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Marriage of Rossville PA, Hoopeston health services set

For about 25 years, it's been an on again, off again courtship but starting October 1, the marriage is on.

Dennis Price, PA-C, long time physician's assistant in Rossville, will become affiliated with Hoopeston Regional Health Care. Price will practice family medicine in collaboration with attending physician Dr. Jay Colbert.

Price began practicing approximately 25 years ago. For 20 of those years, he has been affiliated with Danville Polyclinic, practicing under Dr. Venkat Sekar. During that time, Hoopeston health officials made overtures to Price, but, although he was on the hospital courtesy staff, he was happy to stay where he was.

About six months ago, another overture was made by Beth Totheroh, manager of Charlotte Ann Russell Medical Center. Totheroh "is the one who really brought us together," he said.

The latest request was "conceptual in the beginning," Price said. "It's just kind of gone from there."

medical care in Hoopeston. "Health care in Hoopeston is really improving," he said.

"In addition to Dr. (Thomas) Lee, we have four young providers setting the foundation."

In conjunction with a belief that Hoopeston offers quality healthcare, Price also cited a new closeness between Rossville, where he practices, and Hoopeston. "The communities have gotten closer together in both healthcare and education," he said.

Price serves as president of the Rossville-Alvin School



Photo contributed

Dennis Price, PA-C, right, will become affiliated with Hoopeston Re-Price likes what he sees happening with gional Health Center, effective October 1. He is pictured with Dr. Jav Colbert, Price's attending physician.

> Board. R-A and Hoopeston Area have worked together in several areas, including Rossville-Alvin hosting agriculture-related classes at its former high school building. Several Rossville-Alvin students began attending Hoopeston Area High School after Rossville's high school was deactivated.

He sees the collaboration between the communities as See HEALTH on other side



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Police News

A 51-year-old Hoopeston man reported at 12:05 p.m. Wednesday that someone slashed a tire on his bicycle while it was unattended in the 200 block of East Main.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 2:37 p.m. Wednesday at Rt. 9 and Second Ave. Police said Deetta Henk of Hoopeston, in a 2006 Chevrolet, rear-ended a 2008 Chevrolet truck, driven by William Mullenix, also of Hoopeston, that had slowed for traffic.

A 15-year-old Hoopeston boy was arrested at 3:25

p.m. Wednesday after he allegedly removed an item from CVS, Rtes. 1 and 9.

The boy was released to his guardian. A report and petition were sent to the Vermilion County State's Attorney's office for charges.

A 16-year-old Hoopeston boy was charged with curfew violation after police found him walking at 12:55 a.m. in the 100 block of East Main. The boy was released on a notice to appear.

— Briefly

Tiny Tots

Tiny Tots story program will meet at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Hoopeston Public Library children's room. Tiny Tots is open to children ages 1-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

ASP fundraiser

A Baked Potato Dinner and Salad Bar fundraiser will be held from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday at Hoopeston United Methodist Church, 403 E. Main. Freewill donations will be accepted with proceeds going to the Appalachian Service Project.

Memorial rescheduled

The memorial for Ray Onea, former Hubbard Trail Country Club golf pro has been rescheduled for 12:30 p.m. Sunday at the country club. It was rained out for it's original date of Sept. 14.

Alley cleanup

Hoopeston alley cleanup will begin October 6, weather permitting. Only tree limbs, grass clippings and general yard waste will be picked up. No cement!

Health continued from other side

a good thing, especially in the area of medicine. "Healthcare in small towns takes a concerted effort from a lot of people," he said.

The new venture will also be more convenient for patients. While Price will continue to treat patients as he has, instead of having to drive to Danville for tests and other services, they will be referred to Hoopeston.

Price will maintain his Rossville office at 112 N. Chi-

cago. In addition to his family medicine practice there, he will also do some on-call work, as well as swing bed and nursing home duties.

The staff at his office will remain the same, with Mary Ritter, RN and receptionist Kara Sheahan.

Price is accepting new patients. Office hours are 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. He may be reached at (217) 748-4141.

"I'm looking forward to it," Price said of his new collaboration. "The patients will get very good service up there."

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220 N. 10th Ave., Hoopeston. Fri. & Sat., 8-noon. Nursing uniforms, boys and girls clothes, glassware, cake decorating equipment, much more!

1027 W. Thompson, Hoopeston. Fri. & Sat, 8-2. Lots of Christmas decorations, curtains, sheets, new comforter, quilting material, good winter clothing, pocket knives, tools, misc.

863 E. Maple (facing Euclid), Hoopeston. Sat., 8-noon. Boys clothes, 8-16, men's jeans & shirts, women's clothing, table & chairs, tolls, books, antique pump organ, antique radio, camping tailgate for Chevy truck, misc.

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