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Firemen, police square off to escort Santa to McFerren Park

An epic battle is underway in Hoopeston between the city's police and fire departments.

The departments are having a food fight to see who gets the honor of escorting Santa as he leads the procession of the Magical Express to McFerren Park.

Instead of throwing food at each other, they're asking residents to put nonperishable food in boxes at specified locations. All food will be donated to Grant Township Food Cupboard and the department collecting the most food will have the honor of escorting

Items may be dropped off at Hoopeston IGA, First Financial Bank, First Farmers Bank & Trust,

Hoopeston City Hall or you may contact your favorite fireman or policeman. Items will be collected until November 12.

Some items are especially needed by the food cupboard. These include:
Cornbread mix
Jell-O
Pork and beans
Chili beans
Cake mix



Cereal
Canned fruit
Canned vegetables
Tuna
Peanut butter

Any unopened, nonperishable food will be accepted in the competition.

Donations sought to honor deceased vets at Christmastime

Hoopeston American Legion is again this year accepting donations to provide wreaths for the graves of area veterans.

Donations are now being accepted for Wreaths Across America, a national program that provides wreaths for graves in America's national cemeteries.

All money collected locally will be used to purchase wreaths for Danville National Cemetery, said Yolanda Yazzie, coordinator of the project. There are more than 11,000 plots at the cemetery, with only 5,000 receiving a wreath last year. "We're working towards everyone getting a wreath," she said.

Each wreath is \$15 but residents may donate any amount to the project. Donations may be dropped off or mailed to Hoopeston American Legion, 502 E. Penn St., Hoopeston IL 60942. The Legion opens at 3

p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, for those who would like to drop off a contribution. Donations will be accepted until Friday, Nov. 9.

For those who have a family member or friend not buried in a national cemetery, they may purchase a wreath for \$15 through Hoopeston American Legion, pick it up and place it on the grave. Those who buy a wreath will be notified when to pick it up.

Wreaths will be placed at Danville National Cemetery and more than 1,100 locations on December 15. Volunteers are needed and the start time will be posted closer to the day of the event.

Wreaths Across America was founded in 2007 by the Worcester family of Harrington, ME, along with veterans and others, who helped with their annual
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From the Blotter

Robert Enlow, 48, of Urbana, was arrested after a traffic stop at 12:20 a.m. Tuesday at 4000 North and Rt. 1. Stopped for a traffic violation, a computer search showed he did not have a license. He was charged with that offense, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and possession of drug paraphernalia. Enlow was released on notices to appear in Vermil-

ion County traffic court and Hoopeston City Court.

A **22-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 11:40 p.m. Monday that someone took property from her vehicle without permission.

On Tuesday, Bailee E. Cannon, 19, of Hoopeston, was located and charged with theft in connection with the report and also with illegal consumption of alco-

hol by a minor.

She was released on a recognizance bond with a Vermilion County court date.

Terrance Irvin, 25, of Hoopeston, was arrested after being stopped for a traffic violation at 4:47 p.m. Tuesday in the 300 block of North Market.

He was charged with possession of cannabis and possession of cannabis with intent to deliver and was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

sign ups!

●Registration for Toys for Kids, a Hoopeston Jaycees program that allows families to select new toys for children ages 0-10, will be held next week. The program is open to all Hoopeston Area families, including Rankin East Lynn, Wellington and Cheneyville. Income qualifications are based on the book waiver through the school district.

Parents or guardians of children should bring proof of residency and children to signups, which will be held Monday, 9-11 a.m.; Tuesday, 9-11 a.m. and 5-7 p.m.; Wednesday, 9-11 a.m.; Thursday, 9-11 a.m. and 6-8 p.m.; and Saturday, 8-10 a.m., all at Hoopeston First United Methodist Church, 403 E. Main.

HACUSD coat drive

Hoopeston Area is collecting coats to keep students warm this winter. Only children's through young adults' coats will be accepted.

New and clean, gently used coats may be dropped off at the middle school during regular school hours. No tears, stains, broken zippers or missing buttons, please.

For more information, contact Amy Linares, community liaison, at (217) 283-6664.

Obituaries

HARRIS—Cecil ‘Kelly’ Harris, 55, of Woodland, died Friday, Oct. 26, 2018. Graveside service will be at noon Saturday, Nov. 10 at GAR Cemetery, Watseka. A dinner will follow at Corner Stone Church, Woodland. Memorials are suggested to donor's choice. Baier Funeral Home, Watseka, is handling arrangements.

Weather

Rain likely today. High 51. Tonight, chance of rain. Low 39. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 51, low 36.

Briefly

At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include: Builders Club, 3:30-4 p.m. Thursday. A time for kids in grades K-5 to build cool stuff.

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

Mary Hartwell Catherwood Book Club, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Monday. Reading selection is “The Rosie Project” by Graeme C. Simsion.

Gifts to Yanks

Hoopeston American Legion will begin collecting donations for the Christmas program that will provide comfortable clothing, items of personal hygiene, and a heart filled “Thank You for your service” to our Vets in nursing care facilities.

Please drop off or mail your donation to the Post home at 502 East Penn Street, Hoopeston, IL 60942.

Christmas program signups

●Signups for Miracle Tree and Santa Cares will be held from 9-11 a.m. November 5-8 at the Grant Township office, 525 S Market St.

Applicants need to bring proof of residency and proof of children. (Medical card typically has all of this on it) Parents and legal guardians are the only ones that can sign a child up. There will be no late

Honor continued from other side

wreath ceremony in Arlington National Cemetery.

Last year, Wreaths Across America and its national network of volunteers laid more than 1,565,000 memorial wreaths at nearly 1,440 locations in the United State and beyond. The task is accomplished with help from more than 3,270 fundraising groups, many corporate contributions and donations of trucking, shipping and thousands of helping hands.

For more information, call Tammy Williams, (217) 516-2354 or Yazzie, (217) 304-2667.

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First Christian Church, 502 E. Main St, Hoopeston, IL. 60942, is seeking a part time secretary, 16-20 hours a week. Must work well with people, be computer literate, have good written and verbal communication skills, and preserve confidentiality. Send resume to the church, attention Claudia DeWitt, by 11-8-18. No phone calls please.

The City of Hoopeston is taking applications for the part time position of Municipal Court Clerk. Excellent public relations and communications skills a must. General office skills and the ability to use a computer with word processing skills, spreadsheet and database Applicants may pick up application at Hoopeston Police Department or Hoopeston City Hall, 301 W. Main St.

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