

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

5 p.m. Gates, Display Area, Midway, open  
 5-10 p.m. Ride Special  
 Bracelet Night  
 6:30-9 p.m. Bingo  
 (Jaycees Shelter)  
 Souvenir Sales  
 (Jaycees Shelter)  
 Midway closes  
 11 p.m. Midway closes

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

5 p.m. Gates, Display Area, Midway open  
 5-10 p.m. Ride Special - Bracelet Night  
 6:30 p.m. Beer Garden opens (Annex)  
 7 p.m. Thunder in the Corn Tractor Pull  
 (Annex)  
 10 p.m. Brat Pack  
 (Jaycees Shelter)  
 1 a.m. Beer Garden closes

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

6 a.m. Flea Market opens  
 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Car show registration  
 (Southeast corner of park)  
 9 a.m. Gates Open  
 10:30 a.m. Grand Parade (Downtown)  
 12 p.m. Midway, Display Area Open  
 Ride Special - Bracelet all day  
 12:-1 p.m. East Central Illinois Baggers Cornhole  
 Tournament Registration (Jaycees Shelter)  
 12:30-2 p.m. Dawn Hively Music (Center Stage)  
 12:30-5 p.m. Souvenir Sales (by Center Stage)  
 1 p.m. East Central Illinois Baggers Cornhole  
 Tournament begins (Jaycees Shelter)  
 Beer Garden Opens (Jaycees Shelter)  
 1:30-2 p.m. Ponytail Contest Registration (by Center Stage)  
**1:30-5 p.m. FREE SWEETCORN**  
 2 p.m. Ponytail Contest Registration (by Center Stage)  
 2:30 p.m. Parade Float Contest Awards (Center Stage)  
 3 p.m. Car Show Awards (southeast McFerren Park)  
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 3-5 p.m. Frank Muffin Band (Center Stage)  
 6:30 p.m. National Sweetheart Pageant Preliminary (Civic Center)  
 Beer Garden Opens (Annex)  
 7 p.m. Thunder in the Corn Tractor Pull (Annex)  
 9 p.m. Cougar Trap Band (Jaycees Shelter)  
 11 p.m. Midway Closes  
 12 a.m. Beer Garden closes  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**  
 8 a.m. Flea Market opens  
 9 a.m. Gates open

**Laughter and Cheer**

11 a.m. Children's Fishing Derby Registration  
 (Crabtree Shelter)  
 12 p.m. Midway, Display Area open  
 Ride Special - Bracelet all day  
 Children's Fishing Derby (Lagoon)  
 12-1 p.m. Holly Halliwell Music  
 (Center Stage)  
**12-4 p.m. FREE SWEETCORN**  
 12-5 p.m. Souvenir Sales  
 (by Center Stage)  
 12:30-1 p.m. Kids' Pie Eating  
 Contest Registration  
 (by Center Stage)  
 1 p.m. Kids' Pie Eating  
 Contest  
 (Center Stage)  
 1:30-2:30 p.m. Will and Katie  
 Clayton Music  
 (Center Stage)  
 3 p.m. Annex, Beer Garden open  
 3-5 p.m. Nuthin' Fancy  
 (Center Stage)  
 5 p.m. Demo Derby  
 (Annex)

6:30 p.m. National Sweetheart Pageant Finals (Civic Center)  
 9 p.m. National Sweetheart Pageant Reception (Civic Center)  
 10 p.m. Midway closes  
 12 a.m. Beer Garden closes (Annex)  
**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**  
 8 a.m. Flea Market Opens  
 9 a.m. Gates, Display Area Open  
 9-9:45 a.m. Cream of the Crop Pretty Baby Contest registration  
 (Civic Center)  
 10 a.m. Cream of the Crop Pretty Baby Contest (Civic Center)  
 12 p.m. Midway opens  
 Ride Special - Bracelet all day  
 12-12:45 p.m. Thompson's Tunes Sing-a-Long (Center Stage)  
**12-4 p.m. FREE SWEETCORN**  
 12-4 p.m. Souvenir Sales (by Center Stage)  
 12:45-1:30 p.m. Princess Meet and Greet (Center Stage)  
 2-4 p.m. Doc Ashton and the Root Canals (Center Stage)  
 2-4:30 p.m. Bingo (Jaycees Shelter)  
 9 p.m. Midway closes

**Sponsored by Hoopeston Jaycees  
 McFerren Park, Hoopeston**

**Gate Fee \$3 per day - 7 & younger FREE**

Please bring your own chair to sit at Center Stage

Hoopeston Jaycees reserve the right to change the schedule

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## From the Blotter

**Daytan L. Davis**, 25, of Rantoul, was arrested at 4:22 a.m. Saturday in the 600 block of East Orange. Police allege Davis appeared to be in possession of stolen property and that when they attempted to stop him, he ran.

He was arrested on preliminary charges of burglary to state supported property and resisting arrest and was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

**No tickets or injuries** were reported in an accident at 6:47 p.m. Saturday at West Main and Sixth Ave. Police said Thomas J. Wray, 32, of Hoopeston, was west-bound in a 2008 Honda when he left the roadway and struck the east-facing stop sign, knocking it over.

Wray was able to drive his vehicle from the scene.

**Megan C. Hawk**, 28, of Paxton, was arrested at 1:42 a.m. Monday in the 200 block of North Market. Police said a vehicle was observed in that location and when they attempted to make contact, they found Hawk.

She was charged with possession of methamphetamine and was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

**Iroquois County Sheriff's Police** arrested Jake E. Baumgartner, 29, of Milford, on August 26. Wanted on an out-of-county warrant, he was taken to the Iroquois County Jail, where he posted bond and was released.

A cell phone was found Monday at the park. It can be identified and claimed at the police station.

## The PIT STOP at EAST LANES

Getting ready for Festival guests?  
 Don't sweat it! Let us cook for you!  
**Lunch & Dinner Specials**

**Monday:** Spaghetti, Taco Salad or grilled and breaded Tenderloins  
**Tuesday:** Speedway Burger and Chicken or Beef & Noodles

**Wednesday:** Rib eye sandwich and Prime Rib sandwich  
**Thursday:** Swiss steak or Popcorn Shrimp  
**Friday:** Cod and Rib eye steak dinners  
**Saturday:** Prime Rib and Rib eye steak dinners

**Breakfast: 6-10 a.m. Mon.-Fri.**

**6:30-11 Sat. 6:30-Noon Sun.**

**Breakfast Buffet: Serving 7-10 a.m. this Saturday so you can get to the parade! 7 a.m.-Noon Sunday.**

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## Antique Tractor & Equipment Sale

**Flea Market**

**Sat. Sept 4 8 a.m.- 3 p.m.**

**300 N. Summit St. Rossville**

on FB @ Rossville Sale Shed



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**Lunch & Dinner**  
**Sat., Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> & Sun., Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>**  
*Pulled Pork Butt, Pork Ribs & Beef Brisket*

JOIN US FOR OUR  
**PARKING**  
**FOOD MUSIC LOT PARTY**  
**LIVE MUSIC BY**  
 2 p.m. DJ Blaze • 4 p.m. Vibe  
 6 p.m. Thomas Ian Nicholas Band  
 \$5 Cover at the door donated to fund a Hoopeston Skate Park  
 Lockhart Angus will be grilling!  
**SUNDAY, SEPT. 26**  
**2-8 P.M.**

## State to expand mental health services for agriculture families

SPRINGFIELD—Illinois Department of Agriculture Director Jerry Costello II announced a grant award of \$500,000 to increase farmer stress-related mental health initiatives statewide. The department applied for the grant in coordination with Southern Illinois University Medicine Center for Rural Health and Social Service Development and University of Illinois Extension.

The announcement was made Tuesday at the Farm Progress Show in Decatur.

In 2019, the Farm Family Resource Initiative (FFRI) was established in Illinois to address mental health needs of farming and agricultural communities. FFRI launched a six-county pilot program to provide resources through a telephone hotline connecting farmers with mental health resources and providers. This grant will allow for the expansion of the pilot program to the entire state.

Additional plans for grant funding include text/e-mail communication options (in addition to telephone hotline); increased marketing of helpline; voucher program for professional behavioral health services; agricultural literacy training for mental health providers to increase knowledge of agricultural community and further Mental Health First Aid trainings for agricultural community

members.

The Farmer Assistance Helpline is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week at 1-833-FARM-SOS.

### Obituaries

**BUCK** - Donald Arthur "Don" Buck, 85, of Rocky Mount, NC, formerly of Hoopeston, died Friday, Aug. 27, 2021, at Nash UNC Health Care. Visitation was Monday at Wheeler & Woodlief Funeral Home. Funeral service was Tuesday at Church of the Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, Rocky Mount. Memorials are suggested to Golden East Railroad Modelers (GERM), 1100 N. Wesleyan Blvd., Rocky Mount NC 27804. Condolences may be left at [www.wheeler-woodlief.com](http://www.wheeler-woodlief.com).

**GAGNON** - Ricky Allen "Ricky G" Gagnon, 68, of Hoopeston, formerly of Rossville, died at 10:45 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, 2021, at home. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

**GERMAN** - Betty Lou (Wilson) German, 98, of Milford, died August 28, 2021, at home. Private graveside service and burial will be at a later date at Sugar Creek Cemetery, Stockland. Memorials are suggested to Milford United Methodist Church or Milford Swimming Pool Knapp Funeral Home, Milford, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be left at [www.knappfuneralhomes.com](http://www.knappfuneralhomes.com).

**HARRIS** - Mary J. Harris, 78, of Rossville, died Sunday, Aug. 29, 2021, at home. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

### Weather

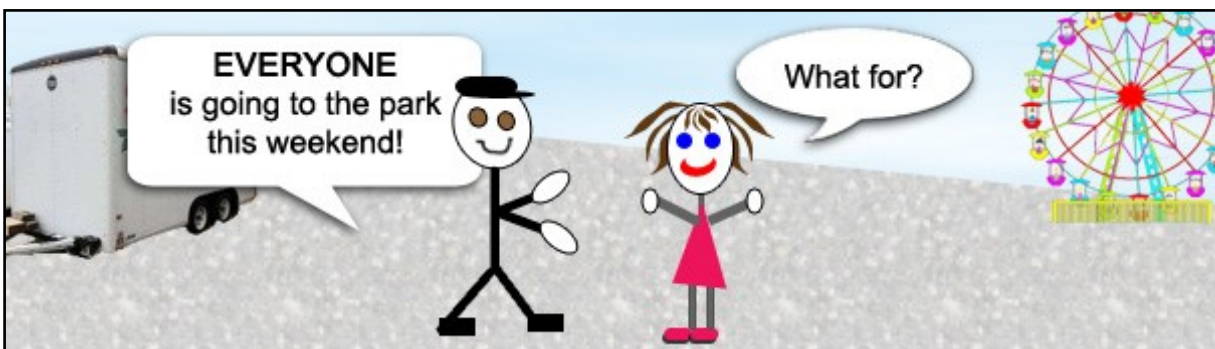
Sunny today. High 78. Tonight, clear. Low 64. Tomorrow, sunny. High 78, low 63.

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**EVERYONE** is going to the park this weekend!

What for?



**Revival**  
**Brent Sivnksty**  
  
**First Baptist Church**  
 323 E. Seminary Hoopeston IL  
**Sept. 5 through 8, 2021**  
 Sunday 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.  
 Monday through Wednesday 7 p.m.  
**SPECIAL MUSIC**  
*Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28 (KJV)*  
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**Classifieds**  
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**RUMMAGE SALES**  
 HOOPESTON: 803 Euclid. Fri, 8-2 Three family sale. Clothes: girls size 12/14, boys XL, men's women's size small-2XL. 8x10 area rug, knickknacks, shoes (some new), two-man tree stand, lots of misc. Come rain or shine!