

Bertha's C o r n e r



By
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Cruisin' Through Life

Can you believe it's December and what have we done this whole year? A good question, but do I have a good answer? I've been busy getting ready for Christmas, family and food!

This year has been like no other that I can remember. Days slip by and I wonder what have I done with this day, this week?

Because I love Christmas, everything about it makes me happy as I'm cruisin' into shopping, writing cards, decorating the tree and baking! I'm all for it!

As my family and I cruise into all the fun, food and gifts, I stop to think of my life this year. Like many of you, it seems life as we used to know it has disappeared! Has it really left or am I just confused and mixed up being inside too long? All the above may be true.

You know me, I like to look at the positive side of life as much as I can. I've learned that we, yes, you and me control our life by our attitude! Sounds so simple. Do we cruise along every day, not really thinking, "This is my life!"

Attitude is our opinion about a fact or situation, It controls everything we do or say every single day. Scary for sure, that you and I cruise along through life with all the control to

make a difference! There are so many things in our life to be overjoyed about! Yes, let's look at all those wonderful things as we cruise along life's road.

First to be overjoyed because we are alive! We live in a free world, we can work where we find a job, we can live in any state we want. We can be happy if we choose to be happy. We can learn to stretch our \$\$ when we need to do so! We can love, learn and laugh more often. Laughing cures many ailments!

Yes, you need adaptability as we cruise through our rapidly changing world! We should not let small stuff, like not having what our neighbors have or money for a weekend away to keep us from being happy as we cruise along! Happy with what we have is the key to a happy life! So, let's cruise along together, making the best of all the good we have. I believe that our future, yours and mine depends on our attitude!

My attitude is: I'm lucky, I'm happy, I'm thankful for every day I live and I promise me to make each day a good one! It's really up to us!

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Briefly

Meetings

Hoopeston Area School Board, 6 p.m. Thursday, high school library. The board will go into closed session. The public portion of the meeting will follow. The agenda is available at www.hoopeston.k12.il.us.

Blue Christmas service

Hoopeston Methodist Church will hold a Blue Christmas service at 3 p.m. December 19. The service is for anyone who is struggling with the holiday, especially those who have lost a loved one this year. Everyone is invited and welcome.

Christmas dinner change

Increased Covid cases in the area is resulting in a

big change for the 10th annual Community Christmas Dinner.

Event organizer Susan Comstock announced the dine in dinner portion has been canceled for the safety of the community. Meals will still be delivered.

To receive meals, call (217) 495-1620 by December 15.

From the Blotter

Police are called to Tedd's, 101 W. Main, for a report of a stolen cell phone. The property went missing between 3-4 p.m. Monday.

Court Dispositions

November 10

Lisa M. Staley, Watseka, appeared at initial appearance for unlawful acts constituting disorder, pleaded not guilty; trial December 8.

Jerry D. Sisk, Hoopeston, appeared at status hearing for general nuisance in two cases; new status hearing December 8.

Joseph D. Hart, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing for general nuisance in four cases, all sent to state for further enforcement.

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BIVANS - Beverly Jane Bivans, 89, of Hoopeston, died at 6:25 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, 2021, at home. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

INGRAM - Marcella M. Ingram, 85, of Hoopeston, passed away at 7:29 p.m. Sunday, December 12, 2021, at her home.

Marcella was born on December 20, 1935, in Hoopeston, the daughter of Jeff and Dora Ellen (Burton) Floyd. She married Wendell Ingram on August 5, 1972, in Hoopeston. He preceded her in death on November 13, 1978.

She is survived by two daughters- Jenny (Ingram) and son-in-law Jerry Vessels of Springville, IN and Missy (Ingram) Miller of Springfield, IL; two grandchildren- Kathryn and Marco Vessels; two sisters- Lucy Cross and Sue Zarate both of Hoopeston; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, three brothers and one sister.

Marcella graduated from Hoopeston High School, in 1953. She worked for 43 years at Bohn Aluminum, until her retirement. She was a member of the First Church of God, in Hoopeston, where she was very active and a faithful follower of God. Marcella loved to travel, and she has been able to visit 38 of the 50 states. She also enjoyed doing word searches, reading, playing board games and Skip-Bo and spending time with her family.



MARCELLA INGRAM

A Celebration of Marcella's Life will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, December 18, 2021, at the First Church of God, in Hoopeston, with Pastor Carlos Sanchez officiating. Burial will follow the service in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. Friday, at the church. Memorials may be made to the First Church of God, in Hoopeston. The family has entrusted the Blurton Funeral Home to assist them in honoring Marcella's life. Viewing of her memorial video and condolences may be shared with the family on her everlasting memorial page at: www.BlurtonFuneralHomes.com.

NOWAK - Andrew "Drew" Nowak, 72, of Rossville, formerly of Chicago, died at 13:20 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, 2021 at his home in Rossville. Private graveside service will be held. Memorials are suggested to American Heart association, P.O. Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692 or Hoopeston Animal Rescue Team (HART), 901 W. Main St., Hoopeston IL 60942. Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be shared at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

SCHROEDER - Ora Otto Schroeder Jr., 94, of Milford, died Saturday, Dec. 11, 2021, at home. Due to Covid, private family services will be held, with burial in Sugar Creek Cemetery, Stockland, with military rites by Watseka American Legion Post #23 and Iroquois County VFW Post #7450. Memorials are suggested to Alzheimer's Association. Knapp Funeral

Weather

Sunny today. High 37. Tonight, increasing clouds. Low 24. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy. High 46, low 38

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Hoopeston Area CUSD #11 is accepting applications for a part time computer technician assistant. Duties include providing desktop support, assisting with infrastructure and A/V projects. <https://phl.applitrack.com/roe54/onlineapp/default.aspx?Category=Technology>

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