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County Board to consider resolution supporting businesses

DANVILLE—Vermilion County Board Chairman Larry Baughn announced Tuesday that he plans to draft a resolution declaring the board's support for business owners.

At the board's monthly meeting, Baughn also said he plans to also ask Gov. J.B. Pritzker to amend his multi-region plan to reopen the state.

Baughn's comments came after board member Chuck Mockbee said small businesses are hurting and need the boards help.

Baughn said the county board could approve a resolution at its next meeting on June 9 or call a special meeting to act on it.

Details of how the resolution would help small businesses were not immediately availa-

Earlier this month, Baughn reopened the Vermilion County Administrative Building to the public, after property tax bills were mailed to residents.

COVID-19 puts kibosh to Hoopeston Fireman's Bash

After many discussions and looking for any way possible for us to host the 2020 Fireman's Bash, the Coronavirus and the governors restrictions are just not going to let that be possible.

Our plan is to give away the prize money during a Facebook live drawing, at 1 p.m. May 30. We will send out the winners money via check through the mail following the drawing.

This is definitely not the outcome we wanted but we have to do our best to keep everyone safe during this pandemic.

We do however still have around 20 tickets left to sell to help us with our only fundraiser of the year.

Thank you for your continued support

Hoopeston Fire Department

"While all offices in the VCAB are open and running normally, some still have procedures in place for online business, too," Baughn said. "we hope the public will only come in if they deem it absolutely necessary."

Signs are posted at all entrances asking the public to wear masks. Each office is determining how they will deal with members of the public coming in without one. "We have taken steps to protect he staff by placing plexiglass barriers between them and the public," he said.

Vermilion County is one of several government bodies in the state looking to loosen restraints on small businesses.

The Peoria City Council approved a resolution supporting small businesses and is asking

Pritzker to allow small businesses to operate in the same fashion as big box stores have been allowed to do. The resolution noted many small businesses were deemed nonessential for the items they sold, while larger stores selling a mixture of essential and nonessential items, remained open to the public.

A motion to reopen Iroquois County's small business failed to pass at Monday's county board meeting.

The Ford County Board on Monday approved a resolution in support of nonessential businesses - and churches - opening sooner than Pritzker's plan allows.

County's COVID cases at 32

The number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 climbed by one Wednesday, to 32.

Public Health Administrator Doug Toole announced that a person in his 20s was confirmed as having the coronavirus.

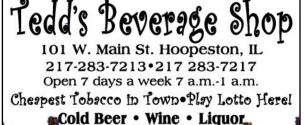
None of the current patients are hospitalized, 17 have been released from isolation and one patient died late last month.

Thus far, 1,177 tests have come back negative, he added.

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-Briefly

Last day to order shirts

Friday is the last day to order shirts to help support Hoopeston businesses. Shirts are \$17 each. Proceeds will be used to purchase gift cards from Hoopeston retail shops and restaurants. Everyone who purchases a shirt will be entered into a drawing for the gift cards. To purchase a shirt, visit comjerkers.myncrsilver.com/

Card shower

Bob Dilly is celebrating his 89th birthday and would

appreciate cards from friends. They may be send to Bob Dilly, Iroquois Resident Home, 200 E. Fairman Ave., Watseka IL 60970.

Graduation activities

Hoopeston Area High School will hold modified graduation activities for the class of 2020 this weekend.

A senior parade will be held Saturday morning. With a police escort, students in vehicles will leave the school at 10 a.m. and head to the Lorraine Theatre, where they will

then travel to McFerren Park. The community can honor students along the parade route.

HAHS will air a virtual graduation ceremony at 3 p.m. Sunday. The ceremony will be broadcast on New Wave Channel 16 and posted on the district webpage. The ceremony will include speeches, senior class video, acknowledgement of each graduate and presentation of the class.

HAHS greenhouse goes online

Support Hoopeston FFA by buying plants from their greenhouse! Order through the Cornjerker Spirit Store at cornjerkers.myncrsilver.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 will be allowed in the greenhouse.

Orders will be ready for pick up on the day/time 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.

Obituaries

BROOKWALTER - Michael Lee Brookwalter, 56, of San Diego, Calif., formerly of Wellington, died May 8, 2020 from COVID-19. He was cremated; no services will be held. Condolences may be left at www.andersonfuneral-home.com.

CREIGHTON - Larry James Creighton, 79, of Potomac, died at 1:09 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, 2020, at OSF Sacred Heart Medical Center, Danville. He was cremated. Visitation will be noon until the 2 p.m. memorial service Saturday at Blurton Funeral Home, Potomac. Due to current health concerns, social distancing will be practiced. Burial will follow in Potomac Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to Middlefork United Methodist Church. Condolences may be left at www.BlurtonFuneralHomes.com.

STATON - Susan Margaret Staton, 71, of Bloomington, formerly of Hoopeston, died at 2:53 a.m. Wednesday, May 13, 2020, at Presence St. Mary Hospital,

From the Blotter

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 2:50 p.m. Wednesday in the 600 block of South First Ave.

Police said Meghan N. Rieches, 28, of Hoopeston, was backing a 2011 Chevrolet Cruze from her drive and struck a 2005 Toyota Corolla, driven by Billie R. Neal, 83, also of Hoopeston. Neal was turning left into his drive, attempting to park his car, police said.

Weather

Thunderstorms likely today. High 76. Tonight, chance of storms. Low 57. Tomorrow, storms. High 76 low 63. Sunday, storms, mostly cloudy late. High 74, low 52.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit justthefacts.net/weather/.

Kankakee. Due to the current health situation, private family graveside service will be held at Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to the Humane Society. Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be left at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

Hoopeston Area CUSD #11 is looking for bus drivers for the 2020-21 school year. If interested, please apply online or in person at the District Office. Online applications can be found on the school website, www.hoopeston.k12.il.us. Please call the district office at 217-283-6668 if you have any questions.

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