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Harvest underway in Ogle County

‘Farmers have been pleasantly surprised yield-wise’

BY JEFF HELFRICH
MANAGING EDITOR

OGLE COUNTY — On Thursday, Oct. 27, Ogle County Farm Bureau Manager Ron Kern said he estimates that 90 percent of the county's soybeans and 20-25 percent of its corn have been harvested so far.

Kern said mostly dry weather since a rainy period in August made for a good soybean harvest and said they “came out dry and in good shape.” He’s heard that people in the county are pleased with the yield they’re getting from soybeans. Ogle County was “right on time” for its bean harvest.

As far as the corn harvest, Ogle County farmers have been behind due to the planting season being pushed back 2-3 weeks due to weather earlier this year, Kern said. The corn is still retaining higher moisture levels and farmers have been “less aggressive” getting it out of the field.

“It’s taken forever to dry down,” Kern said. “It’s still holding moisture pretty well. The guys that can pick with routine moisture levels in the low 20s are getting it and drying it down and putting it away.”



(PHOTO BY JEFF HELFRICH)

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Kern said this fall has been “good weather” for harvest and that recent heavy rains appear to have all soaked into the ground and made for minimal delays after a number of weeks of sunny and dry days and even a stretch of warm days.

Back in the spring, high input prices that were double or triple the previous year's were the talk of the agriculture industry. And then the weather brought the planting delay. Kern said the growing season turned out well and commodity prices have “bounced back a bit.”

Input issues still remain, and Kern said the prices of natural gas and propane are “insane” at the moment. Those inputs are used by farmers to dry down crops when moisture levels are too high. Higher prices could cause Ogle County farmers to take a chance and attempt to let crops dry in the fields so they don’t have to pay for the gas to dry them.

“But we’re getting into November, and in that month the weather can change in a heartbeat,” Kern said. “The drying costs are high, but commodity prices are up.”

Ogle County farmers are currently looking at a good harvest, Kern said.

“Farmers have been pleasantly surprised yield-wise,” Kern said. “Overall, I think we’ll have better crops here in the northern part of the state than anywhere else in Illinois. We got started late, but we got rain when we needed it and we didn’t have excessive heat.”

Kern said current drought issues with the Mississippi River could have a negative impact on area farmers.

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Examining
Rochelle's
strategic plan

BY JEFF HELFRICH
MANAGING EDITOR

ROCHELLE — At its Oct. 11 meeting, the Rochelle City Council unanimously approved a new strategic plan for the years ahead. The city's original strategic plan was made in 2018. The plan guides the city council and staff as they make decisions going forward. The new plan was put together through feedback from the community, city staff, council members and consulting with the Northern Illinois University Center for Governmental Studies.

The city's five strategic priority areas from 2018 will be carried over including economic & business development, financial management & stability, community inclusivity & engagement, infrastructure effectiveness and improvement, and core service delivery.

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(PHOTOS BY JEFF HELFRICH)



Downtown Rochelle Association holds annual trick-or-treating event

On Thursday from 2-5 p.m., the Downtown Rochelle Association's Downtown Trick or Treat took place. Downtown businesses and organizations took part in it, distributing candy and more to Rochelle's costumed children.

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Extensive MRI upgrade taking place at RCH

ROCHELLE — The MRI unit at Rochelle Community Hospital is currently undergoing an extensive upgrade to Canon Medical's newest MRI system, the Encore Vantage Orian.

The current magnet will not be replaced but

virtually everything else in the MRI room is being updated and upgraded to the newest technology available. Benefits include increased acceleration which will reduce the time of an exam and up to 99 percent noise reduction. RCH is always looking

to improve the patient experience and keep technology current.

This upgrade will take several weeks to complete. Currently, RCH is continuing MRI studies with a portable MRI available Monday through Friday as usual.

Bowerman joins Weichert Realtors

ROCHELLE — Weichert, Realtors® - Signature Professionals is proud to announce Timothy R. Bowerman has joined their Rochelle office.

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RTHS hosts Make a Difference Day

BY VICKI SNYDER-CHURA
SPECIAL TO THE NEWS-LEADER

ROCHELLE — Students made a difference on one of the nicest days in the program's history!

On behalf of the 11 households and St. Paul Lutheran Church/School that benefitted from Oct. 21's Make a Difference Day fall cleanup effort, thank you Hubs!

Mrs. Bergeson, Ms. Lippens and Mr. Baker met students at school about 9:30 a.m. for their assignments. Seniors Jimmy Chavez and Nolan Fonfara were among them.

Jimmy said afterward, "We got there and there was a lot of work to do, so we put our sleeves up and got to work. It took a lot of effort and plenty of time. We even had to call in a group close to us for help because there was so much!"

Chavez continued, "Looking back on it, those hours of work passed by like a breeze! We had a lot of fun. It was just a good time overall just listening to music and making jokes



(COURTESY PHOTO)

Siblings Taelynn & Cambrey Rodeghero made a difference over the weekend.

while doing something good for someone else. It was definitely worth it and I will definitely bring more friends next year."

It was Nolan Fonfara's first year, a first he got to

share with his sister Naleia, a freshman. Siblings Elise and Ava Horner, Taelynn & Cambray Rodeghero and Anna and Katie Toczykowski were there, too.



(COURTESY PHOTO)

Caeden Yancy-Kingsbury, Brody Spriggs, Caleb Page, Jaclyn Seyller and William Sunderlin entered GACME Club's first-ever after school cosplay costume contest. The judges were Jose Villalobos, Andrea DeKing and Cory Ellis.

GACME hosts cosplay contest

BY VICKI SNYDER-CHURA
SPECIAL TO THE NEWS-LEADER

ROCHELLE — On Monday, the Rochelle Township High School GACME Club (graphic, anime, comic and manga enthusiasts) held the first ever cosplay contest.

Cosplay is a performance art in which the participants dress in costumes and make-up, representing characters from favorite anime, video games, television and film.

Cosplay is an evolution

of Comic Con which began in 1970 when a small group of comics, movie and science fiction fans from San Diego put on an event attended by 300 people. Since then, Comic-Con has grown into a global phenomenon and is widely recognized as the premier pop culture convention in the world.

Back in our Library Media Center Monday, our first-ever after school Cosplay prize winners were announced. Seems only appropriate that Best of Show was captured

by the Plague Doctors Caeden Yancy-Kingsbury and Brody Spriggs. Other prizes went to: Best Craftsmanship: Caleb Page (Cyberpsycho), Best Original Character: William Sunderlin (Steampunk Man), Best Likeness of an Existing Character: Jaclyn Seyller (Regina from *Once Upon a Time*) and GACME Audience Favorite: Caleb Page (Cyberpsycho).

GACME cosplay judges were staff members Jose Villalobos, Andrea DeKing and Cory Ellis.

The 2023 From The Heart Cash Calendars are NOW AVAILABLE!!

The proceeds of the sale of the calendars benefit our From The Heart recipients: Pegasus Special Riders, Rochelle Christian Food Pantry, HOPE, Focus House, Shining Star Children's Advocacy Center, CASA, Rochelle Area Community Foundation, Hub City Senior Center & Rochelle Rotary.

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LOCAL NEWS



War memorial statue sees maintenance done

Last Monday, maintenance was performed on the statue at Lawnridge Cemetery. At least once a year the bronze statue at the Rochelle Veterans War Memorial should be cleaned and polished. This preserves the patina and the overall beauty of the only piece of bronze art in Rochelle. After cleaning with a damp soft cloth, the wax is brushed on and gently buffed. Pictured are Lydia Roberts, treasurer of the Rochelle Veterans War Memorial Association and Chuck Roberts, president. It is planned to have an additional 14 bricks engraved by Veterans Day.

Hansen's Halloween House haunts 2022

ROCHELLE — The Hansen's Halloween House is set to host a spooktacular haunting for all ages.

This family friendly event is located at 1021 4th Ave. and will start at 5 p.m. and go until 8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29 and on Halloween, Monday, Oct. 31. This is a free event, however Karl and Dhana Hansen and family wanted to give back to their community. They are partnering with the Rochelle Area Community Foundation (RACF) to raise funds for the RACF Endowment Fund. This fund is the largest endowment at the foundation and is responsible for granting funds to local area nonprofits through the competitive Community Needs Grants process. A donation box will be onsite to collect money should you wish to donate. The Rochelle Christian Food Pantry is the other recipient of support. The Hansens will be collecting any food donations of canned goods and



(COURTESY PHOTO)

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nonperishable items that evening as well.

"To be able to host a fun and safe place for our community to enjoy during Halloween brings us much delight and happiness," said Hansen. "The fact that we are able to assist two local nonprofits in the area makes all the time and dedication to our Halloween displays worth it."

"It is an honor to be the recipient of donations made to the Hansen's Halloween House this year," said RACF Ex-

ecutive Director Emily Anaya. "We appreciate that the Hansen Family has found a creative way to fundraise while delivering a spooky family experience for all. It just shows how much they, and others, truly care and support our Rochelle community."

If you are looking for more information about the Hansen's Halloween House, or just have questions, please call the RACF at 815-561-3600 or email director@rochellefoundation.org.

CITY: Fiegenschuh details Rochelle's strategic plan

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New to the most recent plan is quality of life.

The News-Leader spoke to City Manager Jeff Fiegenschuh about the strategic planning process, how the 2018 plan fared, the conclusions the latest process came to and what results could come of it.

The most recent strategic planning process took about a year and a half for an update due to COVID-19's impact on meeting availability. It involved several community meetings. NIU met with staff and did staff surveys and met individually with each member of the city council including the mayor. A community-wide strategic planning meeting was held at The REC Center and community members had chances to give input.

"I used to think the budget was the most important document the council approves, and it is important," Fiegenschuh said. "But the strategic plan really guides where we spend people's money. In the last plan that was approved in 2018 and the one we recently approved, infrastructure effectiveness continues to be a top priority for our elected officials. And quite honestly one of the take-aways from community residents was to continue investing in infrastructure. We know it's important to our mayor and city council and our community."

Fiegenschuh said there were some concerns within the city back in 2018 about how much the strategic plan would be used, but said its usefulness since hasn't been in question.

"Our staff and mayor and council have been very engaged with it," Fiegenschuh said. "I give quarterly reports back to



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the council updating goals and where we're at. As long as we continue to have that engagement, it's great and hopefully it'll continue to guide us. The main reason we did the update is that it was four years old and back in 2018 we had a different mayor and we now have two new council members. We thought it was important that they have input in a new plan."

The city manager said he liked the conclusions the newest strategic plan came to and believes this and the 2018 plan were two of the best he's ever been a part of in his career. He's appreciated engagement by elected officials, staff and residents.

"To have as much staff engagement as we have and to have three community meetings where there was participation during a pandemic, it's humbling," Fiegenschuh said. "It's one of the reasons I love doing my job."

As the city moves forward over the next 4-5 years, the strategic plan will guide how it spends money and allocates resources. When asked for examples of what future results could come from the plan, the city manager mentioned the redevelopment of the Hickory Grove property, more

housing options within the community, investments in infrastructure and community beautification and entrance signage.

"Another one that comes up is a third grocery store and more grocery options," Fiegenschuh said. "We continue to try to pursue that and always will. It's just taking what people think about their community and where they want to see Rochelle go. We get the honor of helping to implement it."

The strategic priority area of quality of life is a favorite of the city manager's and he believes it encompasses all of the other areas.

"Quality of life for me is parks and recreation and that type of infrastructure," Fiegenschuh said. "It's making sure when people turn their water and lights on that they work. It's working with companies like Wheatland Tube to bring in quality jobs and it's working with the high school and Kishwaukee College on workforce development initiatives. Quality of life means all of those things. I didn't come up with it, but it's my favorite one on there and I think it's the one that will guide everything that we do because everything fits within it."

NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE FOR FLAGG-ROCHELLE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for the Flagg-Rochelle Public Library District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 will be held November 17, 2022 at 7:00p.m. at the Flagg-Rochelle Public Library Building, Rochelle, Illinois.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present

testimony to the taxing district may contact Susan Sevedge, Secretary of the Flagg-Rochelle Public Library District, whose address is 832 N. 11th Street, Rochelle, Illinois, (815) 561-6422.

II. The corporate and special purpose taxes extended for the 2021/2022 fiscal year were \$597,269.96. The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for fiscal year 2022/2023 are \$662,100.00. This is a 10.85 % increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public commission leases for fiscal year 2021/2022 were \$0.00.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public commission leases for fiscal year 2022/2023 are \$0.00. This represents a 0% increase over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended for fiscal year 2021/2022 were \$597,269.96.

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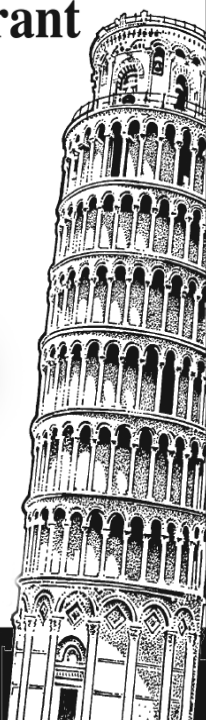
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LOCAL NEWS

Obituaries

Keith Haggstad

About 11 p.m. on Oct. 25, every walleye in Minnesota gurgled a sigh of relief when they heard the news that Keith Haggstad passed away. Fish feared Keith.

He was always at his happiest with a fishing pole in his hand. If heaven is all that God has promised, and we believe it is, Keith is now in a celestial icehouse on Lake Mille Lacs, jigging a shiner minnow one foot off the bottom, hooking endless fish, a Camel 100 dangling from his mouth, eating junk food with a bottle of brandy by his side. In other words, Keith is now in heaven and at peace. He's home.

While he spent most of his adult life in Illinois, his heart never left his homeland of Minnesota, where he learned to love lakes and fishing from his father, Ole. Minnesota remained the promised land to him his entire life. It is also fitting that Keith passed away while the Vikings are 5-1 and atop the NFC North. Skol, Vikings!

Keith was also a Zen Master in the fine art of shooting the s*%t, back when people took the time to do it. This skill allowed Keith to make friends almost immediately wherever life took him. Keith enjoyed talking to anyone and everyone and was genuinely curious to learn about the people whose lives crossed his path. Most recently, he had joined a cast of characters and good friends that met for coffee at Panera Bread every morning, where they laughed, argued, and solved life's big ques-

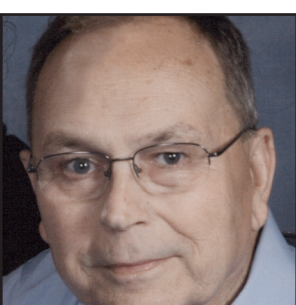
tions. Your friendship has meant more to Keith over the last several years than you can imagine. He loved you guys. His family thanks you all.

Keith was born on Oct. 12, 1944, in New Ulm, Minnesota to Oliver and Irene (Cresine) Haggstad. He grew up and graduated from high school in Fairfax, Minnesota, where he excelled at football, wrestling and having fun. Studying? Not so much. Keith did combine his love of the outdoors with a devotion to scouting and was very proud to have earned the rank of Eagle Scout. Shortly after high school, he enlisted in the Marine Corp, where he achieved the rank of sergeant.

While in the Marine Corp Keith married "Saint" Judy Nelson on Oct. 17, 1964 at Calvary Lutheran Church, in Lee. If you don't know how Judy earned this nickname, you probably don't know Judy, and you sure never knew Keith. One thing was never in doubt, though — Keith loved Judy with his whole heart. His family knows he could not have survived without her. She was at his side until the very end.

Not long after leaving his beloved Marine Corp he joined the Rochelle Police Department, where he retired at the young age of 50 as a commander. Why did he retire early? To move to Minnesota to go fishing, of course. Keith had his priorities, and never let frivolous things like a job or money interfere.

Faith, family, friends and fishing are where



Keith found meaning, and he had plenty of all four. That's a life well lived. We love you, Dad.

The family would like to offer special thanks to OSF Hospice for doing everything in its power to make Keith's last few weeks comfortable. Your nurses and staff were a blessing to us. We also thank Victor, the world's most wonderful live-in caregiver, who stayed by Keith's side through it all. Victor, you are truly doing the Lord's work here on earth.

Keith is survived by his wife, Judy; sons, Todd (Teresa) Haggstad, Troy (Katie) Haggstad; daughter, Nicole (Brandon) Eckert; grandchildren, Logan Haggstad, Hunter (Mackenzie) Haggstad, Nick Haggstad, Hannah Haggstad and Rye Eckert; nephew, Lance Rekstein, who Keith loved like the younger brother he never had; niece, Dawn (Steve) Draeger and their children, Justin, Kristin, and Ryan. Keith was predeceased by his sister, Florence (Stewart) Rekstein.

Memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 4 in St. Mark Lutheran Church, 675 N. Mulford Road, Rockford with a visitation from 10 a.m. until time of service.

To share a memory or condolence please visit www.honquestfh.com.

Victorine M. (Simon) Schlezes

ROCHELLE — Victorine M. (Simon) Schlezes, 96, of Rochelle, born in Lebanon, South Dakota Sept. 2, 1926 and formerly living in Sioux City, Iowa passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 25 at her residence surrounded by her loving family.

One of 13 children, Vicki lived a very simple but rich life, from horseback riding, to sports activities, to prayer meetings; God and her family's needs always came first. She grew up on a farm in Lebanon, South Dakota, moved to Sioux City, Iowa during World War II, and worked at Albertsons and Bell Telephone. It was there that she met the love of her life, Frank G. Schlezes, and had 58 years of marriage together (1948). The couple traveled to Egypt, Jordan, Greece, and several pilgrimages to Medjugorje, Yugoslavia. They moved to Rochelle in 1969 where she became active in the Catholic Church and the head of the DeKalb Deanery teaching ministry of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal. She also organized three nationally advertised Catholic conferences. She was also known to care for

terminally-ill patients in her family and the community. Her confident desire has been for people to know how much Jesus loves them.

Victorine was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Schlezes on Dec. 26, 2006; her parents, Mathias and Grace (Clark) Simon, eleven brothers and sisters: Lavicia Vikre, Sylvester Simon, Edward Simon, Lucille Kuhns, Sylvia Bergeson, Gerald Simon, Edith Baus, Joyce Benck, Althea Simon, Baby Girl Simon and Baby Boy Simon.

She is survived by their two children: Judith Faaborg of Rochelle and Kenneth (Margaret) Schlezes of Wilmington, Delaware; five grandchildren: Jason Faaborg of Old Town, Idaho, Jodine (Mark) Switalski of Harrison Township, Michigan, Andrea (Jon) Grubb of Long Island, New York, Kyle Schlezes of Milton, Delaware, Kimberly Schlezes of Wilmington, Delaware and eight great grandchildren: Grace Debbrecht, Dane Debbrecht, Ryan Grubb, Logan Grubb, Brendan Grubb, Molly



Grubb, Roman Schlezes and Cecilia Schlezes; one brother, Royce Simon of Lebanon, South Dakota and several nieces and nephews remain.

Visitation will be held at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home 400 N. 6th St., Rochelle from 4-7 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 2 with recitation of the rosary starting at 7 p.m. The Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated at 11 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 3 at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 244 Kelley Drive in Rochelle with Father Jesus Dominguez officiating. Burial interment will follow at St. Patrick Cemetery in Rochelle, followed by a luncheon at St. Patrick Parish Center. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family of Victorine Schlezes for future Masses. Visit www.ungerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

Arthur D. Smith

ROCHELLE — Arthur D. Smith, 69, passed away peacefully on Oct. 24 at Javon Bea Hospital in Rockford. He was born on Oct. 1, 1953 in Rochelle the son of Walter and Marguerite (Harleman) Smith.

Arthur married the love of his life, Florence Beightol, 45 years ago on Sept. 10, 1977. Arthur was a hard worker spending time working at the Village of Progress, Caron International and Rochelle Foods. He was always ready and willing to lend a helping hand; frequently helping his neighbors and brother on their farms.

He enjoyed to tinker with and fix lawn mowers and mowing the grass. He loved animals at points raising geese, ducks, chickens, rabbits and pigs. In his spare time; he could

be found out in his garden or watching Nascar. He would go to the Chana Sale Barn any chance he could and also enjoyed attending fairs. But, more than anything he loved his family.

He could always be found cheering on his grandchildren on at their sporting events. He is preceded in death by his parents, brother Virgil and brother-in-law Virgil Nutt.

He is survived and missed by his loving wife, Florence; children, Margaret (William Blanton) Smith of Rochelle and Albert (Alison) Smith of Adaline; sisters, Hazel Nutt of Byron and Helen (Adin) Taylor of Oregon; sister-in-law, Dorothy Smith of Texas and grandchildren, Zachary Smith, Anna Blanton, Alana Smith and Allan Smith and



many nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 1 at 11 a.m. at Farrell Holland Gale Funeral Home in Stillman Valley with Pastor Jerry Martz officiating. Visitation will be held from 10-11 a.m. at the funeral home prior to the service.

Burial will be in Payne's Point. Memorials are established in his name. To leave an online condolence please visit www.farrellhollandgale.com

Dave Mattson

IT is with deep sadness to announce the death of Dave Mattson (Red) on Oct. 8. He was 82 years young. He was surrounded by his family at the time of his death. Dave enjoyed many things in his life including, scuba-diving, collecting things (you never know you may need it), tinkering and creating things, such as his pig roaster, riding motorcycles, driving his Jaguar, roasting pigs, and helping his friends. He was a member of Abate, HOG, IBEW Union, and the Moose Lodge. He was

an electrician for most of his career and spent most of it working at Northern Illinois University. He also served in the military.

His recent home was in Ormond Beach, Florida. He was born and raised in DeKalb, and also lived in Rochelle. He is survived by his wife Marilyn, daughter Michelle Mattson Laseman (Jason), Mandy (Scott) Carpenter, Andy (Heather) Peer, Jessica (Kyle) Kennedy, and grandchildren, Ali, Cedric, Brentyn, Emma, Matryk, Kyryk, Braxxly, Varyk & Hailey. He was



proceeded in death by his sister Mary Anna Reuter, and his parents Albin and Grace Mattson.

There will be a celebration of life on Nov. 6 at 12:30 p.m. at the Rochelle Moose. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

Rochelle CAN and Kiwanis Club sponsoring coat drive

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Community Action Network along with the Rochelle Kiwanis Club are once again sponsoring a coat drive for children

in need. The coats will be given to needy children at the annual children's Christmas shopping trip.

Please donate any children or adult coats that are

clean and in good condition at any Rochelle elementary school, Rochelle Middle School, a local bank or the library between Nov. 3 and Dec. 7.

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Gray earns business administration doctorate

ROCHELLE — Adam Gray, a 2007 graduate of Rochelle Township High School and veteran of the United States Air Force, has obtained his doctor of business administration from Trident University International in Chandler, Arizona.

He is the son of Deborah Gray and the late Timothy Gray.

He is employed by Raytheon Technologies. He and his wife and three sons reside in Stillman Valley.

death by his parents. A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 10 at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home, 400 N. 6th St. in Rochelle with Pastor Matthew Sauer officiating. Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home. Contributions in Earl's memory may be directed to the family for a memorial to be established. Please visit www.ungerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

Earl E. Andracke

ROCHELLE — Earl E. Andracke, 81, of Rochelle, passed away Thursday, Oct. 27 at Franklin Grove Living and Rehab Center. He was born May 21, 1941, in Spring Valley, the son of Edward and Eileen (nee Denler) Andracke. He married Susan Dicus on May 21, 1971, in Oregon. Earl proudly served in the U.S. Army. He was in the retail furniture business in Rochelle for 44 years. He was an avid card player who enjoyed playing with his card

group at the country club every Thursday. Earl was also a member of a stock club in Rochelle.

Earl is survived by Susan Andracke; a daughter, Meredith (Matthew) Sauer of Manitowoc, Wisconsin; two grandchildren, Olivia and Josh Sauer; a sister, Linda (Rita Reed) Andracke of Plainfield, Illinois; two brothers, Mark (Trish) Andracke and Alan Andracke, both of Naples, Florida and several nieces and nephews.

Earl was preceded in

death by his parents. A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 10 at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home, 400 N. 6th St. in Rochelle with Pastor Matthew Sauer officiating. Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home. Contributions in Earl's memory may be directed to the family for a memorial to be established. Please visit www.ungerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.



Adam Gray

LOCAL NEWS

HARVEST: Kern discusses current state of local farming

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Grain is shipped to the river and barges are currently backed up due to the low water levels. “They aren’t moving and aren’t getting unloaded and reloaded again,” Kern said. “It could be a game changer for getting grain moved like we should. Other things like propane come up and down the river. We could see some shortages. It will impact local farmers here. We have a close eye on it. If those terminals can’t get barges to ship out, it will impact prices farmers here get paid and potentially decrease the export market. And a lot of inputs go up and down the river. Farmers are currently making purchases for next spring and that

could be impacted. That river is a lifeline for agriculture.” With harvest in full swing and equipment utilizing roads to get from field to field, Kern advised residents of the county to slow down when they see equipment on the roads. “Those guys are trying to stay out of the way and get from point A to point B as efficiently as possible,” Kern said. “Give them some room and time. And for the farmers, we’re into that part of the year where it’s long days into working nights. Give yourself a break and some rest. Accidents can happen when you’re tired. Take your time when you’re working. A few seconds to think about what you’re doing can make all the difference.”



(PHOTO BY JEFF HELFRICH)

Ron Kern of the Ogle County Farm Bureau said mostly dry weather since a rainy period in August made for a good soybean harvest and said they “came out dry and in good shape.”

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Ashton Bible Church, corner of Main and Paddock in Ashton. Pastor Farrel Stauffer, church phone is (815)453-2190, church website www.ashtonbible.org. Sunday School for all ages 9:00-10:00am, Morning Worship 10:15am, Wednesday Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 6:30-8:00pm.

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 7:00pm. Web: thebridgechurchrochelle.com Email: thebridgechurchrochelle@gmail.com

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Calvary Lutheran Church, LCMC - “To Know Christ and to Proclaim Christ in Word and Deed” -19 Perry Road, Lee, IL 60530 (the intersection of Perry Road and W. County Line Road). Rev. Martha Uecker Nelson, Pastor. Coffee Hour starts at 9:00 a.m., Sunday School, Confirmation, and Adult Bible Study are at 9:15 a.m. Worship is at 10:30 a.m. and is broadcast live on Facebook. Go to our website is at www.Calvarychurchlee.org and click on the link there. A Grief Support Group meets the third Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Call or text (815) 824-2825 or email CalvaryLeeIL@gmail.com with questions or for more information. Also check us out at www.facebook.com/Calvary-Lutheran-Church.

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Faith Lutheran Church – (14206 E. Flagg Rd.) – “Making Christ Known Through Lives of Faith.” In-person worship is available each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. or online at “Faith Lutheran Social” on YouTube. Worship resources are also available on our Facebook page - ‘Faith Lutheran Church ELCA.’ You may also e-mail Pastor Joy Alsop at Pastor@faithlrochelle.org for more information. All are welcome to join us!


First Baptist Church of Rochelle, First Baptist Church of Rochelle invites you to experience our practical Bible services which have nurseries provided in every service along with a wide range of children’s and teen ministries. Sunday School is at 9:30 am with regular church services at 10:30 am and 6:00 pm. Wednesday Family Night starts at 6:30 pm with AWANA for the 5 yr. olds thru 6th grade. The Omega Teen Ministry also starts at 6:30 pm for 7th – 12th grades and the Adult Bible Study at 7:00 pm. First Baptist Church is located 6 blocks west of Hwy 251 at the corner of Woolf Ct. and 8th Ave. in Rochelle. Call 562-4168 for more information. Listen at 11:00 am Sunday mornings on WRHL 1060 AM for the Sunday morning “Bible Message.” www.firstbaptistrochelle.org

First General Baptist Church, 500 S. 12th St, Rochelle. Phone: 815-562-5221. Email: fgbcrochelle@gmail.com. Website: www.fgbcrochelle.org. Facebook: www.facebook.com/fgbcrochelle. Pastor: Rev. Angelo Bonacquisti. **Sunday worship services:** 8:30 am, 11:15 am and 6:00 pm. **Sunday school:** 10:00 am. We’d be honored to have you join us as we worship JESUS and continue to grow in truth and love for God and each other. A nursery, children’s church, youth group and small groups are available. If you need a ride please contact our church bus driver, John, at (815) 262-4275 by 8:30 am on Sunday. “For if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” Romans 10:9

First Presbyterian Church – An Amazing Place for Amazing Grace- Rev. Doug Forsberg, Senior Pastor. 1100 Calvin Road, Rochelle. Email: info@placeforgrace.com. Sunday morning worship 9:00am & 11:00am. In person or streamed online. On our Website and Facebook Live. www.placeforgrace.com / www.facebook.com/placeforgrace

Harvest Baptist Church 241 Scott Ave. (Hillcrest). Rev. Duane Boehm, pastor. Email duane712@hotmail.com, cell 815-757-3427. Visit us on Facebook! Service times: Sunday morning worship with Children’s Church at 10 am. Wednesday night worship at 7 pm.

Immanuel Lutheran Church Missouri Synod 16060 E. Lindenwood Road, Lindenwood, IL 61049. Rev. Dr. Matthew Rosebrock. Church Phone 393-4500. Church Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Christian Education Hour at 10:30 a.m.

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New Hope Fellowship (Church of God - Anderson, IN), 1501 10th Ave., Rochelle, IL 61068. Service: Sunday at 9 a.m. 10:30 a.m., (815)561-8400, www.NHFchurch.net Pastor: Dan Sergeant and Pastor Nick Tornabene. (Classes for children through age fifth grade during service.)

Primitive Baptist Church, services 3’d Sunday each month, at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., in the meeting room of the Holiday Inn Express, 1240 N. Dement Road, Rochelle, Ill. Elder Robbie Webb, and other ministers preaching. Lunch and fellowship time between services. Contact Elder Rob Webb, 312-809-0871, or Elder Robert Webb, 217-357-3723, or email bwebb9@juno.com for more information. Services sponsored by the Carthage Primitive Baptist Church for convenience of members and friends in northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin. Visitors are welcome.

Rochelle United Methodist Church, Rochelle United Methodist Church wishes everyone a happy and healthy fall! Everyone is welcome here! We believe that everyone is created in the image of God, and we are all forgiven and loved by God. We celebrate our differences as gifts from God for each other. Come be a part of an accepting fellowship with us! **Rev. Dr. Katherine Thomas Paisley, Pastor.** 709 Fourth Ave. (815) 562-2164. admin@rochelleumc.com. **Sunday worship is at 9:00 am** with Sunday School for children after the Children’s Message. Recorded services are available on our YouTube channel and our website at www.rochelleumc.com. Our services are on the radio (93.5 FM) on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am. **Our Facebook page is** www.facebook.com/rochelleumc. Bible study is on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm, studying Acts – and in October it is preceded by a Soup Supper at 5:00 pm. Everyone is welcome! Beginning October 30 and through November 27, worship will focus on “A Place at the Table,” and we will celebrate communion with an open table each week of the series. Everyone is welcome and everyone is loved!

St. Patrick Catholic Church Rev. Jesus Dominguez; Deacon Fermin Garcia; Deacon George Schramm; 244 Kelley Dr. (Corner of Kelley & Caron Rd.), PO Box 329, Rochelle, IL 61068. **Office Hours:** 9:00 AM-4PM Monday-Thursday, Phone: 815-562-2370. **Mass times:** 8:00 AM Monday-Thursday, Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 PM English, 7PM Spanish, Sunday Mass 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM in English and 11:00 AM in Spanish. **Confessions:** Monday 8:30AM & 6:30PM, Tuesday 8:30AM, Saturday 8:30am & 4:00-4:45 PM Or by appointment. **Religious Education:** Deacon George Schramm, Director of Religious Education. 903 Caron Road, Rochelle, IL 61068, 815-561-0079 Website: stpatrickstrochelle.com Email: stpatrick-rochelle@rockforddiocese.org Facebook.com/StPatrickRochelle

St. Paul Lutheran Church “Building Relationships in Christ, Now and Forever!” Pastor-Rev. Greg Hoffmann, Steven Hall, Principal, Parish Nurse-Marcia Schnorr. 1415 Tenth Ave., Rochelle. Church Office-562-2744. Worship times: 6:00 p.m. Saturday, 9:00 a.m. Sunday. Our service is broadcast over WRHL 1060AM at 10:00 a.m. Sunday. Sunday School 10:15-11:15 a.m. Call 562-6323 for more information about the school.

LOCAL VIEWS

Guest column

Halloween rules for adults

SOON little masked hobgoblins will be knocking at our doors wanting handfuls of candy and it's important to remember the rules of good behavior – for adults – not just the children.

I often hear oldsters grumble about the unruly behavior of youths, but my experience is that it is the adults who tend to be the real jerks during this doorstep masquerade.

A person I knew, who was married to a prominent lawyer, really took off her mask on Halloween. She lived in a nice house in an expensive neighborhood. Her chief complaint about trick or treaters was that they weren't "neighborhood children."

That's a coded way of saying she didn't like Black trick-or-treaters in her hoity toity subdivision.

She bragged about her screening process. When youngsters she didn't recognize would knock on her door, she started asking questions.

"Where do you kids live?" "Who are your parents?" "Oh, you live on the next street over?" In what house?"

Come on, it's just a Snickers bar. Give it to anyone who asks. No one will ever complain about you being too generous. And what prompted these questions? Well, these were mostly Black youngsters from Springfield's eastside who came to trick or treat in the more affluent mostly white neighborhoods on the city's westside.

Why might they do this? Well, many folks in their own neighborhoods can't afford to give away candy. Some neighborhoods are safer than others for children to walk through at night. And hey there are no rules that say you can't trick or treat wherever you like.

And rest assured, grade

school children on your doorstep know why you're asking those questions. They know you're a bigot, even if you haven't figured that out about yourself yet.

Some religious groups such as Jehovah's Witnesses object to Halloween. It's understandable that they keep their porch lights off. But some evangelicals – the faith group I belong to – perplex me.

Most evangelicals I know participate in the holiday. A few evangelicals refrain because they believe it's the "devil's holiday." But over the years I've had several friends who viewed the holiday as an opportunity to proselytize. Instead of giving away candy, they hand out Bible tracts.

I don't claim to be an expert on evangelism. But my guess is that children leave those front porches disappointed and their parents irritated.

Some people complain about teenagers trick-or-treating.

The way I look at it is they are choosing childhood over partying. Just enjoy them while you still have them.

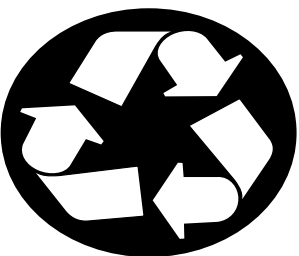
As for parents, take time to be with your kids. I remember when I was 4, dressing up for the preschool Halloween parade and my father sitting with a group of moms watching us walk by. Dads just didn't do that back in 1969. In fact, it made such an impression on me, I still remember it 53 years later.

And finally, there is the issue of costumes. A child dressed as a hobo isn't belittling the homeless. Kids dressed as witches and devils aren't glorifying the occult. And as for the ones dressed as politicians, don't be surprised they are standing on your step wanting a handout.

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Scott Reeder



Read and Recycle

Consider this: We have a voice

PLEASE vote. I have said before that voting is important. It is also your right if you register. Like any other right, take for instance driving, if you get your license and insurance, it should be exciting to be able to do it. Most of us are very excited to get our driver's license. Sometimes we try it out even before. That is around the house, short distances, with our parents.

We want to get out on the open road and see where we can go and what we can do. Drive the highways with our windows open and our hair blowing. Pulling into diners, restaurants, coffee venues, the parking lot of our school, a friends driveway, and even ours. Showing off, in a sense, that we have come of age.

The interesting part of this example is that most of us would not hesitate to obtain our license. It is too important to us. We are crushed if we don't pass on the first try. Sometimes we get discouraged. When it comes to voting, however, we can't be bothered. It is too foreign to us, and we don't understand why our parents are always upset that things don't seem to get done. I guess politics discourages us or feels a waste of time.

Part of this feeling is because we don't teach civics in schools anymore, so we don't know what it means to us when we don't use our right to vote. Yet driving and voting go hand in hand. How do we think those roads got there in the first place? And what about the bridges, the signs, the signals, the barriers, and the rules that incorporate all these things to keep us safe? Did we stumble upon these things in the night?

No, it's because we vote. The politicians we vote for put these things in place for the people that voted them in. As for driving, these structures we need wouldn't be there if no one voted. I suppose they may have gotten there some other way, but would we have had the streets we need to get from one place to another safely? If not, then where would we go to get it done?

There is a reason that in many states, citizens automatically register to vote when they get their driver's license. As I've said, they go hand in hand. Yet, the discouragement or the waste of time we feel when we hesitate to go to the polls requires us

to do just that. Go to the polls and vote. Why do we allow someone, anyone, to waste our time? Discourage us? But each time our politicians abstain from voting, don't show up to vote, don't bring bills to a vote, don't bring appointments to a vote, and even vote against what they ran on when they were elected, they are truly wasting our time.

This election is giving us many issues to think about. On most issues there are the two avenues of thought. On one side, we hear them saying that they are doing their best to get things done. We know this to be true because we can see it. Bills are presented, bills are being done. The other side tells us

that those things are being done but in the wrong way. When asked what they plan to do on their side, we get no answers. No action. Talk about a waste of time. Which side would you choose? So, we have a voice. Through voting, the only way. We can use the same analogy with all our other rights. Our ability to speak our mind, the First Amendment, is there because citizens voted.

Our right to own a gun, the Second Amendment, is there because citizens voted. These rights, down to the simple and basic right to be here, are ours to enjoy simply because citizens voted. I have heard so many people say that they don't vote because their vote doesn't count. Some say they voted, but the outcome didn't go their way. My reply? If they don't vote, they may never get the outcome they want. Only by voting can you have voice in what will be.



Reed Harris

In the United States of America, there is a constitution that best reveals the voices of each one of us. No other country in the world has been forged with the same voice for their citizens. And our constitution is simple. The residents of this great country voice their needs and their representatives satisfy that voice. But, if they don't, we remove them and put in place those that will.

Without this document, the United States Constitution, our voices may be muffled, they may be drowned out, they may be silenced, or they may be destroyed. And our voices will not be heard anymore. So, I provide a single word to allow us to keep and use our voice. VOTE!

VOICE ON THE STREET

Question:

What kind of candy do you typically give out to trick-or-treaters?

“Not many kids come to our house, so I give out Hershey’s, Snickers, all good chocolate candy bars. Put a bowl out and sign that says help yourself. The kids are so respectful. There is always a little left when the evening is done.”

Sara Osborne

“Kit Kats, snickers, heath bars, and Take five bars. But we don’t get many trick or treaters here. And some years when I don’t feel good - I’ll admit it - I hide, and then I end up eating that stuff til I’m sick of it! Lol.”

Lois Gittleson

“Ken and I make popcorn balls each Halloween!”

Connie Jean Dougherty

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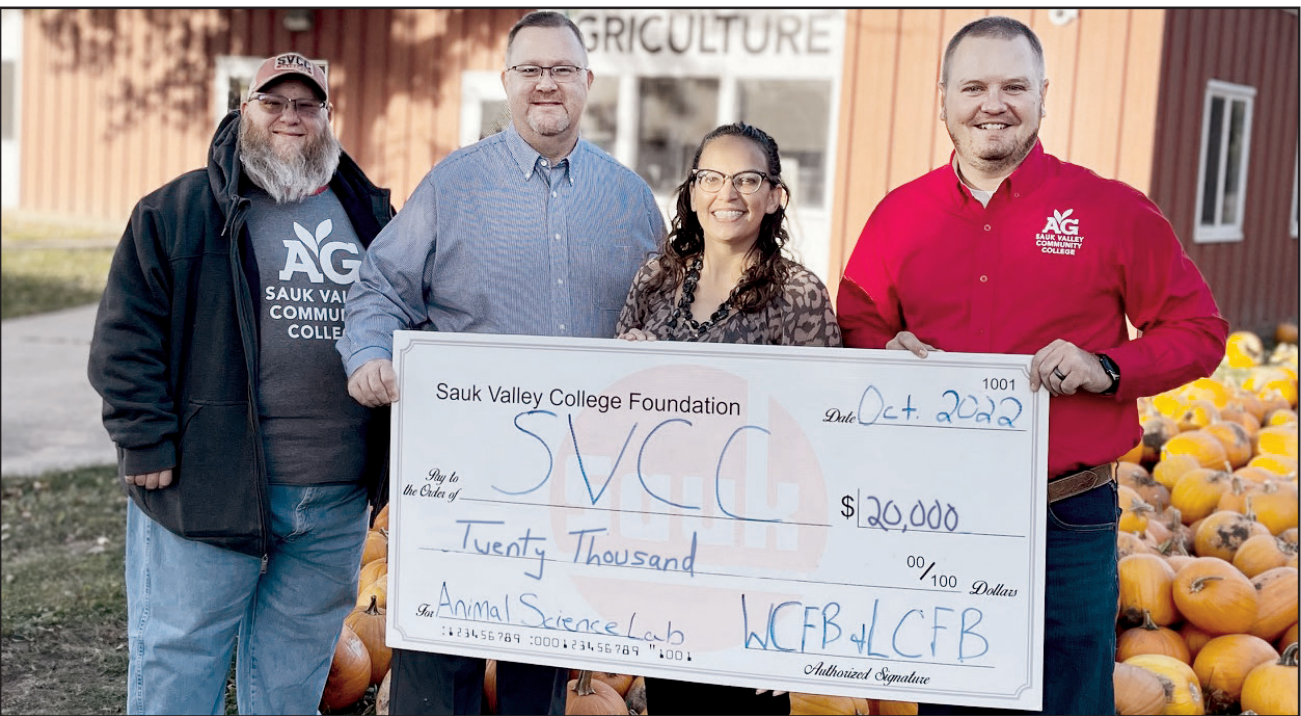
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COMMUNITY



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The matching funds campaign hosted by Lee and Whiteside County Farm Bureau Foundations concluded on Aug. 31. Through the generosity of the foundations and our community, a total of \$20,000 was raised for SVCC's Ag Animal Science lab.

Foundations raise funds for Sauk Valley CC Ag

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The goal of the campaign was to expand the SVCC Animal Science

labs to greatly enhance the hands-on learning opportunities for students. Through the lab, students will be able to perform anatomy and physiology activities as they relate to animal reproduction, nutrition and digestion and physical movements. Beyond the benefits to the animal science classes, customized training will be available with portable

lab kits. Collaboration for training sessions will be available to county farm bureaus, area vet clinics, county 4-H groups and others in need of training.

Dr. Lori Cortez, dean of institutional advancement at SVCC states, "The generosity from our donors, especially the Lee County and Whiteside County Farm Bureaus, shows the overwhelming support for

our SVCC Ag students. With these funds, students will have access to state of the art technologies to prepare them to lead our local agricultural sector and beyond."

For more information on supporting the SVCC Ag program, please contact the Sauk Valley College Foundation at 815-835-6260 or foundation@svcc.edu.

RPD nominated for Aftermath Cares K9 Grant

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Police Department is in the running for an Aftermath Cares K9 grant. Voting takes place via their

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St. Paul releases 2022-23 first quarter honor roll

ROCHELLE — St. Paul Lutheran School recently released its high honor roll and honor roll for the first quarter of the 2022-2023 school year.

High honor roll: Charlie Frankenberry, Leni

Haedt, Sophia Mueller, Reed Rowley, Axel Alsop, Annaliese Cox, Esam Farraj, Makenzie Johnson, Jillian Bruns, Cohen Haedt, DeLaney Heal, Mia Heitkamp, Tyler Johnson, John Chadwick

and Magdalene Good.

Honor roll: Austin Sarver, Taylor Thomas, Chase Atkinson, Braxton Bruns, Joey Chadwick, Hailey Chapman, Elijah Good, Owen Heitkamp, Om Shah, Vinny

Tornabene, Mackenzie Bybee, Andrew Eyster, Eli Schweitzer, Madeline Worthington, Brody Bruns, Owen Carmichael, Benjamin Miller, Taylor Rogers and Warren Schweitzer.



- Oct. 5 - Rochelle Rotary Club, \$25
- Oct. 6 - Daniel L. Miller, Ashton, \$25
- Oct. 7 - Paul Erickson, Rochelle, \$25
- Oct. 8 - Erin M. Bergeson, Rochelle, \$25
- Oct. 9 - From the Heart, Rochelle, \$50
- Oct. 10 - From the Heart, Rochelle, \$250
- Oct. 11 - John Swanson, Davis Junction, \$25
- Oct. 12 - Kalynn Norris, Rochelle, \$25
- Oct. 13 - HOPE of Ogle County, \$25
- Oct. 14 - Rochelle Area Community Foundation, \$25
- Oct. 15 - Jason Plumb, Oregon, \$25
- Oct. 16 - BeKah Lewis, Amboy, \$50
- Oct. 17 - Kersta Baker, Rochelle, \$25
- 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
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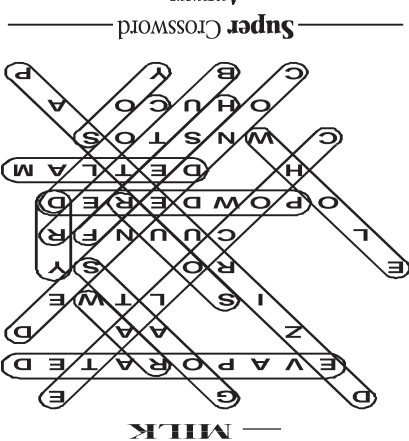
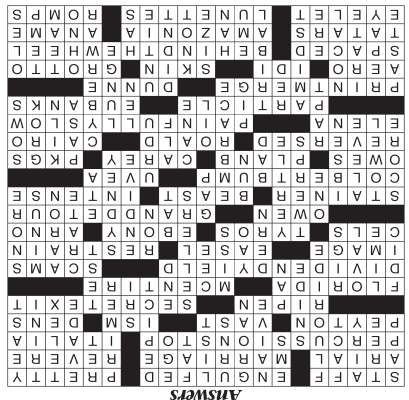
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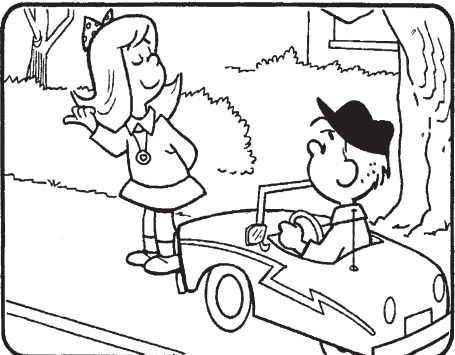
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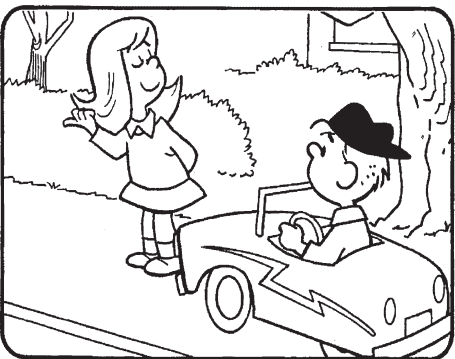


HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Bow is missing. 2. Locket is missing. 3. Stripe is missing. 4. Mirror is missing. 5. Cap is reversed. 6. Antenna is missing.

Super Crossword

SIGN LANGUAGE

- ACROSS**
 - 1 Work force
 - 6 Swallowed up
 - 14 Beautiful
 - 20 Popular type option
 - 21 Wedlock
 - 22 Idolize
 - 23 Organ knob imparting a striking sound
 - 25 Napoli's country
 - 26 Quarterback Manning
 - 27 Boundless
 - 28 Suffix with 12-Down
 - 30 Jungle lairs
 - 31 Age, as cheese
 - 33 Hidden way out in a haunted house
 - 36 Orlando locale
 - 40 Singer Reba
 - 42 Ratio of a stock share's return to its price
 - 45 Shell games
 - 50 Persona
 - 51 Studio stand
 - 52 Hold in check
- DOWN**
 - 55 Animation frames
 - 56 Neophytes
 - 58 Blackish wood
 - 60 Pisa's river
 - 61 Actor Wilson
 - 62 Illinois town west of Chicago
 - 64 Worker finishing furniture
 - 68 Savage sort
 - 70 Deeply felt
 - 71 Popularity boost after appearing on satirist Stephen's old show
 - 73 Iris' layer
 - 74 Is in debt
 - 75 Fallback strategy
 - 76 Singer Mariah
 - 78 UPS deliveries: Abbr.
 - 82 Did a 180
 - 84 Willy Wonka creator Dahl
 - 86 Capital of Egypt
 - 87 Kagan of the Supreme Court
 - 88 At a snail's pace
 - 91 Quark or pion
 - 95 "The Newlywed Game" host Bob
 - 96 PC program tool for automating batches of invitations, say
 - 100 Actress Irene
 - 102 Streamlined, in brief
 - 103 Africa's Amin
 - 104 "Canvas" for a tattoo
 - 106 Artificial cave
 - 111 Zoned (out)
 - 113 Like people heading seven key words in this puzzle
 - 117 Mongol invaders
 - 118 Brazilian rain forest region
 - 119 Make — for oneself
 - 120 Lace-receiving hole
 - 121 Crescentlike objects
 - 122 Plays spiritedly
 - 1 Defensive tackle Warren
 - 2 Willow or oak
 - 3 Ethereal
 - 4 Almacan item
 - 5 Drinking water additive
 - 6 Long dashes
 - 7 Innocent
 - 8 Reaction to an awful pun
 - 9 Big vases
 - 10 Enumerate
 - 11 Chubby
 - 12 Inflated sense of self
 - 13 Portray
 - 14 First coat of paint
 - 15 Like many a sr. citizen
 - 16 Sidestep
 - 17 Old-style messenger
 - 18 Pop singer Lopez
 - 19 Brewer's fungus
 - 24 Snarky
 - 29 Lanka lead-in
 - 32 Lousy review
 - 33 Vendors
 - 34 Finale
 - 35 Final, e.g.
 - 36 Savings acct. protector
 - 37 Tart pie fruit
 - 38 Track shape
 - 39 Road semis
 - 40 Fail to catch
 - 41 Passing mark
 - 43 "Wilson" actress Laura
 - 44 Basketballer Ming
 - 46 Shipping box
 - 47 Hitter Hank
 - 48 Negative
 - 49 Sleep sound
 - 52 "Backdraft" director
 - 53 Salad green
 - 54 Biggest city in Australia
 - 56 Nudniks
 - 57 Turtle in a Dr. Seuss title
 - 59 Belfry dweller
 - 61 Small bill
 - 62 Hiatus
 - 63 Homer's H
 - 64 Win a point
 - 65 Sauna wrap
 - 66 Tylenol rival
 - 67 "Peer Gyn" dramatist
 - 68 Sloppy Joe holder
 - 69 Hug
 - 72 Defective
 - 73 Pakistani language
 - 76 Walking stick
 - 77 '80s sitcom
 - 78 "Qué —?" oven
 - 80 Totally understand, informally
 - 81 Plants seeds
 - 83 Absorbed
 - 85 OPEC liquid
 - 86 Big hack attack
 - 88 Sty dweller
 - 89 Mystery writer
 - 90 Sudden forward thrust
 - 92 In the thick of
 - 93 Cardinal, e.g.
 - 94 Clan-related
 - 96 Sticky stuff
 - 98 Hopping mad
 - 99 Like ultra-lite food
 - 100 Failed to
 - 101 Remove, as a 105-Down
 - 104 Medium, e.g.
 - 105 Shoelace problem
 - 107 "How awful!"
 - 108 Cardinals, e.g.
 - 109 Office fill-in
 - 110 Corrida calls
 - 112 Sooner than
 - 114 Big bush bird
 - 115 Flying Solo
 - 116 — been

November HUB NEWS

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What Is Happening

NOV 1	School yearbook picture and ID card retakes	Nov 16	American Education Day - Shout out to our Paraprofessionals - Wear shirt from your alma mater or the college you wish to attend
NOV 2	5-7pm Health Sciences open house at KISH		
Nov 3	Purple Bus Routes PM	Nov 17	AEW - Shout out to the HUB Cafe staff!
Nov 4	Dismiss 11:30		It's Interview Day - dress for your dream job
Nov 6	Daylight savings time ends, fall back 1 hour		
Nov 7	Native American Heritage Month begins	Nov 18	AEW - Shout out to the Health Care Staff
	Boys basketball practices begin		It's school pride day: dress like a Rochelle HUB
	Wrestling practices begin		
Nov 8	Election Day No School	Nov 18-19	Student-written, directed and produced Winter One Act Plays on stage. Tickets \$2 for students & educators. General Admission is \$5. Curtain at 7:30pm
Nov 9	Per 10 Senior class meeting in the auditorium		
Nov 11	7:30 am Veterans Day Breakfast - all area Veterans invited	Nov 19	RTHS hosts its Novice Speech Tournament
	Per 2 Veterans Day assembly auditorium		
Nov 14	American Education Week - Shout out to the support staff - Wear a shirt representing a club, a sport or departments at school	Nov 22	Renaissance Study Hall release. Present your Renaissance card to reap rewards in the Teacher Lounge
	Girls Bowling practices begin	Nov 23-25	Thanksgiving holiday NO classes RTHS or KEC
Nov 15	AEW Shout-out to the Maintenance staff!		
	It's Education mix-up day! Students dress like teachers. Teachers dress like your students.		
	DEADLINE FFA fruit/cheese orders		



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RTHS Football

Hubs to battle Dixon

No. 7 Rochelle kicks off first round of IHSA Class 4A Playoffs this weekend


BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Hub varsity football team will compete in the IHSA Playoffs for the second consecutive season. Rochelle (7-2, 4-1 Interstate 8) earned the No. 7 seed on the north end of the Class 4A bracket and will host the No. 10 seed Dixon (6-3, 6-3 Big Northern) in the first round. The Hubs and Dukes are set to battle at RTHS on Friday evening at 7 p.m.

Rochelle reached the second round of the playoffs last season, defeating Chicago (Payton) at home before falling just short in a road matchup against Chicago (St. Patrick) in the Class 5A bracket. Dixon also made the playoffs last season, losing against Chicago (Phillips) in the first round of the Class 4A bracket. Friday evening will be the first matchup between the Hubs and Dukes since the 2013 season, when Rochelle dominated Dixon 44-0 in nonconference action.

“We’re really excited to be back in the playoffs,” senior Aidan Darby said.

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(PHOTO BY RUSSELL HODGES)

Sophomore Grant Gensler runs behind teammate Raul Aguirre during the Rochelle Hub varsity football game against Richmond-Burton last week. Rochelle is back in the playoffs for the second consecutive season.

RTHS Volleyball

Lady Hubs fall in IHSA 3A Regional Championship

Season concludes Thursday after semifinal victory over Fenton on Tuesday

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Lady Hub varsity volleyball team fought as hard as it could to keep its season alive during the IHSA 3A Rochelle Regional Finals against Kaneland on Thursday.

Despite falling behind early in both the first and second sets, the fifth-seeded Lady Hubs found ways to string together enough rallies to stay within striking distance of the top-seeded Knights. Rochelle battled to the last point, but the team’s quest for its first regional title since 1996 will have to wait another year, as Kaneland held on long enough to survive the Lady Hubs, who fell just short in a 23-25, 22-25 loss. Rochelle finished 18-15-3 overall and 8-6 in the Interstate 8.

“We believed in them before the match, we believed in them during the match and we still believe in them after the match,” head coach Molly Sly said. “I’m proud of the girls and I’ll always be proud of them. We had great momentum swings throughout the match, but unfortunately those swings ended before we could get the lead back. We were in the match the whole time.”

Untimely receive errors hurt the Lady Hubs early in the first set, where Kaneland took a 7-3 lead and forced Rochelle’s first timeout of the match. With the Knights focusing on containing Rochelle’s outside attack, senior Payton Hale found success for the Lady Hubs in the middle, scoring multiple kill shots midway through the first set to help the team keep pace. Hale led the Rochelle offense with six kills while adding six digs and two blocks on the defensive end.

The Lady Hubs struggled with serve receivers throughout the set, however, falling behind 19-9 and burning a second timeout. Despite the 10-point deficit, Rochelle refused to give up, with juniors Kennedy Adamski and Alivia Henkel teaming up in the middle and on the right side for a trio of emphatic blocks and kills as the Lady Hubs slowly worked their way back into the set.

“Alivia was alive for us this week,” Sly said. “She had a lot of great block kills and a lot of great touches on the ball. I’m excited to have her on the team next season. I thought we served the ball well which was fantastic, but they challenged our back row tonight and I thought they were able to step up late in the match. That was when we started to generate some momentum.”

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(PHOTO BY RUSSELL HODGES)

Junior Alivia Henkel leads a celebration during the Rochelle Lady Hub varsity volleyball team’s IHSA 3A Regional Championship match against Kaneland on Thursday.



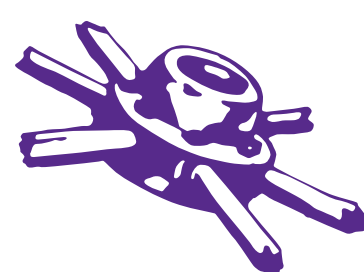
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**Q: How many years have you
been playing this sport?**

A: Nine months.

**Q: What do you enjoy most
about this sport?**

*A: I like the people and I think
I can go farther in bowling
than anyone else.*

**Q: What is your favorite school
subject and why?**

*A: Conditioning because it gets
me away from all of the drama.*

**Q: Who is your favorite
athlete and why?**

A: Jason Belmonte.

**Q: Who is your biggest role
model and why?**

*A: Jason Belmonte because he's
a really good player and I wish I
had his talent.*

**Q: What is your dream job
and why?**

*A: To be a mechanic because
I like turning wrenches and
I'm good at it.*

**Q: Where would your dream
vacation be and why?**

*A: Malibu Beach in Florida
because it's nice down there
and I like to fish.*

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

A: It shows that I'm not lazy.

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Waddle

Year: Freshman

Sport: Bowling



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

A: Eight years.

**Q: What do you enjoy most
about this sport?**

A: Meeting new people.

**Q: What is your favorite school
subject and why?**

*A: Social studies because I
think it's interesting.*

**Q: What is your dream job
and why?**

*A: To be an architect because I
enjoy math and science.*

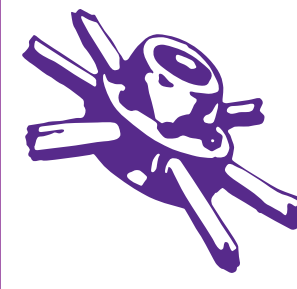
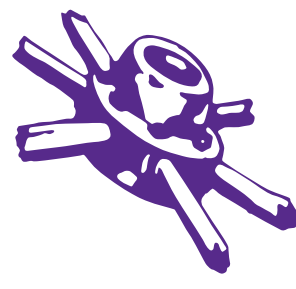
**Q: Where would your dream
vacation be and why?**

*A: I would like to go to the
Caribbean because I like the sea.*

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

*A: Meeting new people and
having something fun to look
forward to after school.*

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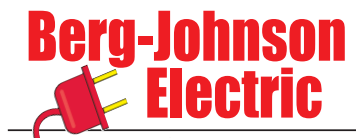


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RTHS Boys Bowling

Hub rollers return for start of winter season

Odle, Thorne headline varsity athletes back from 3-12 campaign last year

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Hub varsity bowling team rolled its first shots of the 2022-23 season Monday afternoon, with several returning athletes and a large group of incoming freshmen lacing up their shoes for their first practice of the season at T-Byrd Lanes.

"We're really excited for this season," head coach Jim Lyles said. "We have some really promising freshmen and our returning bowlers have worked over the offseason and improved. Our kids will be pushing each other and I'm looking forward to seeing them get better."

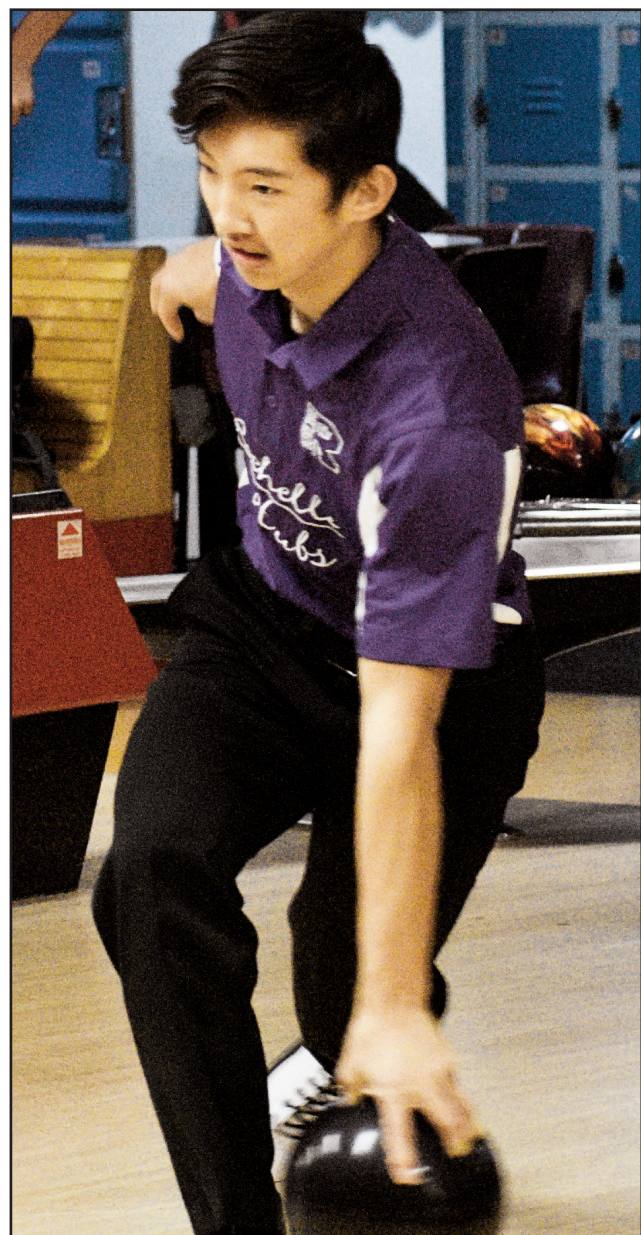
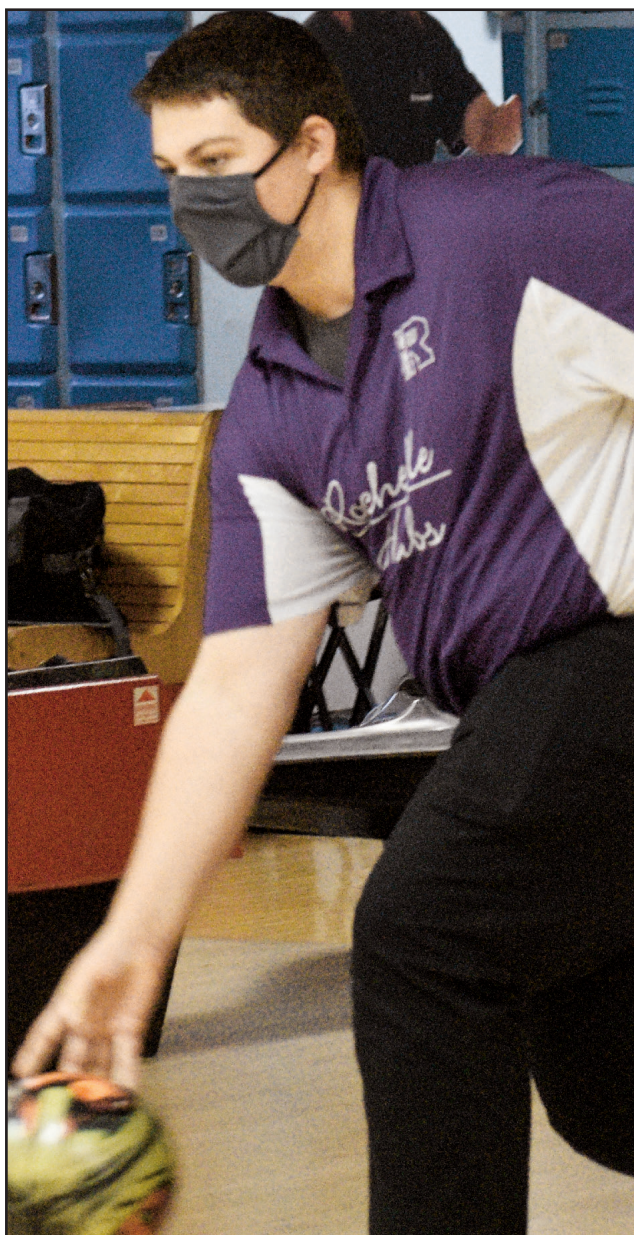
Rochelle will travel for its first match of the season on Monday, Nov. 7 against Oregon. The Hubs are looking to build on a 3-12 record as well as a fifth-place finish in the Interstate 8 Conference last season. Junior Christian Thorne and senior Evin Odle are two returning starters who could see increased leadership roles and be high rollers for the varsity team this season.

"Evin and Christian will have more of a leadership role for us this season,"

Lyles said. "We're looking forward to seeing our juniors and seniors lead by example and help our freshmen out. I feel confident that we have three or four kids who can make it out of the regional this season. The team will be strong this season and we'll be competitive throughout our varsity lineup."

Rochelle faces Sycamore on the road Tuesday, Nov. 8 for its first conference match of the season. The Hubs will bowl multiple tournaments including the LaSalle-Peru Cavalier Classic on Dec. 10 as well as the Dixon Toughman Tournament on Dec. 27. Junior Jonathan Alanis and sophomore Logan Frye are two more returning athletes who could see varsity roles this winter.

"Logan took some lessons over the summer with a professional coach and he's really turned a corner from where he was last season," Lyles said. "I'm looking for him to average anywhere from 170 to 180 this season... I think we should be competitive in the conference. We had a lot of teams lose some powerful bowlers and I'm not sure how much talent they have coming up."



(PHOTOS BY RUSSELL HODGES)

Junior Christian Thorne (left) and senior Evin Odle (right) are two varsity starters who are back for the Rochelle Hub varsity bowling team this season. Rochelle will face Oregon in its season opener on Nov. 7.

GIRLS: Kaneland holds off Rochelle for regional championship

From page 1

After making the score 20-13, Rochelle brought Kaneland even closer with senior Macy Ramos on the serve, rallying for an 8-3 run that included two aces from Ramos and two kills from sophomore Taelynn Rodeghero to force a Knight timeout and cut Kaneland's lead to 23-21. A back-row attack from Kaneland's Rosie Karl sealed the first-set victory for Kaneland.

The Lady Hubs committed three service errors early in the second set, allowing the Knights to take a 13-8 lead. Kaneland remained ahead 19-15 after Rochelle used its second timeout of the set, but the Lady Hubs again refused to quit, with senior Addie

Friestad notching a pair of kills on the outside to make the score 22-20 and force a Kaneland timeout. The Lady Hubs came within one point of tying the match, but an ace from the Knights iced the championship win.

"Our front row was steady the entire match," Sly said. "It's hard to play in a regional championship match. The nerves are flowing early on, but I hope our girls realize that they need to continue staying confident in themselves because the nerves are always going to be there."

Sophomore Ali Ohlinger compiled 14 assists, while Henkel recorded three blocks and Ramos added four digs. Senior Isela Vasquez and sophomore Dempsey Atkinson

each had three digs.

Fenton

The Rochelle Lady Hub varsity volleyball team overcame some early nerves to score a decisive win over Fenton in the IHSA 3A Rochelle Regional Semifinals on Tuesday.

Despite a handful of errors near the start of the first set, the fifth-seeded Lady Hubs settled in and secured an early lead before dominating the second set to knock off the fourth-seeded Bison 25-17, 25-16.

"We were all really nervous before the match," senior libero Macy Ramos said. "It was a really exciting experience to play a regional match on our home floor and we're looking forward to coming back on Thursday. It was a huge

confidence boost for us when we won the first set because we knew that we were capable of closing them out and winning the match."

Rochelle (18-14-3, 8-6 Interstate 8) capitalized on several service errors from Fenton (25-11, 6-3 Upstate Eight) throughout the match. The Lady Hubs began to mount their first significant lead of the match midway through the first set, where senior Addie Friestad scored multiple service points to help Rochelle surge ahead 17-13. Three aces from Ramos and a pair of kills from sophomore Taelynn Rodeghero near the end of the first set allowed the Lady Hubs to close the set on an 8-4 run.

"I'm hoping that we play our best we can in the

championship and keep our season going," Ramos said. "Kaneland has a really good offense, but I feel that we can counter that with both our offense and our defense and we can gain the upper hand on them if we play well."

Rochelle attacked Fenton from all angles during the second set, where junior Alivia Henkel recorded three kills from the right side to help give the Lady Hubs a 12-6 advantage. Service errors continued to hurt the Bison, who committed eight in the match and fell behind 18-9 in the second set after a pair of kills from the outside hitter Friestad, who led Rochelle with six on Tuesday. A service error on Fenton's final attempt sealed the semifinal win for the Lady Hubs.

"There was a lot of excitement and energy built up before the match," Henkel said. "We're really excited that we won and we're looking forward to playing again and hopefully becoming regional champions. That second set was a huge confidence booster for me. I'm usually not as aggressive as I was tonight, but Ali [Ohlinger] gave me some really good sets and we worked really well as a team. Winning a regional would be amazing and I hope we do the best we can."

Rodeghero finished with four kills, while sophomore Ali Ohlinger totaled 14 assists along with two blocks and three aces. Senior Payton Hale compiled a team-leading six digs and one block for the Lady Hubs.

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SPORTS

RTHS Girls Tennis

Seniors lead Lady Hubs to five-win season

Zheng, Doyle highlight varsity starters eligible to return for Rochelle next fall

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Lady Hub varsity tennis team has leaned heavily on its senior athletes over each of the last two seasons. That experience has translated into increased success on the court, but as those seniors phase out of the program, head coach Lizzie Cartwright and the Lady Hubs will look to rebuild their roster heading into next season.

The Lady Hubs finished with a 5-10 overall record, placing sixth in the Interstate 8 Conference tournament, fifth in the IHSA 1A Rochelle Sectional and second in the Lady Hub Invitational. Rochelle will graduate 11 seniors from the roster including six varsity starters (Abby Tarvestad, Torrin Nantz, Francesca Williams, Bailey Jackson, Marisa Whaley and Maleah Pointer).

“We were really proud of how the girls carried themselves this season,” Cartwright said. “They had a lot of success and I wasn’t sure how well the girls were going to perform when the season started. They did so well

and they worked extremely hard. They were focused and I thought that said a lot about how coachable our girls were. We’re really proud of how well they did.”

Although the Lady Hubs went winless in conference action, Rochelle scored nonconference wins against Belvidere, DeKalb, Newman Central Catholic, Harlem and Princeton. The Lady Hubs were competitive throughout the season, losing four matches by only one point and ending the season with only two shutout defeats. Junior Elin Zheng and sophomore Riley Doyle headline varsity starters this season who are eligible to come back to the team next season.

“Our seniors really brought light into the program,” Cartwright said. “They were really good role models for the underclassmen and they worked really hard. They were a special group of girls and we’re really going to miss them. We know they’ll be successful in whatever they do.”

Junior varsity athletes who could earn varsity roles on the team next season include juniors



(PHOTOS BY RUSSELL HODGES)

Junior Elin Zheng (left) and sophomore Riley Doyle (right) are two varsity starters eligible to return for the Rochelle Lady Hub tennis team next season. Rochelle finished with a 5-10 overall record this season.

Allison Dickey, Anna-leigh McKinney, Adamaris Betancourt and

Kara Martinez as well as sophomore Catherine Williams. Five seniors

will depart from the JV roster this fall including Mya Alvarez, Samantha

Sanford, Katherine Sandoval, Michelle Lopez and Melanie Garcia.

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2. Architect's Project Number: 0713-2022070
C. Owner: Rochelle Township High School District 212.
1. Owner's Representative: Jason Harper, Superintendent.
D. Architect: Green Associates, Inc., 1437 Harmony Court, Itasca, Illinois 60143.
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AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CERTAIN ZONING VARIANCE FROM THE CRESTON ZONING ORDINANCE ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 501 WEST CEDERHOLM STREET, CRESTON, ILLINOIS (CURT & ANGIE WARD, APPLICANTS)
ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF CRESTON, ILLINOIS
DATED THIS 4TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2022
Published in pamphlet form by authority of the Village Board of the Village of Creston, Ogle County, Illinois, this 19th day of October, 2022.
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CERTIFICATE
I, JENNIFER PAYTON, certify that I am duly elected and acting Municipal Clerk of the Village of Creston, Ogle County, Illinois.
I further certify that on October 4, 2022, the Corporate Authorities of such municipality passed and approved **AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CERTAIN ZONING VARIANCE FROM THE CRESTON ZONING ORDINANCE ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 501 WEST CEDERHOLM STREET, CRESTON, ILLINOIS (CURT & ANGIE WARD, APPLICANTS)** which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.
The pamphlet form of the Ordinance, including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance was posted on the municipal building, commencing and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for

public inspection upon request in the office of the Municipal Clerk.
DATED at Creston, Illinois this 19th day of October, 2022.
PAGE 28 IN THE RECORDERS OFFICE IN OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
SECTION TWO: That said variance allows the construction of an accessory building not to exceed 2050 square feet.
SECTION THREE: That said variance allows the construction of an accessory building not to exceed 20 feet in height, or the current height of existing structures on the property, whichever is greater.
SECTION FOUR: That said variance allows the construction of an accessory building not to be any closer than six (6) feet from any existing structure on the said property.
SECTION FIVE: The Village Clerk is hereby directed to cause a copy of this Ordinance to be recorded in the Ogle County Recorder's Office.
SECTION SIX: The various provisions of this Ordinance are to be considered as severable and if any part or portion of this Ordinance shall be held invalid by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.
SECTION SEVEN: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be repealed to the extent of any such conflict or inconsistency.
SECTION EIGHT: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage as provided by law, and pursuant to all applicable Illinois Statutes, this written and foregoing Ordinance is published by authority of the corporate authorities of said Village of Creston in the within pamphlet form on this date and photocopy of this within Ordinance is deemed in such pamphlet form.
Presented, Passed, Recorded and Published this 4th day of October, 2022: Vote among the Trustees of said Village:
Ayes: 6
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WHEREAS, Curt & Angie Ward are duly authorized to petition the Village requesting a zoning variation to permit an accessory building in a residential district with a square footage not to exceed 2050 square feet (1800 currently allowed), to have said building not to exceed a height of 20 feet, and to allow the building of the said accessory structure to be a distance of at least 6 feet (10 feet currently required) from the existing structure on their property located at 501 West Cederholm Street; and
WHEREAS, after due notice, the Zoning Board of Appeals called a public hearing on Thursday, September 8th, 2022, to consider granting the requested zoning variance and all parties in opposition thereto were given an opportunity to be heard; and
WHEREAS, in advance of the said meeting on September 8, 2022, all lawful and required notices were mailed, posted, published, or otherwise; and
WHEREAS, the Zoning Board of Appeals recommended in their Recommendation to the Village Board of Trustees that the requested zoning vari-

ance be granted; and
WHEREAS, the President and Village Board of Trustees generally concur with the Zoning Board of Appeals' recommendation; and
WHEREAS, the President and Village Board of Trustees have reviewed and adopted the recommendations and finding of the Zoning Board of Appeals, further finding that the said variance is beneficial to the Village
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CRESTON, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:
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Approved: Tom O. Byro, President, Village of Creston
Attested: Jennifer Payton, Village Clerk of the Village of Creston
No. 1036
(Oct. 30, 2022)

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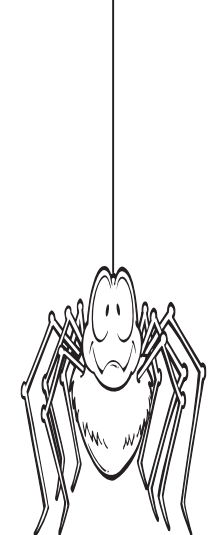
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A trio of defenders including juniors Brock Metzger (left) and Tommy Tourdot (right) converge on Richmond-Burton's Tanner Thompson during the Rochelle Hub varsity football game against the Rockets last week. Rochelle will face Dixon in the first round of the IHSA 4A Playoffs this weekend.

HUBS: Rochelle seeking consecutive second-round trips

From page 1

“We really bought into blending with the juniors and sophomores this season and we’re all a family now... Dixon normally runs a spread offense and I feel like we’re pretty confident up front and on the defensive end. We know what it’s like to lose in the playoffs and we don’t want to have that feeling again. It was really hard on our seniors last year and I hope

we go as far as we can.”

The Hubs roll into the playoffs after finishing second in the Interstate 8/Kishwaukee River Blue Division. Rochelle's two losses have come against the No. 2 ranked team in Class 5A (Sycamore) and the No. 2 ranked team in Class 4A (Richmond-Burton). The Hubs are averaging 37.9 points per game and 414.6 yards of total offense per game this season.

“We’ve grown so much

since we were freshmen,” senior Landon DeLille said. “We were confident that we were going to be a very good team this season and we’re excited to be in this position. We’ve bonded really well as a team and that’s helped make our season really successful. I don’t think Dixon will do anything that we haven’t seen during the season and I think that if we execute our fundamentals and limit

our mistakes, we can win this game.”

Dixon enters the first-round matchup against the Hubs having won three of its last four games including an overtime road victory against Genoa-Kingston. The Dukes are led by quarterback Tyler Shaner and running back Aiden Wiseman, who have combined for over 1,800 yards and 20 touchdowns on the ground this season. Shaner has thrown for 818

yards and 10 touchdowns with 12 interceptions for the Dukes, who are averaging 27.7 points per game on offense.

“We have to take everything one week at a time,” sophomore Kaiden Morris said. “We’re excited for the competition and we’re ready to play against Dixon. Our guys played against them during 7-on-7 drills over the summer so we’ve talked about them and we’ve watched some

film to figure out what their strengths and weaknesses are. We feel like we match up well against them. This team has a lot of experience and we're not ready to stop playing football with each other."

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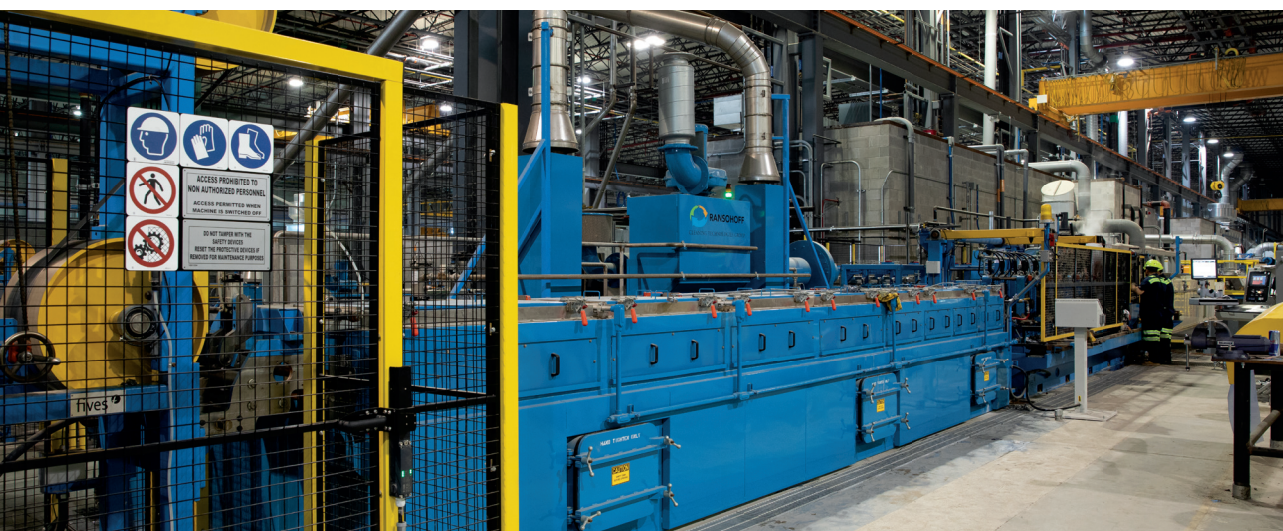
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