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Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for Lulu's place, a new guest house in Hoopeston. Pictured are, front from left, Brandi Totheroh, Sandy Lewis, Valarie Hinkle, Susan Comstock, Vanessa From, Nora Gholson, Chris Newman; back Gary Cade, Rusty Franklin, Chris Cade.

## Neighbors pitch in to welcome guest house to Chestnut St.

If the neighbors are willing to pitch in, you know they welcome a new business to their block.

Such was the case for Lulu's Place, a new guest house at 826 E. Chestnut, which was spearheaded by Susan Comstock.

Comstock's history with the house goes back more than 20 years. "I sold this house to Lu (Lula Lewis) 23 years ago," said Comstock, who sold real estate at the time. "I just loved her so much and since I name everything, it was the only name I wanted, just a little take on Lulu," she said, adding that Mrs. Lewis is now in a nursing home.

Comstock does not own the house. It is owned by Two

States Investments, LLC, an Indiana-based corporation. Tom O'Malley, formerly of Milford, is the registered agent for the corporation, which was formed in March.

Two States Investments "owns everything I'm involved with," Comstock said. That includes the Mil-INN in Milford, as well as Honeywell Apartments in Hoopeston.

The house was initially purchased as a rental, but because of the neighborhood, Comstock said she thought it would be better as a guest house. "It's a nice, quiet area with most people being (home) owners," she said.

Two neighbors, Gary Cade and Rusty Franklin, helped  
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# Iroquois County Sheriff’s Department seeks public’s help it curtailing growing trend of large underage drinking parties

WATSEKA—Iroquois County Sheriff’s Department is asking residents for help in curtailing large underage drinking parties in the county.

For the past several weeks, the Iroquois County Sheriff’s Office has received information and complaints

regarding large gatherings and underage drinking parties, according to a press release issued Wednesday morning. Youngsters use social media, such as SnapChat, Instagram, Facebook, etc., to send out digital flyers to a party.

Creators of the flyers then give a location, usually via GPS pindrops, to notify the group of the party’s location. Since the technology is virtually instantaneous, the group can be redirected to a new location easily if they believe law enforcement has become aware of it. Due to GPS, people can go to locations that would otherwise be unknown to non-local residents. Last summer, deputies came across a party on a rural Cissna Park road that had more than 300 people gathered. Approximately two weeks ago, a deputy on patrol came across a gathering on a rural Milford road that had more than 150 attendees. “These parties are taking place on weekday, as well as weekends and are occurring regularly,” the release said.

On August 6, ICSP received credible information that another gathering was going to be held in rural Gilman. Deputies patrolling the area came across vehicles from Henning, Westville, Rantoul, Bradley, Cullom, Frankfort, and other places. Deputies conducted several traffic stops leading to several arrests.

ICSP will strictly enforce the Illinois criminal and vehicle codes when coming across these gathering. Arrests will be made for drug possession, DUI, unlawful possession/consumption of alcohol, trespassing, if applicable,

and issue other citations and towing vehicles, when necessary. ICSP will partner with Illinois State Police and local police departments to control these gatherings. ICSP is committed to keeping citizens safe and roads safe, as well as their properties.

Anyone with information regarding future gatherings is asked to call (815) 432-4918. Callers may remain anonymous.

## Obituaries

**REEDER** - Hope M. (Feller) Reeder, 69, of Clay-tonville, died Monday, Aug. 8, 2022 at OSF Heart of Mary Medical Center, Urbana. Graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Maple Grove Cemetery, Milford. A celebration of her life will follow at the Life Church, Gilman. Memorials are suggested to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital or American Cancer Society. Arrangements are by Knapp Funeral Home, Milford. Condolences may be shared at [www.knappfuneralhomes.com](http://www.knappfuneralhomes.com).

## Death Notices

**VESTAL** - Robert Vestal, 76, of Kingman, IN, died at 3:05 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7, 2022, at his son’s home in Hoopeston. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

## From the Blotter

Jason R. Reyes, 34, of Milford, was arrested August 7 by Milford Police. He was charged with trespassing to real property, was taken to the Iroquois County Jail and released on bond.

## Court Dispositions

July 13

**Richard S. Hutton**, Hoopeston, appeared at status hearing for general nuisance in three cases, all dismissed by hearing officer.

**Kyle L. Justice**, failed to appear at status hearing for general nuisance, abatement order still in effect; status hearing August 10.

**Bailey E. Doyle**, Hoopeston, failed to appear at initial appearance for general nuisance, found guilty by default, fined \$180 plus 14 days to comply or an abatement order will be issued; status hearing August 10.

## Guest continued from other side

get the property in order. Needed work included bathroom renovations, new paint inside and paint and power washing outside, trees were trimmed and landscaping done.

There are few rules for the 2 bedroom guest house: no smoking. Small dogs are allowed, but no cats and guests are asked to be respectful of the neighborhood. There is a two-night minimum, as well.

While not officially opened then, Lulu’s Place had guests last week and even had newlyweds stay for their honeymoon, she said. An open house Saturday resulted in bookings for future stays, she said.

For more information on “Hoopeston’s newest home away from home,” Comstock may be reached at (217) 495-1620.

## Weather

Isolated showers, thunderstorms today. High 82. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 54. Tomorrow, sunny. High 79, low 56.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit [justthefacts.net/weather/](http://justthefacts.net/weather/).

## Classifieds

### HELP WANTED

Silver Brothers is looking for an experienced carpenter. Must have at least 5 years experience and provide references. Pay will be \$25+, depending on experience. Please pick up an application at the office, 105 E. Washington, Hoopeston.

Fall help wanted at United Prairie, 18979 E 2850 N Rd., Hoopeston. Call Jordan Reese, (217) 888-0164 (office) or (217) 918-2876 (cell).

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