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Community Action Agency lists energy assistance information

East Central Illinois Community Action Agency, as administrator of the Home Energy Assistance Program in Ford, Iroquois, and Vermilion Counties, announced funds are available to assist income-eligible households with their natural gas, propane and electric bills and furnace assistance.

The program for all income-eligible households is underway. Applications will be taken on a first-come, firstserved basis through May 31, 2022. There will be no priority groups this program year. Households in need are encouraged to apply.

Households must be at or below 200% of the federal poverty level to receive a benefit from the LIHEAP Program. There is an option to accept a one-time payment to a utility provider, or to enroll in PIPP (Percentage of Income Payment Plan) which consists of a monthly benefit successful applicants will receive as long as they make monthly payment that will be determined at the time of intake. PIPP is available for LIHEAP eligible households who are customers of one of the following: Ameren Illinois, ComEd, Nicor Gas, North Shores Gas and Peoples

PIPP applicants will be enrolled on a first-come, firstserved basis and the program will be offered until March 31, 2022 or when East Central Illinois Community Action Agency has reached the maximum capacity of households for the program. The 30-day income guidelines for LIHEAP (Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program) and PIPP are based on Federal Poverty Guidelines, State Median Income and the number of people living in the household. The guidelines are as follows:

- 1 \$2.147
- 2 \$2,903
- 3 \$3,660
- 4 \$4,417

Go to comaction.org to find income limits for households with five or more members.

LIHEAP provides one-time benefits to income eligible

homeowners and renters to help with energy bills and for reconnection of energy service. Propane customers are encouraged to apply early to take greater advantage of lower propane prices. Propane prices typically increase during the winter months.

The Furnace Assistance Program began September for all income-eligible households. Applications will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis through March 21, 2022.

Applications will be taken at all East Central Illinois Community Action Agency Offices (below) and mail.

Ford County: 101 W. Ottawa Road, Paxton. Hours: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Mon.-Fri; Phone: 217-497-2979* -FAX: 217-442-0657

Iroquois County: 219 N. Central Street, Gilman. Hours: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.; Phone: 815-707-5001* - FAX: 217-442-0657

Vermilion County: 56 North Vermilion Street, Danville. Hours: 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Mon.-Fri; Phone: 217-554-9100 - FAX: 217-442-0657

To submit an application, residents must submit all documentation required:

- Proof of gross income from all household members for the prior 30-day period beginning with the date of appli-
- Proof of Social Security numbers or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for all household members. Individuals without an SSN or ITIN can still apply and East Central Illinois Community Action Agency will advise accordingly.
- A copy of current heat and electric bills issued within the last 30 days.
- A copy of rental agreement (if renting) showing that utilities are included, the monthly rental amount and landlord contact.

Other documents may be needed based on individual household situations.

Please call East Central Illinois Community Action Agency 217-554-9100 for further questions.

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Obituaries

MURRAY - The family of Arthur W. Murray II, 86, sadly announces his passing on September 19, 2021.

Art was a devoted and loving husband, father, grandfather, and family member. He lived a long and blessed life. A native of Hoopeston, and graduate of the University of Illinois, he was an Illini through and through.

Employed by Continental Bank out of college, he enjoyed a wonderful 45-year career. Married to his sweetheart Jocelyn (nee Currie) for 59 years, his family was the world to him. Father to Art (Betty), Anne (Bryan)



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Hansen, and Andrew. Proud grandfather to Madison. Griffin, Alexis and Jack.

His joys were his family, Scottish heritage, swing jazz, nostalgia, Lake Geneva, traveling, and learning and sharing knowledge with others. A true gentleman who enjoyed connecting with all, and we are so blessed to have him in our hearts.



ART MURRAY

A memorial visitation was held at Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home, 185 E Northwest Highway, Palatine IL 60067, from 4-8 p.m. Friday September 24, with a memorial service at 6 p.m. Burial service was at 1 p.m. Saturday in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston.

In lieu of flowers, you may make gifts to the Parkinson's Foundation, 200 SE 1st Street, Suite 800, Miami, FL 33131.

Condolences may be left at www.smithcorcoran.com.

Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department responded at 11:58 a.m. Thursday after smoke and fire alarms activated at HART, 901 W. Main. It was determined that steam cleaning of the floors was the cause. No fire or damage was reported.

Firefighters were called at 5:01 p.m. Thursday to a reported illegal burn at South Sixth Ave. and Elm.

From the Blotter

Lisa M. Staley, 48, of Watseka, was cited for unlawful acts constituting disorderly conduct Saturday for an incident in the 300 block of East Penn. She was mailed a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

A woman's black wallet was found Saturday in the area of the 500 block of East Main. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Victor H. Rojas, 36, of Hoopeston, was taken into custody after police were called at 10:13 p.m. Saturday for an altercation in the 700 block of South Fourth St.

Rojas was arrested on preliminary charges of domestic battery and endangering the life or health of a child and was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

SHEPPARD - Virginia Ann (Stipp) Sheppard, 71, of Hoopeston, died at 6:20 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021, at Hawthorne Inn, Danville. She will be cremated. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the noon memorial service Tuesday at Anderson Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to HART, 901 W. Main St., Hoopeston IL 60942 or Lakeview College of Nursing, 903 N. Logan Ave., Danville IL 61832. Condolences may be left at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

SWANSON - Theodore "Ted" Swanson, 80, of Danville, formerly of Rossville, died Friday, Sept. 24, 2021, at Hawthorne Inn, Danville. Visitation will be 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. funeral Tuesday at Sunset Funeral Home, Danville. Burial will be in Rossville Cemetery.

— Briefly

At the library

Stitchin' Time, 10 a.m.-noon Wednesdays. Crochet, knit, sew or other needlecraft, bring your project and coffee and enjoy a morning of fun and conversation!

Birthday card shower

Former Hoopeston resident Betty Hollen will celebrate her 94th birthday on October 3, 2021 and would enjoy hearing from residents. Cards may be sent to:

> Betty Hollen Remembrance Home 1810 N. Spring St. Beaver Dam, WI 53916

HUMC to host grief program

Hoopeston United Methodist Church will offer Grief Share, a support group for people experiencing grief due to the loss of a loved one.

The 13-week program will meet from 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the church fellowship hall, 403 E. Main. The number of participants will be limited and masks and social distancing will be required.

Pre-registration is required by calling 217-283-6738 or 217-369-7813.

The first meeting will be September 28.

Weather

Sunny today. High 83. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 67. Tomorrow, sunny. High 86, low 68.

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

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United Prairie-Hoopeston has opening this Fall for the following: CDL Drivers and Non-CDL. Pick up applications at 18978 E 3850 North Rd Hoopeston. For more information call 217/888

City of Hoopeston is accepting applications for a seasonal employee for the Parks Department. Applications are available at Hoopeston City Hall, 301 W. Main St., or online at www.cityofhoopeston.com.

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