

Time on My Hands!

So, what's up? What have you been doing all week? Anything worth talking about?

I don't even know the day or date anymore. I ask my husband what day it is and he says, "The eighth." No, what day, like Tuesday or Wednesday? Having all the time in the world and I don't even know the darn day.

What is happening to us? I've cleaned until I think I'm in somebody else's house. I've been reading all the self-help and uplifting books I can handle.

I've pulled weeds until I'm sure I can hear them start to cry when they see me coming. I've baked and shared coffee cakes and now I'm all worn out but still have time on my hands.

Remember when you had babies and you wished for just a few hours to yourself? Never

I have been enjoying our lovely patio where I write my articles, think about my family, I've got a great bunch, and wonder what my neighbors are doing with their time!

BERTHA PARSONS Seems like our life is sorta, kinda, maybe a bit crazy right now! I've never had a full week where I could do nothing, have you?

So, I'm learning patience. If you ask my husband or children they will tell you I have none! Now that I have time, I can see things clearer. I don't feel in such a hurry to find all the answers.

I even call far-away family and friends for an hour phone visit. I don't worry about dinner, washing clothes or cleaning. I find I have plenty of time for all of that.

What has been wrong with us that we have had to squeeze as much time as we could into every day? Silly when you think about it. Life goes by so quickly and the time we spend with family and friends should come first!

The next time you turn around and have nothing but time on your hands do yourself a favor, call someone in your town that you do not know so well and just say hello. Maybe take time to write a note to a friend or your children, no matter their age, that says, "I Love You,"

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Sesquicentennial group off to small start, members needed

A group hoping to celebrate Hoopeston's 150th birthday in grand style will need more people to help.

Mayor Bill Crusinberry, Brad Hardcastle, Marta Pierce and Lourdine Florek, along with two citizens -Jeanette Andre and Ellen Scharlach - met September 3 to discuss possible activities to mark the milestone.

"This is disappointing," Crusinberry said. At a few city council meetings, he has said several people asked him about having a sesquicentennial celebration, but none of those who asked were at the meeting.

The sesquicentennial "is not a city event, it's a community event," Crusinberry said, adding he hopes to have year-long events leading up the July 2021 anniversary of Hoopeston's founding. July 3 fireworks will be part of a finale that may include a free community picnic with entertainment.

How much activity there will be will depend greatly on the number of volunteers. Fifteen people worked to create the centennial booklet, Pierce said.

If volunteers don't step up, Hoopeston will mark its anniversary on a smaller scale. "It might just be a weekend thing," Crusinberry said.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Septemer 24 at Hoopeston City Hall. Residents are welcome to come with ideas and willingness to work in areas such as fundraising, seeking donations and others.











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Obituaries

SMITH - Connie (Thomas) Smith, of Leander Tex., formerly of Watseka and rural Milford, died Monday,

Aug. 31, 2020, in Leander. No service will be held. Condolences may be left at www.baierfuneralhome.com.

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Hoopeston Area CUSD #11 has an opening for the following position: Bus Aide

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August 27, 2020, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana.

Memorial service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Cox-

Knapp Funeral Home, Paxton. Visitation will follow

until 7 p.m. Memorials are suggested to Iroquois County

Animal Rescue or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Knapp Funeral Home, Milford, is assisting with arrange-

FINK - Vernon Fink II, 69, of Tab, Ind., died Saturday,

Sept. 5, 2020, at home. He was cremated. A memorial

service will be held at 1 p.m. (EDT) Saturday, Sept. 12,

at the family home. Memorials are suggested to the fami-

ly. Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling

arrangements. Condolences may be left at www-

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