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Youth mental health help course to be at DACC Hoopeston

An eight-hour course designed to allow people to identify and help youngsters dealing with mental health issues will be held in Hoopeston at times convenient for those with daytime jobs.

Youth Mental Health First Aid will be offered from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Thursdays, Feb. 23, March 2, 9, and 16 at the DACC Higher Learning Center, 847 E. Orange.

The training normally costs \$170 per person, said Beth Bray Knecht, M.S.Ed, Project Director at Aunt Martha's Health and Wellness in Danville. However, she said, Aunt Martha's received a Now Is the Time AWARE C grant that allows training and the accompanying manual

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The course is designed to help young people ages 12-18 who show signs of mental illness or who are in a crisis. Adults who work with or know youth, including teachers, coaches, school staff, community faith leaders, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, social workers and other caring citizens may benefit from the information. The first aid action plan has five steps, called ALGEE:

Assess for risk of suicide or harm

Listen non-judgmentally Give reassurance and information Encourage appropriate professional help Encourage self-help and other support strategies Seats are limited. To register, participants are asked to email their name, phone number, email address, occupation/employer and a brief description of why they want to take the course (for example, to help a family member, to help people in the community or to seek general metal health information) to Knecht at ebass@auntmarthas.org. Those who do not have email may call 217-516-2298

or 217-446-1300 ext 161. Those who successfully complete the series will re-

Those who successfully complete the series will ceive a three-year certification, Knecht said.



Buddy Egnew VFW Post 4826 BIG Breakfast Saturday, Feb. 18 6 a.m.-noon Snow date Saturday, Feb. 25 Biscuits & Gravy, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs & Hot Cakes with Coffee, Juice & Milk \$6 adults, \$3 children 10 & under, 4 & under free 428 W. Orange, Hoopeston

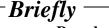
DACC Higher Learning Center - Hoopeston Microsoft Word 2013 - Level 1 Tuesdays, Feb. 21-Mar.14, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Class fee \$96 **Turning Your Hobby into a Business** offered by Small Business Development Center Friday, Feb. 24 10 a.m.-Noon Class fee \$20 Fairy Garden Workshop at Treasured Roots Saturday, March 4, 2017, from 10-11:30 a.m. Class fee \$50 (materials included) **Conversational Spanish** Tuesdays, March 8-May 24 from 6-8 p.m. Class fee \$150 plus textbook **Tom Sweeney Lecture-**My Neighbor Long Ago! Monday, March 14 from 6-7:30 p.m. Class fee \$12 Food Service License Wednesdays, March 22-April 26 from 6-9:30 p.m. Class fee \$99 plus textbook and code book Call for more information and to register!! Call 217-283-4170, stop by 847 E. Orange, Hoopeston or visit www.dacc.edu/hoopeston

Maggie's on the Move

2-year-old Chocolate Lab "Maggie" Danner Possible sighting west of Hoopeston on Rt. 9, west of the Rtes. 1 and 9 intersection, and Wednesday night on North 6th Ave. by



the old Vermilion Iron crossing on the east side. Maggie is afraid and will run if chased. If you see here, please call **anytime**: (217) 474-1438 or (217) 474-8326 or contact Hoopeston Animal Rescue or Vermilion County Animal Control. We want our baby home!



Preschool screening

A preschool screening for children ages 3-5 will be held Thursday, Feb. 16 at First Presbyterian Church, Hoopeston. Hearing, vision and appropriate skills will be tested and recommendations will be given. To schedule an appointment, call (217) 444-3266.

Breast cancer support meeting

Hoopeston Breast Cancer Support Group meets at 6 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at The Pit Stop at





Fast Lanes Bowling Alley. The next meeting will be February 16 and is to offer support to past and present breast cancer survivors.

For more information, call Pat Foster, (815) 984-4040.

Hoopeston Hornets signups

Tax Time signups for Hoopeston Hornets will be held Saturdays, Feb. 25 and March 4, 10-2 and Sundays, Feb. 26 and March 5, 12-2, all inside Hoopeston IGA. Fees are \$70 for one child and \$65 per additional child. You will receive a \$10 reimbursement if you volunteer at a home game.

Red Hat Society seeks members

The Red Hat Society is an international social organization for all women that connects, supports and encourages women in their pursuit of happiness. We

From the Blotter

Jacob A. Selsor, 16, of East Lynn, was ticketed after an accident at 8 a.m. Monday at the entrance to Hoopeston Area High School, 615 E. Orange.

Police said Selsor, in a 1996 Dodge truck, struck a 2004 Pontiac driven by Brea L. Bushong, of Hoopeston. Bushong was stopped for traffic when her vehicle was struck.

Selsor was ticketed for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County traffic court.

No injuries were reported.

Obituaries

JAMES - Lee Webster James, 83, formerly of Hope, died Thursday, Feb. 9, 2017 at Forest Creek Village nursing home, Indianapolis. Family will receive friends from 12:30 p.m. until the 2:30 p.m. memorial service Saturday at Hope United Church of Christ. Burial will be in Embury Cemetery, Hope. Memorials are suggested to the church, Hope UCC, 2334 St. Rt. 49, Armstrong, IL 61812. Blurton Funeral Home, Potomac, is handling arrangements.

Weather

Partly sunny today. High 35. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 23. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 44, low 31.

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HPL to celebrate British telly With special program Thursday

Smitten by Sherlock? Hooked on Home Fires? Devastated by the disappearance of Downton Abbey? Mad over all things Masterpiece? Local fans are invited to enjoy an afternoon celebrating some of the great British television classics at "Lords & Ladies at the Library" at 2 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 16.

Danda Beard, director of development for the area's PBS station, WILL-TV, Urbana, will share about the latest Masterpiece programming offered locally, as well as some video highlights of new and upcoming shows.

In addition, there will be British-themed refreshments, trivia, and other entertainment. Participants are also invited to come in costume as their favorite British TV character, and prizes will be given for the best portrayal.

For more information, call the library at 217-283-6711.

