Milford Fun Days Schedule FRIDAY, JUNE 16

4-7 PM Lion's Club Fish Fry (Lions Club Pavilion - Park) 8-11 PM: Brat Pack (Rt. 1 Sales) *Cover charge applies, must be 21+

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

Ken Leonard Memorial 4.82K 6 a.m. Registration / 7 a.m. Race begins Kids Dash to follow

(Milford Christian Church)

8:30-10 AM: Parade Registration (Milford Police Station)

10:30 AM: Parade (Police Station to Park) 11 AM: Fireman's Pork Chop Dinner (Milford Park Pavilion)

11 AM: Food Vendors in Park 1 AM-3 PM: Craft Vendor Show (Park north of School)

11 AM-4 PM: Kids Zone (Park north of School)

11:30 AM: Little Mr. & Miss Fun Days Competition

Milford Park Bandshell

11:30 AM-4 PM: Car Show

(registration 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Awards 4 p.m. (Downtown Milford)

2 PM: Karaoke Contest Registration 11 am Milford Park Bandshell

12-2 PM: Entertainment by 90's Daughter Trio (Milford Park Bandshell)

12-7 PM: Free Swim (Milford Pool)

8 PM: Shotguns and Shot Glasses Band

Town and Country Events *Cover charge applies, must be 21+

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

10 AM: Church Service by Milford Christian Church Dinner to be served by HOT Comittee at MCC following service Check Milford Fun Days - Milford II on Facebook for updates Email: publish@justthefacts.net



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Hoopeston Aquatics Coalition to host luau to raise money for Hoopeston swimming pool

Aloha!

Everything but the sandy beaches of Hawaii will be at a luau dinner party on Friday, June 23 at La Case del Sol in Hoopeston.

This fundraising dinner event will be hosted by the Hoopeston Aquatics Coalition (HAC), formerly the "Save the Hoopeston Pool" committee.

The purpose of HAC and this fundraising event is to raise money to make further improvements to the pool for the community to enjoy.

Through fundraisers and generous donations last year, the committee was able to make the pool more accessible to people of all ages and abilities. HAC was able to buy and install an approved in-pool ADA staircase for easy pool entry. Also, the committee provided pool pass schol-

Hoopeston American Legion post to hold Flag Day

flag-burning ceremony

Hoopeston American Legion Post #384 will hold a flag burning ceremony at 1 p.m. Tuesday in The Legion parking lot, 502 W. Penn.

Residents who have old and tattered flags they wish to dispose of may bring them to The Legion before the ceremony.

Celebrate Father's Day weekend with us at the Rossville Family Restaurant Serving our Smoked BBQ

Saturday, June 17 & Sunday, June 18 Reservations not required but suggested 715 S. Chicago, Rossvile (217) 748-6201 arships for those who could not afford one. "No child should be stuck at home during our sunny summer days" said Bill Goodwine, HAC treasurer.

The committee also purchased new lounge chairs, a new pool cleaner, awnings for shade, games and exercise equipment.

Everyone is invited to come support the Hoopeston Swimming Pool at the luau at La Casa del Sol, 1010 W. Chestnut, Hoopeston. The buffet dinner will include a three-choice entrée (fajita, braised pork (carnitas) or tacos) or a children's menu. All are encouraged to stay for the fun, music and games. Take-outs and cash bar will be available. In addition to dinner, the event will include raffles of gift baskets provided by local businesses, music, fun, and games.

The cost is \$20 for adults-and \$10 for children. The event will start at 5:30 p.m. and end by 9 p.m.

Tickets must be purchased in advance by June 16 so the proper amount of food can be purchased. Please email hoopestonaquatics@gmail.com or call 217-888-1021 to purchase tickets.

You may wish to begin limbering up now to prepare for the Hawaiian LIMBO contest.

Help make the Hoopeston pool the best in the area by attending the fundraising party.



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Cheeseburgers for Paradise From 5 p.m.- close every Tuesday, we're donating \$5 of each dine-in cheeseburger to a local church. This week's church is Hoopeston First Christian Church Kids Meals not included, Limited to 1 cheeseburger/person

Rossville Family Restaurant 715 S. Chicago, Rossville (217) 748-6201



AG Raoul issues consent order issued for closed Dynergy Generation plant in Oakwood

CHICAGO—Attorney General Kwame Raoul on June 9 announced a consent order with Dynegy Midwest Generation LLC (Dynegy) that resolves a 2021 lawsuit Raoul's office filed against Dynegy. The consent order requires the company to close three ponds located at the company's now-shuttered Vermilion Power Station, and simultaneously Dynegy must remove an estimated 3 million cubic yards of dumped coal ash near the Middle Fork of the Vermilion River that was produced by operations at the site.

The Attorney General's office filed the consent order with the Vermilion County Circuit Court to resolve Raoul's lawsuit over Dynegy's disposal of coal ash that allegedly led to groundwater pollution surrounding the power plant and created a public nuisance. The consent order was the result of lengthy, complex negotiations between the Attorney General's office, Vermilion County State's Attorney Jacqueline Lacy's office, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Dynegy and Prairie Rivers Network, represented by EarthJustice.

"While the Vermilion Power Station was operating, Dynegy dumped coal ash generated during operations, which endangered the surrounding environment and the Vermilion River, our state's only national scenic river," Raoul said. "This consent order will result in cleanup of this natural area, and I appreciate Vermilion County

Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 4:50 p.m. Sunday to a house fire in the 600 block of East Young, and were recalled to the scene at 9:18 p.m. after the fire reignited. No injuries were reported.

—*Briefly* — Taco bar and bake sale

Hoopeston First Church of God will hold a taco bar and bake sale fundraiser starting at 11 a.m. Sunday, June 25 at the church, 1004 E. Orange.

All are by freewill donation, with funds will going toward The Story Tour the church is sponsoring in September.

Feel free to join us for church at 10 a.m.!

Koffee & Konversation

Hoopeston Methodist Church will hold Koffee & Konversation at 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Free coffee, sweets and conversation. All are welcome! State's Attorney Lacy's partnership on this important issue. I will continue to work with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to hold companies accountable when they violate our environmental laws."

Lacy's office prosecuted the case with Raoul's office.

"The Middle Fork is a popular location outdoor recreational activity, and has been designated as Illinois' only National Scenic River under the Federal National Wild and Scenic Rivers Act," said Vermilion County State's Attorney Jacqueline M. Lacy. "The consent order signed by Judge O'Shaughnessy acts not only as a penalty, but also to ensure the safety of the Middle Fork for years to come."

The consent order also requires Dynegy to comply with the statutory and regulatory framework governing coal combustion residual surface impoundments, to continue implementation of the Dewatering Plan and Groundwater Collection Trench Plan at the site, to complete a safety emergency response plan and continue ongoing riverbank inspections.

The consent order also requires Dynegy to pay a \$100,000 civil penalty and fund two beneficial environmental projects totaling \$400,000.

Dynegy owns the property in Oakwood, Illinois where a coal-fired Vermilion Power Station operated until November 2011. Dynegy's operations involved burning coal to generate electricity, resulting in the generation of coal ash that Dynegy dumped in human-made ponds at the site. Coal ash can contain a number of harmful byproducts that may adversely impact groundwater and the nearby Middle Fork of the Vermilion River, which is Illinois' only national scenic river under the National Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. The river's banks continue to steadily erode, and Raoul's lawsuit alleged the proximity of the coal ash ponds in the flood plain further threatened the river's well-being.

The Attorney General's office enforces Illinois' environmental protection laws. Attorney General Raoul's Environmental Enforcement Division, which enforces civil environmental laws, has recovered millions of dollars from polluters and required companies to undertake environmental improvement projects in communities impact-

Weather

Chance of showers today, tonight. High 75, low 56. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 81, low 58.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit justthefacts.net/ weather/. ed by pollution. Raoul encourages residents to report environmental justice and other environmental concerns to his office by emailing ej@ilag.gov.

Bureau Chief Stephen Sylvester and Senior Assistant Attorney General Kathryn Pamenter handled the case for Raoul's Environmental Enforcement Division.



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