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**Letters to the Editor**

### ER doctor needs to answer questions

Dr. Timmons' letter to the editor was very enlightening, except he didn't answer the one question put to him, which was why is Dr. Kuha being dismissed. Why not another ER doctor, who has numerous complaints against him and has the most patients leaving against

medical advice. Dr. Kuha's only fault is putting the patients ahead of the dollar bills.

Dr. Timmons is correct about the increase in revenue, most of which he and his group get paid for, whether the hospital is reimbursed or not. So though he paints a pretty picture, the public needs to look a little deeper and

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### Finishing touches

DeAnn Queen, Viola Feters, Lance Deck and Wendy Dunavan put the final touches on the Rossville Community Organization's float before the Danville Christmas Parade on November 15. The RCO received an Honorable Mention from the Danville Parade judges and will be featured in the December 8 Holiday of Lights Parade in Rossville.

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see how much the hospital actually benefits from this increase in patient activity.

Also, where is the response to all of this from the hospital board and administration? I would think losing a top notch doctor would draw an immediate reaction. We're waiting!

Eric Drain  
Hoopeston

**Grinch attitude ruined Santa's arrival**

My fellow Hoopestonians,

It was with great pleasure and honor to escort my granddaughter Alexa Rae Bailey to Rotary Park on November 24. For, it was known that Santa Claus would be coming to listen to the children's wishes for the Christmas Day to come and to celebrate the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ thus the word Christ-mas.

I watched the children with anticipation in their eyes as Santa Claus arrived on his big red and shiny sleigh. They all cheered and Santa Claus with his thunderous voice proclaims Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas! Santa Claus and all his helpers tended to the children with glee. Hot chocolate, candy canes and cookies where free and for a small

nominal fee one could get a picture to hang on the tree.

This was all possible through the good little elves from the Chamber of Commerce and anyone else that I may not know about. A special thanks goes out to Rod's Home & Auto Inc. for the use of his building for the development of the pictures.

But, then, I noticed something that disturbed me. It was the children, the little babies, the parents, the grandparents, the great-grandparents, the elves and even Santa. They were all shaking like leaves on a tree for Jack Frost was nipping at knees and their faces indeed. Santa did his best to furnish all involved with shelter from the weather elements, which were cold indeed.

I asked one of the elves why was it that Santa was not at the McFerren Park Civic Center for I believe it was warm and empty that day. The elf said that the Grinch and the council of Grinch followers that gather twice a month at 301 West Main street said it was not to be so. I say, say it is to be so next year.

Last I heard the Civic Center is paid for by the people and is for the people and are children should not be exposed to the cold of Jack Frost especially when the par-

ents pay their property taxes. The last time I looked at my property taxes, I know I saw the word "park" on them. If the Grinch council wants to put lumps of coal in our children's Christmas stockings, I say return the coal during next year's primary and general elections.

To conclude, it would be nice for the children to be warm. It would also be nice to do away with the chance of the children being run over by the Iron Reindeer as they run across the street from Rotary Park to get their pictures of Santa and them. I also know that it is within the American spirit of some of our children. If Santa could only find a spot in the middle of a corn field under freezing conditions, the children would still come to see him. Santa Claus will be here long after political correct-

ness gone amuck disappears. So Grinch council, what is it going to be? Is it going to be a lump of coal for our children or, warmth and safety for our children during the visit of Santa Claus next year at the McFerren Park Civic Center with no strings attached such as craft shows during Santa's visit? Grinch council I know you are green and you think green but, lets leave the color of green out of it for once and take care of the little ones for they are our future. The way we treat them now is how they will treat us later. And with great respect, I wish a Merry Christmas to the men and women of our military and pray for the fallen. God bless their souls.

John S. Palmer  
Hoopeston



**Police News**



**Titus T. Barber**, 29, of 908 W. Washington was arrested at 10:25 a.m. Sunday at Eighth Ave. and Penn. He was charged with driving while license revoked and was released on \$100 bond. His vehicle was towed from the scene.

**Robert Alkire**, owner of Brown-Alkire Funeral Home, 309 E. Washington, reported at 2:50 p.m. Sunday that sometime during the night, someone broke windows to the building.

A **24-year-old** Hoopeston man reported at 3:40 p.m. Sunday that someone took a CD player from his

**Fire Calls**



**Hoopeston Fire Department** was called at 4:50 p.m. Wednesday to 310 S. Eighth Ave., for a stove on fire. No injuries or damage was reported.

**The department** was called at 11:21 a.m. Friday to 4200 North Rd., near 1300 East, for a vehicle fire. No injuries were reported.

**Weather**



Mostly sunny today. High 47. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 33. Tomorrow, partly sunny, chance of rain or snow late High 46, low 28.

For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Service, (217) 283-6221.

vehicle in the 400 block of West Penn.

A **42-year-old** Indiana woman reported at 7:54 p.m. Sunday that her cell phone was missing from a house in the 600 block of East Thompson.

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