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Veterans to be honored Sunday at Veterans Day program

Area veterans will be honored at the annual Veterans Day program to be held Sunday at Hoopeston Area Middle School gym.

The program will begin at 2 p.m., featuring keynote speaker Larry Baughn, Vermilion County Board Chairman. The ceremony will also feature the Ameri-

can Legion Color Guard, high school band and chorus and student essay.

On Monday Nov. 12, free chili will be served at Hoopeston American Legion Post #384, 502 E. Penn. Serving will be from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., with everyone welcome.

HA invites leaders to learn about new district initiatives

Hoopeston Area administrators invite community members, organizational leaders and business owners to learn about new initiatives in the district that could impact the whole community.

Information on the initiatives will be presented at a Business after Hours on Tuesday, Nov. 13 at Hoopeston American Legion, 502 E. Penn.

The evening will begin with social time and hors d'oeuvres at 6 p.m., followed by a presentation on the initiatives: Happiness Advantage/Orange Frog and Redefining Ready at 6:30 p.m.

The purpose of Happiness Advantage/Orange Frog is to educate staff, students and the community that happiness is a choice, said Emily Brown, curriculum director. "Research has proven a positive mindset impacts a person's health and success at work and in life," she said. "The Orange Frog Workshop teaches participants the research as well as tactics for creating positive habits that will help improve performance and fuel success in life. We believe that the impact for our staff, students, and community in realizing that happiness is a choice can improve business and educational outcomes."

Redefining Ready partners local businesses and organizations with Hoopeston Area as the district works to design educational paths that prepare students for success in college or a career. The paths include coursework supporting success in college or career. Along with coursework, students will participate in internships, community service programs and

school-sponsored clubs and extracurricular activities, Brown said. "We are looking to create partnerships with local businesses and organizations for a few reasons," she added.

First, "we want to know what skill sets students need upon graduation to be successful on the career pathways in our area so that we can begin to build courses and opportunities around these skill sets," she said.

Secondly, Hoopeston Area wants to work with businesses to create internships for college- and career-bound students. "These internships will not be job shadowing opportunities, they will be real work experiences for students to explore the field that they are considering entering," Brown said.

The final reason is to work with businesses and organizations to prepare students for fast-paced changes in the job market.

Depending on crowd interaction, the presentation is expected to be around 45 minutes. Handouts on the programs will be available to participants. Attendees may share feedback on the initiatives after the presentation or any time after with their thoughts and ideas.

Brown plans to create a Facebook event for the program and will post documents after the presentation for those unable to attend. Additionally, those short on time may stop in during the social time to ask questions.

For more information, contact Brown, (217) 283-6161/brownej@hoopeston.k12.il.us, or Supt. Suzi Hesser, 283-6668/hessersl@hoopeston.k12.il.us.

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Sports Shorts

Boys open bowling season with sweep

Hoopeston Area High School boys bowling kicked off their season with a three-game sweep of Taylorville Friday night.

Team members for the night were Luis Lugo, Casey Bence, Cameron Cappellano, Payton Berlin and Devan Thomas.

In game one, Berlin led the way with a fine 224 as the Jerkers won, 847-795. Game two saw some transitions in the patterns as Berlin and freshman Casey Bence led with 195 and 191, respectively, for a 896-744 score. Led again by Berlin's 201 and Cappellano's 192, Hoopeston Area took the third game, 897-711.

Berlin led all scorers with a 620 series, followed by Bence with 562.

Saturday, the team traveled to DeKalb for the Sycamore Open tournament, fielding teams from 14 large schools.

The Cornjerkers finished in 10th place, again led by Berlin, Thomas, Bence, Lugo, Cappellano and Max Conn.

From the Blotter

Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident reported at 7:31 a.m. Monday in the 300 block of West Maple. An unknown vehicle hit a parked 2009 GMC owned by Douglas Livingston, of Hoopeston, damaging the passenger rear corner.

Court Dispositions

October 4

Eric Smith, Hoopeston, pleaded not guilty to interference with police; trial November 1.

David Watson, Arizona, failed to appear for battery, found guilty by default, fined \$200.

Rachelle Miller, Hoopeston, failed to appear for restraint of dogs, found guilty by default, fined \$230; status check November 1.

Spring Paul, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to general nuisance, fined \$180; status check November 1.

Mark Hinkle, Wellington, failed to appear for general nuisance, found guilty by default, fined \$210; status check November 1.

Dennis Thomas, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to general nuisance, fined \$210; status check November 1.

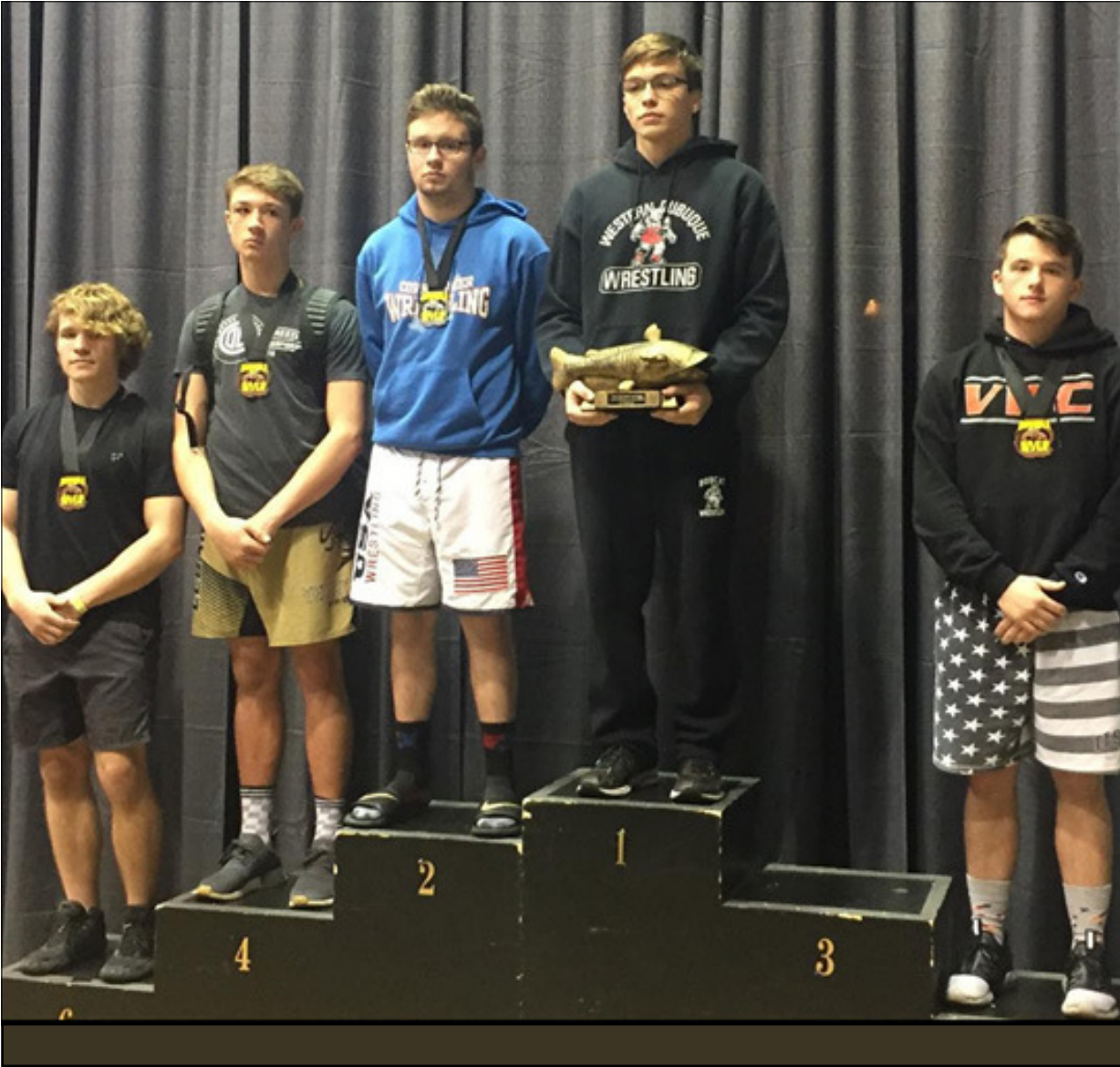


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Rumble by the River

Hoopeston Area wrestling sent five competitors to Rumble by the River in Dubuque, Iowa, Sunday for a pre-season tournament. Wrestling in the high school division, Cole Gaddis, competing at 163 lbs. came home with second place. After a first-round bye, Gaddis pinned Trevor Kruse from Iowa in 3:35. In the third round, he beat Kameron Black, also from Iowa, 7-2, advancing to the championship match. There, he lost, 11-2, to get second in the tournament. Gaddis and other wrestlers are pictured above.

Briefly

The Gathering

The Gathering, a monthly get-together of Rossville senior citizens, will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at Rossville Fire Station. The event is sponsored by Rossville Community Organization.

At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include: **Music & Motion**, 3:30-4 p.m. Thursday. For kids of all ages.

Meet the Author, 4-7 p.m. Thursday. Jennifer Earls will discuss and sign her book, "The Hostages: A Tale of Two Soldiers." Copies will be available for purchase.

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

Weather

Sunny today. High 45. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 28. Thursday, increasing clouds, rain/snow late. .High 41, low 31.

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