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## Briefly

### Meetings

- Hoopeston Area School Board will meet in special session at 5 p.m. Wednesday in the district office conference room. They will immediately go into closed session to discuss a personnel matter.
- Hoopeston Police Committee, 2:30 p.m. Thursday, to discuss a new police car. Agenda and Zoom link at [www.cityofhoopeston.com](http://www.cityofhoopeston.com).

### Moms group to meet

Moms, come meet other moms and their children at 10 a.m. the first Friday of each month at the Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. For information, call/text Somer at (309) 242-5017.

## Fire Calls

Hoopeston fire and police departments were sent at 2:30 a.m. Thursday to Hoopeston Marathon, 714 W. Orange, for a grass fire. No injuries were reported.

Firemen were called at 2:13 p.m. Monday for a possible rekindling of the fire in the 1000 block of West Main. No injuries were reported.

## From the Blotter

Eric Couch, 33, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police checked with him at 2:08 a.m. Friday at South Sixth Ave. and West Main.

Wanted on two Ford County warrants, he was processed at the police station, then transferred to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await extradition.

Kaylynn L. Kruger, 34, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police were called at 10:59 p.m. Monday for an argument in the 600 block of East Thompson.

After speaking with those involved, including an unidentified man who had non-life threatening physical injuries, Krueger was charged with domestic battery, police said.

She was taken to the police station for processing, then taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

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# Bertha's C o r n e r

## Let's Party! Let's Laugh! Let's Be Happy!



By  
**BERTHA PARSONS**

No matter how hard things were, my Mother was always happy! She said, "Only you can truly make you happy." Don't count on a spouse, a child, friend or neighbor. All great people that you may like but they, too, are looking for "happy".

I loved having Tupperware parties as a dealer for nine years. I partied often. A party can be any kind, any time and any place. I learned that the fun and laughter was in the getting people together for the party!

Now it's been over a year since we were told not to party together. Forget it!

What we need is to laugh more, laugh at others, but carefully, laugh at ourselves. I do that almost daily. When laughing at others it is usually something they said or a silly action they did. I steer away from laughing at mistakes they have made, because I make plenty of mistakes that they could be laughing at and I would not like it at all.

Have you ever lost something: your keys, a picture, dress from your closet, your wallet? I've lost all of these items one time or another. When I found them, I couldn't stop laughing! One was in the refrigerator, another was found in the freezer, one was in the wrong closet and there's one I'm still looking for! Do you know where it is?

Laughter is the medicine that heals any illness, at least for half an hour or so. It can't help but make us happy! My Mother would start laughing at nothing. When asked "What is so funny?" the answer was always the same, "It just makes me feel good!" On this very day I can see her sitting at our table with all the family and she starts laughing. Guess what? Pretty soon we are all laughing at who knows what or why! Boy, it makes us feel great!

Then comes the party. Any day you can make a party, sure birthday, anniversary, easy peasy! How about a backwards party, wear an item backwards. A PJ party, all guests wear PJs, a gown, whatever they sleep in. A crazy outfit party! Laughing and crazy kinda go together!

Happy just shows up and before you know it, here comes laughter, so hard you think you might be sick! No, it's just joy spilling out into your world!

So let's party, laugh and be happy! It's all up to us! We can do it!



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## Obituaries

**MERSHON** - Lois Joan Mershon, 90, of Hoopeston, passed away at 7:34 P.M. Saturday November 26, 2022, at her home. She was born September 19, 1932, in Springfield, OH, the daughter of John and Sarah (Ryder) Kramer. She married Rev. Lewis E. Mershon Jr. on August 30, 1949, in Richmond, IN. He preceded her in death.

She is survived by two sons, Keith (Elizabeth) Mershon of Danville, IN and Greg (Lori) Mershon of Rossville; one sister, Bobbie Paul of Dayton, OH; five grandchildren, Haley Wilson, Gage Wilson, Alex (Laura) Mershon, Casey (Michaela) Mershon, and Seth (Shellee) Mershon; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; and one sister, Jean Strome.

Lois worked for Olan Mills Photography and then became a beautician. She later worked as a cook at the Hoopeston Hospital cafeteria, until her retirement. She was a member of the Hoopeston First Church of God where she was very active working with children, helping with AWANA, and VBS. She was also a prayer warrior and she and her husband held a weekly prayer group at their home. Lois was a graduate of Mr. Magic Clown School and loved bringing joy to others as Lodie Jody the clown. She also enjoyed reading, collecting bells and clowns, and helping her husband minister to others.

A visitation will be held 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Thursday, December 1, 2022, at the Hoopeston First Church of God, 1004 E. Orange St., Hoopeston. The funeral service will follow, beginning at 1 p.m. Thursday at the church, with Pastor Micah Mobley officiating. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery in Hoopeston.

## Court Dispositions

**October 12**

**Johnny R. Arnett**, Georgetown, failed to appear at initial appearance for battery, found guilty by default, fined \$280; status hearing November 9.

**DSV SPV3 LLC**, Columbia, failed to appear at status hearing for International Property Maintenance Code violation, abatement order still in effect; status hearing November 9.

## Weather

Sunny, breezy today. High 32. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 19. Tomorrow, sunny. High 35, low 27.

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

Memorials may be made to the Hoopeston First Church of God Awana Program, P.O. Box 333, Hoopeston, IL 60942.

Please visit [www.anderson-funeral-home.com](http://www.anderson-funeral-home.com) to view Lois' eternal tribute page and to send the family condolences.

Anderson Funeral Home in Hoopeston is handling the arrangements.

## Classifieds

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First Christian Church has immediate opening for a secretary, Tuesday-Thursday 8 am-noon. Send a Resume to FCC, PO Box 115, Hoopeston, IL. 60942

Fast Lanes is looking for a breakfast waitress. Apply in person. No phone calls.

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.

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