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 Ministries of the Chestnut Street Church of Christ  
 709 E. Chestnut St., Hoopeston  
 Sunday, April 21, 2024  
 MEAL 4:30 PM MUSIC AT 6 P.M.  
 Spaghetti, Garlic Bread & Drinks  
 Freewill donation accepted  
 Church Music Group 5:45-6 p.m.  
 Bud McMasters & Band 6 p.m.

Enjoy the music of  
**Chicago Farmer & the Field Notes**  
 7 p.m. Saturday  
 Preshow at 6:15 p.m. with **Jerry Urich**  
 Advance Tickets \$22 at  
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**LORRAINE**  
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 this weekend at  
**Rossville**  
**Family Restaurant**  
 Friday night, Saturday, and Sunday  
 715 S. Chicago, Rossville (217) 748-6201

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**Countywide broadband initiative topic of public meeting**

A public meeting on the Broadband Breakthrough Program will be held at 9 a.m. Wednesday, April 24, at the Bremer Theater on the DACC campus, 2000 E. Main.

Broadband Breakthrough is designed to gain grant funding for internet connectivity throughout the county. Bill Coleman, of the Benton Institute, will present information on the program and answer questions. The institute, along with the University of Illinois Extension are sponsoring Broadband Breakthrough, which is funded by agencies such as the Soybean Association.

For more information, contact Vermilion Advantage CEO Mike Marron, [mike@vermilionadvantage.com](mailto:mike@vermilionadvantage.com)



HAHS photo

**Prom picks**

Hoopeston Area High School students are in the process of choosing the king and queen of the 2024 prom. This year's event is themed "A Night at the Oscars," and will be held from 8-11 p.m. Saturday at the McFerren Park Civic Center. Coronation will be at 10 p.m. Post prom, sponsored by Hoopeston Jaycees, will be held in the middle school gym from 11 p.m.-2 a.m. There is no cost. Pictured are, front, queen candidates Sophi Tuggle, Meadow Blackwell, Piper Switzer and Jersey Cundiff and back, king candidates Bryson Brewer, Miles Robinson, Owen Root and Keygan Field.

  
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 •10% OFF SEASON PASSES  
 •SWIM LESSONS  
 •STAND UP PADDLE BOARD CLASS  
 •STINGRAY SWIM TEAM  
**APRIL 21**  
 11AM-5PM  
**MAY 5TH**  
 11AM-5PM  
**MAY 12TH**  
 2PM-6PM  
 AT HOOPESTON PUBLIC POOL & SPLASH PAD AT MCFERREN PARK

**The King** has proclaimed  
a new flavor in the land!  
**Brisket Pizza**  
COMING SOON to  
**Pizza King of Hoopeston**  
111 E. Main St. (217) 283-5911

**GOOD LUCK**  
at  
**STATE**  
**HOOPESTON AREA**  
**MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**BOWLERS!**

**HOOPESTON INDOOR STORAGE**  
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Climate-Controlled  
315 E. Main  
10x10 OR 10x5 UNITS **SAFE CLEAN**  
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**Briefly**

**Bulk garbage day**

Bulk garbage day, for Hoopeston residents only, will be held from 7:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday at Hoopeston City Hall parking lot.

Residents are limited to one load per bulk day and must unload their own load or bring someone to help.

Dumping of electronics, appliances, paint, liquids, tires, batteries, yard waste, construction/demolition material or anything that fits in the provided blue totes is not allowed. Items from apartments with a dumpster will not be allowed and items from businesses and contractors will not be permitted.

**P.E.P. Party**

Hoopeston United Methodist Church will hold its free monthly People Enjoying People potluck party at 5 p.m. Monday at the church, 403 E. Main St.

Main dish, drinks and table service provided. Those who want to bring a side dish or dessert to share are welcome to do so. All are welcome to come.

**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.

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**INSULATION**  
**BLOWER MACHINE**  
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\$5 Each additional hour  
\$150 Credit Card Deposit & Driver's License required for all non-charge account customers  
Purchase 25 or more bags of cellulose and the initial rental fee is waived.  
**Olympic Hardware**  
516 N. Dixie Hwy. Hoopeston  
(217) 283-5186 Open Sundays

**Obituaries**

**WALDER** - Hazel Jalae Walder, four months and one day old, of Hoopeston, passed away Monday, April 15, 2024, at Lurie Children's Hospital in Chicago. She was born December 14, 2023, in Urbana, the daughter of Kyle and Kori (Balk) Walder.



**HAZEL WALDER**

She is survived by her parents, Kyle and Kori Walder of Hoopeston; her siblings, Roman and Evelyn "Evie" Walder of Hoopeston; maternal grandparents, Steve and Bonnie Balk of Buckley; paternal grandparents, Russ and Darlene Walder of Rankin; paternal great-grandmother, Dorothy Walder of Cissna Park; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her great-grandparents, Wilbert and Dorothy Gieseler, Merton and Neoma Balk, Elmer and Mary Lou Kaeb, and Dale Walder.

Hazel was very loved in the short amount of time she had here on earth and touched many people's lives. Her family wants to thank everyone in the community that has prayed and given support throughout these last few months.

Visitation will be held from 3 - 7 p.m. Friday, April 19, 2024, at Grace Bible Church in Cissna Park. Private funeral services will be held. Cremation rites will be accorded following the services. Memorials may be made to the Walder family.

Cox-Knapp Funeral Home in Paxton is assisting the family with arrangements. Please sign Hazel's guestbook at [www.coxknapp.com](http://www.coxknapp.com).

**BRADLEY SMITHERS** - Devontae Levi Bradley Smithers, infant son of D'Angelo Bradley Jr. and Alexia Smithers, of Hoopeston, died at 7:13 p.m. Friday, April 12, 2024, at OSF St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria. He

**Weather**

Mostly sunny today. High 58. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 41. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 54, low 34. Sunday, high 56, low 37.

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

will be cremated. Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be shared at [www.anderson-funeral-home.com](http://www.anderson-funeral-home.com).

**Classifieds**

**HELP WANTED**

Hoopeston Multi Agency is hiring a Van Driver. The driver drives 2-3 days a week from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday- Friday. Applications can be picked up at the Hoopeston Multi Agency. A valid driver's licenses and safe driving record is required.

Join Our Team! We're seeking a skilled Technician/Mechanic passionate about their craft. If you're a self-starter who thrives in a team environment, we'd love to hear from you. Candidates should possess their own tools and a valid driver's license. Offering a competitive pay of \$25/hr (flat rate). Interested? Visit us in person to apply at 1919 E 500 N Rd, Milford, Illinois 60953. Let's build something great together - no online inquiries, please. Apply in person to take the first step towards your new career.

Robinson Chiropractic is looking for energetic, enthusiastic, self-motivated, and a strong individual who has an interest in natural healthcare. Candidates will be trained to assist with patient care. Medical insurance experience is welcomed but not required. We have competitive wages, PTO, and a Simple IRA contribution. Full-time employees receive free Chiropractic care. If interested, please send your resume to [trina.keller@robchiro.com](mailto:trina.keller@robchiro.com).

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

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

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

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.

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.