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John Greer Principal Dan Walder has given updates at meetings since the decision to close has been made, updating the board on the transition plan. At Thursday's meeting, he announced upcoming tours for incoming fourth graders and new third graders will be held in May. While many things are included in the transition,

"actually, in reality, the process has gone very smoothly," Walder said Thursday. "We will be ready when school



Smile because it happened. Walk the historic halls of Honeywell one last time! Memory T-shirts will be available for order.

opens."

In her report to the board, Anne Burton, middle school principal, said sixth grade classes will be self-contained, resulting in limited contact between those students and the seventh and eighth graders. Also, she said, a homework lab will be implemented. While the middle school had not previously had one, sixth grade teachers thought it was important, she said.

"We're ready for (the transition)," Burton said. "It's going to be a well-oiled machine."

See FAREWELL on other side



From the Blotter

Police solved a hit-and-run accident reported at 11:38 a.m. Thursday in the 500 block of East Main. It was reported that a vehicle hit a parked 2007 Buick, owned by Ryan K. Gunderman, then left the scene. The vehicle was followed by a witness.

Police were sent to Sixth St. and East Thompson, where the vehicle was last seen. The vehicle, a 2004 Dodge truck, was found in the 200 block of East Wyman. The driver, Eulalio Cantu, 24, of Hoopeston, was identified by the witness.

Jackie C. Carswell, 34, of Hoopeston, was charged with restraint of dogs by owner/keeper at 5:30 p.m. Thursday on a complaint from a 33-year-old Hoopeston woman who alleged Carswell's two dogs were in the woman's yard, making it hard for her to let her own dog out.

Carswell was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

A 38-year-old Hoopeston woman reported at 1:52 p.m. Thursday that someone poured an unknown substance



2 handmade wooden tulips, removed from Rossville Family

Restaurant on April 1. 1 red, 1 yellow, approx. 10" x 8" x 1" These were made for me by my father. **REWARD FOR THEIR RETURN** into her gas tank and that the vehicle would no longer run. The damage occurred in the 400 block of West Washington.

Jordan C. Carswell, 31, of Hoopeston, was charged with dogs running at large at 3 p.m. Friday on a complaint from an unidentified person. He was issued a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Carswell was charged at 5:30 p.m. Friday with restraint of dogs by owner or keeper on a complaint from a 31-year-old Hoopeston woman who alleged his dogs were on his property several times during the day.

Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 8:05 a.m. Friday to Teasdale Foods, 215 W. Washington, for a water flow alarm on building 140. Fire and police personnel responded to the alarm company request. No fire or incident was found.

Lunch Menus

Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Chicken nuggets, broccoli/cheese, applesauce, juice, milk

TUESDAY: Pepperoni pizza, salad, baby carrots, peaches, milk

WEDNESDAY: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, celery sticks, bread, butter, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Taco, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad, pineapple, milk

FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun, fries, cucumber slices, mixed fruit, milk

Hoopeston Area High/Middle School

MONDAY: Chicken patty or ham & cheese, broccoli/ cheese, salad bar, applesauce, milk, juice

- TUESDAY: Country fried steak or Hot Pocket, mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple, milk, juice
- WEDNESDAY: Spaghetti or pork BBQ/bun, Max Stick, salad bar, pears, milk, juice

THURSDAY: Mini corndog or cheeseburger, baked beans, salad bar, peaches, milk, juice

FRIDAY: Pizza or fish sandwich, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk, juice

Carswell was mailed a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 3:27 p.m. Friday at Sixth Ave. and Main. Police said Christina Tilman, of Rossville, in a 2007 Toyota Camry, struck a 2005 Ford F150 driven by Lynn Barr of East Lynn, who was topped in the intersection.

Farewell continued from other side

In other business, the board heard from Dave Jacobs, head coach of the Hoopeston Area/Schlarman Academy/ Armstrong-Potomac football co-op, and assistant coach Trey Stille, about a planned HASAAP Gridiron Club.

Solely for the football program, organizers plan to seek donations from residents of the three schools to provide things for the team. "Basically, it's a family coming together to raise money," Jacobs said, for things like signage, banners, sled, "and extra stuff for the kids."

The gridiron club will not take away from the existing HA Sports Boosters, he added.

So far, 92 kids have shown an interest in playing on the co-op team. Last year's season ended on a high note - "we're on a winning streak, Jacobs said, adding the team won its last game last season. "The kids are excited."

In other business, the board:

• Approved Carla Mobley as high school summer credit recovery teacher for summer 2017.

• Approved Cheryl Overlander's intent to retire at the end of the 2018-19 year.

• Approved transfers of Rachel Zick from sixth grade teacher to fifth grade teacher; Stephanie Pratt from John Greer special education teacher to high/middle school special education teacher; Candace Freeman from fifth grade teacher to sixth grade teacher; and Kori Balk from sixth grade teacher to fifth grade teacher.

• Approve resignations from Lauren Klein, high school girls basketball coach, effective April 20; Larry Maynard as high school principal, effective June 30; Mia Harrier as John Greer teacher, effective at the end of this school year;

Weather

Sunny today. High 73. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 50. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 76, low 58.

A 29-year-old Hoopeston woman reported at 5:52 p.m. Friday that an unknown person tried to kick in her door in the 300 block of West Maple.

A key was found at 6 p.m. Saturday at McFerren Park. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station. A black purse was found at 9:30 p.m. Saturday. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

and Logan Patton as Maple physical education teacher and head wrestling coach at the end of the year. Patton has been hired at Tolono Unity High School, said Supt. Hank Hornbeck.

Obituaries

GOODRUM - Eric Preston Goodrum, 49, of Austin, Tex., formerly of Hoopeston, died April 2, 2017. Arrangements are pending at Blurton Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

WILSON - Lorraine Olson Wilson, 94, of Hoopeston, died Saturday, April 22, 2017 at Heritage Health, Hoopeston. Arrangements are pending at Blurton Funeral Home, Hoopeston.



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