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As Hoopeston firemen drench the south side of the former Dyer House, flames shoot from windows on the west side. Several departments responded to the structure fire, which appears to have been intentionally set.

Intentionally-set fire guts Hoopeston's historic Dyer House

A fire that destroyed an historic Hoopeston home is under investigation by the Illinois State Fire Marshal's office.

A passerby reported smoke coming from the Dyer House, 520 E. Honeywell, at 1:15 p.m. Friday. Firemen were on the scene by about 1:20 p.m., said Fire Chief

Joel Bird.

The fire is believed to have started on the second floor and traveled up to the third floor, Bird said. The cause is still under investigation but the fire was ruled as being intentionally set.

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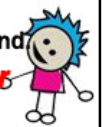
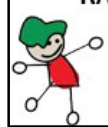
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- 5 p.m. Gates Open—\$3 admission
Display Area, Midway, open
- 5-10 p.m. Ride Special Bracelet Night
- 11 p.m. Midway closes

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

- 5 p.m. Gates Open (\$3 Admission)
Display Area, Midway open
- 5-10 p.m. Ride Special Bracelet Night
- 6:30 p.m. Truck & Tractor Pull (Annex)
Beer Garden opens (Annex)
National Sweetheart Pageant Preliminary (CC)
- 7-10 p.m. Raffle (Legion Shelter)
- 11 p.m. Midway closes
- 1 a.m. Beer Garden closes

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

- 6 a.m. Flea Market Opens
- 7:30 a.m. 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk (Honeywell School)
- 8 a.m. Sweetcorn 5 K Run (Honeywell School)
- 8:45 a.m. Little Corn Eaters Run (Honeywell School)
- 9 a.m. Gates Open (\$3 Admission)
- 9 a.m.-Noon Car Show Registration
- 10:30 a.m. Grand Parade (Downtown Hoopeston)
- Noon Midway, Display Area open
Ride Special Bracelet all day
- 12-5 p.m. Hoopeston Area FFA Petting Zoo
- 12:30 p.m. Brian Headley, Old Time Blacksmith Demo
(West of Corn Line)

- 1-1:30 Nicole Osier, Hoop Dancer (Center Stage)
- 1-4 p.m. Raffle (Legion Shelter)

1:30-5 p.m. FREE SWEETCORN

- 1:30 p.m. Brian Headley, Old Time Blacksmith Demo
(West of Corn Line)
- 2-3 p.m. Tammy's Dance Arts Center (Center Stage)
- 2:30 p.m. Brian Headley, Old Time Blacksmith Demo
(West of Corn Line)
- 3 p.m. Car Show Awards Presented
- 3-3:30 p.m. Nicole Osier, Hoop Dancer (Center Stage)
- 3:30 Brian Headley, Old Time Blacksmith Demo
(West of Corn Line)
- 4-6 p.m. Doc Ashton & the Root Canals (Center Stage)
- 6:30 p.m. National Sweetheart Pageant Preliminary (CC)
- 7-10 p.m. Raffle (Legion Shelter)
- 7:30 p.m. John Michael Montgomery concert (Annex)
Beer Garden opens (Annex)

- 11 p.m. Midway Closes
- 1 am Beer Garden closes

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

- 8 a.m. Flea Market Opens
- 9 a.m. Gates Open (\$3 Admission)
- 11:30 a.m.-Noon Corn Eating Contest Registration
(Center Stage)
- Noon Midway, Display Area open
Ride Special Bracelet all day
Corn Eating Contest (Center Stage)
- 12-1:30 p.m. Sweetheart Autograph Session
(Center Stage)

12-4 p.m. FREE SWEETCORN

- 12-5 p.m. Hoopeston Area FFA Petting Zoo
- 12:30-2 p.m. Jani Massey Band and Craig Massey
Live Painting Auction (Center Stage)
- 1-4 p.m. Raffle (Legion Shelter)
- 2-3 p.m. HAHS vocal ensembles (Center Stage)
- 3-4 p.m. A Natural High (Center Stage)
- 4-5 p.m. Gordy & Brooke Allen (Center Stage)
- 5 p.m. Demo Derby (Annex)

- Lawn Mowers 5 p.m. •Power Wheels 6 p.m.
- Street Truck Cash Pull 6:30 p.m.
- Main Feature 7 p.m.
- Beer Garden opens (Annex)
- 6:30 p.m. National Sweetheart Pageant Finals (CC)
- 10 p.m. Midway closes
Pageant Reception (Civic Center)
- 12 a.m. Beer Garden closes

5 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

- 8 a.m. Flea Market Opens
- 9 a.m. Gates Open (\$3 Admission)
Display Area Opens
Baby Contest Registration (Civic Center)
- 10 a.m. Cream of the Crop Pretty Baby Contest (CC)
- Noon Midway opens
Ride Special Bracelet all day
- 12-1 p.m. Coal Black Exotic Animal Show (Center Stage)
- 12-4 p.m. FREE SWEETCORN**
Hoopeston Area FFA Petting Zoo
- 1-3 p.m. High Cotton (Center Stage)
- 1-4 p.m. Raffle (Legion Shelter)
- 3-4 p.m. Coal Black Exotic Animal Show (Center Stage)
- 3:30-4 p.m. Ponytail Contest registration (east of Center Stage)
- 4 p.m. Ponytail Contest (Center Stage)
- 9:00 p.m. Midway closes

Please bring your own chair to sit at the Center Stage

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Local Monical's join others for women's clinic fundraiser

Hoopeston Monical's will join those in Tilton and Danville for the Women's Care Clinic Community Day fundraiser on Monday, Aug. 31.

To take part, go to www.monicals.com, click on "Fundraising", then "Community Day Calendar" and

find this event on Monday, August 31. Print a flier for the event and take it to dine at Monical's. Diners who present fliers will have 20 percent of their checks donated to the Women's Care Clinic.

Women's Care Clinic provides education and support to new and expectant moms in Vermilion County, offering free pregnancy testing, limited obstetrical ultrasound, options counseling, adoption referrals, and parenting support at no charge to the clients served.

Privately funded, the Women's Care Clinic is a 501 (c)(3) organization supported solely by donations of individuals, families, businesses and churches in Danville and the surrounding areas.

Obituaries

BERG - Carl McCarty Berg, 23, of Kentland, Ind., formerly of Cissna Park, died Thursday, Aug. 27, 2015. Visitation was 4-8 p.m. Sunday at Baier Funeral Home, Watseka, and 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. (CST) funeral Monday at Christian Bible Church, Cissna Park. Memorials are suggested to Milford Swimming Pool or Cissna Park Education Foundation.

DAVIS - Lela Irene (Reetz) Davis, 96, of Hoopeston, died at 7:40 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 27, 2015, at Heartland Nursing Home, Paxton. A celebration of her life will be held at noon Tuesday at Blurton Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will follow in Amity Cemetery, Goodwine. Memorials are suggested to Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave., Hoopeston IL 60942.

Dyer continued from other side

Erik Pelikant, who purchased the 15-room mansion at an auction last November, said the structure had no electric or gas service and that it was uninsured. A damage estimate from the fire has not been determined.

Pelikant, a prop comedian, watched with his two daughters Friday as flames shot out and water poured in to the house his family had hoped to move into by Christmas. His older daughter worried about her mother, who would be very upset by the news, while his younger daughter worried that fire would damage the home they currently live in.

Bird said it took about three hours to get the fire extinguished. Departments from Rossville, Wellington, Rankin and East Lynn assisted in that effort.

Firemen were on-scene until about 8:30 p.m., when the fire marshal finished the investigation, he said.

Weather

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