinois cruised through pool play and earned their way into the Gold bracket. There they beat Missouri in the first round to solidify a top four spot but they were not done yet.

Illinois Gold faced California in the semifinals of the gold bracket. Illinois was up by 3 coming into Gaddis' match. If he won by a major, tech fall, or a pin, the dual would be sealed for the win. He faced a California state champion. He was in on a double and got caught giving up five points. Cole could have put his head down and conceded but instead he went to work chipping away at the lead. He scored two points in the second period, and was down 5-2 going into the third. He earned an escape point early in the third and was down 5-3.

With about 20 seconds left, he knew he needed something huge to win. Gaddis grabbed the kid, hit him in a cement mixer gator roll and pinned the him! The crowd erupted! Cole just sealed the deal and punched a ticket for Illinois to be in the finals against Ohio.

Illinois then dominated the team from Ohio in the finals by 18 team points and came home champions out of 32 teams!

Overall, it has been a great experience for the boys who competed on a national level. They competed hard, got to see the best level of competition, and truly gave it everything they had! Gaddis had a winning record on every dual team he was asked to be on, two out of the three won the tournament they wrestled in, and he placed in national tournaments wrestling up an age division.

Elliott placed in two out of three national tournaments wrestling up an age division. Coach Patton was a coach on three National Dual teams in just one summer. The Cornjerker wrestling team put a lot of work in the offseason and should be fun to watch for years to come. So when winter rolls around be sure to check out what dedication these young men have put in the offseason to compete this next regular season!

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