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Rossville to test hydrants

The Village of Rossville will be pressure and flow testing all the water hydrants July 25-29.

The gathering

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

Interfaith prayer vigil

Everyone is invited to attend an interfaith prayer vigil to be held at 7 p.m. Saturday by the Girl Scout House in McFerren Park.

Communities are coming together to pray for police, first responders and peace in communities and the world.

School supply signups

Hoopeston Multi Agency is holding signups for school supplies through July 31. Signups will be held form 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. at the Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave.

Supplies may be picked up August 8 and 9, from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m.

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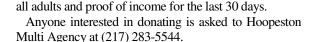
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The first will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, July 31 and will feature the Wright Family Singers.

The second will be at 7 p.m. August 3, featuring The Maranatha Singers.

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Laugh Out Loud **By BERTHA PARSONS**

If you didn't know it, life is really funny, it can make you laugh out loud. If you are like me, right now, this day, I find myself looking at our world and laughing out loud.

If I was not laughing so hard at some of the crazy things happening or changes our government seems to think we need to make, I just might be crying myself sick.

So let's think about what our life could be like if we laughed more. Not taking everything so seriously, laughing at ourselves more often. Like the time I left my driver's license at home when I went to board a plane in Indianapolis. I explained that I had to get on the plane as I had not seen my husband in over 30 days. I had a picture of us in my wallet and said, "this is me and my husband." The screener was really laughing out loud and said, "l

don't think you are a danger but you may be crazy, get on the plane." A whole plane full of people got to laugh out loud.

Where has all the laughter gone? Think about it. How often do you laugh? Laughing is just smiling louder. I think of the times my grown children looked at pictures of themselves in plaid pants or a cowboy outfit and could not stop laughing. They asked, "You took us out dressed like that?" I recall the time I painted our bedroom and could not get to my dresser so had to wear a sleeveless silk gown under my dress for church. Marty laughed for days thinking about it.

You see, our life is really what we make it. So why not make it a laughing good time as often as we can. My belief is laughing out loud is good for our health, our soul and our life.

Let's make our family and friends wonder what on earth we are up to. Let's see miles of smiles when folks notice our laughter even in the rain. Laugh out loud. It won't hurt a bit.

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Letters to the Editor

Family thankful for small town caring

As a family, we recently learned just what it means to live in a small town. We thought we knew but we didn't know it all. Here's what we learned:

When you leave town in an emergency, people know you need gas money, food and cash in your wallets...thanks.

Prayer chains will pop up all over the town and county...thanks.

People will watch the little ones day, night and weekends...thanks.

When you are sick, the whole neighborhood (and some far from your neighborhood) look after your yard, house and trash...thanks.

When your husband isn't home and you don't know which Friday is recycling pickup, the driver knows to get it...thanks.

While you are waiting for surgery to end and in walk familiar faces...thanks.

When you get home late at night and need a pick-meup, people are there...thanks.

When you are exhausted, friends will say "We are coming to get you"...thanks.

When the man who walks by your house everyday and visits your dogs no longer comes around, you send him a card with a picture of his furry friends to cheer him up...thanks.

When you are transferred back to Hoopeston Hospital and smiling and familiar faces greet you...thanks.

When you are exhausted and hungry and the kitchen help knows just what you need...thanks.

When in the middle of the night you are alone and down, hometown nurses will stop and spend time cheering you up...thanks.

If you leave the house, people will call your wife to make sure you should be on your own...thanks.

When you finally get to go back to your walking routine and people wave, honk and stop to say "hi" and "how are you"...thanks.

Weather

Sunny today. High 86. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 65. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 85, low 67.

When daily someone asks "How are you doing"...thanks.

As a family, we have learned what wonderful blessings we have. We are overwhelmed with the outpouring of love and concern. Thanks to everyone who prayed for us, gave to us and hugged us! We are forever grateful for you all.

Love,

Brian and Carol Hodge Matthew, Jessica, Kaitlynn, Evan and Henry Lange Janna Hodge, Gabriella Zambello and Tyler Moews

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