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Last week's answer: Onomatopoeia is the term used for a word that is also a sound, such as "buzz".



Medical costs for local girl lead to fundraising effort

Two-week old Jessica Seggebruch is in a fight for her life, a fight that is draining her parents' resources.

Jessica, the daughter of Rod Seggebruch and Sherry Garza, was born with multiple heart defects, according to Linda Giroux, a friend and fellow nursing student of Garza.

According to Giroux, Jessica's aorta and pulmonary artery, along with other vessels, are reversed.

Jessica's condition was not diagnosed until six days after her birth, when Garza noticed that nursing for a few moments would tire the baby out, Giroux said.

Jessica was taken to United Samaritans Medical Center in Danville and was then referred to Riley Children's Hospital in Indianapolis.

There, she underwent cardiac catherization where a catheter is placed in the heart - on Dec. 8, followed by open heart surgery Dec. 9.

While Jessica is doing fine, she may face addi-

Rural Milford woman appointed Goodwine postmaster

GOODWINE—A rural Milford woman has been named postmaster at the Goodwine post office, after having done the job for the past two years.

Bernie Kirts was sworn in Sunday as postmaster.

Kirts started at the post office two years ago in October as an officer in charge, doing the job of a postmaster without the official title.

"I'm really happy to have more responsibility and be able to learn more," Kirts said. "The more tional operations as she grows and will be on heart medication the rest of her life.

Giroux said Garza's gestational diabetes, brought on by pregnancy, may have caused Jessica's heart problems.

Jessica is Garza's first biological daughter, Giroux said. "She had been pregnant three times before and miscarried," she said. "This was her miracle."

Garza also has an adopted daughter, Norma.

A fund has been established to help Garza and Seggebruch pay current and future medical expenses associated with Jessica's condition.

A special account has been set up at the Hoopeston Community Bank, 221 S. Bank St. Collection cans and fliers will also be distributed in Hoopeston, Giroux said.

Also, a benefit is being planned on Jan. 22, 1995, featuring four bands, an auction, 50/50 drawing and chicken noodle dinner, at the Hoopeston VFW hall, she said.

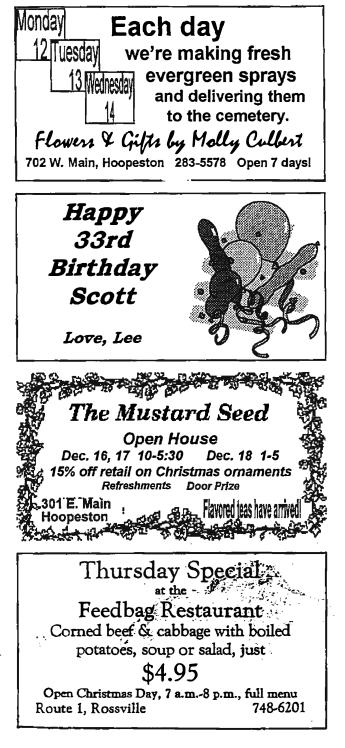
I learn, the more I'll be able to do things."

As postmaster, Kirts will offer "all the services of a big post office except there are not rural or city routes," she said.

Goodwine residents all receive their mail in post office boxes, Kirts said. The office has 32 boxes, 28 of which are rented.

Kirts wants to offer personalized service to the approximately 65 residents of the community, including picking up mail in Watseka, if necessary,

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Up & Coming...

Drama Club program

The Hoopeston Area High School Drama Club will present the skit "The Baddest Angel Band," and musical numbers at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15 in the high school auditorium.

Admission is a non-perishable food item for the Grant Township Food Cupboard or toy for the Hoopeston Jaycees Toys for Tots program.

Food for Fines

The Hoopeston Public Library is participating in a Food for Fines program during December. Patrons with overdue books may donate one non-perishable item of food for each dollar of fines owed.

All items will be donated to the Grant Town-

Court dispositions

Nov. 17 - William Bogard, Hoopeston, no parking, summons issued.

John French, Rankin, no parking, costs only. \$38.

Jean Lazarich, Rossville, no parking, pleaded not guilty; trial set Dec. 15.

Harriet McElhaney, Hoopeston, no parking, summons issued.

James Brown, Hoopeston, battery, nolle pros. Billie Hurt, Hoopeston, battery, summons issued.

Tonya Irvin, Hoopeston, battery, \$75. Carmen Martinez, Hoopeston, nuisance, nolle

pros.

Postmaster continued from other side and hand delivery to the town's two businesses -"small little things like that."

In return, Kirts said residents are grateful. "I'm sure our customers appreciate the post office because they don't have to drive 10 miles to get stamps or money orders or send a certified letter," she said.

ship Food Cupboard.

This week, quart-size zip lock bags are especially needed. For more information, contact the library at 283-6711.

Santa hours

Santa will be at his house next to Global Fashions for only two more weekends. Children may visit St. Nick from 2-4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 16 and 23 and Saturday, Dec. 17 and 24.

Miracles needed

Some names remain on Miracles Trees at both Weber Drugs and Pamida, and last-minute names will be available at the Grant Township building. If you can help make Christmas more merry for a local child, please do.

Police News

Toy L. Burton, 18, of 426 N. Eighth Ave., was ticketed for operation of an uninsured motor vehicle following an accident at 3:58 p.m. Tuesday.

Burton, driving a 1980 Ford, was struck by a 1990 Ford driven by Glenn R. Thompson, 723 E. Elm.

According to police reports, Thompson failed to vield at East Elm and Sixth St.

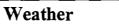
Rogelio Espinoza, 918 E. Young, reported Tuesday that someone scratched his 1983 Cadillac while it was parked at 215 W. Washington.

In the hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital Dec. 13, 1994

Admitted: none.

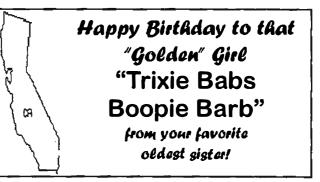
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