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Photos by James Evrich

Visitors to Thunder in the Corn truck/tractor pull wait through wet conditions for the event to begin. Rain, track clearing dampen first Thunder in the Corn

Thunder in the Corn proved to be aptly named as early rumblings resulted not in winning scores but in a lengthy rain delay, followed by a second delay as a crew readied the track.

Scores of people turned out Saturday at the McFerren Park Annex for the Lucas Oil Pro Pulling League truck/tractor pull organized by Hoopeston Area FFA Alumni. Some huddled under umbrellas while others stood in the rain. Some spent the rest of the evening in soggy clothes, while others went home to change, hoping the then-stopped rain would stay that way.

Scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m., the event was put under a rain delay. At approximately 7 p.m., Lucas Oil Pro Pulling announced on social media that crews had taken to the track to get it ready for pulling.

Drivers and their fans came from several states -Indiana, Kentucky, Wisconsin, Michigan, Missouri See THUNDER on other side



Th	^e PIT STOP at
A	AST LANES
nday:	Taco Salad (chicken or beef) and Tenderloin (breaded or grilled)
sday:	Rib eye Sandwich
dnesday:	Closed for Independence Day

Summer League meetings

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Sunday Night Mixed August 5

Thursday Night Men August 9

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From the Blotter

Hoopeston, in a 2012 Chevrolet truck, was pulling a 2004

Richland flatbed trailer owned by Arends Hogan Walker

LLC, of Hoopeston and collided with a 2006 Chevrolet

driven by Joshua Blackford, 37, of Potomac, who was

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident Wednesday involving two trucks towing trailers. Police were called at 9:55 a.m. to South Market and

East Orange for the accident. Tristan M. Vaughn, 22, of



Rain idle tractors during Saturday's Thunder in the Corn truck and tractor pull.

Thunder continued from other side

and Texas - for the first of what organizers hope will



be an annual event.

When the smoke cleared, hometown favorite Checkin' Out, driven by Ryan Anderson, came in second with a distance of 315.63. While not a first place, Anderson's finish put him in first place in the super farm tractors points total, with 247, heading into Wednesday's pull in Holland, Mich.

Another hometown favorite, Ken Samet, took fourth in the pro modified 4WD truck class, in his Chevy, "Illinois Thunder," with a pull of 320.28.

Hoopeston's annual fireworks display, sponsored by Carle Hoopeston Regional Health Center and Heritage Health, was also held Saturday. Normally held July 3, the display was moved to coincide with the pull. pulling a 1996 Barrett trailer.

Police reported both vehicles were driven from the scene.

A Hoopeston Parks Department employee reported at 9:50 a.m. Wednesday that someone damaged the concessions stand at the youth football field in the 500 block of South Sixth St.

Police received a report at 4:13 p.m. Wednesday that a 20" Mongoose bike was stolen from the 400 block of North Ninth Ave. The bicycle is black with orange lettering.

Jesus Morales, 44, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police were called at 5:13 p.m. to the 500 block of Judson for a loud music complaint.

He was charged with breach of peace/disorderly conduct and was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Classifieds

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Hoopeston - 2 Bedrooms - 1 Bath. All appliances. W/D hook up. Full Basement. Patio. In a 4-Plex. Non Smoking. Ready to move into. 217-260-2546 Text or leave a message.

HELP WANTED

Part time office receptionist. Starting 20 hours per week but could work into full time. Must be able to multi-task, work great with public and MUST have great follow-up skills. Send resume to Box A, c/o Just the Facts, P.O. Box 441, Hoopeston IL 60942.

Seasonal Elevator Worker

Archer Daniels Midland Company (ADM), a world leader in agricultural processing, is currently seeking candidates for **seasonal elevator workers** at our Hoopeston, IL location. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to: loading and unloading trucks; operating a grain dryer; assisting with grain handling; conducting general housekeeping duties; and performing general maintenance. Flexibility to work overtime and weekends is required.

Successful completion of a pre-employment drug screen, medical/respirator questionnaires and background check is required. Interested candidates should apply online at <u>www.adm.com/</u> <u>careers</u>.

ADM is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer for minorities, females, protected veterans and individuals with a disability.

Hubbard Trail Country Club is looking for an experienced part time bartender. Starting immediately, must be 21. Call the clubhouse 217-748-6521 or apply in person. Briefly -

Pickleball clinic

A free pickleball clinic will be held at 10 a.m. Friday. Herb Shoufler will hold the clinic at the McFerren Park Civic Center. Anyone interested in learning the game is invited.

Veterans wanted

Hoopeston VFW Post 4826 is looking for area veterans to ride on a float in the National Sweetcorn Festival parade on September 1. Any interested veteran is asked to call the post, (217) 283-5025.

Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 76. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 57. Tomorrow, mostly sunny, chance of thunderstorms late. High 78, low 61. Sunday, chance of thunderstorms. High 77, low 61.

Sifieds

CRIS Healthy-Aging Center is looking for part-time Meal Site Manager for Hoopeston.

Ideal candidate will have restaurant experience. Will require obtaining an Illinois Food Service Sanitation license within 90 days. Manager will provide direction to volunteers in packing food for the "Meals on Wheels" deliveries and serving catered lunches to seniors. Hours are 10:00 a.m. – 1:00p.m., on Tuesday & Friday averaging 6 – 7 hours per week. Background check required. EOE

Submit resume to hr@agestrong.org or to CRIS Healthy Aging Center, 309 N. Franklin, Danville, IL 61832

NAPA Hoopeston is looking for a full time Counter/ Delivery person. Responsible person would be very knowledgeable of automotive and truck parts. Must be able to answer phones and wait on customers. Must have very good knowledge of computers. Must do daily and monthly paperwork. Must be capable of doing all activities that the store manager would do in case of their absence. ASE certified counter person preferred but not required.

If interested, pick up a application at NAPA 226 E Main St. Hoopeston.

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

China cabinet, end tables, dressers, Complete queen bed and complete day bed. Call 217-283-6021 and leave a message, if no answer.

RUMMAGE SALES

HOOPESTON: 709 E. Maple. Fri., 8-6. Name brand men & women's plus sizes, boys 6-10, girls 10 and up, women's small-medium; wine fridge, household. Tons of new items added!