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## Believe in Someday

By BERTHA PARSONS

Here we are at the end of September and before we know it, someday, Thanksgiving will appear. For some of us, we always have that someday - I'll get it done someday, I'll lose ten pounds someday, I'll call that friend in Washington I've been thinking about, someday. I'll get my budget in order, maybe I'll even start saving for retirement, someday.

I'm a Virgo and that means I like to plan. Therefore I've always been a "goal-setter." I like to do one year, five years and 10 year goals. I don't always reach every goal, but for me, setting a goal makes it easier to reach. Do I believe in someday? Yes sir, you bet! For me, everyday has become someday.

Now, don't get excited, there is nothing wrong and I plan on being around a long time. However, thanks to a special friend and their phone call I realized someday is now. Someday I want to be kinder, more understanding, patient and loving. My husband hopes it's today!

What makes a someday so special to you and me? It's our hope for the future, our another chance to make good on a promise. On a cold winter day it gives us something to smile about.

You see, each of us want, and need to have our someday. We want to be more important, we want a bigger house, we want to have good health, we want more time for family. Whatever you want for your someday, whether today, a year, or in five years. Believe in yourself and your ability to reach your someday.

Be yourself. Never compromise who you are. Make the most of your assets. Share yourself. Never be afraid to express your ideas. They can make yours, or someone else's someday!

My sincere wish is that every one of you have a someday to believe and look forward to now!

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## Dixie Highway 100th to be marked with sign dedication

An interpretive sign commemorating the history of the Dixie Highway and the city of Hoopeston will be dedicated in a ceremony at 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9.

The ceremony will be on Dixie Highway (Route 1) south of Route 9, across from Subway.

The A's R Us Model A Ford Club, representatives from Illinois Dixie communities, and local officials, will be on hand for the ceremony. The public is encouraged to attend.

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the highway and further preserve its history, A's R Us - co-sponsors of the annual Drivin' the Dixie event held each June - launched a campaign to install interpretive signs in each Illinois Dixie town to note the history of the community as well as the historic road.

Money generated by Drivin' the Dixie has been used to fund this project.

The Dixie Highway was America's first north-south "interstate," linking Chicago with Miami. In Illinois, the historic route of the highway travels south on Michigan Ave., from the Art Institute to Garfield Boulevard (55th Street), then west to Western Ave. The highway then



A sign commemorating the centennial anniversary of the Dixie Highway was displayed at the September 15 Hoopeston City Council meeting. A dedication ceremony will be held on October 9.


travels south through Blue Island, Homewood, Chicago Heights, Crete and points south to Danville where the highway heads east into Indiana.

The A's R Us Model A Ford Club, based in the south suburbs, and Illinois Dixie communities have been promoting the history of the Dixie Highway with the annual

**See DIXIE on other side**



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My fellow possums and I were talking about the towns where we hang out. (Get it, "hang out"). We got to discussing how friendly our various communities seem to be.  
 I told them how people in Hoopeston speak, smile and wave to each other, even if strangers. After all the discussion, I decided Hoopeston has many more than its fair share of nice people.  
 But, we can do even better. Shall we?  
*Pogo*

**The PIT STOP at FAST LANES**

**Monday:** Taco Salad (chicken or beef), or Tenderloin (grilled or breaded)  
**Tuesday:** Chicken or Beef & Noodles or Speedway Burger & Fries  
**Wednesday:** Ribeye Sandwich or Pork Chops w/choice of potato  
**Thursday:** Swiss Steak or Popcorn Shrimp  
**Friday:** Cod, Ribeye Steak or RIBS!  
**Saturday:** Prime Rib, Ribeye or RIBS!

**Coming Saturday, October 10**  
 it's the first  
**7-8-9 Pin DOUBLES TOURNAMENT**  
 with DJ and KARAOKE  
 7-11 p.m.  
**Open to anyone - 1st place is \$650**



**Red moon rising**  
 A Super Moon and lunar eclipse on Sunday night combined to produce a "Super Blood Moon." The early stages of the blood moon were under cover of clouds but by 9 p.m., the reddish orb was clearly visible. In Illinois, the eclipse started at about 7:10 p.m. and was at its maximum at about 9:45. It ended at 12:22 a.m. Monday. The combination of Super Moon and lunar eclipse has happened only five times since 1900 and will recur until 2033. Proponents of some religions believe the event is a warning of coming calamity.

**Dixie continued from other side**  
 Drivin' the Dixie, a traveling car show, held since 2002 and most recently with the installation of roadside interpretive signage. Currently signs are in place in 11 communities and plans call for up to 8-10 more to be in place by year's end.  
 Locally, the city of Hoopeston, the Hoopeston Historical Society and the Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce helped sponsor the sign.  
 On October 9, other signs will be dedicated in Beecher (9:30 a.m.), Grant Park (10:30 a.m.) and Milford (2 p.m.). Ceremonies will take place during the car club's tour of the Dixie Highway in Illinois, which will start in Chicago on Thursday with another event at Jackson Boulevard and Michigan Avenue, adjacent to the Art Institute.

**From the Blotter**

A **70-year-old** Hoopeston man reported at 9:24 a.m. Saturday that someone took items from his garage, in the 700 block of Wilson.  
 A **72-year-old** Hoopeston man reported at 10:58 p.m. Saturday that someone entered his garage in the 600 block of Euclid.  
**Jamie E. Moore**, 40, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an incident at 6:44 p.m. Saturday at Hoopeston American Legion, 502 E. Penn. He was charged with battery

on a complaint from a 36-year-old Hoopeston woman who alleged Moore chest-bumped her during an argument.  
 Moore was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.  
 A **34-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 1:47 a.m. Sunday that someone took money from her purse, which she left unattended, at VFW, 426 W. Orange.  
 A **26-year-old** Hoopeston man reported at 10:33 a.m. Sunday that someone slashed his tires at Parkview Court.  
 A **15-year-old** Hoopeston boy was arrested after an incident at 1:16 p.m. Sunday in the 500 block of North Eighth Ave.  
 The boy, who had left and was later found in a different location, was charged with three counts of domestic battery on a complaint from a 35-year-old Hoopeston woman who alleged he battered people in the house.

**Briefly**  
**Multi Agency bus trips**

Hoopeston Multi Agency has scheduled a bus trip this Wednesday to Bloomington Mall. The bus will leave at 9 a.m. Cost is \$10 per person.  
 Another trip will be held Thursday, Oct. 15, to the Covered Bridge Festival. The bus will leave at 7 a.m. Cost is \$10.  
 To sign up, call the Multi Agency, (217) 283-5544, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

**Library likes Legos**

Hoopeston Public Library plans to start a Legos Club for kids and is seeking donations of new or gently used Legos (not Duplo or generics), building sets and accessories which may be dropped during regular hours. For questions, call (217) 283-7744.

On Saturday Oct. 10, the A's R Us, in cooperation with the city of Danville and the Vermilion County Museum, will host a Dixie Highway centennial car show on the grounds of the museum, at 116 N. Gilbert, Danville. The car show will begin at 10:30 am and, at 1 pm, Jim Wright, author of The Dixie Highway in Illinois, will present a history of the highway in the meeting room of the museum.  
 All weekend events are free and the everyone is invited.

**Weather**

Chance of showers today. High 75. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 50. Tomorrow, sunny. High 69, low 44.

**Classifieds**

**HELP WANTED**

Hoopeston Area CUSD #11 has an immediate opening for a Special Needs Classroom Aide at Maple Elementary School. Applications are available online only at Hoopeston Area CUSD's website, [www.hoopeston.k12.il.us](http://www.hoopeston.k12.il.us)  
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LOST: gold iPhone 6 plus in gold case. Lost about 7 p.m. Saturday in vicinity of McDonald's parking lot. Contains pictures with sentimental value. Reward if returned. (217) 418-4798.