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Scores of local residents attended the 31st annual Sweetheart Dinner, sponsored by Hoopeston Area High School.  
**Lots of guests, food, fun make Sweetheart Dinner a success**

It takes a districtwide effort to make a successful Senior Citizens Sweetheart Dinner and once again, Hoopeston Area students and staff reached that goal.  
 This year's dinner drew 170 registered guests, said Ashley Gondzur, Hoopeston Area High School Student Council sponsor, which spearheads the event.  
 While the student council oversees the event, it also relies on staff from the building and grounds and cafeteria departments, as well Choral Director Roberta Peterson.  
 The weather also played a role in the February 9 celebration. "It was exciting to have nice weather this year so the boys could escort the guest in from their cars," Gondzur said. She also lavished praise on the student volunteers who decorated and served guests, and those who provided entertainment after the meal.  
 Choral performers were Lilie Elliott, Mollie Anderson,

Kaedyn Goodrum, Emma Vines, Edward McAllister, Caia Brotherton, Julie Miguel, Cayden Irons, Sela Berglund, William Brockus, Madyson Crose, Chelsea Hickman, Lydia Lugo, Kylie Makemson, Alice Ridenour, Alyssa Schroeder and Brendon Whitaker.

**Correction**

Hoopeston Area wrestler Ayden Larkin was omitted from a story in Wednesday's issue about wrestlers going to the state finals this weekend.  
 Larkin, a junior, qualified at the Olympia sectional for finals in the 157 lb. class and was to face sophomore Gunner Varland of Seneca in Thursday action. He went into Thursday's contest with a 40-11 contest. Just the Facts regrets the omission.

  
**CAMP JOY SUNDAY**  
 WITH  
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 at  
**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 323 E. Seminary, Hoopeston  
 9:30 a.m.: Sunday School for all ages  
 10:30 a.m.: Special speaker  
 Camp Director John Moore and  
 Kids' Time with Ranger Nate & friends  
 After the morning service  
**3 on 3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**  
 with prizes for the top winners!  
 2-4 p.m.: **SKATING PARTY AT SKATER'S PARADISE**  
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## Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 2:46 p.m. Wednesday for an active carbon monoxide detector in the 300 block of Larkspur Lane. No carbon monoxide was detected.

## Obituaries

**MORRIS** - Willadean (Smith) Morris, 88, of Hoopeston, died at 4:22 a.m. Saturday, February 10, 2024, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Visitation was 4-7 p.m. Thursday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will follow in Locust Grove Cemetery, Tab, Ind. Memorials are suggested to First Free Will Baptist Church, 522 N. Tenth Ave., Hoopeston IL 60942. Condolences may be shared at [www.anderson-funeral-home.com](http://www.anderson-funeral-home.com).

## Weather

Snow likely today. High 32. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 16. Tomorrow, sunny. High 29, low 25. Sunday, sunny. High 42, low 25.

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

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## Briefly

### No bulk garbage this week

Hoopeston bulk garbage will not be held Saturday. The next bulk garbage day will be 7:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 2, at the Hoopeston City Hall parking lot.

### Addiction recovery group

Men's addiction recovery group meeting. 6 p.m. Sundays in Rossville. Call or text 217-304-4211 or 217-260-1361 for details.

### Presidents' Day closings

• Hoopeston City Hall will be closed Monday. Hoopeston

Police Department will be open.

• Hoopeston Public Library will be closed Monday.

## From the Blotter

Clarence Callahan IV, 24, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a traffic stop at 2:22 a.m. Monday at McFerren Park. He was charged with operating uninsured vehicle, improper lane usage, failure to reduce speed and three counts of disobeying a traffic control device and was released on notices to appear in Vermilion County Traffic Court.

## Classifieds

### HELP WANTED

The City of Hoopeston is accepting applications for the temporary positions of Assistant Manager and Lifeguard for the 2024 swim season for the McFerren Park Public Swimming Pool. Applications and job descriptions are available online at [www.cityofhoopeston.com/employment/](http://www.cityofhoopeston.com/employment/) and at City Hall, 301 W Main St. Please contact Kristi Hudson, 217-663-9617 or City Hall, 217-283-5833 for questions. Application deadline is Friday, February 23rd, 2023.

The City of Hoopeston is seeking applicants for the position of dispatcher. Applications are available at City Hall, 301 W Main St. or on our website at [www.cityofhoopeston.com/employment/](http://www.cityofhoopeston.com/employment/). For questions, please contact the police department at 217-283-5196.

### Customer Account Representative

The Frederick Community Bank in Cissna Park has a position available for a **part-time** Customer Account Representative. Applicant must have skills interacting with customers, ability to handle various transactions accurately, and be part of a team environment. If you are interested, please mail your resume to The Frederick Community Bank, PO Box 36, Cissna Park, IL 60924, or pick up an application from the receptionist in Cissna Park.

Silgan Containers is hiring for Press Line Mechanics. Please apply online at [silgancontainers.wd1.myworkday.jobs.com/en-US/silgan/job/Mechanic\\_R168](http://silgancontainers.wd1.myworkday.jobs.com/en-US/silgan/job/Mechanic_R168).

Full-Fill Industries in Henning is hiring for 2<sup>nd</sup> Production Machine Operators, \$18/hour. Apply at [www.full-fill.com](http://www.full-fill.com) Applications available onsite. EOE

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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.

### NOTICES

#### Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is given that a public hearing will be held Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at 6 p.m. at the City of Hoopeston, 301 W. Main St., Hoopeston IL 60942, before the City of Hoopeston Plan Commission concerning an application filed by the City of Hoopeston for text amendments to the City of Hoopeston Zoning Ordinance.

The text amendments application requests amendments to the City of Hoopeston Zoning Ordinance Section 17.12.050 concerning exemptions for electrical transmission lines for energy projects and wind energy turbines located at least one mile outside the corporate limits. A copy of the test amendment application is available for review at City Hall, 301 W. Main St., Hoopeston IL 60942.

As this will be an opportunity for public input on this application, all interested persons are encouraged to attend and be heard at the time and place identified above.

The City of Hoopeston is seeking bids for the sale of a 2003 Ford Explorer XLT with a minimum bid of \$500.00. Bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope with "Explorer bid" clearly written on the outside of the envelope. DO NOT put your name on the outside of the envelope. Bids should include the contact information of the bidder. Bid specs are available at the City Hall Administration office or online at [www.cityofhoopeston.com](http://www.cityofhoopeston.com). Bids are due by 10:00 am on Friday, March 1, 2024 at the City Hall Administration office, 301 W Main St. Bid openings will be at 10:00 am Friday, March, 1 2024 at the City of Hoopeston Municipal Building, 301 W Main St. The winning bid will be voted on for approval and announced at the regular City Council meeting Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 7 pm. For questions, please contact City Hall at 217-283-5833.

Brad Hardcastle, City Clerk

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