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Two city incumbents file on first day; filing ends Monday

Two incumbent Hoopeston officials filed notices to seek reelection on the first day candidates could turn in petitions for the April 4, 2023 election.

Mayor Jeff Wise and Ward III Alderman Joe Garrett filed Monday, said City Clerk Gail Lane.

Petitions will be accepted through Monday, Dec. 19. Lane will be in the office from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. December 14, 16 and 19. Candidates unable to file their during those hours may go to city hall and have someone in the administrative office contact her to come in.

While candidates are already filing, it is not too late for others to run. "Packets are still available for anybody who wants to run for office," Lane said.

Seats that are up for election include:

- Mayor: two-year term, to fill the unexpired term of

former Mayor Bill Crusinberry

- Ward I Alderman: four-year term, currently held by Stephen Eyrich
- Ward II Alderman, four-year term currently held by Carl Ankenbrand
- Ward III Alderman, two-year term currently held by Jesse Gonzalez; four-year term currently held by Joe Garrett
- Ward IV Alderman, four-year term, currently held by Robin Lawson

Rossville Village Clerk Chris White is also accepting election petitions through Monday. Village office hours are 8:30 a.m.-noon and 12:30-5 p.m.

Positions available include three four-year trustee seats and one two-year seat.

Tickets still available for Iroquois County Christmas Cantata

Donations to go to Iroquois Hospice

There are still reserved tickets available for those who want to attend one of four presentations of the 2022 Iroquois County Christmas Cantata - "Hope of the Broken World."

To reserve tickets for a presentation, call 779-235-0094. Callers will listen to a message which details the information needed reserve seating. Please speak clearly as you leave your name, a phone number (and whether you need a phone call or text confirmation), the date and time of the presentation you want to attend, and the number of seats you need to reserve.

Presentations are set for 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18; 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20, and 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 23. All presentations take place at First Christian/Living Hope Church, 546 N. Sixth, Watseka.

This is the 46th presentation whose members represent 22 churches and 14 communities.

This year's musical was written by Dave Clark and David T. Clydesdale and will feature some of Iroquois and Kankakee county's finest voices. There is a junior

choir, "Joyful Noyz," directed by Jessica Fehland and Abby Perzee will lead a singing choir.

This year's soloists will be Kena Clark of Milford, Jayne Henrichs and Calley Kaeb of Cissna Park, Jordyn Ward of Kankakee, and Earl Kroll, Faith Aaron, Payton Anderson, Gary Cahoe, Kassidy Crabtree and Mendi Wolfe, all of Watseka. Vocal ensembles will be by Dale Weaver of Bourbonnais, Deb Monk of Gilman, David Nagele of Sheldon, Larry Buess of Lafayette, Ind., and Reagan and Samantha Gooding, Kimra Anderson, Jani Massey and Jeff Peterson, all of Watseka.

Piano prelude and recessionals will be performed by Anna Parmenter, Kelsey Gioja and Mitchell Galyen of Watseka. Cathy Shide, Milford, has created the multimedia presentation for "Hope of the Broken World" and narrators will be Erik and Sally Parmenter of Watseka.

There is no charge to attend the presentations; however, a freewill offering is taken at each presentation, which the cantata then donates to a worthy Iroquois County organization. This year's recipient will be the Iroquois

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Obituaries

FOWLER - Donna Jean (McGee) Fowler, 83, of Hoopeston, passed away at 10:10 a.m. Saturday, December 10, 2022, at Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana. She was born May 8, 1939, in Danville, the daughter of Benjamin and Frances (Ray) McGee. She married George Harold Fowler on October 1, 1960, at St Anthony Catholic Church in Hoopeston. He survives in Hoopeston.

She is also survived by three sons, John Benjamin (Dawn) Fowler of Huntington, IN, Jason Daniel (Nina) Fowler of Chicago, and Justin George (Ginger) Fowler of Grand Rapids, MI; one brother, William "Bill" (Susan) McGee of Hoopeston; four grandchildren, Zoey, Logan, Graham, and Georgia Fowler; and five nieces and nephews, Chris McGee (Jennie Miskec), Kelly McGee (John Baker), Carol Baldus, Joe (Shirley) Sears, and Tommy Kellam.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Mary McGee.

Donna graduated in the Class of '57 from Hoopeston High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society. After marrying her husband, George, she became a homemaker, caring for her family. She

attended the First Church of God in Hoopeston. Donna enjoyed reading, working crossword puzzles, and watching the Chicago Cubs and Fighting Illini.

A visitation will be held 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Thursday, December 15, 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 Pastor Carlos Sanchez officiating. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery in Hoopeston.

Memorials may be made to the Danville Cancer Center, 806 N. Logan Ave, Danville, IL 61832.

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.

ST. PETER - Martha Mildred (Zabel) St. Peter, 92, of Cissna Park, formerly of Watseka, died Sunday, Dec. 11, 2022, at home. She was cremated and burial will be held at a later date in Danville National Cemetery. Baier Funeral Home, Watseka, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be shared at www.bailerfuneralhome.com.

Briefly

Church to present Christmas play

Hoopeston Community Church of the Nazarene will present a Christmas play, "The Old Lamplighter" at 5 pm, Sunday, Dec. 18 at the church, 402 E. Honeywell.

The public is invited to attend this free program of holiday music with a meaningful message of the Reason for the Season. There will be a time of refreshments and fellowship after the service.

Music service

Chestnut Street Church has started up its evening music service again. It will be held at 6 p.m. the third Sunday of each month. Everyone is invited.

Community blood drive

The American Red Cross is urging people to "Shake Up Your Holiday Tradition - Give Blood."

A Hoopeston blood drive will be held from noon-4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30 at First Presbyterian Church

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Memorial Hospital Hospice Memorial Fund. La-Zann Yana, volunteer and outreach coordinator, said, "IMH Hospice is a non-profit and has been caring for patients and their families for over 26 years! All donations go into a memorial fund which is used for family/patient's needs. No patient is denied service due to inability to pay, thanks to donations to the IMH Hospice Memorial Fund."

Weather

Breezy, rain today. High 52. Tonight, rain, then chance of showers. Low 33. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 49, low 27.

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Hoopeston Police Department is accepting applications until December 31, 2022 for a full time Dispatcher. Applications are available at City Hall, 301 W. Main St., or online at www.cityofhoopeston.com.

Fast Lanes looking for weekend Breakfast waitress and cooks. May lead into other days or nights! We also need night waitresses. MUST be available for weekend shifts. Experience helpful! Stop in and get an application! No phone calls/FB messages.

Hoopeston Public Library is seeking a dependable individual to shovel and salt sidewalks this winter. Must be able and available to keep walks clear for library operating hours, 10-6, Monday-Friday, and 10-3, Saturdays. Contact Library Director Tricia Freeland, 217-283-6711.

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

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.

Cade's Heating and Air seeks a HVAC service/ installer tech. IL DR license required and Freon license preferred. Must have mechanical ability. HVAC experience preferred. send resume to: ramcade@frontier.com:101 E Penn St. Hoopeston, Starting pay based on experience.

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