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Tuesday, April 9

4:30-7:30 p.m.



First Church of God

1004 E. Orange St., Hoopeston

Spaghetti

with or without meat

Garlic Bread Salad

Freewill offering

Bake Sale

with cakes, cupcakes, cookies, whole pies or slices, candy, coffee cakes and more

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Local sky watchers to have good view of Monday's eclipse

It's been said that close is only good in horseshoes and hand grenades. And sometimes solar eclipses.

While Hoopeston will not be in the area of totality, according to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Eclipse Explorer, Hoopeston will have 98.2 percent totality at 2:06 p.m. Monday. The eclipse will begin at 12:29 p.m. and end at 3:21 p.m. The percent of totality in the 2017 eclipse was 91 percent.

In Illinois, Carbondale will have complete totality, as it did in 2017. Indianapolis, Ind., will also have complete totality.

To view the eclipse, experts stress that people should not look at the sun during the eclipse. Special solar glasses may be worn, or homemade devices, like a pinhole projector, can be used safely (eclipse.aas.org) Telescopes with special features may be used, but using cameras or cell phones may damage the devices.

Also, studies by Rick Feinberg of the American Astronomical Society, published in the September 2021 issue of the Astronomical Journal, support the safety of welders filter shades 12, 13, and 14. These all safely allow 6.9 hours of continuous sun viewing. But no lower number

Severe weather preparedness is topic of HEMA presentation

Have you ever wondered how to read weather formations?

Want information on what a storm spotter does?

Do you need more information to keep your family safe during severe weather?

If so, Hoopeston Emergency Management Agency has a program for you!

Hoopeston EMA storm spotters will hold a free presentation at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Hoopeston City Hall, 301 W. Main. Not only will local experts cover those topics, but they will also answer questions from audience members.

All interested residents are invited to attend.



File photo

Alex Houmes views the 2017 solar eclipse from near his former home in the 100 block of North Third St.

shade is safe. The eclipse can also be watched online at science.nasa.gov.

A solar eclipse occurs when the moon passes between the earth and sun. Although considered somewhat rare, total solar eclipses occur about every 18 months in various parts of the world.

Many parents who live close to the area of complete

See ECLIPSE on other side

Are you looking for the perfect accessory for your prom dress? Check out the selection at **The Raining Moon Salon and Anna's Irish Teas & Gifts** on Rt 9 in Hoopeston. We have a great selection of tiaras, necklaces, earrings, and more!

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Tuesday: Chicken Pot Pie, Speedway Burger and Chicken or Beef & Noodles

Wednesday: Rib eye sandwich, Prime rib sandwich or Pork chops

Thursday: Swiss steak or Popcorn shrimp

Friday: Cod, Rib eye steak, and Rib dinners
Prime Rib, Rib Eye steak, and Rib dinners

Breakfast Buffet

7-10 a.m. Sat. 7 a.m. -12 p.m. Sun.

Breakfast served 5:30-10 a.m. Mon.-Fri.

5:30-11 Sat. & Sun.

Open Bowl \$2/game 5-9 p.m. Tuesdays!

Sign up NOW for Wednesday

Summer 9 Pin Mixed League!

Obituaries

BRASE - Jessica Ann Brase, eight, of Bloomington passed away on March 28, 2024 at Ann & Robert H Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago.

Jessica was born on June 24, 2015 in Bloomington, the daughter of Ryan Ray and Michelle Dianne (Goodrum) Brase.

She is survived by her parents, Ryan and Michelle Brase of Bloomington; maternal

grandparents, Dianne and Reid Page of Watseka and Bob and Susie Goodrum of Hoopeston; paternal grandparents, Jeff and Marlane Brase of Worden and Leanne and Ken Viehman of Hamel; maternal great-grandmother, Kathy Stock; paternal great-grandmothers, Vera Goode and Helen Brase; and numerous cousins, aunts, and uncles.

She was preceded in death by her maternal great-grandparents, Roy and Shirley Goodrum and Gib Stock; and paternal great-grandparents, Ray Goode and Lloyd Brase.

A memorial visitation will be from 2 – 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, 2024 at Kibler-Brady-Ruestman Memorial Home in Bloomington (1104 N. Main St).

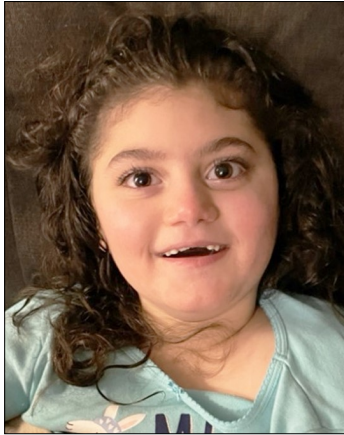
Jessica was full of life and would brighten up a room whenever she entered it. Please wear casual, bright clothing in her honor to the visitation.

Memorials may be made to the family to be used towards expenses incurred.

Arrangements are being handled by Knapp Funeral Home in Watseka with assistance by Kibler-Brady-Ruestman Memorial Home in Bloomington.

Please share a memory of Jessica at www.knappfuneralhomes.com

BREWSTER - Barbara Maria (Decker) Brewster, 62, of Danville, formerly of Hoopeston, died at 7:10 a.m. Sunday, March 17, 2024, at Arcadia Care, Danville. She was cremated. A private graveside service will be held. Anderson Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Condolences may be shared at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.



JESSICA ANN BRASE

Briefly

Historical society to hear of murder

Hoopeston Historical Society will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday in the back room at Fast Lanes. Tom Sweeney present the factual narrative of Sabina Cummings, who was pounded to death November 9, 1919. It is considered one of the most horrific and unsolved crimes of Vermillion County. Everyone is invited to attend.

At the Library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include: **Littles @ the Library**, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Pre-school story, craft and playtime for children from birth to age 5 and their caregivers.

Proposed budget available

The Village of Rossville has posted a copy of the pro-

Lunch Menus

Maple/John Greer

MONDAY: Mini corndogs, baked beans, baby carrots, applesauce, milk

TUESDAY: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, celery sticks, pears, milk

WEDNESDAY: Hamburger/bun, fries, baby carrots, peaches, milk

THURSDAY: Max Sticks, marinara sauce, salad, celery sticks, pineapple, milk

FRIDAY: Pizza Rolls, salad, Veggy Juice, mixed fruit, milk

Hoopeston Area Middle School

MONDAY: Chicken strips, green beans, veggies, applesauce, milk

TUESDAY: Pancake & sausage nuggets, hash browns, veggies, mandarin orange,, milk

WEDNESDAY: Tacos, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Ravioli, Max Stick, salad, pineapple, milk

FRIDAY: Pizza, salad, mixed fruit, milk

Hoopeston Area High School

MONDAY: Chicken wrap or hot ham & cheese, salad bar, green beans, applesauce, milk, juice

TUESDAY: Pancake & sausage nuggets or calzone, hash browns, salad bar, mandarin orange, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Tacos or BBQ rib /bun, salad bar, refried beans, chips & salsa, pears, milk, juice

THURSDAY: Ravioli or cheeseburger/bun, Max Stick, salad bar, pineapple, milk, juice

FRIDAY: Pizza or chicken strips, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk, juice.

posed FY2025 budget and estimated revenues in the village office lobby for review. If you have any questions, please let us know in the village office, located at 120 E. Attica Street in Rossville.

Alley cleanup

Hoopeston alley cleanup will begin April 8, weather permitting. This is for yard waste only. Piles with other debris will not be picked up. Those who don't have alleys may place their yard waste by the curb but not in the gutter.

Benefit

Cissna Park Fire Department is holding a benefit for Hazel Walder, daughter of Kyle and Kori Walder on April 13. Hazel was born December 14, 2023 at 34 weeks and has been in Lurie Children's Hospital since birth.

Eclipse continued from other side

totality plan to use the eclipse as a learning experience. In a statement issued Friday, Hoopeston Area Supt. Robert Richardson said the district would not view the event as an official learning unit of instruction. Parents who want to pick up their children to view the eclipse are asked to send a note to notify the office of the time the child will be picked up, and the absence would be excused.

The next solar eclipses occur in America will occur August 23, 2044, followed on one on August 12, 2045, which will have the longest totality in U.S. history, at six minutes.

Weather

Sunny today. High 73. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 51. Tomorrow, chance of showers, mostly cloudy late. High 71, low 46.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit justthefacts.net/weather/.

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The event will include a pork chop dinner from 11-5. and raffle for JD 4440 pedal tractor. Tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20 and are available from any Cissna Park fireman. For more information, call Chief Doug Luecke, 815-383-2502.

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Hubbard Trail Golf Course is hiring bartenders/waitstaff. We are looking for friendly faces to provide exceptional service to our guests in a friendly and timely manner. Also maintain and keep the bar and dining area clean. Candidates must have Food Handlers and Basset or be willing to obtain these licenses. Applications can be filled out at Hubbard Trail Golf Course, 13937 E 3680 N Rd Hoopeston IL 60942

Hubbard Trail Golf Course is hiring a Part-Time Greens Keeper. Duties include but not limited to mowing fairways and greens, trimming and edging around trees, pulling weeds, picking up sticks, and raking. Applications can be filled out at Hubbard Trail Golf Course, 13937 E 3680 N Rd Hoopeston IL

The City of Hoopeston Police Department is accepting applications to hire one police officer for the May Academy. Application deadline will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, 2024. Testing will be held Saturday, April 13, 2024 at 9 a.m. Apply in person at the Hoopeston Police Department, 301 W Main St. or online at www.cityofhoopeston.com/employment/. Applicants will be contacted with testing information and procedures before April 13. Contact the Hoopeston Police Department for questions at 217-283-5196.

City of Hoopeston Police Commission

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