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A shopping season that started well ended the same way for local merchants.

Hoopeston and Rossville merchants reported increases in sales ranging, on average, from five to 15 percent over last year.

Although Brian Lawson, owner of Global Fashions in Hoopeston, hasn't tallied final figures, he said sales appear to be about 15 percent above 1993.

The upswing came despite a slow start at the beginning of the shopping season. "It ended up good," he said, adding he had several last-minute shoppers. "The last two days of shopping, it's always men, and they're not picky," he said. "They'll take anything off the rack."

Dave Powley, owner of Ace Hardware, said seasonal sales there were good, as well, even though "we're not very Christmas-y," he said. "We don't live or die by Christmas."

Barbara Pyle, owner of the newly-opened Mus-

tard Seed, said sales there were good for a first vear. "From Dec. 16 on, it picked up," she said, adding shoppers were interested in a variety of items.

Bill Schuler of Schuler's Flower Shop, said he did approximately five percent more business just in grave blankets than was done last year. "We had a really good year," he said. "It could've been better, but it's better than before. Generally speaking, everything went really well."

Aunt Jody, owner of Aunt Jody's Christmas Bank, called the shopping season "great," adding nice weather contributed to the good season. "We broke a couple records," she said. "That's always encouraging.\*\*

At the Fife and Drum, owner Tony McKinley has almost nothing left over for an after-Christmas sale, but he's not complaining.

"Things were good," he said, adding both the See SHOPPERS on other side

## Miracle Tree program successful, township official says

Some local children had a very merry Christmas, thanks to the generosity of others.

The Miracle Tree program, sponsored by Grant Township officials, provided gifts for 150 children in 71 families, said township supervisor Carol Flint.

Christmas trees at Pamida and Weber Drugs were decorated with names of children whose Christmas would have been less than bright this year.

Additionally, last-minute names were submitted to the township, Flint said. None of the children went without gifts. "It just amazes me how they all go out," she said.

One mother, who submitted her children's names late, was surprised at the gifts received. "She thought a gift apiece would be terrific, but we did a little better than that," Flint said.

While officials rarely hear how children liked their gifts, this year was different. "All the comments have been very positive," she said.

The Grant Township Food Cupboard was also "blessed with all kinds of things coming in, and donations," Flint said.

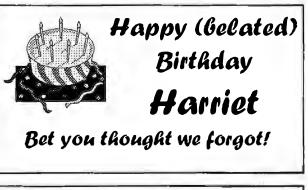




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will be closed Monday, Jan. 2, 1995, for the New Year's holiday. Publication will resume on Jan. 3.

## Court dispositions

**Dec. 1 - Debra Dunning**, Danville, rule to show cause hearing, deceptive practice, body attachment to be issued.

**David Elliott,** Hoopeston, failure to innoculate, summons to be issued.

Vickie Everhart, Hoopeston, leash law, notice to be issued.

Tonya Gallagher, Rantoul, rule to show cause hearing, body attachment to be issued.

Mary Garmon, Rossville, no parking in a handicapped zone, summons to be issued.

Glenn Hackney, Hoopeston, illegal storage, summons to be issued.

**Evelyn Jenkins,** Hoopeston, leash law, continued to Dec. 15.

Larkin Keele, Jr., Hoopeston, disturbing the peace, pleaded not guilty, trial Jan. 19, 1995. Larry Longfellow, Hoopeston, failure to innoculate, summons to be issued.

## Shoppers continued from other side

Rossville and Danville stores did well. Sales at the Rossville store were up from last year, but this was the first year for the Danville store, McKinley said. "Now next year, it better be better," he said.

Marilyn Kinnett, owner of Little Folks and Country Critters, said the season was "wonderful, just wonderful. People did buy. Everything sold well. We're probably up six percent over last year, which is real good, and that's everything, including cookies, which we had for only a month."

While reporting brisk sales, merchants seemed glad the season was over.

"It's been hectic," Kinnett said.

Pyle, new to the retail business, conserved more energy. Asked if she was glad to see the end of the shopping season, she uttered a one-word answer:

"Uh-huh."

Dean Lingley, Hoopeston, illegal parking, pleaded guilty, \$45 total.

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Barbara Pratt, Hoopeston, illegal parking, summons to be issued.

Alice Russell, Hoopeston, rule to show cause, failure to appear, body attachment to be issued.

Austin Rhodes, Hoopeston, criminal damage, 18 hours public service work, \$20 restitution, one year court supervision.

James Russell, Hoopeston, no parking, nolle pros.



Margaret Beauvois, 918 W. Penn, reported Tuesday that someone took a television, VCR, microwave and scanner from 922 W. Penn. Thieves pried the garage door open.

## In the hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital Dec. 22, 1994 Admitted: Mary Forshier, Hoopeston. Discharged: none.

Dec. 23, 1994

Admitted: none.

Discharge: Kenneth Willard, Potomac. Dec. 24, 1994

Admitted: one person, name withheld. Discharged: George Anderson, Hoopeston.

Discharged: George Anderson, Hoopestor Dec. 25, 1994

Admitted: Nadine Longfellow, Hoopeston. **Discharged:** Robert Schieler, Hoopeston.

Dcc. 26, 1994 Admitted: Ann Marie Gonzalez, Hoopeston. Discharged: none.

Weather

Partly sunny today. High in the upper 40s. Fair tonight. Low in the upper 30s. Tomorrow, chance of rain. High near 50, low near 35.



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