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By
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Spring in Your Heart

Spring may just be my favorite season! A new beginning with all the beautiful flowers and vegetable gardens.

Seems like every season is one I love. Right now, being in so much, the days and seasons run together. I keep asking my husband, "What day is this?" He says, "the 14th." "No." I say, "the day, like Monday or Tuesday." I am lost in no time, no day at all!"

Spring for me is hope. Yes, hope for rain the farmers need. Hope that the virus and other illness goes away! Hope that the new flowers I planted grow! With hope all is possible. With spring flowers and rain showers I feel alive and not so locked in.

Spring in my heart opens up the awesome opportunities for helping others. Maybe share homemade cookies or a cake. Have a tea party on the patio with a neighbor, write a note to a friend to say, "I'm thinking of you." Cost, fifty-five cents, value? Priceless!

Never underestimate the power of the pen! It holds great joy and love! It brings together people far away, some you may not have talked with in years! I'm like a kid in a candy store when I get a letter or card. I sit down in my favorite rocking chair and open the letter. It warms my heart and fills me with happiness.

We all hope for better days with no virus, no locked-in, no staying apart from family and friends. Hope is one of the things in our life we cannot do without. We hope to keep spring in our hearts. We hope for nicer weather, good jobs, happy life and much more. With spring in your heart, you can be content that your life is a gift. Yes, a super special gift! There are days that I wonder, "Is my life what it should be?" "Is there more I should be doing?" You're right. The answer to both questions is YES!

With Spring in your heart there is always more you can do. How wonderful is that for us? My Mother taught me to never give up on whatever I was trying to do. "There is always a way." She would say. Many times, when things were tough, and I wanted to walk away, I heard her words.

With spring in your heart, you can do anything, never give up!

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Grant Butler office can file exemption forms for residents

Yearly property tax exemption forms were recently mailed from the Supervisor of Assessment office in Danville.

The Grant Butler Township office can help local residents file forms they may have received. Some of the exemptions are:

Veteran's disability exemption - First time filers must provide a copy of their DD-214 and percentage award from the Veterans Administration.

Senior Freeze exemption - or those 65 and older who have a whole-household income of \$65,000 a year or less. To file, please provide a copy of your 1099 from Social Security or a copy of income infor-

mation from 2020.

Regular disability exemptions - a copy of the disability ID issued by the Secretary of State or a physician's statement is needed to file. Physician statement forms are available at the Grant Butler Assessor's office that can be taken to a doctor to complete.

The Supervisor of Assessments is updating records. Residents should have received a yellow Owner-Occupied card. Help in completing this form is also available at the Grant Butler office.

The office is located at 525 S. Market St., Hoopeston. Hours for filing forms are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, call the office at (217) 283-6868.

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Funeral service set for student

Funeral arrangements have been announced for 17-year-old Andrew James Miguel, who died unexpectedly Thursday at his home.

Visitation will be 3-5 p.m. Wednesday at Hoopeston Area Middle School gym. A memorial service begin at 5 p.m. He will be cremated and burial held at a later date.

Andrew was born October 26, 2003, the son of Jimmy Miguel and Amanda Merrill, both of whom survive, along with three sisters, Sara, Savanna and Julie Miguel;

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From the Blotter

Becky Gibson, 36, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police received a report at 1:47 p.m. Sunday of a vehicle hitting a street sign in the 700 block of Euclid.

Gibson was located and charged with leaving the scene of an accident and operating an uninsured vehicle and was released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County Court.

Sports

Volleyball

The Lady Cornjerkers won on the road when they traveled to Schlarman Academy on April 15 and defeated the Hiltoppers 25-19, 25-15.

Kaitlynn Lange led Hoopeston Area with eight kills and two aces. Ali Watson contributed six kills, two aces and 19 digs.

The team ended their season on the road, losing to Heritage, 25-27, 1025.

Service continued from other side

a brother, Brent Miguel; maternal grandmother Deborah Merrill; paternal grandmother, Kathleen Annicelli; paternal great-grandmother Shirley Miguel; and maternal great-grandfather Raymond Merrill.

Andrew was involved in Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts since an early age and was a Life Scout. He was involved in National Youth Leadership training, the Order of the Arrow and was an avid marksman in arrow and shooting. At Hoopeston Area High School, he was active in the Game Club, marching band, jazz band, chorus and was involved in the combo for show choir. He loved being on the computer, playing with Nerf guns, collecting playing cards and polar bears, playing poker and spending time with family. Andrew aspired to be a music teacher or an English teacher.

Memorials for Andrew may be directed to an account established at Iroquois Federal, 511 S. Chicago Rd., Hoopeston IL 60942.

Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be left at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

Weather

Mostly sunny, breezy today. High 83. Tonight, chance of showers. Low 64. Tomorrow, Showers likely. High 77, low 55.

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

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

Hoopeston Area CUSD #11 will be accepting applications for summer cleaning crew. Applications may be picked up at the District Office and dropped off no later than May 7, 2021.

Small Wonders Preschool is accepting applications for its Preschool Director position for the 2021-22 school year. Candidates must be Director qualified with DCFS. Send cover letter and resume to First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 297, Hoopeston, IL 60942 by May 15.

Handyman help wanted. 217-283-7426

The Legion, formerly the American Legion, will be opening soon and is now hiring bar tenders. Call 217-260-5630 for inquiries.

City of Hoopeston is accepting applications for swimming pool manager, assistant manager and lifeguards. Application and job description are available at www.cityofhoopeston.com or at Hoopeston City Hall, 301 W. Main St.

City of Hoopeston is accepting applications for seasonal employees. Applications are available at www.cityofhoopeston.com or at Hoopeston City Hall, 301 W. Main St.

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

Pizza King is taking applications for lunch hour and evening kitchen employment. Please apply in person at 111 E Main St Hoopeston.

HIRING Immediately! Local Class A CDL Driver needed to haul grain and fertilizer. HOME DAILY. Email us your contact information to cremeenstrucking@gmail.com. Call Jennifer at 217-799-5762.

Silver Brothers is looking for part-time mixer drivers. Hours will vary. Must have Class B CDL, pass a drug test, be able to climb a ladder, and lift 75 lbs. Pay will be \$20/hour to an experienced driver. Perfect opportunity for a retired person wanting some extra money. Stop by 105 E. Washington, Hoopeston for application.

Full-Fill Industries Henning, is offering many job opportunities for full-time applicants, with a full benefit package, or part-time positions. 1st and 2nd shifts available. We offer a part-time flexible work schedule from 8 am-4:30 pm M-F for Moms & Dads. Graduating seniors that are 18 looking for a summer job or not pursuing a college career, we offer career opportunities. Apply on-line at www.full-fill.com go to employment or Employment opportunities and apply as indicated. EOE

Mustard Seed Christian Daycare is looking to hire 2-3 part time assistant teachers. Requirements include: 18 or older, high school diploma or GED, college credits are preferred but not mandatory for the right candidate, willing to undergo a background check

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NOTICES

Grant Township is accepting sealed bids on the following trucks between now and June 1st. Trucks can be seen at 1101 S 7th St. Hoopeston, IL. For more information call 217-283-6931. All bids can be dropped off or mailed to Grant Township 525 S Market St Hoopeston, IL.

1992 International 4900 Single axel truck- 210,100 miles. 9455 hours. 10' bed, 38" tailgate, air tailgate, new tires, 34" snow plow hitch. Runs good. Minimum bid \$5,000.

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