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From the Blotter

Lawrence Landram Jr., 32, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a traffic stop at 6:06 p.m. Tuesday in the 700 block of East Chestnut. He was arrested on preliminary charges of aggravated battery to a police officer, resist-

ing arrest, failure to yield-private road or drive and illegal transportation of alcohol. Landram was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.



Return to Sender
 Hoopeston's biggest Elvis fan, Marilyn McGinley, left, buys a sheet of the new Elvis stamps, released Wednesday from postal clerk Nancy Voyles. McGinley was first in line at the post office and the first to purchase a sheet of the stamps, which are 29 cents each. The new stamps will go in a folder of Elvis items McGinley owns, which includes a sheet of the original Elvis stamps issued in 1993. The star, who would have turned 80 this year, died August 16, 1977.

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Budget still not balanced; Perry's Law aims to help most vulnerable citizens seek justice

There is no way around it, this just hasn't been a good summer for state government. We still don't have a balanced budget in place and Democrat leaders have continued to block attempts at much-needed reform measures.

But there is some sunshine here and there in the midst of all the doom and gloom. Both the House and Senate have now passed a bill to block raises for lawmakers this year. I was pushing for a similar move back in the spring, but it took a while for my Democrat colleagues to get on board.

This week, Gov. Rauner signed a bill that we refer to as Perry's Law. This was inspired by a constituent here in the 53rd District named Perry Bitzel. Perry suffers from dementia and was viciously exploited by an unscrupulous relative. Unfortunately in Perry's case, as in many others, victims of exploitation can't sue to get their assets back without successful criminal action. The criminal court has a higher burden of proof than civil courts, meaning often times a victim is unable to file suit even though they would be successful



in civil court, because there are issues with a criminal trial.

Perry's Law changes that and enables exploited senior citizens and victims who are disabled to take action in civil court. This a good move that will help many of our most vulnerable citizens to get back what is rightfully theirs.

We've also passed measures to help address a number of other issues in a wide variety of areas, from preventing suicides to granting seriously ill patients access to new potentially life-saving medicines.

Sometimes the progress comes in small steps. I do believe we are starting to see the Governor and legis-

lative leaders find common ground on the budget and reform measures as well. I hope that we can soon add those major efforts to our list of successes this year as well.

Briefly

HPL back to school bash

Hoopeston Public Library invites children entering kindergarten - sixth grade to a "Back to School Bash" at 2 p.m., Thursday. The featured guest will be former local resident "Miss Barbara" McVicker who will share stories and fun from the Caribbean Islands. Kids will also enjoy a fun craft and get some back-to-school safety tips from Hoopeston Police Chief Mark Drollinger.

The first 30 attendees will receive a free Back-to-School goody bag with school supplies and surprises.

Weather

Sunny today. High 84. Tonight, clear. Low 61. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 86, low 65.

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LOST & FOUND

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The words "Thank You" are not adequate enough to express how I feel about all Jason and Melia McCord have done in the past and present to help in caring for both Harold and I, but that seems to be all I can say, a **GREAT BIG THANK YOU.**

There are others that helped and showed me the way during this very trying time. Sheilla Lund, Lois Roberts, Ben, Cindy and Vicki Ford went above and beyond. There are so many others that came forward and gave me strength to continue down this path. I am truly blessed to have so many wonderful people in my life.

Thank You from the bottom of my heart.

Jean Morgan