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Hoopeston city hall closes to public through end of January

Due to increasing case numbers and the need to keep city workers healthy, city hall will be closed to the public beginning January 18, 2022 and will tentatively reopen on January 31, 2022.

Residents needing city services can still contact City Hall via telephone at 217-283-5833. Water payments can be dropped off in the drop box located in front of City Hall, payment by telephone at 217-283-5631, by mail, or

the city's website, www.cityofhoopeston.com.

The front window of the Hoopeston Police Department will also be closed. Residents needing police assistance are asked to call the non-emergency number at 217-283-5196.

If you have an emergency, dial 9-1-1.

The regularly scheduled city council meeting set for January 18, 2022, was held via Zoom and not in person.

Fischer Theatre cancels January schedule due to Covid cases

Out of an abundance of caution, the Vermilion Heritage Foundation has canceled public events at the Fischer Theatre scheduled through the remainder of the month of January.

"Due to the current impact that the COVID-19 pandemic is having on our community, specifically the strain it is causing to our local healthcare system, we feel that the best way for us to positively impact the well-being of our community is to take a break from gathering in large groups at the Fischer Theatre through the end of January," said Vermilion Heritage Foundation (VHF) Executive Director, Jason Rome.

This decision was made after discussion with members of VHF's board of directors, its staff and volunteers, as well as community stakeholders, and seemed to be the most reasonable - and responsible - action to take in light of all available information.

The plan is to cancel the remaining public events scheduled for January, creating a brief pause in large gatherings, and then pick back up with the first event in February - a partnership with the City of Danville to present a live talent show - "Danville's Got Talent" on Friday, February 4

According to Rome, "Our mission is to deliver access to the arts to everyone because of the impact we can have on the quality of life, and so the well-being of those we serve naturally must come first."

In the meantime Rome indicates that in addition to the many ongoing projects and improvements underway at the Fischer, he will bring back smaller, private party rentals for the limited time that public events are on hold this month. He also wants to remind folks that the marquee is also still available for rental to display messages to friends and loved ones in lights.

As always, please check out the Fischer Theatre's website, www.fischertheatre.com, or follow it on social media for continued information and details as they develop.

The Fischer Theatre was built in 1884 as the Grand Opera House and operated as a performing arts venue and later a movie house until the mid-1980s. The building is owned and operated by The Vermilion Heritage Foundation. Thanks to the generosity of Julius W Hegeler II, the Fischer reopened as a renovated performing arts center to a sold-out crowd for a concert by The Lettermen in the fall of 2019 and has since hosted live concerts, film presentations, public speakers, and private events.

Weather

Mostly cloudy today. High 30. Tonight, decreasing clouds. Low 7. Tomorrow, sunny. High 19, low 7.

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Obituaries

JUDY - Donna Ruth Judy, 88, of rural Hoopeston, IL, passed away at 1:01 p.m. Friday January 14, 2022, at her home.

She was born March 22, 1933, in Prairie Green Township, the daughter of Claude and Merle (Sproll) Swartz. She married Duane "Newt" Judy on August 4, 1956, in Prairie Green Township. He preceded her in death on November 3, 2011.

She is survived by two daughters, Diana (Tim) Frederick of Westmont, and Delaine (Mike) Webb of Hoopeston; two sons, Darrell (Kathy) Judy of Milford, and Dwight-Lee (Diana) Judy of Hoopeston; 2 sisters-in-law; 13 grandchildren, Derek Ried, Amanda Kitterman, Bethany Burt, Brooke Allen, Zachary Judy, Christopher Webb, Bradley Frederick, and Dylan-Lee, Daisy, Dorothy, Daniel, Della, and Darla Judy; 11 great-



DONNA JUDY

grandchildren, Emery, Burke, Maren, and Elody Kitterman, Ryan and Mitch Ried, Charlie and Conrad Allen, Riley and Harley Judy, and Jack Burt; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, Donna was preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Denise Ried; son-in-law, Rick Ried; brother, Delmar Swartz; four sisters-in-law; and five brothers-in-law.

Donna worked at the Hoopeston Public Library for 21 years. She was a member of the Prairie Green Church of Christ where she had served as a Sunday school teacher. She had also served as an election judge and as a room mother while her children were attending school. She enjoyed reading, working crossword puzzles, bowling, and collecting salt and pepper shakers. Most of all, Donna enjoyed spending time with her family and grandchildren.

A visitation will be held 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Thursday January 20, 2022, at Anderson Funeral Home 427 E. Main St. Hoopeston. The funeral service will follow the visitation, beginning at 12 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home, with Rev. Chuck Alt officiating. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston.

Memorials may be made to the Hoopeston Public Library, Wellington Greer Fire Protection District, Prairie Green Church of Christ, or to the donor's choice.

Please visit www.anderson-funeral-home.com to view Donna's eternal tribute page and to send the family condolences.

Anderson Funeral Home in Hoopeston is handling the arrangements.

MINER - Michael J. "Mike" Miner, 72, of Watseka, died January 9, 2022. Visitation will be 11 a.m. until the noon funeral Thursday at Baier Funeral Home, Watseka. Burial will be in Body Cemetery near Woodland. Memorials are suggested to St. Anne Masonic Lodge or Crescent City United Methodist Church. Condolences may be left at www.baierfuneralhome.com.

Letters to the Editor

Shopping locally saved money

This past week I needed a new microwave oven. I went to Sheridan's to get one. They had one I liked for \$164. I bought it.

The next day I curiously wondered how much it would have cost if I had bought it on Amazon. The identical brand and model number was \$219 on Amazon.

Draw your own conclusion!

Bill Goodwine
Hoopeston

Briefly

At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library are:

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!

The library is no longer accepting plastic caps for recycling. Thank you for your participation!

For more information, call the library at (217) 283-6711 or stop by 110 N. Fourth St.

Breast cancer support group

Hoopeston Breast Cancer Support Group meets at 6 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at the Pit Stop at Fast Lanes Bowling Alley. The next meeting will be January 20. Please spread the word and join us to offer support to past and present breast cancer survivors. For more information, call Pat Foster, (815) 984-4040 or (309) 208-9829.

Classifieds

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HELP WANTED

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

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.

KS i is looking for qualified candidates for the seasonal position of Production Associate in our Cissna Park facility. This position is primarily responsible for mechanical assembly of conveyors and final units. Potential candidates should possess a beginner level of mechanical skills and have a strong work ethic. Position would be M-F workweeks up to 45 hours per week. Majority of work would be in heated shop for cold winter months. Fill out an application from our website, www.ksiedge.com, send inquiries to hr@ksiedge.com, or call 785-284-0600 ext. 1422. Applications may also be picked up at our location: 454 N State Route 49, Cissna Park, IL 60924.

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HA 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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