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Lack of quorum tables action on plan commission action

A lack of a quorum at a Hoopeston Planning Commission meeting May 31 is delaying an already-started construction project in the 900 block of East Young. The meeting was scheduled to discuss a new building being put up at 906 E. Young. Alejandro Limon owns the property and owns and lives next door, at 904 E. Young. Attending the meeting via phone, Limon discussed his plans with planning/zoning commission members Shawn Swartzentruber and Charlene Ervin, who attended via Zoom, along with Mayor Jeff Wise and aldermen Kellie Ferrell, Robin Lawson, and Bob Porth and city building official, Tom Bookwalter, who attended in person and Ald. Stephen Eyrich, who attended remotely. The 48' x 56' structure will be a garage, Limon said. It will be able to be used for family activities and will have some storage area. He plans to build a loft inside but told officials it will not be used as an apartment. Because Limon owns both lots - and hopes to combine

them into a single property - the large size of the building will still meet an ordinance that requires buildings cover a maximum of 30 percent of a lot. And at 27' tall, the structure is well within the 35' maximum height. What the planning commission will have to decide - and then recommend to the council - is whether the structure's 12' walls will be allowed or whether Limon will have to take the building down and start over with 10' walls allowed by ordinance. "My fear is, if we allow it, people will say, 'Just start it. They'll let you go once you start it,'" Wise said. "I'm just scared of setting precedent." Another planning commission meeting will be scheduled for the group to make a recommendation, which will then be sent to the city council for a vote. Other members of the commission are Jim Richards, chairman, Bill Boose, Cody Moore and Nicole Trueblood.

Briefly

Siren testing
Hoopeston will perform its monthly testing of outdoor warning sirens at 10 a.m. Tuesday.

Koffee & Konversation
Hoopeston Methodist Church will hold Koffee & Konversation at 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Free coffee, breakfast sweets and conversation. The gathering is open to all.

At the library
Coming 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 Gathering
Rossville Community Organization will hold The Gathering from 1-3 p.m. Thursday at Rossville Fire Station. Everyone is welcome to the social event.

Hoopeston Public Library kicks off Summer Reading Program

Hoopeston Public Library hopes local readers will keep reading during the summer with the 2022 Summer Reading Program, "Oceans of Possibilities." The program is open to kids, teens and adults. Those in preschool through grade 5 can pick up a punch card in the Children's Room. Those who get 10 punches will be in a free book and goody bag. Those cards will then go into a drawing for prizes on July 1. For teens (grades 6-12) and adults, grab a Summer Bingo Card at the front desk and Bingo to win prizes through August 15. One teen and one adult will win an Amazon Fire tablet on August 15.

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Wellington-Greer Fire Department
FISH FRY Saturday, June 11
4-7 p.m.
Wellington Fire Station
\$10 per dinner
Fish, baked beans, slaw, potato salad, drink, dessert
Carry outs available. 50/50 Drawing.
Proceeds benefit the Department

College for Kids 2022
Day Camps
DACC - Hoopeston



June & July classes available

Open to all kids entering 3rd-8th grade
Class information, dates and registration
available at:
<https://dacchoopeston.coursetorm.com>
Printable registration form can be found at
<http://www.dacc.edu/hoopeston>

DACC Higher Learning Center - Hoopeston
847 E Orange St, Hoopeston
or call 217-283-4170

Obituaries

BRAY - John E. Bray peacefully left this world to be with his beloved wife Dorothy "Dot" Kammin and son Timmy on June 2nd at 2:15 p.m. at Carle Foundation Hospital, in Urbana.

John was born in Nancy, Kentucky on September 13, 1929 to the late Roscoe and Rowena Emerson Bray.

He faithfully served his country as a Sergeant First Class in the United States Army during the Korean War. One of his proudest accomplishments serving overseas was being a member of the Okinawa Island Championship Volleyball team. John proudly shared with his loved ones that his team went on to earn 3rd place in the final championship round out of 3 teams. He also prided himself on achieving the top shooting marksman on Okinawa. He was very proud to serve as a Drill Sergeant during his years of service.

When John returned home, he married Dorothy on September 18, 1954 in Rossville. John spent his entire life doing what he loved, farming. He used farming as a way to teach his children and grandchildren the values of hard-work and respect. When John wasn't in the field, you could find him fishing, hunting with his beloved coon hounds, golfing with his grandchildren, bird watching with his wife, tending to over 200 tomato plants, or spending time sharing life advice and stories with his loved ones. John never missed an opportunity to support his children, grandchildren, and family at sporting or academic events. John is remembered by his loved ones for being a soft-spoken gentleman filled with respect and love for



JOHN BRAY

others, hard-working, a caretaker, role model, and most importantly an amazing husband, father, grandpa, uncle, brother, and friend. The memories of John's stories, kindhearted personality, gleeful laugh, optimistic attitude, and his signature subtle wink continue to live on in the hearts of his loved ones.

John is preceded in death by his wife Dorothy Kammin Bray, son Timothy Bray, parents Roscoe and Rowena Bray, brother and friend Paul Bray, sisters and brothers-in-laws Delores & Jack Love, Euna & Robert Foster, and Martha Johnson.

John is survived by his sons John (Sandy) Bray of Hoopeston, Mike (Tina) Bray of Rossville, daughter Beth Ann (Curt) Knecht of Hoopeston, and daughter-in-law Jane (JD) Bray Comrie of Texas; two sisters-in-law, Sherry (Richard) Cole and Sandra (Jim) Hughes both of Danville, and one brother-in-law Larry (Sally) Kammin of Covington, Indiana. He is also survived by his beloved and adored grandchildren Johnny (Lindsey) Bray, Rae-Ann (Rob) Webster, Chad (Tiffany) Bruens, April Fowler, Sierra (Matt) Davis, Michael (Kristian) Bray, Matthew (Amber) Bray, Kraig Bray, and Daniel Bass.; several great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and some very special and dear friends whom he loved dearly.

Visitation will be 10 a.m. until the 11:30 a.m. celebration of John and Dorothy's life Saturday, June 11, 2022, at Blurton Funeral Home, Hoopeston, with Pastor Dan Mikel officiating. They will be laid to rest with full military honors conducted by the Hoopeston American Legion, at Jordan Cemetery in Pence, Ind. Memorials may

Oceans continued from other side

This week, for children in grades 4-8, It's "Curious George Discovers the Ocean" at the library from 1-2 p.m. For children ages 9-12, it will be "The Pier at the end of the World" from 2-3 p.m.

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

Weather

Decreasing clouds today. High 76. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 56. Tomorrow, showers likely, chance of thunderstorms late. High 77, low 56.

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be made to Hoopeston Multi Agency for veterans' assistance or to Hoopeston American Legion Funeral Honors Team. Blurton Funeral Home is in charge of the funeral arrangements. Condolences may be shared with the family on his everlasting memorial page at: www.BlurtonFuneralHomes.com.

MEANS - Jill Marie Means, 60, of Hoopeston, died at 7:29 a.m. Friday, June 3, 2022, at accolade Healthcare of

Paxton on Pells. Visitation will be 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. funeral Wednesday at Anderson funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to special Olympics, Attn: Web Gifts, 1133 29th St. NW, 12th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20036-3604 or to Work Source, 3713 N. Vermilion St., Danville IL 61832. Condolences may be shared at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

The City of Hoopeston is accepting applications for a full-time water department employee.

Requirements:

- Valid Driver's License
- Class B CDL with airbrake endorsement or ability to obtain one
- High School diploma or equivalent
- A positive attitude and willingness to learn
- Strong work ethic

Punctuality and attendance is important for this position. There is opportunity for advancement with the proper training and certification Applications are available at City Hall, 301 W Main St. or www.cityofhoopeston.com/employment

CITY OF HOOPESTON

Chief of Police

The City of Hoopeston is seeking candidates to fill the position of Chief of Police. Hoopeston is a community of 4,915 residents located at the junction of Illinois highways 1 and 9, approximately 100 miles south of Chicago. For more information about Hoopeston, visit our website at www.cityofhoopeston.com.

The City currently has 8 full time officers and is in the process of hiring 1 to 2 more full time officers.

Qualified candidates will have:

- 10 plus years of experience in municipal law enforcement
- Ability to lead coach, and train staff in a focused and effective manner
- Community oriented and able to maintain positive relationships with residents, schools, and the business community
- A degree in criminal justice or related field is desired
- Equivalent training or experience will be considered
- Excellent interpersonal/communication skills are essential

The City of Hoopeston is an EOE, offering a comprehensive wage and benefit package with a starting salary range of \$65,000 to \$70,000.

Candidates may submit a confidential reply to the City of Hoopeston; Administration Office, 301 W Main St. Hoopeston, IL 60942 or online to hoopestoncityjobs@cityofhoopeston.com

Submissions should include resume and cover letter.

First review of candidates will occur by Friday, June 17th, 2022

The Frederick Community Bank in Cissna Park is in need of a Customer Account Representative. Applicant must have skills interacting with customers, ability to handle various transactions accurately, and be part of a team environment. The position available may be part-time or full-time. If you are interested, please mail your resume to The Frederick Community Bank, PO Box 36, Cissna Park, IL 60924, or pick up an application from the receptionist in Cissna Park.

Aquility Solutions is looking for full-time delivery drivers skilled in efficiency, organization, and flexibility. Delivery Drivers will deliver bottled water and bagged salt to commercial and residential customers and must have knowledge or be willing to learn maintenance operations when not driving. Apply in person at 102 N 1st St. in Hoopeston or call us at 855-692-7824.

Seeking a bartender for weekdays and nights. Possibly a weekend day. Our hours are from 7a-7p. Must have a Bassett and Food handlers Cert within 30 days. Stop by Hubbard Trail Country Club or call 217-748-6521.

Silgan Containers is hiring for Press Line Mechanics. Please apply online at: silgancontainers.mua.hrdepartment.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/12464/0

Silgan Containers is hiring for an Electrician-Industrial/Maintenance position. Please apply online at: silgancontainers.mua.hrdepartment.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/12406/0

City of Hoopeston Police Department is taking applications for certified police officers/part time certification is recognized. Applications will be ongoing; no deadline applies for certified officers.

Full-Fill Industries in Henning is HIRING! Apply at www.full-fill.com/employmentopportunities Applications available onsite. EOE

East Lynn Fertilizer is seeking a full time applicator. Call 217-375-4225 or stop by 41284 S Main St., East Lynn, IL for more details.

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or call (217) 283-9348 to place your ad!

From the Blotter

Two Hoopeston men were arrested after police were called at 12:48 a.m. Sunday for a fight in progress at the Pump, 1023 W. Penn.

Joaquin A. Cardenas, 20, was charged with unlawful acts constituting disorderly conduct and was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Davion L. Colunga, 24, was mailed a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court on a charge of interference with police prohibited.