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Hoopeston Area High School graduates 67 students in Class of 2023 commencement exercise

Sixty-seven students were graduated from Hoopeston Area High School during the school's 145th commencement exercise Saturday on Glenn Brasel Field. Graduates and guests had a beautiful day for the event, with a comfortable 62 degrees and sunny skies. A slight breeze gust-ed at times, causing hair and tassels to sway.

The school band started the event with the prelude, pro-cessional and National Anthem, followed by welcome remarks from Principal John Klaber. Elizabeth Gaytan gave the salutatorian's address, followed by reflections from class officers Emma Rayls, Meghan Simpson and Tobi West.

After board President Dave McFadden recognized dis-trict retirees, the audience heard thoughts from each of the four valedictorians: Waylon Lee, Meghan Simpson, Em-ma Rayls and Klaire Pilcher.

Following the presentation of the class for diplomas by Klaber, senior class officers led the tassel ceremony. The event ended with the recession by the high school band.

Graduating members of the class of 2023 include:

Brian Michael Armstrong

*+ Alexa Rae Bailey

Angelina Del Carmen Barreto

Brea Ray Boyer

Cody Lee Boyer

*+ Lacie Lynn Breymeyer

* Coda Jay Brotherton

Cohen MichaelBrown

Alexa Grace Burke

Kaira RaeAnn Burks

David Hunter Cannon

ChiAyden Inteus Cipra

Karleigh Joy Collom

MakhiaDa NaeColunga

*+ Brielle Madison Crose

Chloe Alexandria Deck

Avery Nicole Dixon

Leilani Drea

ConnorDavid Fink

Ulysses Garcia

* Elizabeth Gaytan

Brady Michael Goebel

Caldwell

Jawzlynn Rene Grant

Jayden Mikel Griffin

Chloe Elizabeth Grills

Ethan James Harding

Dylan James Hoopingarner

Aleigha Jo Inman

Pandora Jynx Jerome

* Owen Bradley Johnson

* Gabriel Taj Koka Joneikis

Christian Thomas Kirts

Joshua Cole Koester

Logan Dean Kruse

Macey Marie Lane

Joseph Mark Lantz Jr.

*+ Waylon Barrett Lee

William Chase Lind

* Julian Jacob Christian Mc-

Kelvey

Leslie Medina Alvarado

Joshua Adam Merhley

See 2023 on other side



Tobi West, above left, accepts her diploma from board President Dave McFadden. Also pictured is guidance counselor Luke Lawson. Waylon Lee, right, gives his valedictorian address at Saturday's Hoopeston Area High School commencement exercises, as assistant principal Kim Hutzel looks on.

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Obituaries

WARNER - Willa Charlene Warner, 78, of Hoopeston, passed away at 6:26 p.m. Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at Hawthorn Inn of Danville. She was born July 2, 1944, in Danville, the daughter of William and Alice (Russell) Mullins. She married Paul Leslie Warner on December 11, 1982, in Danville. He preceded her in death on November 10, 2010.

She is survived by two daughters, Kim (Mike) Warner of Hoopeston, and Joy (Wayne) Wilson of Glasgow, KY; one son, Terry Elliott of Cayuga, IN; 10 grandchildren, Jason Fairchild, Linsey Warner, Brandi Warner, Coty Elliott, Justin Warn-



CHARLENE WARNER

er, Megan Poteet, Brandon Elliott, James Wilson, Conner Wilson, and Maggie Wilson; five great-grandchildren, Kenyon Montez, Willa Martinez, and Gracelynn, Addie and Aiden Poteet; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Jody King; and one brother, Wayne Sergeant.

Charlene worked at Pamida and later at Dollar General. She attended New Beginnings of Hoopeston. She enjoyed working in her yard, reading entertainment magazines, and working crossword puzzles. Most of all, Charlene loved her family.

A visitation will be held 2 - 4 p.m. Monday, May 22, 2023, at Anderson Funeral Home 427 E. Main St. Hoopeston. The funeral service will follow the visitation,

2023 continued from other side

- Melody Deloris Miller
- Riley Jo Miller
- Landin William Lee Mills
- Thomas Michael Moore
- * Grant Richard Franklin Morgan
- *+ Brooklyn Marie Nelson
- Meegan Lynn Marie Nogle
- *+ Natalie Laselle Palomo
- Faith Naomi Penley
- *+ Klaire Elyse Pilcher
- *+ Emma Kristine Rayls
- * Javier Omar Salazar
- * Mackenzie Brooklyn Shields
- Cael Daniel Simpson
- *+ Meghan Nicole Simpson
- *+ Valerie Rose Simpson
- *+ Otto Donald Smith
- Jasmine Shai Sokolinski
- Laiton Allen Staley
- Kaijsa Damaris Atalia Torres
- Preston Scott VanDeVeer
- * Logan Rylee Watson
- Chloe Joyce Weber
- *+ Tobi Christine West
- * Anthony Zamora
- *+ Cameron Riley Zorns
- + *Member of National Honor Society - Alice Blue Cord*
- * *Student Honor Cords after 7 Semesters:*
 - Summa Cum Laude - Gold Cord - Over 4.00 GPA*
 - Magna Cum Laude - Silver Cord - 4.00 - 3.70 GPA*
 - Cum Laude - Bronze Cord - 3.69 - 3.25 GPA*

beginning at 4 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home. Following the service, she will be cremated, and a private family burial will be held.

Memorial donations may be made in memory of Charlene to New Beginnings of Hoopeston, 204 E. Main St. Hoopeston, IL 60942.

Please visit www.anderson-funeral-home.com to view Charlene's eternal tribute page and to send the family condolences.

Anderson Funeral Home in Hoopeston is handling the arrangements.

ALT - Marjorie R. (Rinkenberger) Alt, 96, of Cissna Park, died Thursday, May 18, 2023, at Serenity Villa, Fairbury. Visitation will be 3-7 p.m. Monday at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Apostolic Christian Church, Cissna Park. Burial will be in Apostolic Christian Cemetery, Cissna Park. Memorials are suggested to Serenity Villa, Fairbury. Condolences may be shared at www.knappfuneralhomes.com.

BRADLEY - Frances A. (Showalter) Bradley, 82, of Potomac, died at 4:50 a.m. Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at Heritage Health, Hoopeston. Visitation will be noon until the 2 p.m. celebration of her life Monday at Blurton Fu-

Lunch Menus

Maple/John Greer

MONDAY: Mini corndogs, baked beans cucumber slices, applesauce, milk

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

WEDNESDAY: Cheeseburger/bun, green beans, celery sticks, pears, milk

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

FRIDAY: Ham & cheese, chips, baby carrots, apple slices, milk

Hoopeston Area Middle School

MONDAY-FRIDAY: Cook's Choice

Hoopeston Area High School

MONDAY-FRIDAY: Cook's Choice

Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 81. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 56. Tomorrow, sunny. High 84, low 58.

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neral Home, Potomac. Burial will follow in Potomac Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to Heritage Health. Condolences may be shared at www.blurtonfuneralhomes.com.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

The City of Hoopeston is seeking applications for a seasonal position with the Cemetery and Parks Departments. The applicant must have a valid driver's license and have the ability to run and lawn mower and weed eater. Applications may be picked up at City Hall, 301 W Main St. or found on our website at cityofhoopeston.com/employment/. Questions, please call 217 -283-5833.

The Pit Stop at Fast Lanes is looking for a breakfast cook and waitress. Hours 5:15-10 a.m. Mon.-Fri. Apply in person at 719 W. Elm.

Hubbard Trail Golf Course is accepting applications for a part time bartender. Daytime, evening and weekends. Must have basset and food handlers or obtain within 120 days after employment. Applications can be picked up at Hubbard Trail or send resume to hubbardtrail.1925@gmail.com

Hubbard Trail Golf Course is looking for a part time golf course attendant approximately 20 hours a week. If interested call Justin Davis @ 765-299-9651

Aquality Solutions is looking for men or women to deliver its products to area businesses and residential customers. This position offers benefits and incentive bonuses. Apply in person at 102 N 1st Street in Hoopeston or call us at 855-692-7824.

Accepting applications for servers. Part time. Evenings and weekends. Applications may be picked up at Rossville Family Restaurant. 715 S. Chicago St, Rossville.

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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 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

From the Blotter

Andrew L. Smith, 22, of Bismarck, was ticketed after an accident at 5:21 p.m. Friday at West Elm and South Dixie Hwy. Police said Smith, in a 2011 Chevrolet Impala, was westbound, stopped to make a southbound turn and collided with Ethan J. Larkin, 19, of Hoopeston, who was southbound in a 2014 GMC Sierra.

Smith was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle and was released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County Traffic Court.

Trea Powers, 19, of Rossville, was arrested after a traffic stop at 7:40 p.m. Friday at East Seminary and North Fifth St. A computer check showed he had a suspended license. He was ticketed for the offence and released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County Traffic Court.

No tickets or injuries were issued in an accident at 10:40 a.m. Saturday at South First Ave. and West Penn. Police said Shannon Hardy, 63, of Hoopeston, was northbound in a 2007 Chevrolet Silverado. She stopped at the intersection, failed to see an oncoming 2005 Buick LeSabre, driven by Linda Chesnut, 75, also of Hoopeston and the two collided.

Brian E. Kinnaid, 42, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 5 p.m. Saturday at South Second Ave. and West Maple. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant, he was released with a date in Vermilion County Court.