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Hospital CEO moving on, search for replacement starting

Mike Brown, Hoopeston Regional Health Center chief executive officer, is moving on but not moving out.

Friday will be Brown's last day at the facility he has led since September 2003. On Monday, he starts a new chapter in his career as Chief Operating Officer and Chief Nursing Executive at Provena United Samaritans Medical Center. Danville.

Although leaving the health care center. Brown and his wife, Sue, who teaches nursing in Danville, plan to continue living in Hoopeston. "There's nothing Machiavellian about my leaving," he said. "I don't have a thing bad to say about Hoopeston. I'm staying."

The career change "is an opportunity for me to use some of my skills in a much larger place," Brown said. "I'm operations-trained. It's what I really like It's another opportunity that satisfies my career growth."

As Chief Operating Officer, Brown will be responsible for a variety of clinical and support services and as Chief Nursing Executive, he will oversee Provena's entire nursing staff.

"We're very excited to have Mike on board," said Mark S. Wiener, President/CEO for the Provena Health Central Illinois Region. "With his background and experience, I'm confident he will be a great addition to our organization."

Brown admits to having mixed feelings about leaving: excitement at the challenges his new



BROWN

job will bring and regret about projects he will not see to completion, including the building renovation project, a chapel that is nearly complete.

However, he is pleased by what he and the health center staff have accomplished, including increasing revenue by 11 percent last year and an estimated 12 percent this year and increased manager education. "The facility is in a lot better shape than it was in all kinds of ways," he said.

Brown's departure means the health center board must begin a search for a new CEO.

"This is not a lot of fun," said board president Russ Leigh. "It's very wearing. I was hoping Mike Brown would be last one."

Leigh said the board will advertise in trade publications and with the hospital association and he expects to find qualified candidates. "A lot of hospitals are laying of middle managers who are looking for jobs," he said.

The search is expected to take at least two months to find candidates and hire one who will be a good fit with the community.

Leigh said the board is looking for someone with rural hospital experience and a "go-getter" who can build on what Brown has done and "move it along farther vet.

"We're sorry to see Mike go and wish him all the best," Leigh said. "We'll miss him. He's done

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Police News

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 8:07 a.m. Sunday in the 600 block of South Fourth St.

Police said Bennie E. Howie of Potomac, in a 1993 Buick, backed from a driveway into a parked 1998 Pontiac owned by Gary Fink of Hoopeston. Two people were arrested after an incident at 9:55 p.m. Sunday in the 400 block of East Main.

Max A. Jones, 33, of 619 N. Fifth St. and Michelle D. Baker, 23, of 711 S. First Ave., were charged with assault on a complaint from a 33-year-old Paxton woman.

The woman alleged that Jones approached her vehicle and threatened her and a male passenger with a knife while Baker pulled her vehicle behind the woman's and would not let her leave. A verbal confrontation followed.

Baker was released on \$100 cash bond: Jones

Briefly

Cheer cards

Vickie Gummere is in the St. Vincent's Hospital in Indianapolis, Ind. Friends and family can send cards for her to 861 E. Honeywell, Hoopeston, IL 60942.

Vickie is the daughter of the Betty Carter and the late Norman "Butch" Carter and sister of Sharie Carter-Bane and Greg Bane, Jackie and Larry Wallace, and Kathie Dalton.

Summer Fun Club cancelled

"Fun Club" this summer due to lack of num-

bers. Those people who sent in their applications will be notified and their money returned. Hopefully we can offer it next year with renewed interest.

Trash Walkers

Hoopeston Trash Walkers will meet at 8 a.m. Saturday at Hoopeston Area High School to clean up trash in the area. Anyone interested in volunteering is welcome.

The group, which has met at 9 a.m., will continue to meet at 8 a.m. through the hot summer months.

Hydrant flushing

New Books at the Library



Non-Fiction

Physician's Desk Reference..PDR for Herbal Medicines (reference)

2005 Quick Cooking Annual Recipes

Mission: Organization: Strategies and Solutions to Clear Your Clutter

What Color is Your Parachute?: a Practical Manual for Job-Hunters & Career Changers by Richard Nelson Bolles

The Big Show: High Times and Dirty Dealings Backstage at the Academy Awards by Steve Pond

The Complete Book of Square Dancing (and Round Dancing) ...With 380 Step-by-Step Illustrations by Betty Casey

Scarred for Life: Eleven Stories About Skateboarders by Keith David Hamm

Delights & Shadows: Poems by Ted Kooser

Putting the World Together, My Father Walter Reuther: the Liberal Warrior by Elisabeth Reuther Dickmeyer

NFT, Not For Tourists Guide to Chicago, 2005

The Chinese in America: a Narrative History by Iris Chang

102 Minutes: the Untold Story of the Fight to Survive Inside the Twin Towers by Jim Dwyer

Bone, the Complete Cartoon Epic in One Volume by Jeff Smith (young adult)

DVDs

Shrek 2, c2004 Spider-Man 2, c2004 The Stepford Wives, c2004 The Terminal, c2004

Fiction

Demon Rum by Sandra Brown State of Fear: a novel by Michael Crichton

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 90. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 68. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 89, low 68.

For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston

The Hoopeston Water Department will start flushing fire hydrants of Fridays starting May 27. Flushing will continue throughout the summer.

Drivin' the Dixie sales

Rossville will hold community-wide garage sales on June 18 in connection with Drivin' the Dixie Days." To get on the list, call Pam Bell, 748-6395. To have a sale at the Village Mini Parks on South Chicago

Classifieds

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