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### City officials expected to approve new insurance provider

Hoopeston will pay approximately \$23,000 less for employee health insurance next year.

Following an employee meeting Wednesday, Mayor Bob Ault is expected to sign with the John Alden company, with premiums of \$93,049, providing insurance for 31 city employees.

Heartland Insurance Company of Danville submitted the accepted bid, said alderman Bill Goodwine, chairman of the city finance committee.

Goodwine said the premium was significantly lower because the company accepts "very few groups, only very healthy groups. Somehow or another, we got accepted."

Under the new plan, employee deductibles will increase from \$300 to \$350, with an increase in the family deductible from \$900 to \$1,050.

However, Goodwine said, a family would pay only \$2,700 before insurance would pay 100 percent, compared with a \$4,500 maximum now.

Coverage for employees under the existing plan

expires Dec. 27.

In other action, an ordinance regulating cats in the city passed 5-4.

The ordinance provides for registration fees of \$5 for each sterilized cat and \$10 for non-sterilized cats. Cats running at large would be impounded.

Goodwine told of a neighborhood youngster, a cat owner whose parents "have made (it) clear" that the cat cannot be in the house.

The girl, and others like her, must "choose between putting them to sleep" if cats are found running loose and "(disobeying) the law...I think that's a poor choice," he said.

Goodwine, along with aldermen Mike Eckersley, Drew Allen and John Haughee voted against the ordinance, causing a 4-4 tie, broken by Ault, who voted in favor of the law.

Proposed ordinances on dogs, nuisances and flood areas were tabled.

### Local Jaycees treat elderly to annual Christmas dinner

It was a time for food and fun Sunday as the Hoopeston Jaycees sponsored their annual senior citizens Christmas dinner.

This year, 229 seniors attended the dinner, enjoying a traditional meal of "turkey and the usual fixings," said Bob Porth.

Porth, with his wife, Sally, were chairmen of the event.

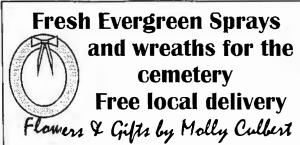
Guests at the party, held at the McFerren Park civic center, were also entertained by band students from Hoopeston Area High School.

Other students got in on the act this year, as

well. Nine Girl Scouts helped serve punch and coffee. "It was really good to have those extra hands," Porth said.

Besides serving guests at the civic center, Jaycees catered dinner at the Hoopeston Nursing Home, serving 65 residents and staff. Another 58 meals were delivered to home-bound seniors, Porth said.

The dinner has become an annual event. "It's a very good time and a very good party," Porth said. "This is the only time some of the people get to visit with friends.



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#### Up & Coming... EIMPC closed

The Eastern Illinois Multi Purpose Center Community Room will be closed Dec. 23-26 and noon Dec. 30-Jan. 2 for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

#### Early dismissal

Hoopeston schools will dismiss early Wednesday for the start of the Christmas holiday. Grade schools will be dismissed at 1:10. Junior and senior high school students will be dismissed at 1:30.

#### Santa hours

Santa will be at his house this Friday and Satur day from 2-4 p.m.

The house is located next to Global Fashions on Main St.

#### Miracles needed

Some names remain on Miracle Trees at Weber Drugs and Pamida, and last-minute names will be available at the Grant Township building. For more information, contact the township at 283-5221.

#### Court dispositions

Nov. 17 - Norma Montez, Hoopeston, breach of peace, \$75, six months court supervision.

Jack Cunningham, Hoopeston, to pay \$75. converted to 18 hours public service work.

Jack Cunningham, Hoopeston, nuisance junk pile, two nuisance junk cars, nolle pros.

Jackie Slaton, Hoopeston, owner's duties, 18 hours public service work.

Gertrude Coppola, Hoopeston, leash law, \$75; failure to inoculate, \$75, 90 days court supervision.

Ted Goodner, Hoopeston, failure to inoculate, nolle pros.

Keith Hicks, Hoopeston, failure to inoculate. summons issued.

Larry Longfellow, Hoopeston, failure to innoculate, summons issued.

Tammy Longfellow, Hoopeston, failure to in-

noculate, nolle pros.

Betty McGinley, Hoopeston, failure to innoculate, summons issued.

Arnold Martinez, Hoopeston, leash law, paid \$75.

Joan Moser, Hoopeston, leash law, 18 hours public service work; owner's duties, 18 hours public service work.

Charles Paul, Hoopeston, failure to inoculate, nolle pros.

William Seiters, Jr., Hoopeston, failure to inoculate, summons issued.

Clifford Crabtree, Hoopeston, illegally parked semi, continued to Dec. 15.

Angela Madison, Watseka, disturbing the peace, \$75, six months court supervision.

#### In the hospital



**Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital** Dec. 19, 1994

Admitted: none. Discharged: none.

#### Weather



Mostly cloudy today. High in the mid 40s. Tonight, rain possible. Low in the mid 30s. Tomorrow, rain possible. High near 42, low near 34.



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### Police News

Michael C. Connor, 215 N. Market, reported Monday that someone damaged the side of his 1989 Toyota pickup truck.

Rod Gaddis, 513 S. Second Ave., reported Tuesday that someone show a hole in the window of the body and paint room at Read's Chevrolet.

A 1993 Ford Escort, reported stolen Saturday. was found in the Pamida parking lot.