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Blood drives to honor longtime FFA supporter battling cancer
 Two blood drives are being held in Hoopeston in honor of an area resident battling leukemia. Dave Anderson, a longtime supporter of Hoopeston Area FFA, is currently going through a significant health battle with cancer and some additional complications, said Elizabeth Silver, who worked to get the word out about the drives. See BLOOD on other side



Photo submitted
Let me be your Valentine
 Chapin Rose, state Senator for Illinois' 51st District, visits with Heritage Health residents on February 13. Rose was accompanied by Larry Baughn, Vermilion County Board chairman on the visit. They dropped off Valentines to the residents and spread some Valentine love.

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From the Blotter

Hoopeston Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident reported at 5:48 p.m. Thursday in the 500 block of South Sixth Ave. Police said an unknown vehicle struck a 2022 Toyota Corolla which had been parked by Gabrielle S. Sigerill, 34, of Hoopeston.

A **hit-and-run** accident reported at 5:43 a.m.

Thursday at South First Ave. and West Penn after being notified of a pole and wires down in the area. The incident is under investigation.

Gerardo Arce, 42, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police tried to stop him at 11:17 p.m. Friday while he was on a bicycle without lights. Police allege Arce failed

to stop and was apprehended at South Sixth Ave. and West Washington.

Arce was charged with possession of methampheta-

mine, resisting arrest and obstructing a peace officer. He was processed at the police station, then taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Lunch Menus

Maple/John Greer

MONDAY: Mini corn dogs, baked beans, cucumber slices, applesauce, milk

TUESDAY: BBQ rib/bun, fries, baby carrots, pineapple, milk

WEDNESDAY: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, bread & butter, celery sticks, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Max Sticks, marinara sauce, baby carrots, salad, pineapple, milk

FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun, chips, Veggy Juice, apple slices, milk

Hoopeston Area Middle School

MONDAY: Chicken wraps, green beans, salad,

Briefly

P.E.P. Party

Hoopeston United Methodist Church will hold its monthly People Enjoying People potluck party at 5 p.m. Monday at the church, 403 E. Main St.

Main dish, drinks and table service provided. Those who want to bring a side dish or dessert to share are welcome to do so.

There is no cost. All are welcome to come.

Koffee & Konversation

Hoopeston Methodist Church will hold Koffee & Konversation at 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Free coffee, sweets and conversation. All are welcome!

At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include:

Littles @ the Library, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Pre-school story, craft and playtime for children from birth to age 5 and their caregivers.

Coffee, Craft & Conversation 10 a.m.-noon Wednesdays. Crochet, knit, sew and other needlecraft, along with those who do other portable handcrafts are inviting to bring their projects and enjoy a morning of fun and conversation!

applesauce, milk

TUESDAY: Pancake & sausage, hash brown, veggies, mandarin orange, milk

WEDNESDAY: Fettuccini, Max Stick, salad, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Taco Max Snax, refried beans, chips & salsa, veggies, peaches, milk

FRIDAY: Pizza, salad, mixed fruit, milk

Hoopeston Area High School

MONDAY: Chicken wraps or ham & cheese, green beans, salad bar, applesauce, milk, juice

TUESDAY: Pancake & sausage or calzone, hash brown, salad bar, mandarin orange, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Fettuccini or BBQ rib/bun, Max Stick, salad bar, pears, milk, juice

THURSDAY: Taco Max Snax or cheeseburger, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad bar, peaches, milk, juice

FRIDAY: Pizza or fish sandwich, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk, juice

Blood continued from other side

Hoopeston Area FFA Alumni wanted to honor Anderson for his long association with the FFA program and also help him in his battle.

Additionally, Hoopeston Area High School had also scheduled a blood drive for staff and students. After learning of the drive to benefit Anderson, the school decided to use its drive to honor Anderson, as well, and open it up to the public.

The community drive will be held from 12:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 28, at the First Church of God fellowship hall, 1004 E. Orange St., Hoopeston. Masks are optional, appointments are required. Few walk-in slots will be available.

To schedule an appointment, contact Silver at Elizabeth.silver@carle.com or go online to bloodcenter.org and use code #70609.

Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 7:17 a.m. Friday to the Scott Dr. area for a strong burning smell in a home.. An electrical heating system mal-

Fire Calls

functioned . The electricity was turned off and the owner advised to have it checked. No injuries were reported.

The department was called at 3:59 a.m. Saturday to Heritage Health for a carbon monoxide alarm. No injuries were reported at the time of the call.

Obituaries

LOWE - Lorie Lynn (Brotherton) Lowe, 54, of Plainfield Ind, formerly of Hoopeston, died at 11:38 a.m. Sunday, February 19, 2023, at Hendricks Regional Health in Danville, Ind. She will be cremated. Visitation will be 1-3 p.m. CST Wednesday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 6704, Hagerstown MD 21741 or Hoopeston Animal Rescue Team (HART) 901 W. Main St., Hoopeston IL 60942. Condolences may be shared at www.anderson-funeral-home.com

WEST - Karol Sue (Cox) West, 58 of Rossville, died at 6:39 p.m. Wednesday, February 22, 2023, at Carle Foundation Hospital Urbana. She will be cremated and services held at a later date. Memorials are suggested to Hoopeston Animal Rescue Team (HART) 901 W. Main St., Hoopeston IL 60942 or the National Kidney Foundation, 30 East 33rd St. New York, NY 10016. Condolences may be shared at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

The Hoopeston Area High School drive will be held from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday, March 1 at the school, 615 E. Orange. Appointments are required to donate. Donors must enter the school at the library doors behind the school.

Available appointment times can be found at bloodcenter.org.

Donor eligibility guidelines are available at bloodcenter.org/donate.

Weather

WIND ADVISORY through 6 p.m. Monday. Breezy, showers today. High 55. Tonight, cloudy, breezy. Low 35. Tomorrow, sunny. High 51, low 41.

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