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Local man creates equipment to save time, energy, lives

In an emergency, seconds count.

And when that emergency is in an out-of-the-way place, such as a field or wooded area, dealing with cumbersome equipment cuts into valuable time needed to save lives.

A member of the Hoopeston Ambulance Service has invented a piece of equipment that will save not only time, but wear and tear on emergency personnel responding to a call.

The KISS Carrier, designed and created by Jim

Goodrum, makes moving patients from difficult places easier for the patients and emergency personnel.

Using two 20-inch bicycle forks and some one-inch, .085 gauge square tubing, Goodrum has created a device which, when a backboard is strapped to it, can be used to transport patients to a waiting ambulance.

The carrier's parts are held together with U-shaped securing pins and can be assembled in under 30 seconds. "Everything is pinned," Goodrum said. "You can take

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Briefly

Music Booster drawings

Winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing are: March 30, Geneva Nelson, Hoopeston; March 31, Maxine Potts, Hoopeston; April 1, Ernest and Evelyn Spaur, Hoopeston; April 2, Ellis Insurance Agency, Rankin; April 3, Helen Parker, Hoopeston.

Multi Agency van schedule

This week's schedule for the Hoopeston Multi Agency transportation project is Monday, Hoopeston shuttle; Wednesday, Danville; Thursday, Hoopeston shuttle; Friday, Danville.

For more information or to arrange a ride, call the Multi Agency at (217) 283-5544.

Activities at the community center this week include: Monday, ladies bridge, noon; Thursday: men's coffee, 9:30 a.m.; men's euchre, 12:30 p.m.; and Friday, unemployed discount program, 1-3 p.m.

Book Fair scheduled

The Hoopeston Area Middle School library will host a Spring Scholastic Book Fair from Friday, April 3

through Wednesday, April 8. Hours will be 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily.

The fair is open Monday through Wednesday for anyone who would like to attend. Friday is a viewing day for students.

There are many choices of books for all ages, as well as posters, journals, cookbooks, bookmarks, book covers and more. Selections range from sports and science fiction to art/poetry and biographies. Books are available for prexchoolers to mature readers.

Rules of the Road

A Rules of the Road review course will be offered from 1-3 p.m. Thursday, April 9 at the Hoopeston municipal building conference room.

For more information, call (217) 283-5833.

Meetings

The United Community Fund of Grant Township board of directors will meet at noon Wednesday at Crunch's meeting room.

Coaches needed

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