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Hofer sentenced to six years for holdup at wine/coffee shop

A former Hoopeston man was sentenced Friday to six years in the Illinois Department of Corrections after he pleaded guilty to robbing a downtown eatery in July.

Circuit Judge Charles Hall pronounced sentence on Mathew Hofer, 38, for the Class 2 felony of robbery.

His prison term will be followed by one year of mandatory supervised release, according to a press release issued by Jacqueline Lacy, Vermilion County State's Attorney.

The sentence was agreed upon by Lacy's office and the defense.

During the plea, the court heard evidence that on July 3, at about 1:25 p.m., Hofer walked into 112 Wine and Coffee Shop and ordered an employee to give him all the money. Hofer pretended during the robbery that he was armed with a firearm, according to the press release.

He took the cash, fled, and was apprehended shortly after the robbery. His bond was set at \$150,000.

Hofer was paroled from the Illinois Department of Corrections on April 5, 2021, after he was incarcerated on

Skate park funding boosted

A hoped-for skate park got a boost to its bank account Sunday.

112 Wine and Coffee Shoppe held a parking lot party Sunday afternoon. The \$5 cover charge to the party - which featured Lockhart Angus grilling and music by DJ Blaze, Vibe and the Thomas Ian Nicholas Band - was earmarked for a skate park and raised \$1,157.

Bricks and Ivy Sports had agreed to match the amount raised at the party, bringing the total to \$2,314.

Volunteers earned more than \$700 working gates at the National Sweetcorn Festival and a similar amount was donated while volunteers were working. Additionally, more than \$4,000 raised more than a decade ago has been carried on City of Hoopeston books for a skate park.



HOFER

October 1, 2020 on a three-year sentence for theft of property val-

ued at \$500-\$10,000, a Class 3 felony.

In 2006, he was sentenced in Iroquois County to two years and 6 months for aggravated battery, also a Class 3 offense. That sentence was discharged.

Following the robbery, 112 closed for the rest of the day and reopened the next day.

Earlier that day, the area filled with people attending Hoopeston's sesquicentennial parade and an autograph-signing session at Bricks and Ivy Sports across the street.

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Volleyball

Hoopeston Area volleyball ladies have had a roller-coaster ride in recent games.

The Lady Cornjerkers dropped their match against St. Joe-Odgen, 25-11, 25-11 on September 13 and the next night traveled to Salt Fork, where they lost 25-14, 25-10.

On September 16, the girls used their home court advantage to defeat Urbana University High, 25-22, 25-16. Bre Crose led Hoopeston with six kills and five aces. Her effort was complemented by five aces from Logan Watson and four kills from Kaitlynn Lange.

Home court advantage did not hold for the team's next matchup, against Judah Christian on September 20. Despite five kills from Lane and nine digs from Watson, the Lady Cornjerkers fell 14-25, 17-25.

Luck was lady on September 21, when the women defeated a stubborn Oakwood Comets team, 27-25, 19-25, 25-18 at a Vermilion Valley Conference match.

The ladies next faced a two-set defeat at the hands of the Milford Bearcats on Sept. 23, losing 10-25,8-25 at Milford

The ladies will be at home Thursday, hosting Cissna Park at 6 p.m.



Golf

Payton Armstrong was the meet medalist when the Corjerkers took on Westville on September 25 at Hubbard Trail.

Armstrong's 45 led scoring, followed by Wyatt Eisenmann, Ben Brown and Kylie Brown, each with a 49.

The men's team handily defeated Westville 205-284. Along with Eisenmann and Brown's 49, Trevor Swartz shot a 53, Kayden Wallace 54, and Nick Hofer 62.

The win brought the season record to 21 wins and 23 losses.

Monday, Milford hosted Hoopeston Area and Oakwood at Shewami County Club in Sheldon. The Bearcasts, at 180, outscored Oakwood, 217, and Hoopeston Area, 233. Adin Portwood, of Milford, was

From the Blotter

Kristy L. Powers, 42, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a traffic stop at 3:45 p.m. Tuesday in the 700 block of West Orange. She was charged with driving while license suspended and released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County Court.

Obituaries

ROSS - Patricia Ann (Brown) Ross, 79, of Hoopeston, died at 10:03 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021, in Oakwood. She will be cremated and burial held at a later date. Memorials are suggested to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 S. Jude Pl, Memphis TN 38105-9959. Anderson Funeral Home, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be left at www.ander son-funeral-home.com.

SANFORD - William "Bill" Sanford, 64, of Hoopeston, died at 3:47 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, 2021, at home. He will be cremated and burial will be in Danville National Cemetery at a later date. Memorials are suggested to the family. Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be left at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 84. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 60. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 81, low 61.

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meet medalist with 40.

Eisenmann led Cornjerker men's scoring with a 47, followed by Swarts, 58; Ethan Harding 76; Trenton Betka 69; and Kylie Brown 59.

For the women, Taylor Page had a 62.

The score brought the record to 21 wins and 25 losses.

The men moved into regionals Wednesday at Kankakee Elks Country Club. Ladies' regionals are set to begin Thursday at Lincolnshire Fields Country Club, Champaign.

Court Dispositions

August 11

Laure A. Aguirre, Hoopeston, case dismissed by hearing officer.

Gage M. Fouse, Hoopeston, failed to appear at sentencing for theft, found guilty by default, fined \$230 plus \$55 restitution. Status hearing September 8.

Gage M. Fouse, Hoopeston, failed to appear at sentencing for trespassing in a second case, found guilty by default, fined \$230; status hearing September 8.

Toby J. McElhaney, Hoopeston, appeared at sentencing for general nuisance, case dismissed by hearing officer.

Kinzi J. Calloway, Hoopeston, failed to appear at sentencing for general nuisance, found guilty by default, fined \$180 plus 21 days to comply or per diem fines will be assessed. Status hearing September 8.

Ernesto A. Linares, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to general nuisance at initial appearance, fined \$180; status hearing September 8.

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