Rosswill woman has deep roots in county, bright future

Editor’s Note: The following was submitted by Vermilion Advantage, part of a series, I am, You are, We are Vermilion County! The series profiles residents throughout Vermilion County.

The future is bright for this week’s IYW honoree. Twenty-four-year-old Emily Duncan’s roots in Vermilion County go back over 200 years. “As a farm family, where you plant your roots is where you stay,” the oldest of four says.

Emily’s family lives in Rossville and farms in the Potomac area. While she works as an Assistant Vice President and Loan Officer at Iroquois Federal, she continues to live the farming life alongside her fami-ly. “My dad always says that growing up playing in the dirt keeps you grounded.”

When asked why she chooses to stay in Vermilion County, she said for two reasons: one, she loves her family; and two, going away to college at the University of Illinois opened her eyes to people from other places and made her realize how special Vermilion County is. Emily plans to further her career and start a family here—“a great place to raise kids.”

Emily recalls being 16 years old and taking her sister to her first basketball game when they unfortunately were in a bad car accident. While the circumstances were not ideal, her family continued to support her throughout her life and encouraged her to pursue her dreams.

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**Briefly**

**Meetings**
- Hoopoeaton Area School Board, 6 p.m. Thursday, high school library. The board will immediately go into executive session. The public portion of the meeting will begin after. The agenda includes several personnel and purchasing items and is available at www.hoopoeaton.k12.il.us.
- Hoopoeaton Parks Committee will meet at 5 p.m. Friday at city hall. Agenda items include events in the park, rental and water fountain donation. Agenda and Zoom link are at www.cityofhoopoeaton.com.

**P.E.P. Potluck**
Hoopoeaton United Methodist Church People Enjoying People potluck will be held at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, at the church, 403 E. Main. Main dish, drinks and table service will be provided. Guests may bring a side dish or dessert to share, if they want. There is no cost. Specials guests D. Lester and Debbie Dornon, missionaries with the General Board of Global Ministries at the Tenson Hospital in Nepal. They will have several items from Nepal to display and a video.

**Hydrant flushing**
Hoopoeaton will begin flushing hydrants this Friday, July 22nd, through-out the community. This will continue on Fridays during the summer months as part of an ongoing maintenance program. This is to improve the overall quality of water by cleaning the water mains of rust and corrosion and to ensure that fire hydrants are in working order.

Residents are urged, if possible, to refrain from doing laundry on Fridays. The water is safe to drink but residents are encouraged to let faucets run for a short period of time if they notice discoloration.

**Breast cancer support**
Hoopoeaton Breast Cancer Support Group meets the third Thursday of each month at The Pit Stop at Fast Food. Specials guests D. Lester and Debbie Dornon, missionaries with the General Board of Global Ministries at the Tenson Hospital in Nepal. They will have several items from Nepal to display and a video.

**Roots continued from other side**

**Weather**

For real time Hoopeaton weather, visit www.cityofhoopoeaton.com/weather.

Lanes Bowling Alley. The next meeting will be July 21.

Please spread the word and join us for a meeting to offer support to past and present breast cancer survivors. For more information, call Pat Foster, (815) 984-4040 or (309) 208-9829.

**Classifieds**

**HELP WANTED**

Full-Fill Industries in Hering is HIRING! Apply at fullfill.com/employmentopportunities. Applications available onsite.

The City of Hoopeaton is accepting applications for a full-time water department employee.

Requirements:
- Valid Driver’s License
- Class B CDL, with airbrake endorsement or ability to obtain one
- High School diploma or equivalent
- A positive attitude and willingness to learn
- Strong work ethic
- Punctuality and attendance is important for this position. There is opportunity for advancement with the proper training and certification. Applications are available at City Hall, 301 W Main St. or www.cityofhoopoeaton.com/employment.

Seeking a bartender for weekdays and nights. Possibly a weekend day. Our hours are 7a-7p. Must have a Bassett and Food handlers Cert within 30 days. Stop by Hubbard Trail Country Club or call 217-748-6521.

Silgan Containers is hiring for Press Line Mechanics. Please apply online at: silgancontainers.mua.hrdepartment.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/12464/0

Silgan Containers is hiring for an Electrician/Industrial-Maintenance position. Please apply online at: silgancontainers.mua.hrdepartment.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/12460/0

City of Hoopeaton Police Department is taking applications for certified police officers/pat time certification is recognized. Applications will be ongoing; no deadline applies for certified officers.

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