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Girl's toys needed for annual Jaycee Christmas campaign

What do you get that 12-year-old girl for Christmas?

Families struggle with finding the perfect gift for girls that age, and the Hoopeston Jaycees find themselves doing the same thing.

This year, eight 12-year-old girls are among those scheduled to get toys from the Hoopeston Jaycees Toys for Tots campaign, said coordinator Dolores Crabtree. Unfortunately, however, most toys that have been donated are for younger children, she added.

Crabtree had no suggestions for what toys would be appropriate. "You know how hard a 12-year-old girl is to buy for," she said. "They're too old for some things and not old enough for others."

Toys may be dropped off at several points in the community, including LCR Mechanical, McDonald's, Travel Discoveries, Jerry's IGA or Grant Township offices.

This is approximately the tenth year the Hoopeston Jaycees have sponsored the toy program. To date, 57 families have signed up, compared with about 73 last year, Crabtree said.

Today is the last day for participants to sign up to receive Toys for Tots, along with the Miracle Tree and Lion's Club food baskets, Crabtree said.

Screening for all programs is done through the Grant Township offices. Participants must show proof of income and birth certificates or Social Security cards for all household members.

Donated toys will be taken to the McFerren Park Civic Center, where they will be picked up by families on Dec. 20-22, Crabtree said.

Also, gifts purchased for children on the Miracle Tree should be taken to the store where children's names were received, Crabtree said. Gifts should be returned to Weber Drugs or Pamida by Friday, Dec. 15.

Grant Township Food Cupboard in 'dire need' of donations

A local agency hopes residents will give so it may give to others.

The Grant Township Food Cupboard needs donations of food and money, said organization president Alta Goodrum.

Goodrum made the announcement at Monday's Community Involvement Committee meeting.

"We're in dire need of food, and cash, too," Goodrum said. "Sometimes our grant doesn't last the whole year. We can always use cash."

While many organizations, such as the Miracle Tree, Toys for Tots, and Lions Club Food Basket program, are reporting fewer families registering,

food cupboard usage is up. "It's hard to say why," Goodrum said.

Goodrum said the food cupboard serves approximately 200 families per month. About 600 people were served in September and October and 18 families were served during the first two days of December, she said.

Some items are especially needed, including peanut butter, macaroni and cheese and canned meats, fruits and vegetables. Goodrum requested that donations of dry spaghetti also be accompanied by cans or jars of spaghetti sauce.

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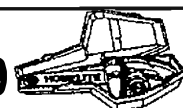
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Police News

Steven M. Howell Jr., 18, 423 W. Penn, was ticketed under the zero tolerance law following an accident at 8:47 p.m. Sunday.

Howell, in a 1983 Plymouth, was backing up from

255 E. Main when he allegedly struck a parked 1984 Dodge owned by Cathy S. Wininger, 405 W. Penn.

Howell was released on \$100 cash bond and his driver's license.

Briefly

Yard decorating contest

Don't forget the Christmas yard decorating contest sponsored by the Hoopeston Jaycees and Just the Facts. Winners in traditional, religious and most original categories will receive \$20 prizes. Send your nomination to: Just the Facts, P.O. Box 441, Hoopeston, IL. 60942 by Dec. 22.

Suggestions sought

If you could plan the 1996 Sweetcorn Festival, what activities would you include? Festival chairman Bob Porth would like suggestions on what activities should be included during next year's festival. Suggestions should be sent to Porth care of the Hoopeston Jaycees, P.O. Box 28, Hoopeston, IL. 6942.

Yearbooks in

1995 HAHS yearbooks may be picked up in the high school library or superintendent's office.

Old yearbooks during Friday's boys' basketball game. Available are 1968, 1975-83, 1986-89, and 1990-94.

Cupboard continued from other side

Paper products, soap and dish and clothing detergent are also welcome donations.

The cupboard gets many donations from individuals and churches, and also from local grocery stores and canning factories, Goodrum said. A food drive sponsored by the Hoopeston Area High School student council netted more than 1,000 cans of food, but supplies are again growing thin.

"We're not just there during the holidays," Goodrum said. "We're there every day, every week, all year long. Hopefully, our need won't always be so great."

Obituaries

LAWSON - Moses Lawson, 96, of Hoopeston, died at 3:57 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, 1995, at Watseka Health Care Center. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation was 4-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

MUNN - Joseph E. Munn, 54, of Chicago, formerly of Hoopeston, died at 12:55 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, 1995, at United Samaritans Medical Center, Logan campus, Danville. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Floral Hill Cemetery. There will be no visitation. Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

In the Hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
Dec. 7, 1995

Admitted: none.

Discharged: none.

Dec. 8, 1995

Admitted: none.

Discharged: Mark Cundiff, Rossville.

Dec. 9, 1995

Admitted: Lucy Burton, Hoopeston.

Discharged: none.

Dec. 10, 1995

Admitted: none.

Discharged: Robert Irvin, Hoopeston.

Weather

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