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Hoopeston eyes turn to skies for Great American Eclipse '17

Area residents got to view Monday's solar eclipse in different ways. On Seminary Ave., Alex Houmes and Allan Simpson, eclipse glasses ready, looked skyward as the moon moved between the sun and earth.

For others, a half-moon shaped shadow through a window decorated a floor in their homes or sun filtering



Alex Houmes views Monday's eclipse near his home. Framed by Houmes' arms, Allan Simpson also gets ready to watch the solar event.

through tree leaves left the shapes on pavement.

In local schools, students used technology to watch as the moon strutted in front of the sun.

Hoopeston did not experience the total eclipse, which last happened in America in 1918, but the sky darkened enough for some sensor lights to turn on, crickets were convinced evening was near, rural chickens came home to roost earlier than usual and the temperature dropped a handful of degrees, only to spike again when the shadows passed.

In Illinois, an area near Goreville had the greatest
 See ECLIPSE on other side

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God bless our parents and grandparents

By BERTHA PARSONS

A number of years ago I received this article via e-mail. During the past few weeks I have encountered people who are upset about drugs in our community, meth labs abounding and kids of all ages getting into drugs. It's very sad and upsetting.

My friend asked, "Why didn't we have a drug problem when we were growing up? Sure, times have changed but kids are still kids. Thank goodness for parents and grandparents.

I replied that I had a drug problem when I was young. I was drug to church on Sunday morning. I was drug to church weddings and funerals. I was drug to family reunions and community socials, no matter the weather.

I was drug by the ears when I disrespected adults. I was also drug to the woodshed when I disobeyed my parents, told a lie, brought home a bad report card, did not speak with respect, spoke ill of a teacher or the Pastor, or if I didn't put forth my best effort in everything that was asked of me.

Some of you may ask, "What is a woodshed?" It was a place where wood was stored and handy for a paddle when I would get a spanking.

I was drug out to pull weeds in Mom's garden and flower beds. I was drug to the homes of neighbors to help mow the yard or repair the clothesline. If my Mother found I had accepted a single dime as a tip for these kindnesses she would have drug me back to the woodshed.

I'm sure you're thinking, "Bertha never got spanked." Wrong. I had no brothers or sisters to blame so when I did something wrong, you can bet I was punished.

Those drugs are still in my veins and they affect everything I do, say or think. They are stronger than cocaine, crack or heroin: If today's children had more of this kind of drug problem, America would be a better place.

God bless the parents and grandparents who drugged us.

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Briefly

90th birthday card shower

Marie (Ma) Brown will celebrate her 90th birthday on August 25. Please help us honor her by sending cards to: Marie Brown, Heritage Health, 432 N. Dixie Hwy. Hoopeston, IL 60942.

At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include: **Cooking the Books**, 6-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24. "Summer's Bounty" is this month's theme. Pick a featured recipe, prepare it and bring it to the library to share with others.

The gathering

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

Eclipse continued on other side

eclipse duration. It was there that the University of Illinois Department of Astronomy went to view the rare celestial event.

Those who wanted to be in a more populated area converged on Carbondale, which hosted thousands of visitors for eclipse-related activities.

Some would-be astronomers around the country, unimpressed with ground-level viewing, like Nimrod took to new heights, setting up cameras, telescopes, chairs and refreshments atop buildings.

Traffic crawled in some areas, including I-57 near Champaign which had backups for much of Monday, due to construction and the eclipse.



Monday's partial eclipse, photographed in Hoopeston using a cell phone and eclipse glasses.

Weather

Sunny today. High 76. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 52. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 74, low 51.

Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 2:02 a.m. Monday for a fire alarm at Carle Hoopeston, 701 W. Orange. Nothing was found.

Classifieds

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