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Danville zip code makes IDPH map for having 5 or more positive COVID-19 cases

The Illinois Department of Public Health has several tools on its website to help people keep abreast of news related to COVID-19.

One of those tools is a map, showing how many cases of the Chinese coronavirus are in each county. A second map will show zip codes of cities that have five or more

confirmed cases. Danville's 61832 zip code has been added to the map because six confirmed cases are in that area. Data show 238 people have been tested in that zip code.

Danville's other zip codes - 61833 and 61834 - are not displayed on the map.

Danville is the only city in Vermilion County to have at least five cases. The county as whole had a total of 14 positive cases as of Monday afternoon.

As of Saturday, Iroquois County had 18 confirmed cases, but has no community with five or more confirmed cases. **See COVID on other side**

HAHS class of 2020 to have May 17 virtual graduation, traditional ceremony August 2

John Klaber, Hoopeston Area High School principal, has announced the following information concerning senior events and graduation.

IMPORTANT: All seniors have been emailed individually to their school email address detailing any outstanding fees they have. Seniors must have all cap and gown fees paid and all outstanding financial obligations met in order to get their cap and gowns.

Seniors can pay their fees at pick up or any time prior to that during school open hours each week.

Wednesday, May 6 - Locker clean out and cap and gown pick up from 8 a.m.-noon. Seniors with College Express books will turn them in as well at this time.

Once seniors have cleaned their lockers, they will receive their cap and gowns and they will get their picture taken in front of the Cornjerker banner to be used for the virtual graduation. Any senior who doesn't come and get their cap and gown will have their senior picture used during the virtual graduation ceremony.

Seniors will have their caps and gowns for pictures with their families up until May 18. The school banner will also be made available during school open hours for seniors and parents to come in and get pictures if they choose to.

Saturday, May 16 - Senior Parade at 10 a.m. (using Sweetcorn Festival parade route) Seniors will meet at the high school in the front parking lot at 9:30 a.m. Seniors are to be in their cars wearing their caps and

gowns. Students will get instructions and then HAHS Teachers will be on hand to send off the seniors as they leave via police escort for the start of the parade at the Lorraine Theater. Seniors will have the chance to be honored by the community as they travel in their cars using the Sweetcorn Festival parade route starting at the Lorraine Theater and ending at McFerran Park.

Sunday, May 17 - Virtual Graduation at 3 p.m.

HAHS will broadcast the virtual graduation ceremony at 3 p.m. to honor the planned graduation time of our seniors. The virtual graduation will be played on New Wave Cable Channel 16 and will be posted on the district webpage for people to view. The virtual graduation will include many of the traditional graduation ceremony components such as speeches, the senior class video, acknowledgment of each graduate, and presentation of the Class of 2020. The video will be left on the district website for people to view and DVD copies of the virtual graduation will be made available to seniors in the weeks that follow.

Monday, May 18 - Cap/Gown/Chromebook turn in and diplomas handed out

The school will be open 8 a.m.-noon on Monday, May 18, for seniors to turn in their caps/gowns/tassels and their Chromebooks/chargers. When a graduate has everything turned in, he or she will be issued a high school diploma. HAHS staff will put away the Chromebooks for next year.

Seniors should turn in their gowns ironed and on a

hanger so it is ready to go for August 2. Gowns will be hung on racks and individually labeled for each student to have ready for them when we convene again for our traditional graduation ceremony.

Friday, July 31 - Graduation Practice at 9 a.m. in the middle school gym

Any senior wanting to walk in graduation will be required to attend graduation practice at 9 a.m. in the gym to prepare for the graduation ceremony.

Sunday, August 2 - Traditional Graduation at 3 p.m. in the middle school gym

On Sunday, August 2, we will hold our traditional graduation ceremony. Specific details will be given closer to time. Note: Seniors will not have to rent their cap and gowns a second time as we will still have them on hand.

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Covid continued from other side

tions. Of the 18, 10 have been released from isolation. Neither Vermilion nor Iroquois has had a death attributed to COVID-19.

Statewide, Illinois has 43,903 positive test results and 1,933 deaths from the novel coronavirus. Testing had been done on 214,952 people, according to IDPH information posted Sunday.

Briefly

WMD winners

Recent winners in the Women Making a Difference drawing are:

March - \$50, Lorraine From; \$30, Tracy Carter; \$20, Jim Mitchell.

April - \$50, Doris Long; \$30, Allen Kinney; and \$20, Terry Silver.

HAHS greenhouse goes online

Hoopeston Area High School FFA Greenhouse sales are on! All ordering must go through the Cornjerker Spirit Store. Visit cornjerkers.myncsilver.com/ and select Greenhouse. Orders may be picked up curbside only. Shoppers will select a day/time to pick up their order that week. No one

Thursday, Gov. JB Pritzker announced that the statewide stay-at-home order would be extended through May, based on results of different models. When asked at a press conference, Pritzker declined to provide numbers, saying several models were used and that the state did not own any of the data.

Data indicated Illinois would peak at deaths per day

will be allowed in the greenhouse. Orders will be ready for pick up on the daytime selected. All sales are credit card only.

Pickup will be Saturdays 9 a.m.-noon; Monday 4-6 p.m. and Wednesday 4-6 p.m.

Resident reminders

● Bulk garbage day will be held from 7:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 2 at city hall. This is for Hoopeston residents only and is for acceptable waste that will not fit in the blue totes. Social distancing precautions will be observed.

Residents who have garden meters to turn in and receive a \$10 credit on their water bill may so during the same time.

The water meter program is being discontinued. ● Hoopeston Water Department will flush hydrants on Fridays through the summer months, weather permitting.

Residents are urged to use caution doing laundry while hydrants are flushed.

● Hoopeston alley cleanup will begin May 4, weather permitting. This is for yard waste only. Piles with plastic, lumber, landscape material, concrete or brick will not be picked up.

From the Blotter

Police are investigating damage done to an vehicle. A 34-year-old Hoopeston man reported at 9:30 a.m. Sunday that someone broke a window in his vehicle in the 700 block of Main.

Weather

Isolated showers, then chance of thunderstorms today. High 72. Tonight, thunderstorms. Low 51. Tomorrow, showers. High 58, low 44.

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between late April and early May.

Pritzker's extension also allows the relaxing of some previous measures, effective May 1, including:

● Allowing hospitals to perform some elective procedures, as long as certain conditions are met.

● Allowing retail stores not on the list of essential businesses to take orders by phone and online and offer pickup and delivery.

● The opening of some state parks. Locally, Kickapoo is on the list to reopen for hiking, fishing and boating with no more than two people.

● Pritzker is also mandating that people must wear masks in public places or when working, when they cannot maintain a six-foot social distance. The rule does not apply to those under age two and those who cannot medically tolerate wearing a mask.

● Grocery stores must cap occupancy at 50 percent of store capacity and, where practicable, create one-way

aisles.

● Manufacturers must operate following social distancing requirements, which may including providing face coverings for those who cannot maintain the distance at all times, staggering shifts, reducing line speeds, operating only essential lines and downsizing operations as necessary to allow social distancing.

State Rep. Darren Bailey of Xenia, has filed a lawsuit against Pritzker for extending the stay-at-home order. The Republican alleges the extension exceeds Pritzker's authority and is violating the civil rights of Illinois residents.

According to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, in the event of a disaster, the governor can issue a proclamation declaring the disaster, which allows him to exercise emergency powers for up to 30 days.

Pritzker declared a statewide disaster on March 9.

Classifieds

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The City of Hoopeston is accepting application for an eligibility list with the police department. If interested, you will need to pick up and turn in an application to the police department located at 301 W Main St. Hoopeston, IL by May 4, 2020. Testing date will take place on May 30, 2020 at Hoopeston Area High School Library.

City of Hoopeston is accepting applications for seasonal workers. applications can be found on the City Website at www.cityofhoopeston.com Click on the City Departments tab, then Administration, and scroll to the bottom of the page.

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