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Vermilion, Iroquois counties added to disaster declaration

Governor Bruce Rauner last week added 11 counties to the state disaster declaration for widespread flooding. Those counties include Cass, Cumberland, Iroquois, Lawrence, Marion, Menard, Moultrie, Pike, Richland, Sangamon and Vermilion.

Previously, Rauner declared Alexander, Calhoun, Christian, Clinton, Douglas, Jackson, Jersey, Madison, Monroe, Morgan, Randolph and St. Clair counties state disaster areas after heavy rains caused several rivers and waterways to surge to record or near-record levels. The announcement brings the total number of declared counties to 23.

"The impacts of this flood event have been felt in many communities across the state," said Gov. Rauner. "We're continuing to provide personnel and resources communities need as they battle flood waters and begin their recovery process."

A state disaster declaration makes a wide variety of state resources available that can help communities respond and recover from flooding. Such resources include sandbags, sand, pumps, trucks, inmate crews and other assistance to ensure public safety.

The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) in Springfield was activated Dec. 28 to coordinate the

state's flood response and has operated since that time to coordinate deployment of state personnel and resources to help communities protect public health and safety.

As flood waters begin receding in some areas, local emergency management agencies are beginning to collect damage information from affected people and units of local government. That information will be forwarded to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA), where it will be reviewed to develop a picture of the overall impact on people and local governments.

If the initial damage information shows losses that may meet thresholds for a federal disaster declaration, the state could request that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) join state and local officials for a more thorough assessment of the damage. If it appears the state meets the federal assistance criteria, the governor could request a major disaster declaration from the President.

There are two separate federal assistance programs. The Individual Assistance program offers grants and low-interest loans to people affected by disasters. The Public Assistance program provides reimbursement up to 75 percent of eligible costs incurred by local governments as they dealt with the disaster and subsequent recovery.

While there is no defined damage amount for Individual Assistance, the state's past experience with requests for federal assistance shows that it takes hundreds of homes with severe damage to qualify for the program. The Public Assistance program does have a population-based threshold, which for Illinois is \$18.1 million statewide. Once the state meets the statewide threshold, individual counties would also have to meet a threshold of \$3.56 times the county's population.

IEMA Director James K. Joseph says it will take a few **See DISASTER on other side**

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time spent with us, you all made
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such a giving community.

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Briefly

LIHEAP signup

Hoopeston Multi Agency will hold Low-Income Energy Assistance Program signup from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13, at 206 S. First Ave. This will be for all eligible people. For more information, call the Multi Agency, (217) 283-5544.

Birthday card shower

A card shower is being held for former Hoopeston resident, Everett L. Wood's 80th birthday on January

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Thurs.: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn
Fri.: Angus ribeye steak Sandwiches & broccoli/ cauli salad

Nightly Specials

- Mon.: RANCHBURGERS
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Thurs.: 50¢ WINGS AND \$5 PITCHERS
Fri.: 16 oz. ANGUS RIBEYE DINNER OR CHICKEN BREAST DINNER

Saturday, Jan. 16 :JIM MCBRIDE THE HARMONICA PLAYING DJ. Sit back and listen to the music or get him to break out the Karaoke. This guy is a party on wheels!
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HAHS to offer FAFSA help

Free FAFSA completion help will be available in the Hoopeston Area High School computer lab from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13. DACC financial aid advisors, ISAC Core Brittany Meeker and Kay Brown will be available to help complete the form. The event is open to anyone planning to take college classes.

The sooner you file even as an estimated FAFSA, the better your chances for receiving grant aid.

Birthday open house

An open house will be held for Jack Silver's 80th

Lunch Menus

Hoopeston Area Grade Schools

- MONDAY: Chicken strips, green beans, applesauce, Power Punch juice, milk
TUESDAY: Cheese pizza, salad, baby carrots, peaches milk
WEDNESDAY: Pancake & sausage, tater tots, celery sticks, mandarin orange, milk
THURSDAY: Ravioli, Max Stix, salad, baby carrots, pineapple, milk
FRIDAY: Hotdog/bun, baked beans, cucumber slices, mixed fruit, milk

Hoopeston Area Middle/High Schools

- MONDAY: Chicken nuggets or ham & cheese, salad bar, California bled/cheese, applesauce, milk, juice
TUESDAY: Chicken & noodles or Hot Pocket, mashed potatoes, corn, pineapple, milk, juice

Disaster continued from other side

weeks to gather the initial damage assessment information from local emergency management officials since some impacted counties are still dealing with high waters.

"Flood waters need to recede before local officials can get an accurate accounting of the damage," said Joseph. "Our staff is working closely with all of the affected counties to help the process proceed as quickly as possible."

For updates on the current situation, visit the Ready Illinois website at <http://www.illinois.gov/ready/Pages/default.aspx>

birthday from 2-4 p.m. January 16 at First Baptist Church gym, 323 E. Seminary, Hoopeston. Cake and punch will be served. Friends and acquaintances are welcome to help him celebrate!

Obituaries

CORNELIUS - William Theodore "Bill" Cornelius Sr., 91, of Rankin, died Thursday, Jan. 7, 2016, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Visitation was 1 p.m. until the 2 p.m. funeral Sunday at Rankin United Methodist Church. Burial is in Rankin Union Cemetery with military rites by Cissna Park American Legion. Knapp Funeral Home, Rankin, is in charge of arrangements.

- WEDNESDAY: Pork BBQ or cheeseburger, mac & cheese, salad bar, pears, milk, juice
THURSDAY: Taco Max Snax or chicken patty/bun, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad bar, peaches, milk, juice
FRIDAY: Pizza or fish sandwich, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk, juice

Weather

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