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Master gardener to speak on attracting butterflies at HPL program

Is there anything more enjoyable and relaxing on a summer day than watching butterflies fluttering among flowers in a garden?

Pritzker signs law mandating 40 hours' paid time off for workers, to be used for any reason

CHICAGO—Gov. JB Pritzker on Monday signed a law making Illinois the third state in the nation, and the first in the Midwest, to mandate paid time off to be used for any reason. The law provides employees with up to 40 hours of paid leave during a 12-month period, meaning approximately 1.5 million workers will begin earning paid time off starting in 2024.

"Working families face so many challenges, and it's been my mission to alleviate those burdens in every way I can," Pritzker said. "Employers benefit from allowing employees to tend to the urgent personal matters of their lives. Workers' productivity increases, and they often gain greater passion for their job when they can manage the stresses they face outside work. I'm exceptionally proud that labor and business came together to recognize the value of this requirement to employees and employers alike."

Under existing law, workers are not guaranteed pay when taking time off for sick leave, childcare, mental health reasons, medical appointments, vacation, or any other reason. Starting March 31, 2024, or 90 days following the start of employment, workers can begin using their earned time off for any reason without the requirement of providing documentation to their employer under the Paid Leave for Workers Act.

The law will apply to every employee working for an employer in Illinois, including domestic workers, but does exclude independent contractors. The law will also exempt employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement in the construction industry and parcel deliv-

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For those who would like to attract more butterflies to their gardens, Hoopeston Public Library is offering a free program to find out how.

Mary Dickinson, from the Ford-Iroquois Master Gardeners, will present the program at 1 p.m. Monday, April 17, at the library.

Participants will learn the best annuals, perennials and herbs to attract butterflies to their gardens.

Preregistration is recommended and may be done by calling (217) 283-6711 or stopping by the library, 110 N. Fourth St.

There will be giveaways for all who attend. Be one of the first 10 people to sign up and you could win a free plant to take home!

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Farm & Home Safety Day
Sponsored by Carle Center for Rural Health and Farm Safety, Hoopeston FFA and FFA Alumni Association.

March 18, 2023
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
McFerren Park Civic Center

5 Interactive Safety Exhibits
Rural Safety Informational Displays
Free Lunch provided by Hoopeston FFA Alumni

Center for Rural Health and Farm Safety

Obituaries

CROUCH - Janet Lavonne (McVicker) Crouch, 88, of Hoopeston, Janet L Crouch passed away peacefully at home on March 10, 2023. Janet married Kenneth Crouch in 1955, he preceded her in death.

Janet is survived by three daughters: Krista Crouch of New Mexico, Julee (Paul) Stelmazsek of Arizona and Lorie (Carl) Dixon, of Florida. Janet has three sisters and one brother: Donna Field of Hoopeston, Nancy (Bill) Crose of Hoopeston, Diane McVicker of Colorado, Kenny (Barb) McVicker of Hoopeston. Nancy Crose preceded her in death.

Janet has four grandchildren: Sarah Tucker, Michael (Angie) Neal, Brennan Thompson, all in Arizona, and Bradley (Ashley) Arnold of Florida. Janet also has five great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Janet worked for the Multi Agency in Hoopeston for several years, and also at Mid-Continent Coal Mine in Carbondale for over 10 years.

Janet enjoyed spending time with her girls and grandkids, gardening and working crossword puzzles.

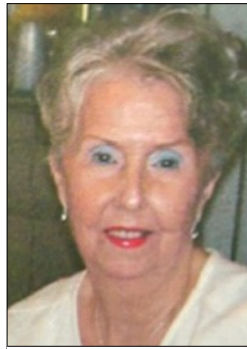
Per her wishes she will be cremated, and no services will be held.

ANDERSON - Donna Kay (Jaynes) Anderson, 78, of Danville, died at 2:15 a.m. Friday, March 10, 2023, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Wednesday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. The funeral will be held at 12 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will follow in Johnson Cemetery, Danville. Memorials are suggested to the American Heart Association, PO Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692; Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601; or to the donor's choice. Condolences may be shared at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

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ery industry.

Under the law, paid leave shall accrue at the rate of one hour for every 40 hours worked. Employees will be paid their full wage while on leave and tipped workers will be paid the minimum wage in their respective locale. An employer cannot require an employee to find their replacement for the leave.



JANET CROUCH

Briefly

Grave clean-up

It is time to get Floral Hill Cemetery ready for Spring. All winter grave decorations must be removed by Wednesday, March 22, 2023. Decorations that are not removed by the deadline will be removed by cemetery staff.

HMA activities

Women's Morning Donut Group meets at 8:15 a.m. every Wednesday in the large room at Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. Come join us!

Card group meets Wednesday for euchre starting 12:30.

For more information on Multi Agency programs, call (217) 283-5544 or stop by 206 S. First Ave.

Breast cancer support

Hoopeston Breast Cancer Support group meets the third Thursday of each month at The Pit Stop at Fast Lanes Bowling Alley. The next meeting will be March 16. Please spread the word and join us for a meeting to offer support to past and present breast cancer survivors.

For more information, call Pat Foster, (815) 984-

Court Dispositions

February 8

Mayra Parades, Hoopeston, failed to appear at initial appearance for general nuisance, found guilty by default, received court costs only of \$80; status hearing March 8.

Tristen L. Baker, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing for general nuisance, default entered and abatement order for \$100 per day issued; status hearing March 8.

Joshua E. Lane, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing for general nuisance, default entered and abatement order for \$100 per day issued; status hearing March 8.

Larry E. Sutton, Hoopeston, appeared at status hearing for general nuisance. He complied and was fined \$80 in court costs only; status hearing March 8.

Weather

Sunny today. High 49. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 38. Tomorrow, chance of rain, rain/breezy late. High 49, low 36.

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

4040 or (309) 208-9829.

Bulk garbage day

Bulk garbage day, for Hoopeston residents only, will be held from 7:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday at Hoopeston City Hall parking lot.

Residents are limited to one load per bulk day and must unload their own load or bring some-one to help.

Dumping of electronics, appliances, paint, liquids, tires, batteries, yard waste, construction/demolition material or anything that fits in the provided blue totes is not allowed. Items from apartments with a dumpster will not be allowed and items from businesses and contractors will not be permitted.

At the Library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include:

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 con-

versation!

Kids' STEAM Lab, 3:30 p.m. Thursday This week: Color science. Build a spectroscope.

Tree Climbers genealogy group, 10:30 a.m. Saturday. For novice and expert genealogists!

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

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Greene Galvanized Stairs is accepting applications for a full-time production position. Fabrication and/or order fulfillment experience is a plus. Send resume to PO Box 191, East Lynn IL 60932 or jobs@greenebinsstairs.com.

City of Hoopeston Parks Department is accepting applications for dependable seasonal employees. Candidates must have a valid Driver's License and the ability to operate a lawn mower and other lawn equipment. You may apply for the position at cityofhoopeston.com/employment/ or at the City Hall Administration Office, 301 W Main St. Questions, please call 217-283-5833.

Needed CDL drivers and general labor for spring help at United Prairie-Hoopeston. Please call Jordan Reese/Manager 217/918-2876 or office 217/888-1064

Silgan Containers is hiring a Maintenance Machinist/Tool & Die Maker. Please apply online at : silgancontainers.mua.hrdepartment.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/13492/0/15

Full-Fill Industries in Henning is hiring Machine Operators, \$18/hr. Apply at www.full-fill.com. Applications available onsite. EOE

The Vermilion Housing Authority in Hoopeston is hiring a Maintenance Mechanic, starting pay \$20/hr. Applications available online at www.vermilionhousing.com.

Silgan Containers is hiring Press Operators. Please apply online

at: silgancontainers.mua.hrdepartment.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/13375

Silgan Containers is hiring Press Line Mechanics. Please apply online at: silgancontainers.mua.hrdepartment.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/13293

Silgan Containers is hiring an Electrician – Industrial/Maintenance Technician. Please apply online at: silgancontainers.mua.hrdepartment.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/13392

City of Hoopeston Police Department is taking applications for certified police officers/part time certification is recognized. Applications 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.

NOTICES

The City of Hoopeston Water Department is accepting sealed bids for a 2003 Chevrolet 4 Wheel Drive Pickup Truck. The truck can be viewed in the alley by the water treatment plant, 420 W Penn St., near the water tower. Bid specs are available at City Hall, 301 W Main St. Sealed bids are due at City Hall on Friday, March 31, 2023 by 10:00 AM and will be opened at 10:00 AM on Friday, March 31, 2023 at City Hall. You may contact City Hall at 217-283-5833 with any questions. The City of Hoopeston reserves the right to reject any and all bids.