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# Just the Facts

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## Briefly

### Meetings

Hoopeston Planning Commission, 6 p.m. Wednesday, city hall. Agenda items include Vermilion Iron site and Third St. lot size variance. Agenda and Zoom link at [www.cityofhoopeston.com](http://www.cityofhoopeston.com).

### At the library

**Builders Club**, 3:30 Thursday, for kids of all ages. Free building, challenges, buddy builds and more.

### HMA activities

**Senior Dinner/Dance** Saturday, Dec. 9. Dinner 5-6 p.m., Entertainment 6-8 p.m. with the Dixie Flyer group, on their farewell tour. Please call (217) 283-5544 to make reservations.



Photo provided

Hoopeston Area High School students recently attended the FFA Convention. Pictured are, from left, Wyatt Eisenmann, Nolan Lee, Julie Miguel, Mollie Anderson, Addison Lewis, Lilie Elliott, and Jessalyn Eisenmann.

## Hoopeston Area FFA student reports on national convention

By **NOLAN LEE**  
Hoopeston Area FFA Reporter

The Hoopeston Area FFA attended the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Ind., November 1-3, 2023. We had a great time mingling with friends from across the country! We even had the chance to watch our very own Taylor Page in the National FFA Band! What an accomplishment for her!

When we arrived in Indianapolis, we went straight to the convention center to get checked in and enjoyed the trade show for a couple hours. We went to

the first general session and watched all of the opening activities. We listened to a very good speaker named Juan Bendaña. He taught us to be brave and chase our dreams. We ended up eating our nice dinner that night out at Red Lobster.

On the second day, we spent most of our time at the trade show. We looked at colleges and shopped in the FFA Mall. We got to experience the great rodeo and enjoy our night with some entertainment. We even got a picture with the rodeo clown! What a great way

See FFA on other side



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**Wednesday:** Rib eye sandwich and Prime rib sandwich  
**Thursday:** Swiss steak or Popcorn shrimp  
**Friday:** Cod, Rib eye steak, and Rib dinners  
**Saturday:** Prime Rib, Rib Eye steak, and Rib dinners

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November 8

**James O. Huffstutler**, Hoopeston, appeared at initial appearance for general nuisance, case dismissed by hearing officer.

**Jeremy R. Clingenpeel**, Danville, paid fine in full for disobeying police, case closed.

**Gerardo Torres**, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing in two cases of unlawful acts constituting disorder, default entered, cases being sent to state for further enforcement.

## Cheeseburgers for Paradise

From 5 p.m.- close Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays, we're donating \$5 of each dine-in cheeseburger to a local church or school. Wednesday's recipient is **Corvette Cruisers of Illinois**

*Kids Meals not included, Limited to 1 cheeseburger/person*

## Rossville Family Restaurant

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## Court Dispositions

**Donald E. Underwood Jr.**, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing for alcoholic containers prohibited in public places, default entered, case sent to state for further enforcement.

**Rebecca A. Burton**, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing for restraint of dogs by owner, default entered, case sent to state for further enforcement.

**Alexander D. Diedrick**, failed to appear at status

## Obituaries

**MEMENGA** - David A. Memenga, 76, of Hoopeston, formerly of Bradley, died Thursday, November 16, 2023, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. He has been cremated. Private services will be held at a later date. Jensen Memorial Chapel and Cremation Society, Kankakee, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be shared at [www.jensenmemorialchapel.com](http://www.jensenmemorialchapel.com).

## Sports

### Girls Basketball

Clair Dixon's 21 points let the Lady Cornjerkers to a 58-28 win over visiting Westville in girls basketball Monday night. Kaitlynn Lange chipped in 11 points and Mady Klaber had eight points.

### FFA continued from other side

to spend the evening!

For the final day, we attended the morning session and went to the trade show in the middle of the day. We got to watch Taylor Page and the National FFA Band perform in their concert! They did such a wonderful job, and it was so cool how they could put that performance together so fast!

We rounded out our trip by watching Gracie Murphy, National FFA Officer from Macomb, give her retiring address before we headed back to Cornjerker Country. This trip could not have been possible without the support of our FFA Alumni for helping us get there, and Mrs. Ochs for doing a great job advising us!

## Weather

Partly sunny today. High 40. Tonight, decreasing cloudy. Low 32. Tomorrow, sunny. High 52, low 42.

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hearing for general nuisance, default entered, case sent to state for further enforcement.

**Travis M. Anderson**, Pontiac, failed to appear at status hearing for unlawful acts constituting disorder, default entered, case sent to state for further enforcement.

**Max A. Jones**, Hoopeston, failed to appear at initial appearance for tampering with containers or contents, found guilty by default, fined \$180; status hearing December 13.

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