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Hoopeston Area High School junior Ezra Elliott, center, is recognized by Hoopeston Area board of education for earning third place in the 126 lb. class at the Illinois state wrestling finals. Coaches Chris Kelnhofer, left, and Carl Ankenbrand were also on hand at Thursday's school board meeting.

Hoopeston Area board hears about crisis preparedness plan

The Valentine's Day shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla., has parents across the country wondering if their children are safe at school.

At Thursday's Hoopeston Area school board meeting, Supt. Suzzette Hesser said the district is continually working to ensure student safety.

A crisis plan is in place and will be thoroughly reviewed in March, she said. The plan will be shared with local agencies in an annual crisis plan meeting to get feedback and make sure communication is taking place.

Part of the plan includes staff training in ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate). Some staff have

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— Briefly

Music Moolah winners

Recent winners in Hoopeston Area Music Boosters' Music Moolah drawings are: February 15, Paula Bane, \$75 (high school concert night); February 16, Justin Bray, \$25; February 17, Christy Lee, \$25; February 19, Sara Anderson, \$25; February 20, Orla Wilson, \$25; and February 21, Gary Fink Sr., \$25.

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At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include:

NYT Night (New York Times Best Sellers Book Club), 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday. For men and women. This month's books: "Little Fires Everywhere" by Celeste Ng and "Before We Were Yours" by Lisa Wingate.

Builder's Club, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Thursday. Kids in grades K-5 build cools stuff!

Tiny Tots story program, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Friday. For youngsters ages 0-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

For information on programs, call (217) 283-6711 or visit www.hooplib.org.

Obituaries

FARRELL - Michael Raymond "Mick" Farrell, 74, of Hoopeston, died at 6:43 a.m. Friday, Feb. 23, 2018 at Carle Hoopeston Regional Health Center. Visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Monday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at St. Anthony Catholic Church, Hoopeston. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston, with military rites by Hoopeston American Legion Post 384. Memorials are suggested to donor's choice.

Plan continued from other side

already been trained in ALICE, but several new employees have been hired in the district.

Once staff has been trained, the district will have the distinction of being ALICE-certified, Hesser said.

Chris Kelnhofer, HA head wrestling coach and Rossville Police Chief, will assist with training after recently training Rossville-Alvin staff.

Staff will train in a mock active shooter situation at a time when students are not present. There is also actual training for students that is recommended for middle and high school students. Younger children are trained in evacuation drills, similar to fire drills, he said.

Once the basics are in place, districts can build on that foundation. "There's a lot you can do with the program," Kelnhofer said.

In related discussion, she said the district bullying prevention committee plans to show the movie, "Wonder," to the middle school, thanks to the Save the Lorraine Foundation.

"Wonder" is a movie about the effects of bullying and the importance of treating others as one wishes to be treated.

The presentation will be followed by a school-wide kindness challenge, she said

As part of increasing school safety, the district is also promoting use of the crisis text line 741741 through www.crisistextline.org. The service is a tool students -

and others in the community - can use if they are in crisis and feel alone.

Hoopeston Area School Board will meet in special session at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 1. After taking care of routine business, they will adjourn to executive session for student discipline and personnel issues.

From the Blotter

Helen C. Kochell, 86, of Fowler, Ind., was arrested after police were called at 9:34 a.m. Thursday to Hoopeston IGA, 1030 W. Chestnut. She was charged with retail theft and released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 5:30 p.m. Thursday at Tedd's Beverage Shop parking lot, 101 W. Main. Police said Tracy Grabinski, 50, of Hoopeston, backed a 2001 Chevrolet truck into a parked 2008 Ford Focus, driven by Eleanor Mann, 85, also of Hoopeston.

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Lunch Menus

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

WEDNESDAY: Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, bread, butter, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Chicken taco, chips & salsa, salad, baby carrots, pineapple, milk

FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun, tater tots, Cherry Star juice, mixed fruit, milk

Hoopeston Area Middle School

MONDAY: Chicken nuggets, green beans, salad bar, applesauce, milk, juice

TUESDAY: Pancake & sausage, scrambled eggs, tritater, salad bar, mandarin orange, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Tacos, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad bar, pears, milk, juice

THURSDAY: Ravioli, Max Stick, salad, peaches,

milk, juice

FRÎDAY: Pizza, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk, juice Hoopeston Area High School

MONDAY: Chicken nuggets or ham & cheese, green beans, salad bar, applesauce, milk, juice

TUESDAY: Pancake & sausage or Hot Pocket, scrambled eggs, tri-tater, salad bar, mandarin orange, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Tacos or pork BBQ, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad bar, pears, milk, juice

THURSDAY: Ravioli or cheeseburger, Max Stick, salad, peaches, milk, juice

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

Weather

Sunny today. High 54. Tonight, clear. Low 35. Tomorrow, sunny, chance of showers late. High 60, low 44.