

LOCAL NEWS

Groundbreaking held for intermodal transload center

‘The impact and benefits of this facility will be felt regionally for many years...’

BY JEFF HELFRICH
MANAGING EDITOR

ROCHELLE — On Wednesday, the City of Rochelle and the Greater Rochelle Economic Development Corporation (GREDCO) hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for the Rochelle Intermodal Transload Center (RITC) at 1851 S. Steward Road, a new intermodal container yard in the heart of Rochelle’s industrial park.

The project will return intermodal services to the city after the Union Pacific Railroad’s decision to close the intermodal ramp at Global III in Rochelle in May 2019. The RITC will be served by the City of Rochelle Railroad, a city-owned short line railroad that connects businesses and industries to both the Union Pacific (UP) and Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) main line Railroads.

City officials aim for the facility to give local and regional industries a cost-effective alternative to moving freight through Chicago.

“To see this project come to fruition today makes me very proud to say the least,” Mayor John Bearrows said. “It represents a public-private partnership that is truly in the best interest of the region. This is truly a

monumental milestone for this area relative to the shipping business. With the current fuel cost, labor shortage, supply chain troubles and many other issues that face our smaller and larger shippers alike, this will be their saving grace.”

The container yard will be operated by the Burlington Junction Railway (BJRY) of Burlington, Iowa. The creation of the intermodal container yard is a collaboration between the city, GREDCO and the BJRY. The BJRY has operated the city’s railroad for nearly 16 years.

BJRY General Manager AJ Martin has worked with the city since 2017 and said he’s been “amazed” with what can be accomplished in the community.

“This is a prime example of something you don’t find anywhere else in North America,” Martin said. “People come together and push back on things like this to make it possible for industries to grow. That’s a testament to the tenacity of this community. Rochelle sees rail as a tool to better the lives of people in this community.”

Intermodal service could begin as early as spring 2023. The project includes paving the entrance to the RITC, construction of an 1,100-by-60-foot concrete lifting pad and constructing an



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intermodal container yard adjacent to the existing transload center.

In addition to adding intermodal services within the RITC, the facility can handle a variety of shipments including dry bulk, liquid bulk, dimensional, oversize, machinery, metals and other commodities and products.

GREDCO Board Vice Chairman Claude McKibben spoke at the ground-

breaking and touted the city and GREDCO’s investment in Rochelle’s industry sector.

“Through GREDCO’s vision and leadership, the city’s railroad was created, the industrial park we stand in was developed, along with numerous other projects that have attracted over a dozen industries bringing over 1,000 jobs,” McKibben said. “The development of the RITC

is yet another example of GREDCO’s role in collaborating with the city to bring about economic development opportunities where businesses can thrive.”

City Economic Development Director Jason Anderson was tasked with working to return intermodal service to the city after Global III closed. He called Wednesday “a monumental day” and

said the RITC will create opportunities for dozens of industries to reduce freight costs.

Anderson said that over the past four years, at times his faith wavered on whether or not the intermodal facility would come to fruition.

“Today we’re here to celebrate it,” Anderson said.

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SCHOOL: Elementary board approves roof replacement project

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“This is largely based on our schools’ testing scores, and what’s odd is that Lincoln is a K-1

building and there are no state assessments for that,” Harper said. “Basically, the federal government says each school must have a designation.

They’ve decided to take performance elsewhere in the district and back map it down to the K-1. They’ve taken pre-pandemic performance for

students who are currently at Central School and compared that versus during pandemic performance and found that our students with special needs from that cohort are performing lower than the lowest 5 percent of schools’ total populations in the entire state.”

Lincoln will be a targeted school for the next three years and will go through a school improvement process and receive \$10,000 a year to help improve the performance of students with special needs in the building.

Harper said the designation’s requirement won’t necessitate “a huge deviation” from school improvement work the district is already doing.

“I think it’s a crack in the system and doesn’t make a tremendous amount of sense, but that’s just where we’re at,” Harper said. We have a great relationship with the Ogle County Educational Cooperative and we’ll continue to work

with them to try to figure out how to improve the performance of all of our students, especially those with special needs. This is the first time we’ve had this situation. We’re assessed every year and those designations come out.”

Roof

The board unanimously approved a Health Life Safety amendment for a \$50,000 project to replace the roof at Central School and also unanimously approved a state grant application that could be used to pay for it.

Harper said the roof at Central School has been leaking and needs to be addressed. The state grant reimburses any school maintenance project up to \$50,000 and the district has used the grant for the last two years on other projects.

Bids for the work will be brought to the board in the future and the project is slated to start in summer 2023.

IVT

The board unanimously approved a memorandum of understanding with the state’s International Visiting Teacher Program. Participation will have no cost to the district other than paying for the international teacher’s salary and benefits. The district will have access to international teachers for up to three years with a two-year option after that.

“In January, the district will give our anticipated needs to ISBE and they’ll take on going out and finding people who are qualified to do so in Spanish-speaking countries or that have Spanish proficiency,” Harper said. “They submit their licensing and accreditation through ISBE. This is the first time we’ve ever done this. If a teacher comes here, they get the same introduction and training as our other teachers do. If it doesn’t work out, we can still not renew this teacher if they aren’t right for us.”

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LOCAL NEWS

HILLCREST: Audit findings presented at board meeting

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The first 1,000 gallons used would go from \$4.41 per gallon to \$5.70 per gallon in 2023 and \$6.98 in 2024. A Baxter & Woodman representative said the average water bill would need to go from \$31 per month to \$38 in 2023 and \$45 in 2024.

The village still has the opportunity to back out of the venture if it desires. Baxter & Woodman expects to get and approve bids for the project in March or April 2023 and begin construction in July or August and complete it by December 2023.

Trustees and Baxter & Woodman representatives also discussed a new national requirement that will cause the village to have to take inventory of what material makes up water service lines to each home and business in Hillcrest to determine if there are lead service lines.

Lead use in water service lines was banned in 1988. Most village homes were built in the 1950s. The Windover Park subdivision was built in 1992 and that time of build will make those homes exempt from inspection for lead lines.

Hillcrest has 405 homes and 450 buildings total.

The village plans to send information to homeowners on how they can inspect the water lines into their homes and report to the village what they're made of. Baxter & Woodman will get the village an estimate

for what the cost would be for the firm to do the inventory work.

The village's lead service lines report is due to the state on April 14, 2023. The final deadline is April 15, 2024.

If lead service lines are found, replacement will be required in the future and there are some grants currently available for that work.

Audit

Bill Newkirk of Newkirk & Associates presented findings of the village's audit for the year that ended in June.

Newkirk said in relation to other small villages, the cash position of Hillcrest's general fund is "very strong." The general fund had a balance of almost \$2.7 million at the end of the fiscal year with total expenditures of \$316,000. A common measurement is that fund balances should be at least 50 percent of expenditures for the year.

"The fund balance you have in the general fund is far and away above what I'd say an average village of this size would carry," Newkirk said.

Newkirk also said that the village does not have "a significant amount" of debt.

Water

Village Trustee Dan Potter said meter readings are at 100 percent, which means Hillcrest's water equipment purchase from recent months is "working great."

Water service shut offs

are down from about six a month on average to one a month, which he called "phenomenal."

"Because people tend to use a lot of water during the summer and now would be the time it was getting turned off if there wasn't payment," Potter said. "So that's good."

Potter said he plans to send payment for a planned inspection of the village's water tower that the infrastructure is in need of.

Salt

Village Trustee Rick Rhoads said salt will soon be delivered for winter maintenance in Hillcrest and he's looking into getting a building put in to act as a salt shed.

Rhoads said the price of salt has increased again this year. Two years ago it was about \$50 per ton, last year it was \$75 per ton and this year it's \$101 per ton. The village purchased 75 tons for a total of \$7,600 this year.

UTVs

Village trustees and Village Attorney Paul Chadwick will review the Ogle County UTV ordinance to discuss at the next meeting for the possibility of allowing UTVs in Hillcrest.

Maintenance

Village Clerk Dawn Bearrows said Hillcrest is still without a maintenance employee and the village is endeavoring to make a hire through a number of different channels.



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ELECTION: Local voters cast ballots

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Former local representative Tom Demmer fell short in his bid for state treasurer against Michael Frerichs, receiving 44 percent of votes statewide. Demmer received 69.28

percent of the Ogle County vote.

U.S. Rep. Darin LaHood was the winner in the Illinois 16th Congressional District over Democratic challenger Elizabeth Haderlein. 68.4 percent of Ogle County residents voted for

LaHood.

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CITY: Groundbreaking held Wednesday

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"I've thought and dreamed and believed for 18 years that this project would come to fruition. We've overcome many obstacles. Today we celebrate a new beginning where local and regional businesses will begin to have access to a new rail and truck intermodal service, saving millions of dollars in transportation costs."

When Global III closed, Bearrows told local media that it would affect the area adversely and said that the city would do everything it could to provide a city-owned intermodal rail service. It accomplished that goal Wednesday.

Bearrows believes the project will have "a huge impact" on the community and region for "many years to come." Anderson said the new service will

attract new businesses that offer good-paying jobs to citizens in Rochelle and the region.

"We're celebrating the laying of a new foundation where businesses seeking a friendly place to do business can know that this group of leaders will go the extra mile to bring profitability and success to these businesses," Anderson said. "I call this the Rochelle way."

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LOCAL NEWS

Ogle County Sheriff's Department

Deputies conduct stops

OREGON — On Nov. 5 at 7:25 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop at North Freepoint Road and West Harper Road. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested Maria Arellano-Martinez of Richland Center, Wisconsin, for driving without a valid license. Arellano-Martinez was released on a \$2,500 individual bond with a future court date.

On Nov. 5 at 9:27 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop at Illinois Route 26 and Illinois Route 72. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested Donna Brunner of Lena, for driving under the influence of alcohol. Brunner was also issued a citation for improper lane usage. Brunner was transported to Ogle County Jail where she was held in lieu of bond.

On Nov. 5 at approximately 2:37 a.m. deputies conducted a motorist assist at the intersection of Illinois Route 64 and Meridian Road. After a brief investigation, Edgar Ivan Solano-Ruiz, 23, of California, was arrested for no valid driver's license and unlawful possession of cannabis. Solano-Ruiz was additionally charged with possession of methamphetamine (class three felony). Solano-Ruiz was transported to the Ogle County Jail pending an appearance before a judge.

On Nov. 5 at approximately 10:58 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop on Interstate 39 at mile marker 108. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested Candy Cruz, 20, of Rockford, for no driver's license. Cruz was taken into custody without incident and released on the scene on a \$2,500 individual bond. Cruz was additionally cited for sus-

pending registration and operating an uninsured motor vehicle.

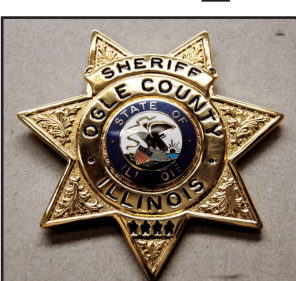
On Nov. 6 at approximately 1:46 a.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop on Interstate 39 at mile marker 105. After a brief investigation, Lucia Ibarra-Goytia, 29, of Rockford, was arrested for driving while license suspended. Ibarra-Goytia was additionally cited for suspended registration. Ibarra-Goytia was released on scene with a return court date.

On Nov. 6 at approximately 6:31 p.m. deputies initiated a traffic stop at Caron Road and McConaughy Avenue in Rochelle for window tint. After further investigation, deputies arrested Ivan Martinez, 22, of Rochelle, for no valid license. Martinez was released on an individual bond with a future court date given.

On Nov. 6 at approximately 8:16 p.m. deputies initiated a traffic stop on Interstate 39 northbound at mile marker 111 for speed. After further investigation, deputies arrested Darius Triplett, 19, of Rockford, for driving while license suspended. Triplett was released an individual bond with a future court date given.

On Nov. 7 at approximately 2:32 a.m. deputies conducted a traffic on Interstate 39 near mile marker 103. After a brief investigation, Anthony Linenfelser, 31, of Peru, was arrested for driving while license suspended. Linenfelser was released on scene with a return court date.

On Nov. 7 at 5:38 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop near the intersection of East Illinois Route 64 and South



German Church Road. As a result, Charles V. Alba, 36, of Forreton was arrested for driving while license suspended. Alba was additionally issued citations for suspended registration, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and illegal transportation of alcoholic liquor. Alba was issued an I-Bond and released.

On Nov. 7 at 7:53 p.m. deputies were dispatched to the 200 block of North Oak Avenue in Forreton for a juvenile complaint. As a result of the subsequent investigation, Michelle R. Simpson, 39, of Forreton was arrested for domestic battery. Simpson was transported to the Ogle County Jail pending a court appearance.

On Nov. 7 at approximately 10:39 p.m. deputies were dispatched to the area of East Lindenwood Road and Illinois Route 251 for the report of a suspicious vehicle. After investigation, deputies located the offending vehicle on East Illinois Route 64 near Interstate 39, at which time Todd Gorski, 57, of Rochelle, was placed under arrest for driving under the influence of alcohol. Passenger Raymond Mifflin, 78, of Rochelle was also arrested for an active Ogle County Warrant. Gorski and Mifflin were both transported to the Ogle County Jail, where they were held in lieu of bond.

All individuals are considered innocent until proven guilty.

Obituaries

Robert 'Bob' Forbes Leith

AIKEN, S.C. — Robert "Bob" Forbes Leith, 82, passed from this life at home after an extended illness on Thursday, Oct. 27 in the loving arms of his wife, Susan. He adored her, and he was her prince. They were married nearly 34 years having lived in Rochelle before moving to Cedar Creek in Aiken, South Carolina in 2005.

Bob was born Sept. 25, 1940 and grew up on the grounds of the Elgin Country Club where his father, William F. Leith, originally from Cruden, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, was the golf pro and his mother, Gladys Speaker Leith was the bookkeeper. He graduated from Elgin High School, Class of 1958, and attended Aurora University. While in junior high, he became a STAR Scout, earning the Merit Badge "God & Country" by cleaning his church, First Congregational Church of Elgin, on weekend for an entire year.

Bob earned many professional certificates while working in middle management for 39 years at Nicor Gas in Naperville. He was admired and respected by his fellow employees and missed only one day of work in those 39 years. Bob also managed the Rochelle Country Club for many years and had been the accountant for Fox and

Hound Realty since 2011. His dedicated work ethic was evident throughout all his employments.

Bob was a "die hard" Cubs fan, with so many fun memories at Wrigley Field with his special lifelong friend, Bob Cutler, as well as other family members. He was an avid golfer, coming from a family of golfers, and enjoyed each of his two "holes-in-one." He loved music, cross word puzzles and competitive family games. He had a forgiving heart, a memory like a "steel trap," and he was always telling silly jokes. He always put his family before himself and wholeheartedly loved his six children and was immensely proud of his thirteen grandchildren.

Bob has been such a positive influence on our families.

He leaves behind, his wife, Susan; daughter, Karie (Bob) Lukas, Crown Point, Indiana, and their children, Abbey (Nick) Hollis, Ian, Aaron & Jack Lukas; son, Scott (Jeanie) Leith, Houston, Texas, and their children, Elena, Audrey, Alec & Quinn Leith; Jamie Prentice, Atlanta, Georgia, and her sons, Logan and Christian Prentice; Scot (Debra) Hollonbeck, Atlanta, and their daughter, Abby Hollonbeck; Dr. Sean Hollonbeck, Col. Ret., Milton, Florida, and his daughter, Olivia Hol-



lonbeck; Lane Hollonbeck (who Bob raised from age 11), Rochelle, and his daughter, Micah; brother, Tom (Judy) Leith, Elgin; three nieces and three nephews; two sister-in-laws, Patricia Martin, Ft. Worth, Texas, and Lynda Hellebusch, Missouri; and Kathy Leith, Elgin/Crown Point, his son's and daughter's mother.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Patricia Miller, and his brother, William "Bill" Leith.

At a later day, in accordance with his wishes, his ashes will be strewn on the Rochelle Country Club golf course in Rochelle, where he played many, many rounds with his good buddies. A celebration of his Bobs life will be held with family and friends will also be held.

Memorials may be made in Bob's honor to Parkinson's Disease research at www.parkinsonsresearchfoundation.org, Multiple Sclerosis at www.nationalmssociety.org, or to Great Oak Equine Assisted Programs at PO Box 1288, in Aiken, S.C. 29802

Clyde T. Patterson

ROCHELLE — Clyde T. Patterson, 87, of Rochelle, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 9 at the Rochelle Community Hospital. Clyde was born on Aug. 6, 1935 to Johnny James and Clara Louida (Walker) Patterson. On Jan. 31, 1963, he married Bernita Ann Johnson in Rochelle.

Clyde loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He liked watching wrestling on TV, fishing, and watching his betta fish dance in the aquarium.

Clyde is survived by his four children: Clara Buri, Constance "Connie" Wirtz, Clyde Patterson, and Kathy (Jesse) Davis;

16 grandchildren: Chrissy Norris, Stephanie Hannenbaum, Anthony and Arden Williams, Bridgett Douglas, Erick and Kyle Ware, Christopher and Jennifer Purdy, Colton, Zachery, Seth Patterson, Amber Robins, Hayley, Kylee and Austin Davis; many great-grandchildren; and a sister, Bessie Holt. In addition to his parents,

Clyde is preceded in death by his wife, Bernita, on Jan. 31, 2013; two sons: Gerald Williams and Billy Ray Williams; three brothers: Edward, Robert and Reno Patterson; and two sisters, Kathyne Rhodes and Dorothy Lambert.

Visitation will be from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov.



13 at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home, 400 N. 6th St., Rochelle. The funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 14 at the funeral home with Pastor Corey Gilliam officiating. Burial will follow the service at Trinity Memory Gardens in Rochelle.

Memorials may be made to the family. Visit www.ungerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

Rochelle Police Department

Officers issue arrests

ROCHELLE — On Nov. 8 at 2:41 p.m. Karina Ortiz, 22, of Rockford was cited for speeding 43 m.p.h. in a 20-m.p.h. zone, suspended registration, no insurance and disobeying a stop sign. She was released on an I-Bond with a Dec. 16 Rochelle court date.

On Nov. 9 at 7:52 a.m. Jonathan K. Crowley, 33, of Franklin Grove, was arrested on two outstanding DeKalb County warrants and for driving while license suspended. He was transferred for the warrants and released on an I-Bond with a Dec. 16 Rochelle court date.

On Nov. 9 at 1:02 p.m. Michael D. Martin, 35, of Chicago was arrested for driving while license revoked. He was released on an I-Bond and given a Dec. 16 Rochelle court date.

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Rochelle DAR and scouts place flags for Veterans Day

ROCHELLE — Girl Scout Troop No. 409, Cub Scouts Pack No. 553, scout parents and scout leaders helped the Rochelle Daughters of the American Revolution place flags at all known veterans' graves at St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery and Trinity Memory Gardens in preparation for Veterans' Day on Nov. 11.

The flags will also be used to identify veterans' graves for Wreaths across America Day on Dec. 18.

If you would like to sponsor a wreath for a specific veteran or even multiple veterans' wreaths, at St. Patrick's, Trinity, Lawnridge, Daysville (Oregon) or Woodlawn (Creston) cemeteries, order forms are available at the Rochelle VFW Post 3878,



(COURTESY PHOTO)

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org/IL0136P. The deadline for your order to be received is Nov. 29.

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Rochelle Area

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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The Bridge Church, Pastor Greg Duncan, 11038 E. IL Route 38, Rochelle, IL 61068. Phone: 815-562-7750. Sunday School: 9:00 am; Sunday Service: 10:00 am; Nursery & Children's ministry during am service; Bible Study Tuesday 10:00 am and Wednesday 7:00 pm. Web: thebridgechurchrochelle.com Email: thebridgechurchrochelle@gmail.com

Calvary Lighthouse Church, Assemblies of God, Senior Pastor, Dr. James Horvath. 14409 Hemstock Rd., Rochelle. Sunday Morning: Sunday Worship & Children's Church 10:00 A.M., Wednesday Evening 7:00 P.M. – Adult Teaching, Missionettes & Royal Rangers Childrens Classes, Nursery available for all services. HE-Brews Cafe is open before and after services. For further information, please call the CLC office at 815-562-7701, or email us at staff@calvarylighthouse.com

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COMMUNITY



Rise Up Dance Center donates to Rochelle CAN
Rise Up Dance Center Director Christa McGrath presented a donation to Michelle Pease and Mike Dale of the Rochelle CAN. RUDC donated \$150 to CAN from a bake sale they had at the annual Hay Day Event.

THE KITCHEN TABLE MENU

- Nov. 15 – (Tuesday) – Thanksgiving Dinner – Sliced Turkey or Ham, Sausage Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn Casserole, Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce, Pea Salad, Dinner Rolls

Nov. 17 – (Thursday) – Thanksgiving Dinner - Pork Roast or Ham, Roasted Potatoes, Carrots, Stuffing, Corn, Roasted Cauliflower and Broccoli, Dinner Rolls, Pea Salad

Nov. 18 – (Friday) – NO FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER DUE TO THANKSGIVING

Nov. 22 – (Tuesday) – CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING
- Nov. 24 – (Thursday) – CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING

Nov. 29 – (Tuesday) – Chicken Wraps with Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, Ranch

Dec. 4 – (Sunday Brunch) – Sausage Gravy and Biscuits, Oatmeal, Meat Skillets over Diced Potatoes

KIDS MENU: Chicken Nuggets w/Fries

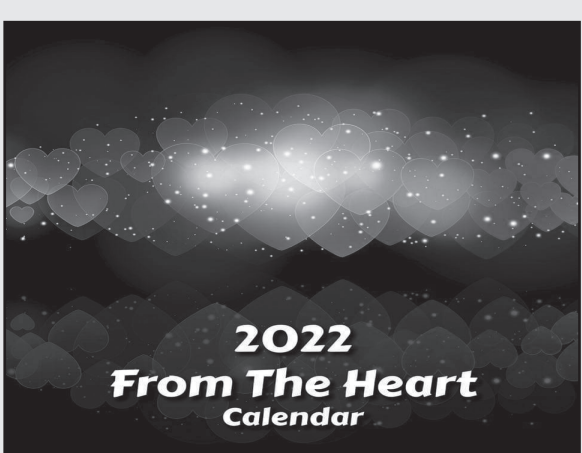
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Nov. 13 Jacob & Marissa Seldal (anniversary)	Nov. 18 Ethan Huff Jenna Jackson	Kevin & Katie Sherburne (anniversary)
Nov. 14 Jaelyn Sullivan Emma Slack	Nov. 20 Tony Fry	Nov. 24 Brenda Jones
Nov. 17 Tim South Michael Ramsey	Nov. 22 Tim Dougherty	Nov. 27 Makayla Ludwig
	Nov. 23 Seth House	Nov. 29 Sam South

Call 815-561-2151 to submit names for birthdays and anniversaries



- Oct. 18 - Kalynn Norris, Rochelle, \$25
- Oct. 19 - Rochelle Rescue Mission, \$25
- Oct. 20 - Mikaela Comstock, Milton, \$25
- Oct. 21 - Larry Truckenbrod, Sublette, \$25
- Oct. 22 - Edna M. Miller, Rochelle, \$25
- Oct. 23 - Lance Charnock, Rochelle, \$50
- Oct. 24 - Rochelle Area Community Foundation, \$25
- Oct. 25 - Juan Martinez, Rochelle, \$25
- Oct. 26 - Janelle Stein, Rochelle, \$25
- Oct. 27 - From the Heart, Rochelle, \$25
- Oct. 28 - Laurie Haub, Rochelle, \$25
- Oct. 29 - Nancy Adams, Rochelle, \$25
- Oct. 30 - Village of Progress, \$50
- Oct. 31 - Rochelle Rescue Mission, \$250
- Nov. 1 - Josh Williams, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 2 - Rochelle Rescue Mission, \$25
- Nov. 3 - Matt Gerard, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 4 - Foundation for Focus House, \$25
- Nov. 5 - From the Heart, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 6 - Rochelle Area Community Foundation, \$50
- Nov. 7 - Jacob Meyers, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 8 - Sharon Watkins, DeKalb, \$25
- Nov. 9 - Rachel Huff, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 10 - Pastor Greg & Tina Hoffman, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 11 - Foundation for Focus House, Rochelle, \$250
- Nov. 12 - Nancy Pfab, Lindenwood, \$25
- Nov. 13 - Rochelle Area Community Foundation, \$50



Coffee Break

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: SET IN FROM THE MARGIN

Accident	Dentist	Identify	Rodent
Dental	Denture	Imprudent	Student
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Dentin	Evident	Prudent	

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Answers

Super Crossword

DENTED WORDS

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Fence is shorter. 2. Ears are different. 3. Dog is moved. 4. Helmet stripe is different. 5. Mouth is different. 6. Armbands are missing.

Super Crossword

A STUDY IN SCARLETT

- ACROSS**

1 Acquire a wintry glaze

6 Ending for Rock

10 Dollars and cents

14 Woodard with four Emmys

19 Many a Jamaican believer, informally

20 Canine pain

22 "Yes, —!" ("Definitely!")

23 1936 film sequel with William Powell and Myrna Loy

25 Utter words

26 — Boys (hit rap trio)

27 "Lenore" poet

28 Suffered

29 Abbr. on a naval vessel

30 A wide physical variety

37 Stretch (out)

38 Oscar winner Jared

39 Seattle baseball team

40 Possible reply to "Who's there?"

43 Debater's platform

44 Model Klum

46 While lead-in

47 1997 James Bond film

51 — trial basis

52 Mess up morally

53 Locale of Ali's "Rumble in the Jungle"

54 Immune response trigger

59 Mess up

61 Canine coat

63 Scarf site

65 "Yay, me!"

66 Question about a weak effort

72 Woman on the throne

73 Designer Cassini

74 Father

75 LA-to-IN dir.

76 Apply via an aerosol

79 Rockabilly singer Chris

82 "Send help!"

84 Epoch

86 Influential Brian Eno album of 1975

90 Peter of "Columbo"

94 Dark beer

95 Rock guitarist Lofgren

96 No-brainer class

97 Cut across

99 "Le Roi d'Ys" composer Édouard —

100 Sun, church oration

101 Fifteen minutes of fame

105 Triceps' place

108 Quick snacks

109 Intense anger

110 Electrical resistance measures

112 Shrink back

113 Novel and film whose last line is formed by six key words in this puzzle

118 "— Is Born"

119 Came to an end

120 Finnish architect Alvar —

121 Comes to an end

122 Je ne — quoi

123 Bullets, e.g.

124 Hair lock

DOWN

1 Ex-Yankee Hideki —

2 Snug eateries

3 "Cómo —?"

4 Rugged trucks, briefly

5 Ones sharing in meals, e.g.

6 Jazz singer Waters

7 "Little piggy"

8 Young child

9 Verb suffix in the Bible

10 Olympic craft

11 Top points

12 "— Na Na"

13 She cackles

14 Home of St. Francis

15 Contour of one's kisser

16 Coldest refrigerator part

17 Bookworms

18 "Oh no, micel!"

21 River giant, informally

24 Floor square

28 Actor Brody

31 Deli side dish

32 Ketchup brand

33 Befuddled

34 Surrounded by

35 Gymnast Comaneci

36 JFK jet, once

37 Angry music genre

40 Skater Midori

41 Gets rid of some flab

42 More brainy

43 Dunkable treat

44 "— mud in your eye!"

45 Put up

48 Rock fissure

49 Pickling liquid

50 Clic — (Bic brand)

55 Persia, now

56 Artillery unit members

57 Aged

58 Prefix with classical

60 Actress Perlman

62 Pi follower

64 Early English dramatist Thomas

66 Mental figs.

67 Novelist Seton

68 Peace

69 Nobelist Root

70 Surrounded (by)

71 Springs in deserts

72 Japanese wheat noodle

77 Beginnings

78 Tally mark

80 Strain at — (fuss over trivialities)

81 Shrimplike crustacean

83 Sugary delicacy, old-style

85 Org. for periodontists

87 Carry along

88 Race in "The Time Machine"

89 Rowing tool

90 Bouquet-bringing co.

91 Middle East studier

92 Let have it

93 Ski mask, e.g.

98 Villains' looks

99 Lerner's partner in musicals

100 "Quiet down"

102 Moses' mount

103 Hunts quarry

104 Reached

105 Moving spryly

106 Fees for flats

107 Old PC platform

111 Wage — of words

112 Used to exist

113 Motorist's navig. aid

114 Ending for Rock

115 Boise is its cap.

116 Actor Hanks

117 Fan sound

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RTHS Football

Quarterfinal battle

State-ranked Wheaton St. Francis up next for Rochelle in IHSA 4A Playoffs

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Hub varsity football team has reached the quarterfinal round of the IHSA Playoffs for the first time since the 2017 season. Unlike the team’s last quarterfinal appearance, which came on the road against Morris, Rochelle will compete on its home field as the seventh-seeded Hubs gear up to face the third-seeded Wheaton (St. Francis) Spartans.

The Hubs (9-2, 4-1 Interstate 8/Kishwaukee River Blue) rolled into the quarterfinals after scoring a 34-22 road win against Johnsburg this past Friday. Rochelle rushed for nearly 400 yards in the victory over the Skyhawks, with sophomore Erich Metzger stampeding for a team-high 158 yards on 25 carries. Junior Brock Metzger shined for the Rochelle defense, compiling a team-leading 12 tackles while sophomores Jack Pavlak and Kaiden Morris each had sacks.

“We’re all excited and we know St. Francis has a lot of good players, but we’ve been playing football together for all of our lives,” Pavlak said. “I think that could help us win. They have big linemen and they have fast wide receivers, but those aren’t things



(PHOTO BY MARCY DELILLE)

The Rochelle Hub varsity football team will host Wheaton St. Francis in the quarterfinal round of the IHSA 4A Playoffs. Rochelle advanced to the quarterfinals with a 34-22 win over Johnsburg in the second round this past Friday.

we haven’t seen before and I think we have a chance to play really well on Saturday

if we’re able to neutralize those areas.” Junior Tommy Tourdot

and senior Aidan Rodriguez also recorded interceptions for the Rochelle

defense, which limited the Skyhawks to only six second-half points this past

weekend.

See HUBS page 3

RTHS Volleyball

Hale, Ohlinger earn Interstate 8 First Team honors

Friestad receives I-8 Honorable Mention for second consecutive season

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — Two student-athletes on the Rochelle Lady Hub varsity volleyball team received First-Team All-Conference recognition from the Interstate 8 this season. Sophomore Ali Ohlinger earned unanimous First-Team honors, while senior Payton Hale also made the First Team.

A three-year varsity athlete as well as the Most Valuable Player Award winner for the Lady Hubs, Hale recorded a team-leading 182 digs and 43 blocks while adding 133 kills and 32 aces. Hale was named an All-Conference Honorable Mention during her junior season last fall.

“My goal since my freshman year has been to make the All-Conference team and I’m very proud and thankful to my team for helping me accomplish that goal,” Hale said. “I definitely improved on being an all-around player. My front-row abilities outweigh my back-row

abilities, but I worked really hard to focus on my digging and my serve receives this season. I enjoyed all of the support the community gave us and I’m going to miss playing with all of my friends.”

Despite missing her freshman season with an injury, Ohlinger shined during her first varsity season with the Lady Hubs, leading Rochelle with 591 assists and 71 aces while compiling 176 digs and 95 kills. Ohlinger will be one of two starters eligible to return to the Lady Hubs, who finished with an 18-15-3 overall record while reaching the IHSA 3A Regional Finals this season.

“I’m very proud to have been selected as unanimous First-Team All-Conference,” Ohlinger said. “I couldn’t have been selected without my teammates and all of the hard work we put in this season. I thought my footwork to the ball improved the most this season and I tried to get to every ball with my hands. I challenged myself to do that in every match



Senior Payton Hale (left) and sophomore Ali Ohlinger (right) were named All-Conference First Team honorees in the Interstate 8 this season. Ohlinger received unanimous First-Team consideration.

and I’ll always remember this season. I’ll continue focusing on blocking and

defense over the offseason.” Senior Addie Friestad

was named an All-Conference Honorable Mention for the second consecutive

season. Friestad totaled 194 kills, 42 digs, 27 aces and 10 blocks this season.



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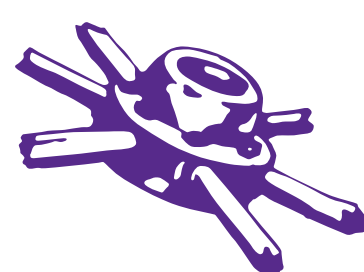
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HUB SPOTLIGHT



**Keagan
Albers**

Year: Freshman

Sport: Wrestling

Q: How many years have you been playing this sport?

A: Five years.

Q: What do you enjoy most about this sport?

A: How physical it is.

Q: What is your favorite school subject and why?

A: Ag because it's a fun class.

Q: Who is your favorite athlete and why?

A: Spencer Lee because he's a really good wrestler and he encourages me the most.

Q: Who is your biggest role model and why?

A: My uncle because he has taught me a lot of what I know.

Q: What is your dream job and why?

A: To be an electrician because it pays good and it seems interesting.

Q: Where would your dream vacation be and why?

A: Canada because of the animals.

Q: What is your favorite thing about being a student-athlete at RTHS?

A: The coaches at RTHS are amazing.



**Frank
Nasca**

Year: Freshman

Sport: Wrestling

Q: How many years have you been playing this sport?

A: I've been doing this sport for about five years.

Q: What do you enjoy most about this sport?

A: I enjoy seeing my progress through the years.

Q: What is your favorite school subject and why?

A: Math because it's easy and it's not complicated to do.

Q: Who is your biggest role model and why?

A: My dad because he's always supporting me in everything.

Q: What is your dream job and why?

A: To be a real estate agent because I like the idea of buying and selling properties.

Q: Where would your dream vacation be and why?

A: I would go visit Tennessee because I love to see the mountains.

Q: What is your favorite thing about being a student-athlete at RTHS?

A: I like the attention and how being an athlete makes me better and stronger.

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Several Rochelle Hub defenders including Garrett Gensler (left) and Landon DeLille (right) make a tackle during the team's second-round win at Johnsburg this past week. Rochelle is seeking its first 10-win season since 2003 as well as its first trip to the state semifinals since 2002.

HUBS: Rochelle seeking first semifinal berth since 2002

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While the Hubs have shown dominance on offense throughout the playoffs, Wheaton (St. Francis) enters the quarterfinals on a tear as well, coasting over Evergreen Park 42-0 after crushing Marengo 63-0 in the first round. The

Spartans are allowing only 8.9 points per game this season.

"It's an exciting feeling to reach the quarterfinals, especially after we lost in the second round last season," Rodriguez said. "We know that St. Francis has a lot of good players and coach [Kyle] Kissack has

shown us a lot of film on them. They throw the ball a lot and they throw it really well. They run a spread offense and they have some good wide receivers. The atmosphere during our home games is phenomenal and it definitely helps us play a lot better."

The Spartans (10-1,

4-0 Metro Suburban Red) roster multiple Division I recruits including wide receiver Dash Dorsey (Kent State) and lineman T.J. McMillen (Illinois) as well as defensive end and long snapper Nick Duzansky (Oregon). Wheaton (St. Francis) will arrive at RTHS on Saturday averaging

44.9 points per game this season. Rochelle will attempt to earn its first 10-win season since 2003 and make the state semifinals for the first time since 2002.

"Hopefully the stands are packed so we'll have that extra boost," Pavlak said. "We want the fans to

be so loud that they have a hard time hearing the calls on third down and fourth down. The biggest keys for us will be defending their passing attack because they have some good receivers. We need to get to their quarterback so he doesn't have the time to make throws."

RTHS Boys Bowling

Hubs edge Oregon in nonconference opener

Rochelle concedes Interstate 8 Conference loss at Sycamore on Tuesday

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

MT. MORRIS — The Rochelle Hub varsity bowling team needed every pin during Monday evening's nonconference season opener against Oregon at Town & Country Lanes.

Despite conceding losses in two of the three games on Monday, Rochelle scored a large enough

victory during the second game to edge the Hawks 3,116-3,111 in the final series total. Sophomore Logan Frye rolled a team-high 575 series for the Hubs (1-0). Junior Jonathan Alanis totaled a 557 series and senior Evin Odle fired a 548 series.

Oregon took the early lead on Monday, winning the first game 1,042-997 behind 203 from Brandon Rowe and 193 from Styler

Klapp. Junior Christian Thorne scored a 195 for the Hubs in the opening game against the Hawks, while Alanis rolled a 198 and Frye followed with a 190.

Rochelle dominated the second game 1,076-970 to surge ahead in the series score. Three Hubs eclipsed the 190-pin threshold including Odle (199), Frye (197) and Alanis (190). Rowe led the Hawks with a 204 in the second game

before shooting 197 in the third game to finish with a match-high 604 series. Oregon won the third game 1,099-1,043 and landed five pins short of winning the total series. Frye (188) and Odle (183) led Rochelle in the third game.

Sycamore

The Rochelle Hub varsity bowling team faced Sycamore at Mardi Gras Sycamore on Tuesday, falling

2,953-2,788 in Interstate 8 Conference action. Rochelle (1-1, 0-1 Interstate 8) will hit the road for a nonconference match against the Sterling Golden Warriors next.

Sophomore Logan Frye led the Hubs with a 527 series, while senior Evin Odle followed with a 521 series score. Sycamore won the first game 969-865 behind 189 from Evan Borowicz. The Spartans

took the second game 1,009-938, with Ryland Voyles rolling 206 and Borowicz shooting 171. Junior Jonathan Alanis led the Hubs with a 191 during the second game.

Rochelle avoided the shutout in the third game, winning 985-975. Odle closed out his series with a 203, while Frye fired a 189 and freshman Andrew Powell rolled a 161 to end the match.

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RTHS Boys Soccer



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Seniors Christian Harding (left), Jared Montano (middle) and Jace Whitehead (right) received All-Conference First Team honors from the Interstate 8 this season. Junior Diego Salazar and sophomore Alberto Casillas took home Honorable Mentions for the Hubs, who finished with an 11-9 overall record.

Three Hubs earn Interstate 8 First Team honors

Leading scorers Casillas, Salazar receive Honorable Mentions this season

BY RUSSELL HODGES
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ROCHELLE—Three members of the Rochelle Hub varsity soccer team earned First-Team All-Conference honors in the Interstate 8 this season. Seniors Christian Harding, Jace Whitehead and Jared Montano each received First-Team recognition for their efforts this fall.

A First-Team All-Conference honoree for the second consecutive season, Whitehead finished with four goals and two assists

for the Hubs this fall. A four-year member of the varsity team, Whitehead compiled 22 shots and 11 shots on goal with only four fouls committed in the midfield. Whitehead was an Honorable Mention All-Conference honoree as a sophomore.

"It feels great to know the coaches really valued the work I did for our team," Whitehead said. "I feel that my biggest improvement was definitely my confidence. I think my dribbling, passing and tackling improved greatly

and I went away from almost every game satisfied with the way I played. I really enjoyed getting to represent my school. I'd never felt so much pride for a team as I did when I was wearing purple and white. I'll miss all of the different personalities on our team."

Harding started at center back for the Hubs this season, leading the Rochelle defense while chipping in one goal and four saves along with three shots, two shots on goal and one corner kick. Harding was

an Honorable Mention All-Conference honoree during his junior season.

"I'm extremely honored to have been awarded All-Conference," Harding said. "I feel that it proves my effort was worth it. I felt that I improved overall, but my communication improved the most and I felt that I could control the game with just my words. I'm very proud of how we played this season and we played some amazing soccer. I've made irreplaceable memories during my four years with

the Rochelle soccer team. These guys are my brothers to me no matter what."

Montano paced the Rochelle offense in the midfield, totaling a team-leading eight assists with one goal for the Hubs, who finished with an 11-9 overall record and a 5-2 record in the Interstate 8. Montano also led Rochelle with 53 corner kicks and ended with only three fouls committed.

"I felt like I improved so much this season," Montano said. "I was scared to play over the last

three seasons and I would panic with the ball, but that changed this season. I enjoyed playing for our team and getting to know everybody. This was the best team I played for in high school."

Junior forward Diego Salazar and sophomore forward Alberto Casillas each earned Interstate 8 All-Conference Honorable Mentions this season. Salazar scored 22 goals and recorded four assists for the Hubs, while Casillas led Rochelle with 25 goals and dished out one assist.

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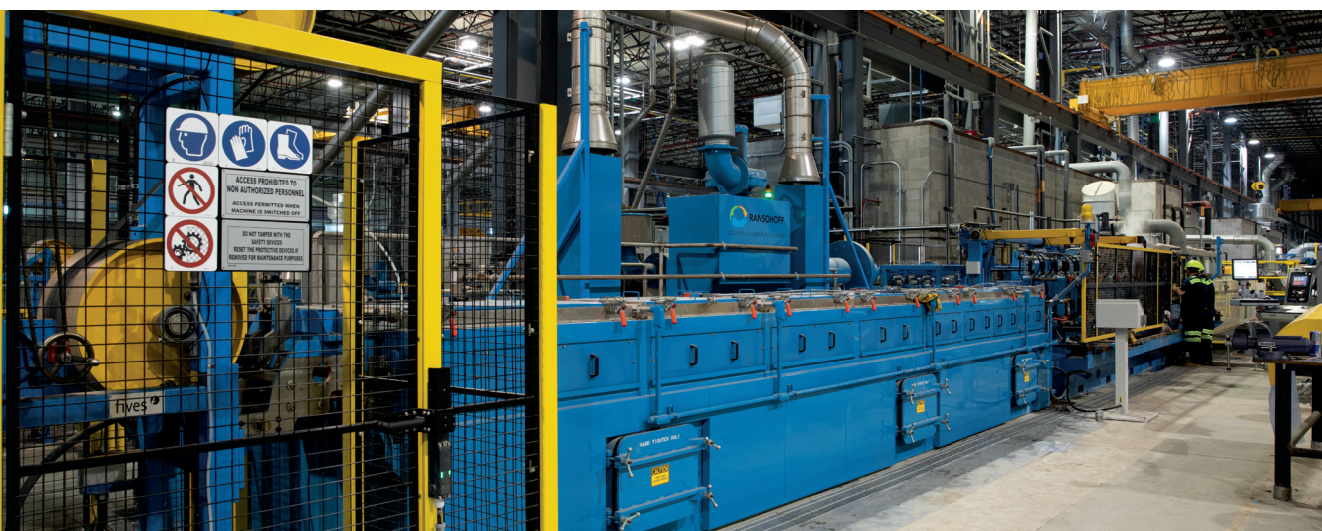
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