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# Just the Facts

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## Hoopeston Area, most other county schools see fewer students

Hoopeston Area schools have 16 fewer Cornjerkers than it did last year.

Hoopeston Area's six-day enrollment showed 829 grade school and 324 high school students, for a total 1,153, said Supt. Robert Richardson at Thursday's board meeting.

The six-day figure is the benchmark used to calculate enrollment-based state aid.

HA enrollment seesawed through the late 1980s, steadily declining since peaking at 1,691 in 1995.

Only two county public schools had an increase in students, with Salt Fork up 14 and Armstrong-Ellis adding two.

Other county districts and the number of students lost include Rossville-Alvin Grade School -16, Bismarck-Henning Grade School -1, Westville -15, Georgetown-Ridge Farm -22, Potomac -4, Oakwood -14, Danville -263, Middlefork -2 and BH/RA co-op high school -6.

In unrelated business, the board:

- Approved a facility use application, outlining stipulations for groups to rent school buildings.
  - Approved the administrative compensation report, which will be posted on the district website. Debbie Klaber abstained.
  - Heard from Richardson that a complaint had been filed
- See STUDENTS on other side

## Foodmobile give-away to be at McFerren Park Saturday

Eastern Illinois Foodbank is distributing a truckload of food to area families from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday at McFerren Park, Hoopeston. All Vermilion County residents who meet income eligibility criteria are welcome (*see below*). Those attending are asked to bring boxes or bags to transport food.

The distribution is part of the Foodbank's Foodmobile Program. Through the program, local companies and organizations are invited to contribute toward a one-day distribution of food and optionally participate in the distribution process. The cost to partner with the Foodbank on a Foodmobile distribution is \$3,000.

Data released by Feeding America, the nation's network of food banks, shows that 14% of people in eastern Illinois are considered food insecure, which means they sometimes lack adequate access to food. Nearly 20% of children are food insecure.

To be eligible for the distribution, a household must have an income at or below 185% of the federal poverty level, or approximately \$3,793 per month for a family of four.

Other area Foodmobile distributions may be found at the Foodbank's website at [www.eifoodbank.org](http://www.eifoodbank.org) and clicking "find help."

Maximum monthly income per eligible household (for each additional household member over 8, add \$682):

Household size	Monthly income
1	\$1,926
2	\$2,607
3	\$3,289
4	\$3,970
5	\$4,652
6	\$5,333
7	\$6,015
8	\$6,696



## Ready to go

Volunteers listen as Chad Thomas points to the downtown area as one that may be picked up during Saturday's Clean Up Day sponsored by Hoopeston Area Women's Club and Hoopeston Area Women Making a Difference. Nearly 40 people - and Spot Less, mascot for Keep Vermilion County Beautiful - turned out to help clean up Hoopeston.

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**Monday:** Spaghetti, grilled or breaded Tenderloin,  
or beef or chicken Taco Salad

**Tuesday:** Chicken or Beef & Noodles or  
Speedway Burger

**Wednesday:** Rib eye sandwich, Pork Chops or  
Prime Rib sandwich

**Thursday:** Swiss Steak or Popcorn Shrimp

**Friday:** Cod sandwiches or dinners or Rib eyes

**Saturday:** Lunch: grilled or breaded Tenderloin  
Dinner: Prime Rib and Rib eyes

**Sunday:** Lunch: Grilled chicken dinner, potato,  
vegetable and roll

**Breakfast 6-10 a.m. daily, Sat. & Sun. 6-1:30**

**Youth Bowlers needed**  
Wednesday evenings at 6:30.  
Open to anyone ages 6-18

## Briefly

### WMD Vendor Fair

Hoopeston Area Women Making a Difference will hold their Vendor Fair from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at First Church of God, 1004 E. Orange. Entry fee: freewill donation of canned goods, hygiene products or money will be donated to First Church of God to help families in our community.

### Assessment complaint deadline

The last date for residents to file a complaint with the Board of Review, regarding their assessments is October 15. Forms are available in Grant/Butler Assessor Susie Drollinger's office, 525 S. Market St., Hoopeston. For more information, call the office at (217) 283-6868.

### At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include: **Stitchin' Time**, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Wednesday. Crochet instruction provided. Other needle crafters welcome.

**Cooking the Books**, 6-7 p.m. Thursday. This month's theme is "Apple Harvest." Select a recipe from our special section. We'll copy it for you to take, make and bring

### Students continued from other side

with the Illinois Attorney General's Public Access Counselor alleging an Open Meetings Act violation. Richardson read a letter from the PAC stating the complaint did not include information to prove the complaint, therefore the district was not in violation.

- Heard from Wade Clemmons, buildings and grounds supervisor, that the Maple boiler project is on schedule.
- Heard from business manager Mark Eighner that four or five people have expressed interest in serving on the advisory committee on what the district should do with the Honeywell property after the building is demolished.

Anyone interested in serving on the committee is asked to call the district office, 283-6668 and ask for him.



**Knuth's Tree Service**

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to share. Bring your own serving utensils. Drinks and table service provided.

**Littles @ the Library**, 10:30-11 a.m. Friday. For kids 0-5 and their caretakers. Features stories, songs, crafts, learning and movement activities.

**Tree Climbers** genealogy workshop, 10-11 a.m. Saturday. For beginners or those who want to take their search to the next level. Learn how to use the HPL's online resources, including Ancestry.com.

### The Gathering

The Gathering will be held beginning at 1 p.m. Thursday at Rossville Fire Station. Everyone is welcome to this social afternoon.

### Food cupboard needs

Grant Township Food Cupboard is need of the following items: cereal (any kind), Jiffy Cornbread mix, canned peas, peanut butter, spaghetti and sauce, bath soap, toilet tissue. Items may be taken to the township office at the corner of East Maple and Market from 9-3.

### From the Blotter

**Jeffrey A. Coss**, 53, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a 33-year-old Hoopeston woman reported at 5:26 a.m. Sunday that her van was missing. Police located the vehicle and allegedly found Coss at the scene. He was charged with burglary to auto and was taken to the Public Safety Building to await arraignment.

**Police were called** at 12:30 p.m. Sunday for a battery in the 500 block of East Honeywell. Sona L. Gilispie, 43, of Hoopeston, was told a domestic battery report would be sent to the Vermilion County State's Attorney.

### Obituaries

**TULL** - Rose Margaret (Combs) Tull, of Champaign, formerly of Hoopeston, died at 1:16 p.m. Wednesday, July 24, 2019, at Champaign Rehabilitation Center. Memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 2603 Bloomington Rd., Champaign. Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Heath and Vaughn Funeral Home, Champaign, is handling arrangements.

### Weather

Chance of thunderstorms today. High 77. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 55. Tomorrow, sunny. High 74, low 56.

## Classifieds

### APARTMENTS FOR RENT

2 bedroom upstairs apt. Many updates, move-in ready. \$400 month. Call 217-504-4670 or 217-304-1103

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### HELP WANTED

Hoopeston IGA is accepting applications for Produce Department Manager. Apply instore at 1030 W. Chestnut, Hoopeston

Sygma is hiring Class A CDL drivers. Experienced drivers with clean records could qualify for a \$12,500 sign on bonus. Sygma is also looking for students for their CDL school. You must be 21 and have your Class A permit to be eligible. We have part time and seasonal work available as well. Go to [www.sygmanetwork.com](http://www.sygmanetwork.com) or call 855-770-3210

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Hoopeston Multi-Agency is accepting applications for a part-time position in our thrift shop. Please stop by 206 S. First Ave. and pick up an application in the front office. HMA is also looking for volunteers to assist in the thrift shop. You can earn HMA bucks that you may use to purchase items in our thrift shop.

Part time fall help at Ravens Livestock. Call (217) 304-1943.

Looking for a housecleaner. Once a week. 5 hours. If interested, please email your name, phone number, hourly rate, and 3 references to [cleaner60942@yahoo.com](mailto:cleaner60942@yahoo.com)

### NOTICES

The City of Hoopeston Water Department is seeking bids for a 1991 Vactor 2100 Series Jet Truck. Bids must be sealed and turned in to City Hall at 301 W. Main St. by 9:00 AM Friday, September 27, 2019. Bid specs can be picked up at City Hall. The Vactor may be viewed at 411 W. Main St., near the Water Tower. Bid openings will begin at 10:00 AM Friday, September 27, 2019 at City Hall, 301 W. Main St. The City reserves the right to refuse any and all bids.

Gail Lane

City Clerk

### RUMMAGE SALES

MILFORD: 206 E. Hickory. Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8-? Barbies, Jim Shore décor, household, tools, glassware, lots of everything!