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Fans line up to meet Ryne Sandberg last year at Bricks & Ivy Sports, 201 E. Main St., Hoopeston. The sports memorabilia shop, which opened in May 2017, was named Small Business of the Year by the Small Business Development Center at Danville Area Community College.

Bricks & Ivy named SBDC 2020 Small Business of the Year

A Hoopeston business was named Small Business of the Year by the Small Business Development Center at Danville Area Community College.

Bricks and Ivy Sports was named Business of the Year by the SBDC. The honor was announced as part of National Small Business Week last week.

Bob and Emily Brown, of Hoopeston, started Bricks and Ivy in 2017, at 201 E. Main. The business started as a family affair, with Bob and sons Ben and Nick as experts at cards and all major league sports, while Emily and daughter, Madie Stock as baseball experts.

Bricks and Ivy Sports offers NCAA, MLB, NFL, NHL and NBA memorabilia. Much of that business is conducted online.

Bricks and Ivy also provides opportunities for people to meet stars in the sporting world. The likes of

Ryne Sandberg, Jose Canseco, Ben Zobrist, Lou Brock and Dennis Rodman have traveled to Hoopeston to meet with fans who come from far and wide for an autograph and picture.

That part of the business was suspended due to COVID-19, but is scheduled to begin again in 2021.

Bricks and Ivy is one of a handful of Hoopeston-based businesses owned by the Browns. It and 112 Wine and Coffee Shop are designed to bring traffic to downtown Hoopeston. They also own a property management company and Bob Brown owns Built 2 Last Construction.

This is the second year a Hoopeston company has received the Small Business of the Year honor. Last year, Sculpt Fitness was honored with the title.

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Tuesday: Speedway Burger and Chicken or Beef & Noodles
Wednesday: Rib eye sandwich and Prime Rib sandwich
Thursday: Swiss Steak and Popcorn Shrimp
Friday: Cod and Rib eye steak dinners
Saturday: Prime Rib and Rib eye steak dinners
Breakfast served 6-11 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
Breakfast Buffet
Saturdays, 7-10 a.m. Sunday 7 a.m. - Noon
Hoopeston Youth League signups going on now!
Bowl 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays Open to ages 6-19.
Freshman-Seniors - join HAHS Bowling Team!
Contact Doug Wagoner at Fast Lanes 283-6505

Hoopeston woman hospitalized, vehicles towed after two-vehicle accident Friday afternoon

A Hoopeston woman was taken to Carle Foundation Hospital with injuries sustained in an accident Friday. Vera K. Crozier, 87, was taken directly to Carle for treatment and assessment after the accident, at 1:05 p.m. in the 600 block of South Dixie Hwy. A Carle representative declined to provide a condition report Sunday. Police said Crozier, in a 2006 Buick, was southbound, when she entered the turn lane to make a left turn into

oncoming traffic. Joel H. Redeker, 25, of Crescent City, was northbound in a 2011 Chevrolet work truck, and collided with Crozier. Police said the collision left the highway into the Ford of Hoopeston parking lot, 623 S. Dixie

Business continued from other side

- Other 2020 SBDC winners are:
- Legacy Small Business of the Year: Lincoln Lanes, Danville.
 - Small Business Start Up of the Year: Venue 22, Danville
 - Entrepreneur of the Year: Amy Schweitzer, owner of Tiny Troops Soccer. Based in Danville, the business has 35 locations around the world, all near military installations to provide the team sport to children of military members.

Weather

Showers today. High 63. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 43. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 62, low 45. For real time Hoopeston weather, visit justthefacts.net/weather/.

Rossville to hold special meeting

Village of Rossville will hold a special public meeting on its proposed wastewater collection and treatment improvement project at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the village office 120 E. Attica. Residents may attend remotely by calling 1-415-655-0001. Enter the access code 126 496 9564, followed by passcode 1234.

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KS i in Cissna Park is seeking a qualified Controls Technician for project site startups and in-field customer training for controls systems. The ideal candidate will possess excellent communication, electrical, technical, and troubleshooting skills. An understanding of PLCs and HMI applications is preferred. Travel is required. Apply online at www.ksiedge.com or send resume to hr@ksiedge.com.

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United Prairie-Hoopeston has openings for Fall help for the following: CDL Drivers and Non-CDL . Please pick up applications at 18978 E 3850 North Rd, Hoopeston, IL 60942. For more information, please call the office, 217-888-0164 or Jordan Reese, manager, 217-918-2876.

Mechanic wanted. Experience with heavy truck, construction, and agricultural machinery preferred. Call 217-474-8349.

Cade’s Heating and Air HVAC installer/ service tech. must have valid IL drivers license and EPA freon license. Please send resume to ramcade@frontier.com or 101 E Penn St., Hoopeston IL 60942.

Obituaries

LUSK - Robert Louis “Bob” Lusk Jr., 83, of Rossville, died at 7:45 a.m. Friday Sept. 25, 2020 at home. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

RUCKRIGEL - Elda Louise (Kaufman) Ruckrigel, 80, formerly of Rankin, died September 18, 2020 In Vienna, IL. Graveside service was held Wednesday at Cissna Park Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to Vienna First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1349, Vienna, Illinois 62995 or Christian Bible Church, PO Box 162, Cissna Park, Illinois 60924. Condolence may be left at www.knappfuneralhomes.com.

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Teasdale Latin Foods has immediate openings on 2nd shift in both Distribution and Manufacturing. Pay to be determined based on experience level. Stop by the Human Resources office at 215 W. Washington Street, Hoopeston, for more detail. Please no phone calls.

Aquality Solutions is looking for full-time delivery drivers skilled in efficiency, organization, and flexibility. Delivery Drivers will deliver bottled water and bagged salt to commercial and residential customers and must have knowledge or be willing to learn maintenance operations when not driving. Apply in person at 102 N 1st Street in Hoopeston or call us at 855-692-7824.

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