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By
BERTHA PARSONS

Be Joyful Always

My Mother was a wonder. She always made clear how she felt. You never had to ask. If you were blessed to have known my Mother, she loved you as a friend, with her whole heart! You were her friend for life! That's a lot of joy!

Most of her life she found joy, even in hard times. No husband, no money, no heat in the winter, we could not afford a Christmas tree, so Mother and I drew a tree on a large grocery bag and added ornaments and colored it beautifully and taped it to the wall where a Christmas could stand. It is one of the best Christmases I ever had with my Mother. She wrapped a pair of socks, one in each box so I would have more to open. I gave her a book about me I had made in school.

No matter where we lived, we found a church to attend. It didn't matter what religion it was, she said, "God is always there in every church." She made friends easily and shared her joyfulness and baked goods with everyone. We lived in St. Louis at a time when killings were rampant! Mother walked four blocks to school to meet me and we walked home together. She smiled all the time and we talked about our day and talked about tomorrow! We were joyful and happy. We had nothing really, but each other, which was all that mattered!

We laughed, we sang, and when we arrived home we shared a meal for one.

I learned very quickly that not having much meant we could get by joyfully with what we had! I never, ever, considered myself poor, even when we lived in two rooms and a bath with a coal stove we fed newspapers to keep us warm. We always had our love and lots of friends that helped us out when we needed it.

I learned that in everything we do we can find joy. Sure, it's not easy when something bad happens. Mother would say, "Well, it could have been worse!" Then we both laughed, even worse was joyful!

So let's quit looking for joy in all the wrong places. Let's think kind, good thoughts, let's help others when we see a need! Let's put a smile on someone's face when we cheerfully say. "Hello" or "Have a nice day". What a difference there will be in your life and others' when you are always joyful! It's just a matter of great importance to try and be joyful as much as you can and it really is all a state of mind... You and your mind wants and needs JOY.

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Briefly

Card shower

The family of Rick Nolin is having a birthday card shower. Rick will be 75 on August 26. Cards and notes of well wishes may be sent to him at:

Rick Nolin
910 Sprague Rd.
Hoopeston IL 60942

Women's get-together

Hoopeston Multi Agency would like to invite all ladies to join the Women's Morning Donut Group! They meet every Wednesday at 8:15 in the large room at the Multi Agency. Please come join us for some great donuts and wonderful company!

At the Library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include:
Everything left on the Hoopeston Public Library book

From the Blotter

Jordan Carswell, 36, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police were called at 9:05 p.m. Monday to the 1000 block of West Main after a 17-year-old girl reported a possible violation of an order of protection.

Carswell was located, charged with violating the order of protection and taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.



2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month

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Play starts at 7 p.m.

Must be 18 to enter. No outside food/drinks. Must play to stay.

sale is now FREE. Check out the adult and teen materials upstairs and the children's materials on the lower level.

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!

Adult Make & Take Craft Day, 1 p.m. Monday. Make Summer Sugar Scrub. Customize your scrub with color and fragrance from fresh local herbs and essential oils or leave plain for sensitive skin. Scrubs are main from pure cane sugar and a coconut/mineral oil blend. Call or stop in to sign up!

For more information on library programs, call (217) 283-6711 or visit 110 N. Fourth St.

Clothing Caravan coming to Hoopeston

Need clothes for back-to-school? Come join the Clothing Caravan from Fair Hope Children's Ministry. The caravan will be at the Girl Scout House in McFerren Park from 3-7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24.

Clothing sizes range from infant to teenager and will be available free to anyone.

Weather

Sunny today. High 82. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 60. Tomorrow, sunny. High 81, low 55.

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

Unger Property Online Auction

Auction ends with a soft close on Aug 15 @ 6 p.m. JD 4010, JD60, Flat Bed Trailer, Enclosed Trailer, Gain Wagons, Running Gears, Hay Rack. Lots of Tools, Farm Related Tools, Wood, Gates, Vintage Horse Drawn Items, Joan of Arc Shield Sign, Patio Furniture, Swing Set, Household Furniture, Firearms and ammo, Jewelry from the Store.

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Wednesday: Rib eye sandwich and Prime rib sandwich

Thursday: Swiss steak or Popcorn shrimp

Friday: Cod, Rib eye steak, and Rib dinners

Saturday: Prime Rib, Rib eye steak, and Rib dinners

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Saturday at 7 p.m. 3 games. \$25 per person.
50/50 and more. call 217-283-6505.

RUTLEDGE - Linda Kay Rutledge, 79, of Hoopeston, passed away at 2:40 p.m. Wednesday, August 3, 2022, at OSF Sacred Heart Medical Center in Danville. She was born September 15, 1942, in Watseka, the daughter of Glenn and Mildred (Ristow) Ashby.

She is survived by four daughters, Carolyn (Gus) Cullivan of Fowler, IN, Carla Rutledge of Hoopeston, Tammy Rutledge (Rick) of Oxford, IN, and Laurie Wooten (Bruce) of Hoopeston; three sisters, Lela Savage of Hoopeston, Joyce Wilken of Hoopeston and Connie Law of Hoopeston; nine grandchildren, Chris Rutledge, Amber Spielbauer, Joshua, Jonathan, Jeremy, Aaron, Brittney, Chelsea, and Courtney Rutledge; 11 great-grandchildren, Chloe, Adilyne, Haven, Odin, Kaden, Matthew, Grayden, Alydia, Sophia, Braxon, and Serenity; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Mick Rutledge; two grandsons, Derek and Dustin Rutledge; three sisters, Jean Breeding, Gloria Morefield, and Betty Gocking; and six brothers-in-law, Pete Breeding, Jr. Morefield, Bob Gocking, Elton Savage, Loren Wilken, and Tom Law.

Linda spent her life as a homemaker, caring for her family. She attended the Chestnut Street Church of Christ in Hoopeston. She enjoyed playing cards, especially euchre and loved her pets.

A visitation will be held 10 - 11 a.m. Friday, August 12,



LINDA RUTLEDGE

2022, at Anderson Funeral Home 427 E. Main St. Hoopeston. The funeral service will follow the visitation, beginning at 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home, with Pastor John Morris officiating. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery in Hoopeston.

Memorials may be made to the Hoopeston Animal Rescue Team (H.A.R.T.), 901 W. Main St. Hoopeston, IL 60942.

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

Anderson Funeral Home in Hoopeston is handling the arrangements.

DAVIDSON - Aaron Lee Davidson, 48, of Champaign, died July 22, 2022, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. A celebration of his life will be held from 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, at Rose Bowl Tavern, Urbana. Memorials are suggested to Urbana Free Library Foundation - Aaron Davidson Fund at urbanafreelibrary.org and click on "Donate." Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be shared at

www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

KNAUTH - Karl Phillip Knauth, 84, of rural Milford, died Saturday, Aug. 6, 2022, at home. Visitation will be 10 a.m. until the noon funeral Friday at Knapp Funeral Home, Watseka. Burial will be at a later date in Body Cemetery near Woodland. Memorials are suggested to American Cancer Society or Woodland Fire Department. Condolences may be left at www.knappfuneralhomes.com.

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Thank you,

Gail Lane,
City Clerk

Publication Dates:

Thursday, August 4, 2022

Wednesday, August 10, 2022

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