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Administrator resigns; hospital board seeks replacement

For the first time in nearly eight years, local hospital officials must find someone to lead Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home.

Administrator Rod Burkett announced last week that he will leave on Nov. 22 to become a regional vice president with Springwood Associates, a subsidiary of Park Associates of Buffalo, N.Y.

Burkett will oversee eight nursing homes and assisted living facilities in Watseka, Piper City, Bloomington, Elgin, Aurora and Kewanee.

The hospital board has begun looking for a new administrator, said board president Russ Leigh. Ads advertising the position have been placed in newspapers and a consultant will be hired to "look at operations and look over (applicants)," he said.

The successful candidate will have experience, preferably at a rural facility, and will be community-oriented and have a solid financial background, Leigh said.

Leigh does not expect to have a replacement named before Burkett leaves. "I would think it would be 30 to 45 days before we have an administrator in place," he said.

healthcare cuts should mean a large field of candidates. "We're going to be in no hurry to find someone," Leigh said. "We're going to take our time and see who's out there. The staff can run things for a little while."

While other options are available, such as hiring a management company or larger facility to oversee

Toddler doing well following liver transplant Tuesday

A rural Vermilion County toddler is doing well following a liver transplant Tuesday.

Zachary Carder underwent a nine-hour liver transplant Tuesday, said his great aunt Gwen Brown of Hoopeston. Zachary is the son of Doug and Michelle (Byerly) Carder of rural Indianola and the grandson of Larry and Marcia Smith of Hoopeston.

The Carders received a call from Riley Children's Hospital at about midnight Monday, telling them a liver had been found, Brown said.

The transplant surgery lasted from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Tuesday, approximately three hours less than doctors predicted.

Zachary has alpha 1 antitripsin, a disease in which the liver is unable to produce albumin. Surgery was the only cure for the disease.

Zachary did not require transfusions after the surgery, which, Brown said, is a good sign. The

youngster will remain in intensive care for two to three weeks, and will be in the hospital for two to three months, Brown said.

The family does not know who donated the liver, but suspect it may have come from a little girl killed in a car/deer accident in Indiana.

"They said it came from close around," Brown said. "We think that might have been it. It's kind of sad to lose a life to save a life."

The Carders will never know for sure the identity of the donor, but will be able to send a thank-you letter to them through the hospital.

While the outlook is good for Zachary, the Carders have a new concern.

The couple's new son, born a week ago, may have the same liver malfunction as Zachary. "(Doctors) sent lab work (to New York) to check on him," Brown said. Results of those tests have not returned.

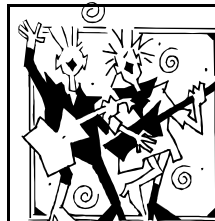
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operations, those possibilities are not being considered.
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Hospital continued from other side
"Right now, we're not looking at those options," Leigh said. "I wouldn't anticipate any major changes there."
Burkett said he will be available to help the board and new administrator through the transition. "I'd be more than willing to do anything I can," he said.
The job offer "sorta fell out of the sky," from a

 **Lunch menus** 

Hoopeston Area Grade Schools
MONDAY: Ham & cheese/bun, tator tots, macaroni salad, graham crackers, pineapple.
TUESDAY: Hamburger/bun, French fries, cheese, pickles, slaw, fruit cocktail.
WEDNESDAY: Chicken nuggets, salad, corn, peaches, bread, margarine.
THURSDAY: Beef & noodles, whipped potatoes, green beans, roll, orange.
FRIDAY: Sausage pizza, salad, applesauce.

Hoopeston Area High/Middle Schools
MONDAY: Ham & cheese/bun or fish/bun, tator tots, macaroni salad, cookie, pineapple.
TUESDAY: Hamburger/bun or turkey/bun, French fries, cheese, pickles, slaw, fruit cocktail.
WEDNESDAY: Chicken nuggets or Z rib/bun, salad, corn, peaches, bread, margarine.
THURSDAY: Beef & noodles or corn dog, whipped potatoes, green beans, roll, orange.
FRIDAY: Sausage pizza or chicken patty/bun, salad, applesauce.


Rossville-Alvin Schools
MONDAY: Beef & noodles, whipped potatoes, gravy, blueberry cobbler, bread, butter.

In the Hospital 



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
Oct. 30, 1996
Admitted: none.
Discharged: Birdell Marie Schwartz and Elizabeth Jane Reetz, Hoopeston.

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resume he submitted more than a year ago. "I wasn't really looking for anything," he said.
Burkett accepted the job because the goals he and the board agreed on when he came have been reached.
The job also meets the main criteria Burkett set for a new job: the ability to remain in Hoopeston. "I turned down a job that was out of state," he said.
Burkett leaves with mixed feelings. "It'll be difficult

Weather 

Mostly cloudy, cold today. High in the mid 40s. Tonight, cloudy. Low in the mid 20s. Tomorrow, sunny. High near 45, low near 25. Sunday, partly cloudy. High near 46, low near 19.

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