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Polar vortex takes aim at state, bringing dangerous temps

A polar vortex centered over Illinois will bring dangerously cold temperatures this week. Temperatures in negative numbers Tuesday-Wednesday night and winds gusting to 25 m.p.h. could result in wind chills near -40.

There are things residents can do to be safe in such cold wind chills, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Two dangers caused by extreme cold are frostbite and hypothermia.

Frostbite is an injury to the body that is caused by freezing. Frostbite causes a loss of feeling and color in affected areas. It most often affects the nose, ears, cheeks, chin, fingers, or toes. Frostbite can permanently damage the body, and severe cases can lead to amputation. The risk of frostbite is increased in people with reduced blood circulation and among people who are not dressed properly for extremely cold temperatures.

At the first sign of redness or pain in any skin area, signs frostbite may be starting, people should get out of the cold. Signs that may indicate frostbite include a white or grayish-yellow skin area; skin that feels unusually firm or waxy; and numbness, which sometimes causes victims to be unaware of the frostbite.

Medical care is recommended for frostbite; however, if help is unavailable, a victim should go to a warm room and immerse the frostbitten area in warm (not hot) water. Heat sources such as heating pads, heat lamps, stoves, etc., should not be used due to the danger of burning while numbness is present.

When exposed to cold temperatures, the body begins to

lose heat faster than it can be produced. Prolonged exposure to cold will eventually use up the body's stored energy. The result is hypothermia, or abnormally low body temperature. Body temperature that is too low affects the brain, making the victim unable to think clearly or move

well. This makes hypothermia particularly dangerous because a person may not know it is happening and won't be able to do anything about it.

Hypothermia is most likely at very cold temperatures, but it can occur even at cool temperatures (above 40°F) if a person becomes chilled from rain, sweat, or submersion in cold water.

Victims of hypothermia are often (1) elderly people with inadequate food, clothing, or heating; (2)

babies sleeping in cold bedrooms; (3) people who remain outdoors for long periods—the homeless, hikers, hunters, etc.; and (4) people who drink alcohol or use illicit drugs.

In adults, signs of hypothermia include shivering, exhaustion, confusion, fumbling hands, memory loss, slurred speech and drowsiness. In infants, signs include bright red, cold skin and very low energy.

Again, medical attention should be sought but if unavailable, a person should be put in a warm room and any wet clothing removed. The person should be placed under an electric blanket, if available, or skin-to-skin contact under loose, dry layers of blankets, clothing, towels or sheets. Warm beverages can help increase body temperature, but alcohol should be avoided.

See VORTEX on other side

Pets can suffer in cold temps, too

Like people, pets can suffer in extremely cold temperatures. Owners can help their pets by following these tips:

If possible, bring pets indoors.

If that's not possible, provide a warm place for your pet outdoors. Clean snow from the area and provide plenty of warm bedding.

Make sure your pet has plenty of food and water that have not frozen.

Wipe pets' feet when they come indoors to remove ice balls and salt.

To warn stray cats that may seek warmth in the engine area of vehicles, loudly beat on the vehicle hood before starting the vehicle.

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Briefly

Sweetheart Banquet set

Hoopeston Area High School Student Council will sponsor the 28th annual Senior Citizen Sweetheart Banquet beginning at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8 in the high school gym.

Any Hoopeston area or Rossville senior citizen interested in attending is asked to call (217) 283-6661 and leave their name and how many will be in their party on or before February 1.

At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include:

Teen Design Squad, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Monday, for grades 5-8. Explore engineering and other technology with fun, high energy, hands-on programs. While the program does build on a basic introduction to prob-

From the Blotter

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 7:52 a.m. Thursday at North Ninth Ave. and West McCracken.

Michael A. Winters, 43, of Hoopeston, in a 2010 GMC truck, and Asti L. Scharlach, 17, also of Hoopeston, in a 2005 Jeep, collided. Both vehicles were towed from the scene.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 2:59 p.m. Thursday in the 600 block of West Maple.

Police said Angelique Jerome, in a 2004 bluebird bus, pulled into the bus loop and struck a parked 2016 Ford Fusion, parked in a yellow no parking zone that was obscured by snow.

No children were on the bus at the time of the accident.

Chad Baker, 44, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 9:51 a.m. Saturday in the 600 block of West Elm. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant, he was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Vortex continued from other side

Severe hypothermia can cause someone to lose consciousness or seem not to have a pulse or be breathing.

Such a victim should be handled gently and medical attention sought immediately.

The simplest way to avoid frostbite and hypothermia is to stay warm indoors. If that is not possible, dress in layers and keep as much skin covered as possible. Also take frequent breaks from outdoor activities to warm up. Frostbite can start in just a few minutes.

lem solving, students do not need to attend all sessions in order to participate.

Best Sellers Book Club, 6:30-7:30 Monday. New members are always welcome. This month's books are "Educated" by Tara Westover and "Where the Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens.

Tiny Tots, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Friday. Story, activity and socialization for toddlers and preschoolers and their parent or caregiver.

For information on programs, call (217) 283-6711 stop in at 110 N. Fourth St. or go to hooplib.org.

Birthday Club registration

Hoopeston Jaycees continue the giving tradition by hosting the 2019 Birthday Club, which. serves Hoopeston Area families with children aged, 0-10 by providing parents and guardians the opportunity to select new toys for a child's birthday. Past participants must

register again for 2019.

More info and registration is available online at www.hoopestonjaycees.org.

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Hygiene/household product distribution

The Dwelling Place of Vermilion County will hold a hygiene and household care product distribution for northern Vermilion County, including Hoopeston, Rankin, Rossville, Armstrong, East Lynn, and Potomac. The

New Books at the Library

Children's Room

Picture Books

She's Got This, by Laurie Hernandez

Mapping Sam, by Joyce Hesselberth

Harold Love His Woolly Hat, by Vern Kousky

Duck on a Disco Ball, by Jeff Mack

Shorty & Clem Blast Off!, by Michael H. Slack

A Place for Pluto, by Stef Wade

How to Catch a Turkey, by Adam Wallace

Fiction

Dragon Land, by Stephanie Bendixsen (J-E)

Seeing Red, by Sarah Mlynowski (J-E)

Lunch Menus

Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Hotdog/bun, fries, cucumber slices, applesauce

TUESDAY: Pizza Rolls, salad, baby carrots, peaches, milk

WEDNESDAY: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, bread & butter, celery sticks, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Taco, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad, pineapple, milk

FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun, baked beans, Calypso Crush Juice, mixed fruit, milk

Hoopeston Area Middle School

MONDAY: Ravioli, Max Stick, salad bar, applesauce, milk

TUESDAY: Chicken & noodles mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple, milk

WEDNESDAY: Taco Max Snax, chips & salsa, salad bar, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Mini corn dog, baked beans, peaches,

milk

FRIDAY: Pizza, salad bar, mixed fruit milk

Hoopeston Area High School

MONDAY: Ravioli or ham & cheese, Max Stick, salad bar, applesauce, milk

TUESDAY: Chicken & noodles or Hot Pocket, mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Taco Max Snax or pork BBQ, chips & salsa, salad bar, pears, milk, juice

THURSDAY: Mini corn dog or cheeseburger, baked beans, salad bar, peaches, milk, juice

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

Weather

Rain/snow breezy, then wintry mix today. High 36. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 4. Tomorrow, cold. High 8, low -16.

event will be held from 1-3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1 at the Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. The free distribution is limited this month to women only, 18 years and older.

Participants must bring proof of county residence (photo ID or Illinois driver's license) Link card or proof of income. Distribution will be on a first come, first served basis and is limited to one per household.

A drawing will be held for a \$25 voucher to Hoopeston Coin Laundry.

Obituaries

KLEIN - Pauline A. (Abbott) Klein, 89, of Hoopeston, died at 9:25 a.m. Friday, Jan. 25, 2019 at Colonial Manor Nursing Home, Danville. Visitation will be 11 a.m. until the 1 p.m. funeral Wednesday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to Rossville Church of Christ, 514 E. Attica St., Rossville IL 60963.

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