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## Vermilion County Works to be at Higher Learning Center

Residents looking for help getting a new career don't have to look very far. Vermilion County Works (VCW) can pay for training and support services, such as childcare and transportation costs, as part of a federal program. The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 is legislation authorizing federally funded workforce programs and services. The act prepares eligible youth and adults in Vermilion County and the surrounding area for entry into the labor force. Workforce development programs and services have been developed to meet the needs of area business and industry. Vermilion County Works, in partnership with Danville

Area Community College and American Job Center will offer this assistance the fourth Thursday of each month, when a VCW representative will be at the DACC Higher Learning Center, 847 E. Orange, Hoopeston. Hours will be 9-11 a.m. VCW provides a variety of job training programs and services. Training programs prepare individuals for specific in-demand occupations such as, but not limited to, nursing (LPN, and RN), electronics, CDL, certified medical assistant, computer communications and manufacturing. Training programs may vary in length. Short term certificates and degree programs are available to VCW clients at DACC and other institutions. Assistance is available based on need to defray travel, child care, and related costs incurred during training. To schedule an appointment, call the Higher Learning Center at (217) 283-4170.

## Registration schedule announced

Registration information for the 2019 ball season has been set. The schedule is for all programs from t-ball through Pony League. All signups will be at Hoopeston City Hall. Signup dates and times will be:

Date	Time
Saturday, Jan. 26	10 a.m.-noon
Saturday, Feb. 2	Noon-2 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 9	Noon-2 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 16	Noon-2 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 20	5-8 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 27	5-8 p.m.
Saturday, March 2	Noon-3 p.m.

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By  
**BERTHA PARSONS**

## Whatta ya got to say?

A brand new year, which I love. A time to reflect on us. A time to look forward with hope. A new me, a new outlook all wrapped up in hope.

It's funny how events of our life really make us who we are. Maybe that is the reason I love starting over. For me and you, we can find something to be happy and hopeful about in this new year.

Sure, we all have our own set of problems, setbacks and "I wish I had done things different" attitude. I never like to dwell on those things, I always look at the good the best I can.

One day I had a reader ask me, "Was I ever down in the dumps or mad and upset?" I had never really thought about it until I was asked. Yes, of course. Years ago, a dear friend taught me how to best handle such situations. Allow yourself fifteen to thirty minutes to be upset in any way you want. Then, be done! It's over! Go on with your life. This has worked for me.

Whatta ya got to say about your new year? Can you make it all you want it to be? Is this the year for real change? Can you set a goal to try and be better? When you've got something to say about your life, say it, even if only to yourself. Be clear about why and how this new year can be the best you've ever had. You are in charge of whatta ya got to say. You're thinking, "I'd like to be happier, thinner, have a better job, a new car," we could go on and on.

Don't count on your neighbors, friends, your spouse, kids, or even a doctor. All these folks may have great ideas and advice on your new year. That's not yours or mine. Whatta ya got to say is what really matters.

Whatta ya got to say to being excited and hopeful about the new year! That guarantees me that this year will be one of the best ever since I plan on making it so! Even if I'm not thinner or driving a new car.

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you do not have."**

**Bertha Parsons**

## Wrestling

Several forfeits contributed to a 54-22 loss for the Cornjerker wrestling team when it took on Oakwood at Westville on January 15.

Individual scoring was:

106-Jose Resendez (HA) over Bri Hafner (OSF) INJ  
113-Gage Reed (OSF) pin over Ethan Schwartz (HA)  
120- Joe Lashuway (OSF) pin over Ethan Larkin (HA)  
126- Brian Reagan (OSF) FF  
132- Conor Hudson (OSF) FF  
138- Justin Jones (HA) pin over Isaiah Reeves (OSF)  
145- Caleb Lashuway (OSF)FF  
152- Tate Johnson (OSF) FF

## Briefly

### Morning event canceled

Koffee & Konversation, normally held at 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays at Hoopeston United Methodist Church, is cancelled until further notice because of the weather.

### The Gathering

The Gathering, Rossville's monthly get-together for senior citizens will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at Rossville Fire Station. The event is sponsored by Rossville Community Organization. Everyone is welcome!

## Letters to the Editor

### Christmas party thanks

Hoopeston VFW would like to thank everyone who donated to the post's Kids' Christmas Party, including State Line Riders, Patriots Club, Women's Auxiliary, Santa Claus, Allen Lane and all the volunteers.

Thank you all!

Hoopeston VFW

### Business makes donations safer

Light Up McFerren Park Committee would like to thank Norton Machine Shop for the time and materials in creating a pedestal for the donation box at McFerren Park after the other one was damaged and money taken.

Loni Gress and Russ Leigh

Light Up McFerren Park Committee chairmen

## Weather

Partly sunny then breezy rain/freezing rain likely today. High 37. Tonight, rain/snow, breezy. Low 28. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy. High 28, low 13.

160- Double FF

170-Mason Ajester (OSF) pin over Jonathan Herrron (HA)

182-Colby Smalley (OSF) pin over Abel Colunga (HA)

195- Gage Kenner (HA) pin over Max Branigin (OSF)

220-Anthony Colunga (HA) major Dec over Caide Bordin (OSF)

285-Brennan Lehmkul (OSF) FF

## From the Blotter

Alex Funk, 19, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a traffic stop at 2:14 a.m. Sunday in the 800 block of South Dixie Hwy.

A passenger in the stopped vehicle, Funk was charged with possession of cannabis and was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

## Business has new owners

Trav's Plumbing, owned by Travis and Marlene McWethy, has joined with Gibson City-based JC's Heating, Cooling, and Plumbing, owned by Jeff and Amy Cribbett. The transaction became official November 5, 2018.

McWethy will still continue to service Cissna Park and surrounding areas under the JC's name and thanks everyone for their support over the last 15 years.

Please call 217-784-2099 to schedule McWethy.

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