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## Inspection firm chosen but you can't get there from here

A new business will take over golf cart inspections for Hoopeston - as soon as a way is designated to get the carts there legally.

Reliable Auto, 517½ S. Dixie Hwy., will perform golf cart inspections since the former inspection site - Neal Tire - closed, said Alderman Brandon Hamilton.

The drawback to the new inspection center is that there is no way for golf cart owners to legally drive their

carts there to be inspected.

By ordinance, golf carts may not travel on either Rtes 1 or 9 and may only cross Rt. 9 at Seventh St., Market and South Second and Sixth avenues. No crossing points are allowed on Rt. 1 inside or outside the city limits.

Hamilton said the logistics issue will be addressed and  
 See INSPECTION on other side



Hoopeston Fire Department's new brush truck was unveiled Tuesday, first at Anthem Chevrolet, then at the Hoopeston City Council meeting. The heavy duty long bed truck carries a 300-gallon water tank and a Honda pump and will be the primary vehicle for field fires, as well as other uses. Pictured with the 2016 truck are Alderman Carl Ankenbrand, fire committee chairman, Fire Chief Joel Bird, and Dana Kuntz and Dane Nicholls, sales consultants at Anthem Chevrolet.

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## Inspection continued from other side

the solution publicized.

Resident Chuck Wallace, during the public comment part of the meeting, expressed concern about the safety of golf carts crossing the highway, wondering about the liability of “hundreds (crossing), not one in a blue moon.” Wallace affirmed Reliable Auto as a good choice because owner Shawn Cade “actually works on golf carts.”

In related discussion, Mayor Bill Crusinberry said he emailed the corporate office of Neal Tire nearly two weeks ago to try to find out if the abrupt closure on No-

vember 3 is final and what plans the company has for the building on Penn St., but has not received a reply.

Wallace, who managed the business until it closed, said he had no answers.

In other business, the council heard from engineer Mike Streff, of Farnsworth Group, who said the water storage refurbishment project has not been finalized because a subcontractor is being investigated for discrepancies in employee benefits and payroll and the general contractor, Leander Construction, is

withholding final payment pending the outcome of that investigation.

Also, Leander was unaware that project documents called for a two-year warranty on work and “is scrambling” to get a two-year maintenance agreement in place, he said. Leander is also trying to get a one-year agreement to coincide with Quality Assured Industrial Coating’s three-year guarantee on the exterior coating.

Streff said the city will save nearly \$23,000 due to a clerical error on a quantities adjustment, bringing

the final cost of the refurbishment project to \$2,526,000 “in round numbers.”

In unrelated discussion, Crusinberry said he was contacted by Cobblestone Hotels, which may have interest in locating a motel in Hoopeston.

The company had previously declined to consider Hoopeston for a motel.

## Obituaries

**BARNES** - Sharon Elaine Barnes, 59, of Urbana, formerly of Danville, died Monday, Dec. 14, 2015, at Presence United Samaritans Medical Center, Danville. Visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Friday at Sunset Funeral Home and Cremation Center, Danville. Celebration of her life will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Among survivors is a sister, Debbie Barnes Catron, formerly of Hoopeston.

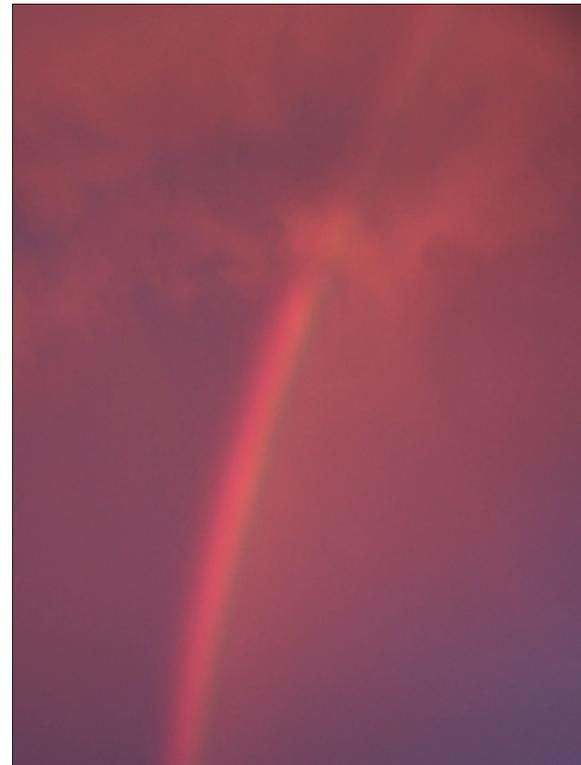
**STONE** - Granville Calvin “Stoney” Stone, 85, of Hoopeston, died at 6:10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 14, 2015, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Thursday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Danville National Cemetery, with military rites by Danville American Legion post. Memorials are suggested to Disabled Veterans National Foundation, 1020 19th St. NW, Suite 475, Washington DC 20036 or donor’s choice.



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## Red rainbow

“Red sky at morning, sailors take warning” combined with an early-morning rainbow Wednesday morning over Hoopeston, creating a colorful sky.

## Weather

Mostly cloudy today, tonight. High 36, low 24. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 30, low 20.

## Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 2:43 p.m. Tuesday for a report of a chimney on fire in the 400 block of East Washington. The fire was extinguished. No injuries were reported.

## VFW Menu

Orange & 4th Ave., Hoopeston

**Tacos by Norma**

Thursdays 11a - 2p & 5p - 8p

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**VFW Post 4826 Members:**

New meeting time

6 p.m. 2nd Tues. of each month.

## Classifieds

### HELP WANTED

Part-time position at Hoopeston Public Library: covering evenings and Saturday hours. Requirements: high school diploma, good interpersonal skills, ability to shelve books, some lifting, basic computer skills, work flexible hours, and willingness to learn new duties as assigned. Applications available at front desk. Apply by December 18, 2015.

Hoopeston Area CUSD #11 has an opening for a Personal Aide at Hoopeston Area High School starting January 4, 2016. Application deadline is December 23, 2015.

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