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A wind gust coming off of a porch roof hampers visibility during Wednesday's snowstorm.

High winds, snow mix for blizzard conditions locally

It's amazing what havoc 40 mile per hour winds and 4 or so inches of snow can wreak.

Hoopeston awakened to rain showers that then turned to snow and sleet, before changing to all snow.

Area schools opted to close before the snow started, believing the blizzard warning issued Tuesday night that became effective at 6 a.m. Wednesday. The warning

was set to expire at 9 p.m. Wednesday.

East central Illinois and west central Indiana reported hazardous road conditions, with many slide-offs and a jackknifed semi on I-74 west of Oakwood and an accident with injuries between the Oakwood and Illinois 49 exits.

See BLIZZARD on other side



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Briefly

The gathering

Rossville area senior citizens are invited to The Gathering, a monthly get-together for seniors at 1 p.m. Thursday at Rossville Fire Station. The event is sponsored by Rossville Community Organization.

Library Trivia Night

A free Trivia Night for teens and adults will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25. Bring your own team of 2-5 people, or come solo and we will put you on a team. Refreshments will also be served.

From the Blotter

No tickets were reported in an accident at 7:43 a.m. Tuesday at McFerren Park.

Police said Robert L. Garman, in a 2012 Chevrolet truck, appeared to be confused and disoriented and struck a fence post and building in the park. Park workers called for police and ambulance personnel to transport him to Carle Hoopeston Regional Medical Center.



VFW Menu

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School blood drive

HAHS Student Council will host a blood drive from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday Feb. 27 in the high school gym. To make an appointment, go to bloodcenterimpact.org and use sponsor code 70860 or call Ashley Gondzur at the high school at (217) 283-6661. Each pint donated will help get scholarship funds for the high school and can save up to 3 lives!

VFW seeks members

Are you a veteran of a foreign war? Buddy Egnew Post 4826 wants you to join! Stop in and talk to any member on how to join and what the VFW can do for you, or call (217) 283-5025.

Soccer signup going on

Online registration for Danville Area Soccer Association spring soccer is going on through March 11. Registration

Blizzard continued from other side

At 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, interstates 72, 74 and 57 in central Illinois were all listed as snow covered. Illinois State Police issued a travel advisory, asking motorists to refrain from driving unless it was absolutely necessary.

In Hoopeston, with school closed and other services curtailed by the weather, many drivers just stayed home. A snow route emergency was called early in the day, necessitating owners move cars from streets designated as snow routes throughout the city.

Power was affected, too, with flickering lights and some outages reported. While inconvenient, the experience was worse for Ameren customers south and west of Hoopeston, many of whom were without power for most of the day. Ameren reported at 1:30 that more than 1,600 county residents were without power. That number was 7,200 in Douglas County.

Ameren reported nearly 100 broken or leaning poles as the storm continued. More than 500 workers and contractors responded, with additional crews coming from Wisconsin, Indiana, Michigan and Kansas.

Weather

Chance of snow, breezy today. High 34. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 22. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 33, low 23.

tion is available for co-ed leagues (ages 4-14 as of Aug. 1, 2015); Tiny Tot soccer (parent and child ages 1- 4); and Super Soccer for players with special needs up to age 18. More information is available at www.DanvilleSoccer.org.

HAYB signups

Signups for Hoopeston Area Youth Baseball will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 and Wednesday, March 2, from 6-8 p.m., both at Hoopeston City Hall. The final date will be 6-8 p.m. Saturday, March 18 at Fast Lanes.

Youth softball signups

Hoopeston Youth Softball signups will be held from 1-2 p.m. March 5, 6, and 20 at Hoopeston City Hall. There will be no signups at the WHPO Expo this year.

Registration is \$65 for one child and \$45 for each additional child. Leagues include Instructional for ages 5-7, Minor, ages 8-10; and Major, 11-14. Age is as of December 31, 2015.

Here's what's showing at the
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