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**60 Years of Marriage. What's with that?**

When we married 60 years ago, we had no idea what we were getting into! We loved being together, holding hands, as we enjoyed Friday and Saturday dates, usually with a show, then burger and fries at Paxton's drive-in.

What keeps two "young like" grownups madly in love with each other? That's \$64,000 question. (Oh what I could do with that money, Ha Ha) It starts with a date, a hug, a kiss, holding hands. It takes patience and time to get to know each other, what we like to eat, how we like to dress, what upsets us and what makes us happy! Several factors had to be considered to build a relationship that would last indefinitely!

**Patience:** What's that got to do with it? Perhaps the most difficult thing in marriage is to practice patience! When we wish the other person would listen more and try things my way! We learn to be patient when things do not go well. However, patience is a two-way street. You do not walk it alone. You have to work together or run into each other.

**Understanding:** What's that got to do with it? How understanding can one be when the other person is messing things up? What should I do to better understand the other's point of view? We can learn to listen with an open mind and understand we all have some good

ideas and not so good ideas. Nothing wrong with either!

**Fun:** What's that got to do with it? Every marriage should have some fun, laughter, even silliness! I know in our marriage, we certainly have lots of fun and silliness. I'm not sure if we laugh more at ourselves or each other! Just the other day we were both laughing over something, I'm not even sure what, but when we stopped Marty said, "How great after all these years we still find each other funny and laugh with and at each other!" (Can you hear the laughter and see our silly faces?)

**Love:** What's that got to do with it? Love has everything to do with it! Love holds the two of you together, no matter good days or bad days. Happy or sad love is always the answer. We need patience, understanding, fun, hugs and kisses to have a full life. However, to survive we should, we must have love!

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**Crose takes fourth in 60m dash, 15<sup>th</sup> in 200m, at state meet**

Hoopeston Area senior Brielle Crose placed fourth in the 60 meter dash last weekend at a state track meet. She also finished 15th in the 200 meter dash, said Coach Erika Seidel.

Crose's showings come despite only having one indoor track meet this season, Seidel said. The team was only able to participate in one indoor meet because there are many teams but only a handful of indoor track facilities in the area, she said.

Only the top athletes in each event were scheduled to compete in event, hosted by Illinois Wesleyan in Bloomington and put on by First to the Finish, an online sports store. The meet is considered "unofficial" since it is not technically run by the Illinois High School Association

(IHSA).

Crose, a two-time outdoor track and field state qualifier, is now gearing up for her outdoor season.



Photo submitted  
Brielle Crose, center, flanked by Hoopeston Area track coaches Ron Cade and Erika Seidel.

**Hoopeston Masonic Lodge 709**  
**Spring Breakfast**  
6-10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 1  
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- Tuesdays: Broccoli Cheese & Chicken / Wild Rice**
- Wednesdays: Baked Potato & French Onion**
- Thursdays: Broccoli Cheese & Buffalo Chicken**
- Fridays: Baked Potato & Chicken / Sausage Gumbo**
- Saturdays: Broccoli Cheese & Chicken / Wild Rice**



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**Hours:**  
**Mon.-Thurs. 6 a.m.-8 p.m.**  
**Fri.-Sat. 6 a.m.-10 p.m.**  
**Sunday 8 a.m.-2 p.m.**

## Briefly

### Church holding fundraisers

Milford Christian Church will hold a garage sale Friday and Saturday from 7-10 a.m. and a pancake and sausage breakfast from 7-10 Saturday, both at the church on the east side of Milford on Rt. 18.

All proceeds will benefit international disaster emergency services to feed the hungry world.

Cash only, no large bills accepted.

### Easter egg hunt

Wellington Area Easter Egg Hunt will be held at 10

a.m. Saturday at the Wellington Park Shelter. All kids are welcome! The event is sponsored by Prairie Green Church of Christ and Wellington United Methodist Church.

## Obituaries

**BEHIMER** - Jeffrey James Behimer, 64, of Potomac, died at 9:27 a.m. Friday, March 24, 2023, at Gilman Healthcare, Gilman. He will be cremated and private family services will be held at a later date. He will be buried in Potomac Cemetery. Blurton Funeral Home, Potomac, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be shared at [www.blurtonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.blurtonfuneralhomes.com).

## Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 57. Tonight, partly cloudy, showers, breezy. Low 50. Tomorrow, breezy, showers likely, then thunderstorms. High 63, low 35.

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

**Hoopeston Jaycees**  
**TRIVIA NIGHT**  
**Friday, March 31 6:30-8 p.m.**  
**The Legion**  
 502 E. Main St., Hoopeston  
*A fundraiser for HAHS Post Prom*  
 Food service available 5-10 p.m.  
 All food sale proceeds will be donated to Post Prom



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### NOTICES

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