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Elizabeth "Bitsy" Johnson and Chelsea Cade outside their new business, G&C Diagnostics, set to open September 14.
Downtown business to lower "stick-er" shock of lab work

Healthcare is expensive, but two local women are doing what they can to make getting blood tests less financially painful. Elizabeth "Bitsy" (Goodrum) Johnson and Chelsea Cade will open G&C Diagnostics on September 14. The business, at 220 Bank St., will offer low cost lab work to area residents. Johnson, who has been a nurse for 24 years, and Cade, a certified nursing assistant since 2009, and who recently became a licensed phlebotomist, said the reason they want to start the business is to help local residents save on necessary tests. For example, Johnson said, a routine blood

test that costs more than \$200 at a hospital lab will be \$25 at G&C Diagnostics - a boon to those with no insurance or who have a high deductible. The women will be able to perform hundreds of needed tests on blood and urine, including pre-employment drug testing for local companies at a fraction of the cost. G&C is part of Quest Diagnostics, one of the two largest diagnostics companies in the U.S. Equipment, such as a special refrigeration unit and a centrifuge, will come from Quest. The process will be simple for patients. A doctor will See **STICK** on other side

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give a patient an order for a test and the patient will take it to G&C. The sample will be taken, packaged and will be picked up by courier to go to Quest's Wood Dale location, where most tests will be done. More complex ones may go to Chantilly, Va., or San Juan Capistrano, Calif., Johnson said.

Patients will be able to create a Quest account and see their test results online, many within a day.

Patients may choose to pay privately or G&C will bill insurance providers.

Dr. Terrill Applewhite, an internal medicine specialist, will be the doctor of record for the office. Practicing in the Kankakee area, he is also affiliated with Carle Hoopeston Regional Health Center and Iroquois Memorial Hospital in Watseka.

The idea for the business came easily to Cade and Goodrum. Everything else has proven a little more difficult.

Excited to start their new venture, the first hurdle was finding a location in Hoopeston. "We looked everywhere," Cade said. They considered several that didn't pan out and were considering renting space at Hoopeston Multi Agency when they learned the former Lanie's Barber Shop would be sold at a tax sale. They were unsuccessful in purchasing the building then, but in April, were able to buy it from the bank that purchased it at the sale.

The next challenge was building's condition. Like many buildings in downtown Hoopeston, theirs had not been properly maintained and it showed. "We had to gut everything," Cade said. Luckily, between them, family and friends pitched in to put up walls, paint and do other construction tasks. A new roof was put on, new parking lot poured and drainage issues behind the office are being addressed.

Cade and Johnson expressed thankfulness for the outpouring of support from Hoopeston businesses who have worked with them to open the new venture as quickly as possible, including Silver Brothers, Cade Heating & Air, State Line Foam, C&D Outdoor Improvements, and Craftsman Printing.

Family and friends were essential in getting the business on the road, including Joe Goodrum, who did drainage work at the site, Darren Coon, Luke

From the Blotter

A black Verizon ZTE phone was found in a yard and turned in to police. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Morgeson, Sarah Garrison and Terry Keith.

The women also received support from their own families. Johnson's husband, Tommy, and children Jessie Pentecost and Lauren Johnson, are supportive, while Cade's spouse, Kellie Morgeson, has given hours of free labor painting and doing other work to help.

Since purchasing the building and beginning work on it, the women said residents have stopped in to chat and offer their support, too. "In trying to do something to help the community, they helped us 100 times over," Johnson said.

The duo couldn't be happier with their idea, their handiwork and their location - which might benefit a nearby business, too. "When people get their fasting test, they can head over to 112 (Wine and Coffee Shoppe) for something to drink and a muffin," Johnson said.

The business will be open Monday Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 6 a.m. - 3 p.m. Both women have jobs outside the lab office and plan to keep them as their new venture stabilizes, but additional hours may be added based on community needs.

G&C Diagnostics may be reached by phone at (217) 772-1057 or (217) 772-1214.

Obituaries

DOLPH - Rolla Charles Dolph, 75, of Onarga, died at home on Saturday, Aug. 29, 2020. Visitation will be 11 a.m. until the 1 p.m. funeral Wednesday at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park. Private burial, with military rites, will be held Thursday in Danville National Cemetery. Among his survivors is a son, Rolla C. Dolph Jr., of Bismarck.

GRAVES - Karen Sue (Hale) Graves, 91, of Veedersburg, Ind., died at 10:22 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30, 3030, at Bickford Senior Living, Crawfordsville IL. She will be cremated. Memorials are suggested to donor's choice Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be left at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

Weather

Chance of showers, then chance of thunderstorms today. High 81. Tonight, cloudy. Low 62. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 84, low 53.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit justthefacts.net/weather/.

Briefly

Meetings

●Hoopeston Area school board special meeting, 6 p.m. Wednesday, high school office, to ratify new

teacher contract

●Hoopeston sesquicentennial public meeting, 6 p.m. Thursday, Hoopeston City Hall. All welcome!

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- RtI Interventionist Grades 6-8
- RtI Interventionist Grades 9-12

Applications are available online at Hoopeston Area CUSD's website, www.hoopeston.k12.il.us, or may be picked up at the District Office.

Mechanic wanted. Experience with heavy truck, construction, and agricultural machinery preferred. Call 217-474-8349.

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