

"It is a privilege for us to have the opportunity to work with Hoopeston Regional," Wilkes said. "Our capabilities and experience match their needs, which we have identified together with their board. We are impressed with the dedication of the employees, medical staff and

sponsibilities.

"The board carefully considered its alternatives before choosing QHR," Leigh said. "We were attracted by their dept of resources and broad experience, as well as the expertise of their management staff. QHR works with several hospitals in the region, so they understand the issues unique to our area and are prepared to deal with the challenges a hospital like ours will face."

Leigh said OHR has overseen Gibson City's hospital for more than 15 years. Officials at that facility "were very positive" about QHR and the local board took note of how that hospital has grown and developed under Quorum, he said.

In addition to day-to-day management assistance, the agreement provides HRCH with access to QHR's national purchasing agreements, a comprehensive array of education, training and consulting services and specialty See HOSPITAL on other side

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# -Briefly -

# Preschool screening

A free preschool screening for all 3-, 4-, and 5-yearolds will be held Thursday, April 24 at First Presbyterian Church, 915 E. Orange, Hoopeston.

The screening will determine each child's knowledge of general concepts, motor, speech and language skills and hearing and vision.

Parents should bring their child's Social Security card. Birth-age three screenings will also be available on the same day.

Call (217) 283-6668 for an appointment.

### **Dedication ceremony**

Hoopeston Education Association recently planted trees in honor of Mark Conolly and Dan Park. A dedication of the trees and plaques will be held at 3:50 p.m. Tuesday, April 29 near the high school baseball field.

# *Hospital* continued from other side

healthcare services provided by QHR's strategic service partners.

Access to QHR's national purchasing agreements, which will result in the local facility paying less for supplies, is expected to more than pay for management fees. "I wouldn't be surprised if we could save more than a quarter of a million dollars," Leigh said.

Leigh declined to comment on the amount of the fee but said "(QHR) believes and we believe they'll more than pay for themselves with the services they offer."

The management company is wasting no time in starting work at the health center. An interim chief executive officer, John Crawford, has been appointed, as has an interim chief financial officer.



Everyone is invited to attend.

Say 'hey'

Hoopeston Area High School media students have a way for family, friends of and businesses who hire seniors to say congratulations to the graduates. Shout-outs will air on Channel 13 from May 12-26. Cost is \$5 per page.

For more information or to get a shout-out on the air, call Dan Reed at (217) 283-9511.

### Basic first aid course

A basic first aid course will be offered from 9 a.m.noon Saturday May 3 at Hoopeston Community Church of the Nazarene, 402 E. Honeywell Ave.

Cost is \$20, which includes materials. Pre-registration is required by calling Ryan at (217) 379-0792. Door prizes will be awarded.

QHR will conduct a nationwide search to find a permanent CEO and CFO, both of whom will live in Hoopeston.

While the search will cover the country, it will not exclude people already in Hoopeston who have the qualifications to oversee Hoopeston Regional Health Center. "If anybody within in the hospital is interested, they can apply," Leigh said.

QHR will bring two to three candidates for each position to the board for interviews and to select the new CEO and CFO, based on criteria the board provided to QHR

QHR is a family of brands that has provided consulting, management and education resources to hospitals and health systems for three decades. QHR Management Services is the dominant market leader in hospital management resources, with nearly 200 current multiyear clients across the U.S. Information on the company may be found at www.qhr.com.

# Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 76. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 54. Tomorrow, chance of storms. High 74, low 58. For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Service, (**217**) **283-6221**.



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applications for a full time custodian. Starting date is June 1, 2008. Starting wage is \$8.00/hour. Applications may be picked up in the Superintendent's Office, 615 E. Orange, Hoopeston, IL, Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Hoopeston Area C.U.S.D. #11 is seeking applications for a 6th Grade Boys Basketball Coach. Interested individuals should contact Dan Walder, John Greer Principal, at (217) 283-6667.

#### HOUSES FOR RENT

House for rent in Rossville - 2/3 bedroom, newer kitchen, carpets and furnace. Close to school. \$450 per month. Deposit and References required. No pets. Call 217-304-6547 for application.

#### RUMMAGE SALES

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