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Creston board talks gaming fees Trustees discuss potential fee increase on Tuesday

BY JEFF HELFRICH MANAGING EDITOR

CRESTON — At Tuesday's monthly meeting of the Creston Village Board, discussion was held regarding increasing gaming fees after a state law changed that allows fees per terminal to be increased from \$25 to \$250.

The only business in Creston with video gaming is Moose Knuckle Bar & Grill, which has six machines. The owners of the business attended the meeting Tuesday and called a potential increase from \$25 to \$250 "a huge increase for a small business."

Last month, the Rochelle City Council approved future gaming fee increases. Gaming fees will be raised in Rochelle gradually over a threeyear period starting Jan. 1, 2023 to \$100, to \$150 on Jan. 1, 2024 and to \$250 on Jan 1, 2025.

Creston Village Attorney David Tess said he was recently contacted by the City of Rochelle about the gaming fee increase and that the village always had a "good faith relationship" with the city



(PHOTO BY JEFF HELFRICH)

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to maintain fees similarly.

"I have their ordinance and the increase is not substantial," Tess said. "I think we're going to have to put it on the agenda next month and we'll bring in an ordinance that would be commensurate with what the City of Rochelle is doing. It plays into the boundary agreement and having similar policies. We have a boundary

agreement to stay in-step with what Rochelle does.'

Engineering

Village President Tom Byro said during the meeting that the village did not receive an Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Rebuild Illinois Main Street & Downtown grant it applied for in the amount of \$780,000, \$195,000 of which would have been matched locally by the village if awarded.

The grant application included reconstruction of Creston's downtown including new water mains and storm sewer, reconstruction of the street, all new sidewalks, curb and gutter, parking and more.

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P&Z board meets on Tuesday

BY JEFF HELFRICH MANAGING EDITOR

ROCHELLE — At Tuesday's monthly meeting of the City of Rochelle Planning & Zoning Commission, a public hearing was held on a petition by Seldal Properties, LLC to rezone property located at 450 Willis Ave. to allow for a future apartment complex. The commission unanimously recommended the Rochelle City Council approve the rezone at its next meeting.

Seldal Properties Owner Bruce Seldal has requested to rezone the property from B2 (commercial highway) to R5 (multi-family, high-density residential). The vacant land sits at the corner of Willis Avenue and Lake Lida Lane and is 1.59 acres.

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City hosts Industry Appreciation Day event

Mayor Bearrows: 'You folks are the backbone of our community

BY JEFF HELFRICH MANAGING EDITOR

ROCHELLE — On Tuesday, the City of Rochelle hosted Industry Appreciation Day event at The REC Center that included a luncheon, speeches by U.S. Congressman Darin La-Hood and State Rep. Tom Demmer and presentations by industry partners and city officials.

The Rochelle City Council recently proclaimed Sept. 6 as Industry Appreciation Day in Rochelle, and Mayor John Bearrows called being able to celebrate Rochelle's industry members "an honor and a privilege." The event will likely be held annually going forward.

"We're happy to have our industries be a part of our team at the City of Rochelle," Bearrows said. "We're very much concerned about your future. Because your future affects our future and vice versa. We're very thankful for you and that's what brought about today. You folks are the backbone of our community."

Demmer said that infra-



(PHOTO BY JEFF HELFRICH)

Rochelle Mayor John Bearrows speaks during the City of Rochelle's Industry Appreciation Day event at The REC Center on Tuesday. Guests included U.S. Congressman Darin LaHood and State Rep. Tom Demmer.

structure and partnerships at the local, state and federal level are what have built a "strong foundation" on which the industry of Rochelle has been able to thrive.

"There are few places in

the state and country that recognize the importance of those infrastructure investments and partnerships," Demmersaid."In Rochelle, it's part of the identity of the city. I want to recognize all of the folks who have made

investments in their industries in Rochelle and in the community. That's what helps make a community thrive."

City Economic Development Director Jason Anderson said that between

state and federal funding for infrastructure, Rochelle has received around \$60 million in the 18 years he's been with the city, and he's proud of that.

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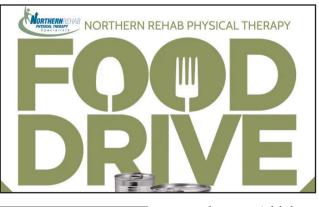




Northern Rehab hosting food drive Sept. 12-23

ROCHELLE — Northern Rehab Physical Therapy Specialists is hosting a food drive Sept. 12-23 to collect non-perishable food items to benefit food pantries that serve the Rochelle community.

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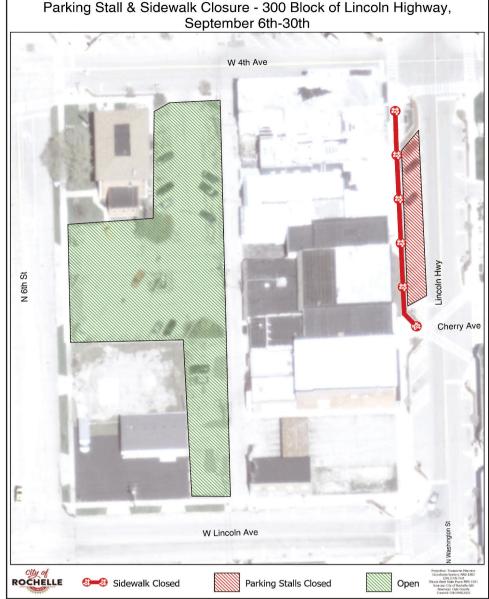
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The City of Rochelle said it appreciates residents' patience during the project.



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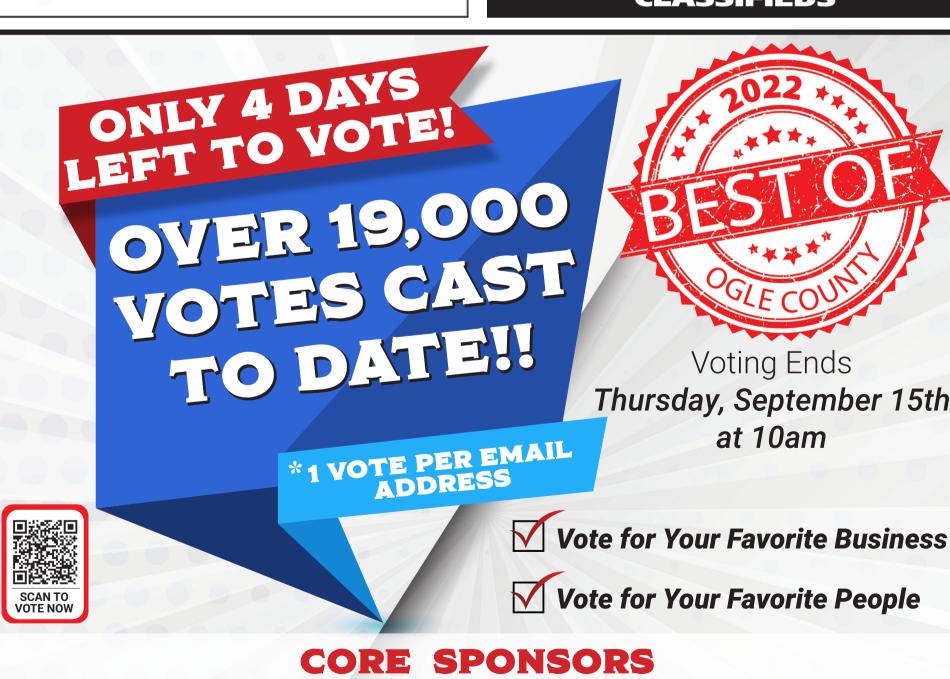
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LaHood now represents Rochelle in congress after recent redistricting. He spent Tuesday morning meeting with Bearrows and City Manager Jeff Fiegenschuh about the city's priorities.

"What you have going on here in Rochelle is different from a lot of places across the state," LaHood said. "It's a testament to many of you in the room here and I can see the vibrancy you have in your community as it relates to economic development and infrastructure. The projects you have on the horizon and what you're doing here are really tremendous. It's a success story in the state. I

want to thank the business leaders, job creators and the folks that work in civic government, education and at nonprofits."

Presentations were made by Kishwaukee College President Laurie Borowicz, Northern Illinois University Executive Director for Strategic Advancement Luke Sebby, CPower Energy Management Account Executive Kellen Bollettino, City of Rochelle GIS Coordinator Casey Heuer and City Industrial Development Manager Peggy Friday.

Borowicz discussed how Kish has dealt with declining enrollment over the years and said it's recently seen an increase. She said the college prides itself on hands-on experience for students, is happy to provide customized training to local industries and that Kish and Rochelle Township High School are committed to improving the area's workforce.

Sebby discussed the movement on NIU's Innovation Campus project and said it will be a "hub for new ideas and creativity" that will lead to economic development for the region. The project will span several decades. Ground will be broken next spring on the NIU Center for Community Sustainability.

Sebby also said that NIU along with area communities like Rochelle are pursuing a large National Science Foundation grant with potential to develop technology-driven innovation ecosystems to improve national competitiveness locally.

Bollettino's organization works with Rochelle Municipal Utilities customers to reduce electrical load on the grid through incentives. CPower's demand response program sends checks to Rochelle businesses for reducing their power use at certain

"We've paid roughly \$300,000 back to the industry partners that are participating in our program," Bollettino said. "There's about 20 sites that are currently participating and plenty of room for more. Those checks go out from CPower four times throughout the year."

Heuer talked about the geographic information system work that the city does to help its industries. Work is ongoing on a city website to further promote industrial opportunities in Rochelle along with the industry it already has.

Rochelle industry members will be able to use the interactive website to find logistics options and things like shipping times to areas of the country. Potential job applicants will also be able to find specific information about openings on the site.

The final presentation of the event was made by Friday. Her position focuses on business retention within the city. Last

CITY: LaHood, Demmer among guests at Industry Appreciation Day year, the city conducted a labor study and met with its businesses. Work has been ongoing since and has included a city-managed job board. Friday said the city also plans to create an industry task force to tackle challenges to issues such as workforce, the supply chain and technology.

"We have industry stakeholders, community leaders and city staff who are ready to get involved and engage with our industries," Friday said. "It's really exciting and I encourage you to take advantage of it. We are here to serve you. I just want to thank you for your contribution to the community and everything that you do for our citizens."

Hickory Grove items continued to next month

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The property is surrounded by B-2 commercial highway zoning to the west, north and south and R5 multi-family, high-density residential immediately to the east, northeast and southeast.

Seldal owns a number of rental properties in Rochelle and said there's a limited number of available lots to build on.

"This property has been vacant for at least 15 years and nothing commercial has been built on it," Seldal said. "I built some townhomes on Seventh Avenue a few years back. The thought is to do something similar with this parcel. This one is weird-shaped, so there will probably be a limitation to how many apartment/townhome-type buildings I'll be able to put there. These would be on the higher end of rentals."

Seldal said his apartments on Seventh Avenue rent for \$900 a month and the proposed development on Willis Avenue would be similarly-priced and provide another alternative for people looking to rent that would like to have some of the amenities of a single-family home such as quartz countertops, stainless steel appliances, central air and washer/ dryer hookups.

The apartments on Seventh Avenue are filled up and calls asking if there's a unit available are fielded by Seldal Properties often, Seldal said. He believes a development on Willis Avenue would fill a need in town.

"I drove by the property you're talking about and I commend you," Planning & Zoning Commissioner Dennis Swinton said. "I think that's an ideal

location."

Hickory Grove

The commission voted unanimously to continue two Hickory Grove-related agenda items to its next meeting.

The first agenda item was a petition by the city to subdivide the property located at 1123 N. 7th St. to re-subdivide two lots and parts of others. One lot would be transferred to Rochelle Hospitality, LLC, the owner of the Comfort Inn & Suites next door to the Hickory Grove site.

The second item was Rochelle Hospitality, LLC petitioning to subdivide property located at 1133 N. 7th St. The purpose is to re-subdivide a portion of two lots into one. The newly-subdivided lot would be an exchange of land as per an approved development The

land exchange would allow the hotel to build an exterior pool, in conformance with city codes, which is required by the franchise.

City Manager Jeff Fiegenschuh has said in the past that the subdivision and platting and coming to an agreement on a land swap must be done so the hotel can put in a pool and several parking spaces in the Hickory Grove lot that are owned by the hotel would be given to the city.

The Hickory Grove building was demolished earlier this year by the city as it works to get the site sold and developed this year.

Downtown

The commission held a public hearing regarding a text amendment to its B1 district special use requirements and unanimously recommended the city council approve the change at its next meeting.

City Community Development Director Michelle Pease said the thinking behind the potential change is that as the downtown area develops moving forward, the planning & zoning commission will have the opportunity to review each potential new special use/construction project on a case-by-case basis.

"It's just good for you all to have a set of eyes on all of that and that we're consistent with our comprehensive plan," Pease said. "You all put together that comprehensive plan, so you should have an eye on the projects that are specifically in that downtown. We last updated that plan in 2016 and we're going to do it again as a group early next year."

Body shop

The council held a public hearing on and unanimously recommended the approval of a proposed

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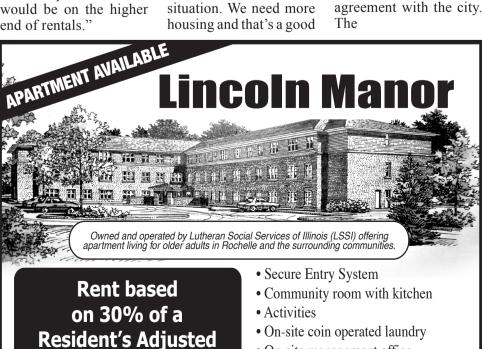
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variance of setbacks and landscaping for the property located at 323 W. 2nd. Ave.

The petitioner, Robert Kuehl, is seeking the variance to construct a body/mechanic shop. His business has been in the community for 10 years and the size of the building he is requesting the variance for is the smallest possible footprint to fit a paint booth and everything necessary to operate.

"I've been in the collision industry for almost 20 years, so it's about all I know," Kuehl said. "I tried to make it as small as I could to make it work for me. But I do a lot of big truck work. I will need some room to fit those."

Planning & Zoning Commission Chairman Kurt Wolter called the request "quite a variance," but said he believes it's a good development for the lot.



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Obituaries

Nancy J. Lange

DIXON — Nancy J. Lange, 76, of Dixon, formerly of Waterman, passed away peacefully Friday, Sept. 2 at Dixon Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center. After a long battle with dementia and Alzheimer's, she is now whole and walking the streets of gold with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

She was born July 9, 1946 in Aurora, the daughter of Eugene and Lois (Greene) Beach. She graduated from East Aurora High School in 1964 in Aurora. She married Larry Lange on Feb. 27, 1965 in

Nancy spent several years in the nursery and greenhouses working at E.L. Fasel & Sons Greenhouses in Big Rock, Illinois. She then became a floral designer and opened her own flower shop in Waterman. She volunteered as an EMT and served several years with the Waterman Community

Fire Protection District retiring with the department as ambulance Lieutenant.

Nancy enjoyed teaching Sunday School at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hinckley, Illinois. She loved singing in the church choir at Immanuel and later at United Methodist Church in DeKalb. Her hobbies included working with her plants and flowers, crocheting, reading and camping with her family and friends.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Larry Lange of Dixon; three children, Michael (Karna) Lange of Belvidere, Heidi (Jay) Bratko of Rochelle, and Mindy (Dennis) Lange-Hamel of Oregon; six grandchildren, Trevor and Kailey Lange, Matthew, Megan and Mark Bratko and Dylan (Elyse) Fisher; one great-granddaughter, Lucy Fisher; a brother, Gordon Beach of Rhinelander, Wisconsin and several nieces and nephews. Nancy is preceded in



death by her parents, Eugene and Lois Beach; twin sons at birth, Grant Lee and Gary Lee Lange and a brother Charles Beach.

A memorial funeral service will take place at noon Saturday, Sept. 17 at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home, 400 N. 6th St. in Rochelle with family friend Richard Criss officiating. Visitation will precede the service on Saturday at the funeral home from 10 a.m. until the time of the service. Contributions in Nancy's memory may be directed to Serenity Hospice and Home.

Please visit www.ungerhorner.com to sign the guest book.

Larry E. Watson

ROCHELLE—Larry E. Watson, 78, of Rochelle passed away at his home early on the morning of Sept. 6. Larry was born on July 9, 1944, the son of James and Eleanor (Bunger) Watson in Rochelle. On Dec. 21, 1963, he married Sharon Kay Ramsey in Rochelle.

His surviving family members include his wife, Sharon Watson of nearly 59 years; three children: Dawn Watson of Plover, Wisconsin, Kym (Chris) Vasey of North Aurora and Scot Watson of Rochelle. He was the proud grandfather of seven grandchildren: Felicity, Camille, Carmen, Jenna, Gage, Taylin and Kaylee and six great grandchildren: Natalie, Benjamin, Scarlett, Clover, Archer, and Clara Belle. He also left Regional Ready Mix. He guest book

behind one brother, Jim (Kathy) Watson of Lost Nation and two sisters: Pat Coons of Rochelle, and Julia Lichtenberger of California.

He is predeceased by his parents Jim Watson, Eleanor Watson, and his brother, David Watson. Throughout his life,

Larry enjoyed fishing, traveling and cheering on the Green Bay Packers. For several years, he successfully operated his own business called the Watson's Village Market. As a board member at the Rochelle Wildlife Conservation Club for more than 40 years, he was the go-to man managing steak frys for hundreds of people every year. Larry was also a member of the Moose and part owner of



will be greatly missed by his family.

Per Larry's wishes there will be no services at this time. In remembrance of Larry's life, please consider making a charitable donation to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Larry appreciated the work of this organization. Cremation care has been provided by the Unger-Horner Funeral Home in Rochelle. Visit www.ungerhorner. com to sign the online

Rochelle Police Department

Officers make two arrests

ROCHELLE — On Sept. 7 at 12:44 p.m. Joseph J. Polivka, 78, of Rochelle was arrested for domestic battery and transferred.

On Sept. 8 at 10:50 p.m. Anna C. Sexton, 32, of Dixon was arrested on two outstanding Lee

County warrants and transferred.

All individuals are considered innocent until proven guilty.

Sheriff's Office announces Labor Day campaign results

OREGON — Ogle County Sheriff's deputies made nine driving under the influence arrests during the recent Labor Day campaign. During the campaign, which lasted from Aug. 19 to Sept. 6, deputies issued 302 citations and made numerous criminal arrests while conducting traffic enforcement and investigating crashes.

The citations and arrests total included: Nine arrests for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, one arrest for felony aggravated DUI, eight arrests for felony drug offenses, five arrests for misdemeanor drug offenses, four arrests for aggravated fleeing to elude a police officer, five arrests for outstanding warrants, two arrests for weapons violations, 28 arrests for driving with a suspended/ revoked/no valid license, 129 citations for speeding violations, 35 citations for registration violations, 34 citations to uninsured drivers, three citations for using a cell phone while driving, three citations for reckless driving and three citations for illegal transportation of alcohol.

Ogle County Sheriff's Department

Deputies respond to hitand-run incident in Creston

OREGON — On Sept. 3 at approximately 1:10 a.m. deputies responded to the 900 block of West Egan Road in reference to a suspicious vehicle. After investigation, deputies placed Jessica Stoll, 40, of Byron, under arrest for driving under the influence of alcohol. Stoll was additionally issued citations for illegal parking and operating a vehicle with an expired registration sticker. Stoll was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was held in lieu of bond. On Sept. 3 at approxi-

mately 7:25 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 2,000 block of East Illinois Route 64. This came after a driving complaint was received from a concerned motorist. Upon investigation, Scott L. Ide, 29, of Rochelle, was placed under arrest for driving while under the influence of alcohol. Ide was also cited for improper lane usage, improper transportation of alcohol as a driver and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Ide was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

On Sept. 3 at approximately 2:40 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop at the intersection of North Illinois Route 26 and West Illinois Route 72. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested Ashley M. Kreeger, 20, of Shannon for driving on a suspended driver's license. Kreeger was released from the scene on an I-Bond with a return court date.

On Sept. 4 at approximately 9:22 p.m. deputies were dispatched to the intersection of West South Street and South Center Street in Creston for a hit and run accident. Through the course of the investigation, it was learned that a black SUV, driven by Omar Salazar, 19, of Elgin was traveling eastbound on South West Street, directly behind a blue sedan, driven by a female juvenile from Elgin. It was determined that Salazar rear-ended the blue sedan, at which time Salazar fled from the scene of the accident. Salazar was located a short time later, at which time he was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. Salazar was also issued citations for leaving the scene of an accident, failure to report an accident, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. The female juvenile was also placed under arrest for no valid driver's license, was given an I-bond and released to a parent at the scene.

On Sept. 4 at approximately 6:54 p.m. deputies were dispatched to the 3,000 block of South Knoll Road for a rollover accident with injuries. Upon arrival, deputies learned a 2015 Ford Fusion was driven by 19-year-old Alan Krug of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Krug was traveling northbound on Knoll Road when he lost control of his vehicle on the gravel portion of the roadway and traveled off of the east side of the roadway where the vehicle overturned several times in a cornfield before coming to rest. Krug and his 18-year-old passenger, Gage Pobanz, 18, of Chebanse, Illinois was transported to Rochelle Community Hospital by Rochelle EMS for minor injuries. Krug was issued a citation for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident. Flagg Center Fire/ EMS also assisted with the

On Sept. 5 at 12:58 a.m. deputies were dispatched to Lake Louise Campground (8840 N. Illinois Route 2) for a report of a disturbance. Through the course of the investigation, Sara R. Quezada, 24, of Rockford was arrested for driving while license suspended. Quezada was also issued a citation for an inoperable rear registration light. Quezada was released on an I-Bond with a court date to appear. Deputies were assisted on scene by the Byron Police Department.

On Sept. 5 at 10:50 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop on Illinois Route 64 at Interstate 39. After a short investigation, deputies arrested Carlos Aponte, 22, of Rochelle for driving without a valid driver's license. Aponte was released on scene and will appear in court later.

On Sept. 6 deputies arrested Davontae Sockwell, 26, of Rockford for driving while license suspended. Sockwell was arrested by deputies on Illinois Route 64 near Woodlawn Road after being stopped for speeding. Sockwell was released on a I-bond and will appear in Ogle County Court at a later date.

On Sept. 6 at 7:25 a.m.

deputies along with the Stillman Valley Fire Department responded to Illinois Route 72 and Rural Road in Stillman Valley for a two-vehicle accident with injuries. After a brief investigation, deputies learned a red 2010 Buick Lacrosse being driven by Cynthia Merryman, 65, of Rockford stopped at the stop sign on Rural Road. The Buick then proceeded into the intersection with East Illinois Route 72 and was struck by a westbound 2020 Ford F-550 driven by Jason Whelan, 46, of Byron. A passenger in the Buick, Brittany Merryman, 25, of Chana was transported to OSF Hospital in Rockford with suspected minor injuries. Cynthia Merryman was issued a citation for failure to yield to oncoming traffic.

On Sept. 6 at approximately 8:26 p.m. deputies responded to the 11,000 block of East Illinois Route 72 for the report of a single-motorcycle accident. Upon further investigation, deputies arrested Cassandra Inman, 42, of Davis Junction, for driving under the influence of alcohol. Inman was transported to St. Anthony Medical Center, where she was treated for a moderate injury. Inman also received a citation for failure to reduce

speed. Inman was released on an Individual bond with a future court date given. On Sept. 6 at 7 p.m.

deputies conducted a traffic

stop at Lindenwood Road and Esmond Road. After a short investigation, deputies arrested Cristopher Polanco, 22, of DeKalb, for driving while his license was suspended. Polanco was released on scene and will appear in court at a later date. On Sept. 6 at approximately 8:03 p.m. deputies

conducted a traffic stop on Interstate 39 at mile marker 110. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested Isaias Martinez Maciel, 28, of Kansas City, Missouri, for no driver's license. Martinez Maciel was taken into custody without incident and released on a \$2,500 individual bond with a return court date set. Martinez Maciel was additionally cited for an inoperable registration light. On Sept. 7 at approxi-

mately 12:45 a.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop on Interstate 39 at mile marker 109. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested Troy L. Neal, 34, of Rockford, for driving while his license was revoked. Neal was taken into custody without incident and released on a \$2,500 individual bond with a return court date set. Neal was also issued a citation for expired registration.

On Sept. 7 at approximately 9:15 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 14,000 block of East Lindenwood Road. After investigation, deputies placed Kelly McCoy, 38, of Rochelle under arrest for no valid driver's license and an active Lee County warrant. McCoy was additionally issued citations for a loud muffler, operating an uninsured vehicle and operating a vehicle with an expired registration sticker. McCoy was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was held in lieu of bond.

On Sept. 8 at approximately 1:20 a.m. deputies responded to the 10,000 block of North Illinois Route 2 in reference to a property damage accident. After investigation, deputies placed Cody Kirsch, 29, of Loves Park, under arrest for driving while license suspended. Kirsch was additionally issued a citation for improper lane usage. Kirsch was released on an I-Bond at the scene and given a future court date.

On Sept. 8 at 10:49 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop on Interstate 39 at mile marker 110 southbound. After an investigation, Manda Katuta, 34, of Rockford, was arrested for driving on a suspended driver's license. Katuta was also issued citations for operating an uninsured motor vehicle and registration light. Katuta was released on a signature I-Bond with a return court date.

On Sept. 8 at approximately 8:49 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop on Interstate 39 near mile marker 102. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested Rosendo Morales, 46, of Rockford, for no validdriver's license. Morales was issued an additional citation for operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Morales was given an I-Bond with a return court date later next month and released on scene.

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LOCAL NEWS

CRESTON: Engineering work discussed at Tuesday meeting

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Village Engineer Kevin Bunge said he's received a quote for maintenance work that the village plans to do on Well Three. Creston has two wells (well two and well three). Well three was drilled in 1980 and has never been pulled to be examined for maintenance. Pulling well three means replacements to its equipment will be made at a cost of around \$40,000.

Bunge said the quote he's received includes a temporary pump to place in well three as a contingency plan while maintenance is ongoing. He plans to bring a report on the quote to the board for its next meeting. Preparation is ongoing for a village water main project that it plans to use American Rescue Plan Act Funds for. Creston is looking at two different areas including replacing a two-inch main by Cederholm Street and separate work in the area of Ridge Street, Transit Street and the railroad tracks.

Bunge said due to increasing costs and an issue with an easement the village needs, he recommends the village only do the Cederholm Street work at this point.

Farm lease

Eric Petry attended the meeting and addressed the board. Petry farms 144.6 acres of the village's land under a lease and has an option to renew it for another year.

"I would like to come before the board and offer it a little bit more money this year," Petry said. "We have historically higher commodity prices, but my inputs are a lot higher. But I can afford going into next year in good faith to increase the rent to \$20 more an acre than I'm paying now. That will bring it up to \$330 per acre. Next year at this time I'd like to talk more about the future. Iknow there's some ground up by the landfill that might come into play in the next couple of years."

issue and get back to him.

Drainage

Mark Hill at the meeting. Hill farms property across Illinois Route 38 and has been experiencing issues with drainage. He requested that the village board get involved with a tile reconstruction project he is looking into to ease future drainage issues.

The board showed interest in working with Hill and asked him to come back in the future with numbers on what the village's portion of the project could be.

"I think the village needs to take some responsibility

Byro told Petry that the board would discuss the

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forthis,"Byro said. "Idon't



Village President Tom Byro said during the meeting that the village did not receive an Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Rebuild Illinois Main Street & Downtown grant it applied for in the amount of \$780,000, \$195,000 of which would have been matched locally by the village if awarded.

know how much. See if you can come up with some options and come back to us. We want to be good neighbors."

Properties

During the meeting, the board discussed its desire to take action to clean up multiple abandoned prop-

erties in the village. Byro tasked Village Building Inspector Casper Manheim and Tess with working on the issues, including taking legal action and potentially purchasing the properties.

"I think it's time this board takes some action," Byro said. "I know we're not in the property man-

agement business, but I think it's time we spent a little money to get these things taken care of. Let's bite the bullet and see if we can get some of these places cleaned up. I'm tired of driving around town and looking at these places. It's a safety hazard. Let's do something."

Rochelle Area

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Ashton Bible Church, corner of Main and Paddock in Ashton. Pastor Farrel Stauffer, church phone is (815)453-2190, church website www.ashtonbible. org0. 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 7:00 pm. Web: the bridge churchrochelle. 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

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 <u>www.facebook.com/Calvary-</u> Lutheran-Church.

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Elim Reformed Church, 140 S. Church Road, Kings, IL 61068. Phone: 815-562-6811. Email goelimchurch@gmail.com Website goelimchurch.org Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 Rev. Mary Jacobs

Faith Lutheran Church - (14206 E. Flagg Rd.) -"Making Christ Known Through Lives of Faith." Inperson 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@faithlcrochelle.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

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First Presbyterian Church - An Amazing Place for Amazing Grace- Rev. Doug Forsberg, Senior Pastor. 1100 Calvin Road, Rochelle. Email: info@ Sunday morning worship placeforgrace.com. 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.

Living Water Community Church 405 N. Main St, Downtown Rochelle. Phone 815-561-6249, Website: www.lwccr.com, Like us on Facebook. We are Non-Denominational, Christ Centered, Casual dress, Christ Centered Live Band Worship. Chris Bender- Teaching Pastor, Brent Braski- Administrative Pastor, Adrian Daugherty- Lead Worshipper, Joe Mortimer- Youth Director, Amanda Barnes- Office Manager. Sunday Worship Service- 10:00am. Nursery/Toddlers Ages 0-5 available during the service in the Splash building. Swim- Grades 1st-5th worship with the adults then break out for age appropriate teaching. Youth groups, Small groups, Life Groups and Workshops meet throughout the year for Bible teaching. 7C's Missionserves the community physically & spiritually each month from 1135 Lincoln Hwy, providing lightly used clothing, Hygiene items, a light lunch and Elder Prayer open the second Saturday from 10am-2pm and the 4th Thursday from 4pm to 7:00pm and by appointment..

New Hope Fellowship (Church of God -Anderson, IN), 1501 10th Ave., Rochelle, IL 61068. Service: Sunday at 10 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 I 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.

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LOCAL VIEWS

A hurtful and divisive symbol

will admit, I find it odd that in 2022 some people still fly the Confederate flag. And I don't just mean people in Mississippi – I mean people in Illinois. I mean people in Ogle I remember when I

was in the Air Force stationed in Arkansas and Confederate flag stickers and shirts and banners were pretty common. As many of us remember, Southern rock bands used to display the flag as well. I honestly never paid

that much attention to it when I was younger. But as I got older and learned more about its history, and the Confederacy in general, that flag became more and more problem-

And in 2022, flying the Confederate flag is something that doesn't make anyone look good.

While many still cling to the whole "Southern heritage" argument, that flag is about much more than

And m u c h worse. The flag rep-

resents a confederation of states that left the United States

in 1860 and 1861. The reason? These states wanted to protect the inhumane institution of slavery. That is what the Civil War was about. Full stop. People might want to pretend that wasn't the reason, but it was.

I hope we can all agree that slavery was clearly a horrible, evil thing. We should be ashamed of that past.

We should also be ashamed of the flag. The flag now used to represent the Confederacy is generally the Confederate battle flag. It was carried by insurrectionists on Jan. 6, which says some things about those law breakers that should make all of us in the country sad and

angry. It is also, strangely, something that more than one current candidate

for political office are embracing.

Let's be clear about something: This flag represents the oppression of people who were enslaved. And it clearly represents white supremacy. And it represents people who were traitors to the U.S. All of those things are

shameful, and I don't believe these flags belong anywhere in public - except in a museum. But people, of course, have the right to express

their feeling and views by hanging that flag outside their home, or wearing it on their shorts. I support your right to do so. But by doing that,

you are telling the world that you are OK with the things that flag represents. So, I ask you – are you OK with slavery? Are you OK with white supremacy? If so, then you are flying the

right flag. If not, you might want to reconsider your use of it.

My parents are from the South. Almost all my cousins and aunts and uncles still live there. But that flag was some-

thing my family never flew or embraced. I am glad for that, but plenty of people haven't gotten that message. Or maybe they have gotten the message, but they just don't care.

Brad

Jennings

When you fly a Confederate flag, your neighbors will likely assume some bad things about you, even if they aren't true. And any black friends or neighbors will find it outright offensive. In fact, many people would.

So if you fly one of these symbols of hate, it might be time to reconsider. It is not fun, and it's not showing what a rebel you are. It is a hurtful and divisive symbol. As a society we have to move past items like this that so many find painful.

Brad Jennings is the editor of the Ogle County Life.

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REMEMBER that we are on a journey to EMEMBER understand technology because it will help us to make better sense of the world we live in. It is more fun to live in

a world that you understand rather than one that you don't. For example, Rochelle has a local utility company named Rochelle Municipal Utilities that distributes electricity to all of our houses and businesses. How well do you understand this incredibly important system? Chemical energy powers the batteries in our cell phones, and radiant energy is what carries our telephone calls throughout the world. Do you have a basic

understanding of the cell phone system? The hot water you use for a comfortable morning shower is thermal energy from your water heater. Do you know how your water heater basically works? Gasoline contains large amounts of chemical energy that our cars need to move us from place to place. Do you understand

where that chemical energy comes from? Large wind turbines dot the landscape in Lee County just to our south. Do you know where the energy from the wind comes from? Just as it is important to understand history, math, health, science and languages, it is important to understand technology to know the answers to these questions.

There are four types of technology: communication, transportation, production (which is manufacturing and construction) and energy. In this article we'll start in on energy.

Energy technology is a hot topic these days (please forgive the pun!). It is the often the subject of news stories regarding supplies of oil, natural gas, coal, wind and water power, nuclear power and electricity. It has also become a contentious political issue related to climate change, "green" energy, fossil fuel transportation and

consumer vehicles, and other important components of our economy. Many worldwide geopolitical issues revolved around energy issues. All of these discussions involve energy resources that as a civil society we need to make decisions about, and to make good decisions we first need an understanding of energy and energy technology.

Energy is very simply defined as "the ability to do work." So, anything that possesses that ability is said to "have energy." For example your body has the ability to do work such as lifting a

bag of groceries, therefore your body has energy. This sounds simple enough, but it can become confusing very quickly. Your garage door opener has the ability to open the garage door, but it doesn't really make much sense to say your garage door opener

has energy.

It's the electricity that travels through the opener that has the energy to do the work. So, to understand energy and energy technology we need to understand how energy is transferred from one form to another, and how technology is involved. But to understand that we need an understanding of the six different forms of energy - mechanical, thermal, chemical, nuclear, electrical and radiant.

Mechanical energy is energy related to physical movement of an object. You may remember the term "kinetic energy" from schooling. This is the easiest form to understand because it is very observable. It is the energy of motion. You can easily observe someone lift an object, close a door, or throw a baseball. In the early days of the industrial revolution, the measure of a horsepower was created to quantify mechanical energy. One horsepower was the rate of mechanical work a horse could perform.

Thermal energy is

heat contained in an object. Everything in our daily lives contains some amount of thermal energy. Thermal energy is easier to understand because our skin can sense thermal energy as "hot" and "cold." Even cold water contains thermal energy, but hot water contains more. We measure thermal energy in a variety of ways, but a very common measure is degrees Fahrenheit or Celsius.

Chemical energy is energy related to bonds between molecules. It is also invisible and more difficult to

if you have had a chemistry class you have experience with chemical energy first hand. The food **Kurt** we eat contains Wolter the chemical energy our bodies depend on, and

understand, but

devices like batteries contain stored chemical energy. Plants are perfect chemical energy devices because they take in chemical energy and store it for later use, similar to the way a battery functions. Chemical energy can be measured in units such as calories or joules. Nuclear energy is sim-

ilar to chemical energy but it is related to the bonds between atoms instead of molecules. Nuclear power plants like the one in Byron depend on the energy stored in minerals like uranium found in the earth. Illinois has the most nuclear power plants in the United States. Nuclear energy has enormous potential but also carries enormous risk because of the dangers nuclear energy can pose to humans and other living things. Nuclear energy is measured in electron-volts.

Electrical energy, or electricity, is energy related to ordered movement of electrons resulting from an imbalanced electrical charge. It is more difficult to understand and somewhat mysterious because it is

too small to easily see and we must use tools to measure it. We have invented unlimited types of technology to harness it to meet our needs. Electrical energy is fundamental to our modern way of life because it is so versatile and easy to transmit from one place to another but we take it for granted until there's a power outage and we realize how many devices we depend on need electricity to function. Electrical energy is measured in watts, or watt-hours. Radiant energy is ener-

gy related to movement of electrons due to magnetic force. It is perhaps the most mysterious types of energy because while it can be visible it can also be invisible, and it has the ability to transmit millions of miles and can travel right through solid objects. The light we see from the sun or light bulbs is radiant energy, and the radio waves that carry cell phone signals and radio stations is radiant energy. It is also known as electromagnetic energy because of its relationship to both the forces of electricity and magnetism. Radiant energy is measured in joules.

So, these six forms of energy - mechanical, thermal, chemical, nuclear, electrical and radiant - provide power to our technological world. Collectively they are known as the "foundation of all technology" because energy technology is fundamental to all other technologies. As our world becomes more and more technical it is helpful to know about. Find the energy to stay tuned to this column to learn more about energy technology!

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COMMUNITY



Rochelle Moose brings students from Mooseheart to LHHF

With the help of its members, the Rochelle Moose was able to bring students from Mooseheart to the Lincoln Highway Heritage Festival. Emory and Joann Brooks are the family teachers for the students from the Illinois and Minnesota Homes. Most family teachers currently have two homes of students to watch over as Mooseheart presently has a staffing shortage and the Brookes are the only pre-pandemic family teachers left. The Moose thanked the festival committee for again having A&A Attractions provide free ride passes for visitors from Mooseheart. The students were provided a light lunch, participated in the LHHF parade, were given money to spend at the carnival and visited the haunted maze as many times as they desired. Pictured to the right in the photo are the Brookes and Women of the Moose Senior Regent Julie Laws. The Brookes' two children, Kathyn and Trevor, are pictured with their fellow students from Mooseheart.

Free coin appraisal at Rochelle Moose

ROCHELLE — On Sunday, Sept. 18 there will be a free coin appraisal at the Rochelle Moose. This event is open to the public and will be held from 1 p.m.

until 5 p.m. in the lodge dining room with John Gruben and Dave Schabacker doing the appraisals.

They can even evaluate foreign coinage and US

Sept. 11

Melinda Pourchot

Sam Oymaian

Wyatt Sexton

Sept. 12

Ianna Smith

Sept. 14

Alivia Law

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Emily Lopez

Robert Lee

Sept. 17

David Jones

paper money. The most valuable item appraised in the last couple years was a Gold Certificate from the Steward Bank of Steward valued at over \$7,000. It

is always a treasure hunt. Bring down your collection of coins you have gathered through the years and have them evaluated right here in Rochelle.

Birthdays & Anniversaries Jenny Rosenbach Sept. 22 Richard & Beverly Hermann Krew Sullivan Sept. 23 (anniversary) Sept. 18 John Worley **Chris Doering Amie Eggenburg** Terry & Teresa Dodillet Jeff & Diana Dickey (anniversary) (anniversary) Sept. 28 Sept. 19 **Ashley Bunger** Leland & Lucy Hazlip Sept. 29 (anniversary) Madison Wooten Josh Walker Sept. 20 Sarah Kulwicki Jon & Carolyn Bieck Lyndsey OBrien (anniversary)

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



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Aug. 17 - Richard E. Bearrows, Rochelle, \$25

Aug. 18 - Rochelle Area Community Foundation, \$25

Aug. 19 - Myra Chattic, Sterling, \$25

Aug. 20 - David Long, Rochelle, \$25

Aug. 21 - Rochelle Masonic Lodge, \$50

Aug. 22 - Kyle Kissack, Rochelle, \$25

Aug. 23 - Tom Hill, Rochelle, \$25

Aug. 24 - Jane Schell, Rochelle, \$25

Aug. 25 - Lucinda Zoeller, Rochelle, \$25

Aug. 26 - Stephanie A. Guerrero, Rochelle, \$25

Aug. 27 - Edward Jones, Rochelle, \$25

Aug. 28 - Rochelle Area Community Foundation, \$50

Aug. 29 - Caroline Kessen, Rochelle, \$25

Aug. 30 - Scott A. Stevens, Rochelle, \$25

Aug. 31 - From the Heart, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 1 - Hub City Senior Center, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 2 - Jessica Macklin, Winnebago, \$25

Sept. 3 - Rochelle Rotary Club, \$25

Sept. 4 - Daniel Ortiz, Rochelle, \$50

Sept. 5 - Ben Heck, Chana, \$1,000

Sept. 6 - Bridget Blaine, Dixon, \$25

Sept. 7 - Aubrielle Lodico, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 8 - Carolyn Brown, Rochelle, \$25 Sept. 9 - Bobby Clausen, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 10 - Rochelle Rotary Club, \$25

Sept. 11 - Rochelle Rotary Club, \$50

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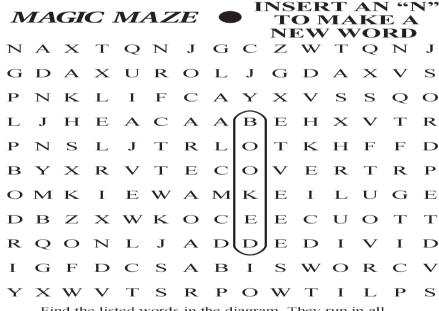
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally Unlisted clue hint: MAKERS OF BREAD

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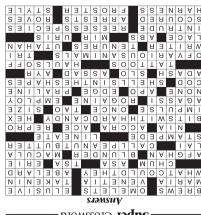
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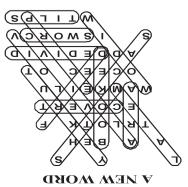
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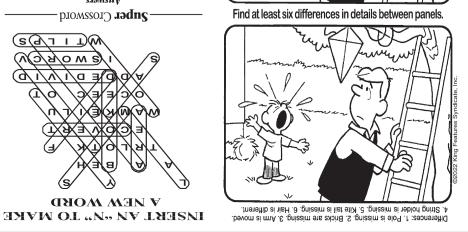
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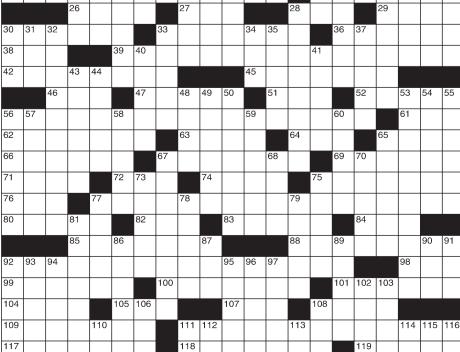
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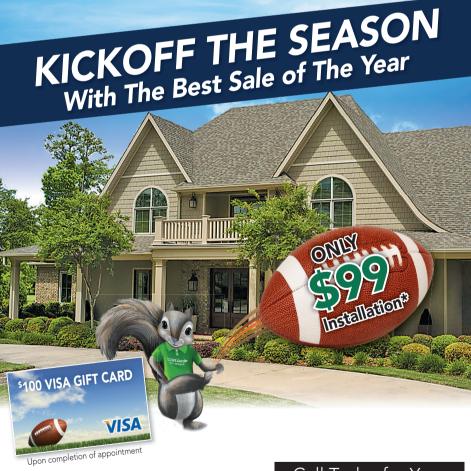
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Additional funding was provided by employees of the Northern Illinois Disposal Service and matching funds from the City of Rochelle.

The builders clubs collected caps and the RTHS Key Club sorted, weighed and manifested the caps for delivery. The Kiwanis Golden K delivered and picked the unassembled benches. Once assembled, name plates were provided by Marvin Quinn of Quinn Jewelers and installed.

The two benches can be

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The two benches will soon be installed at the two schools.

The next project will be benches to honor Rochelle's police and fire departments.

A blue stripe for the police department and a red stripe for the fire department will be featured on the future benches.



Bike Path closures began Tuesday

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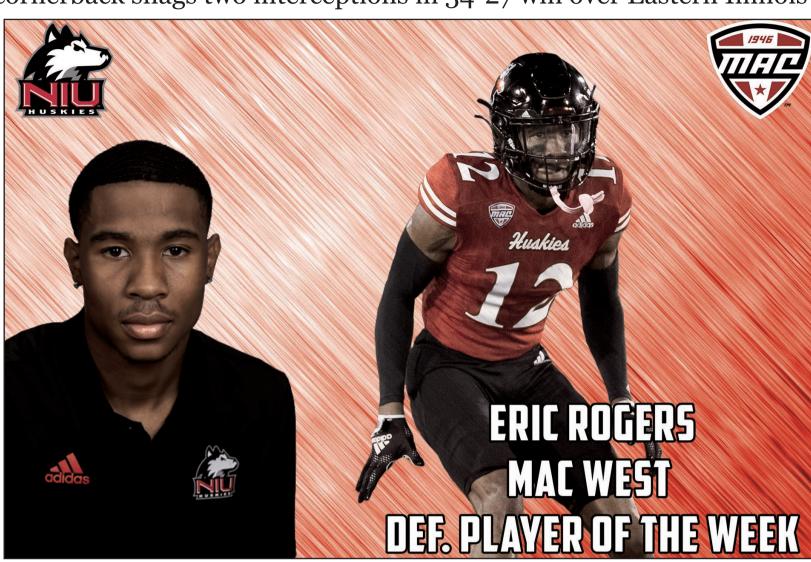
Rogers named MAC West Defensive Player of the Week

Sophomore cornerback snags two interceptions in 34-27 win over Eastern Illinois

DEKALB — Sophomore cornerback Eric Rogers (Burlington, New Jersey/Burlington Township) has been named the Mid-American Conference West Division Defensive Player of the Week for his play in NIU's 34-27 win over Eastern Illinois last Thursday night.

This is Rogers' first career conference weekly honor. Rogers became the first Huskie to record two interceptions in a game since 2018 with a pair of picks in the Huskies' win over the Panthers. His first interception came at the EIU 35-yard line and set up a Huskie TD two plays later. His second pick came on the Panthers' next drive with an interception at the NIU two-yard line to stop the Panthers.

Rogers, who missed the last nine games of last season due to injury, is the first Huskie with two INTs in a game since Jalen McKie versus Akron on 11-1-18. He also logged in a tackle for loss on the night.



17 to face Vanderbilt at 2:30 p.m. For tickets, log on to NIUHuskies.com or call the NIU Athletics Ticket Office at (815) 753-PACK (7225).

the road for the first time this season on Saturday,

The Huskies go on

Sept. 10 to take on the Tulsa Golden Hurricane. Game time is set

for 6 p.m. CT and will be available on ESPN+. NIU returns home Sept.

RTHS Boys Soccer

Casillas nets hat trick in road win over Morris

Sophomore forward scores all three goals for Hubs in 3-1 conference victory

MORRIS — Sophomore forward Alberto Casillas scored all three goals for the Rochelle Hub varsity soccer team on Wednesday, leading the boys over the Morris

Redskins 3-1 in an Interstate 8 Conference showdown. Rochelle (6-2, 2-0 Interstate 8) will travel to face DeKalb on Saturday, Sept. 10 before hosting Kaneland on Monday,

Sept. 12 at 4:30 p.m.

The Hubs outshot Morris 29-10 and 18-6 in shots on goal while outpacing the Redskins 9-1 in corner kicks. Morris struck first in the match, scoring

during the 25th minute to take its first and only lead of the evening. Rochelle found the equalizer in the 30th minute, where junior forward Diego Salazar connected with Casillas

for his first goal to tie the score at 1-1.

The Hubs surged ahead early in the second half, with sophomore forward Fernando Diaz assisting Casillas during the 44th

minute before sophomore defender Bryan Garcia found Casillas for another Rochelle goal in the 62nd minute. Senior goalkeeper Diego Cincire recorded one save in the win.

RTHS Girls Tennis

Nantz, Williams lead Rochelle against Redskins Lady Hub seniors rally to take home No. 1 doubles point in 4-1 loss at Morris

MORRIS—Rochelle Conference match against Morris took the remain-seniors Torrin Nantz Morris. The seniors over-ing four points to defeat No. 1 singles court and and Marisa Whaley 6-3, the No. 3 doubles court.

and Francesca Williams helped the Lady Hub varsity tennis team avoid a road shutout during Tuesday's Interstate 8

came a tough opening set Rochelle 4-1. to defeat Redskin netters Faith Bogard and Keira Kjellesvik 0-6, 6-4, 6-4 at the No. 1 doubles court.

The Redskins swept both singles matches, with Gretchen Zarback downing junior Elin

senior Abby Tarvestad 6-0, 6-0 at the No. 2 singles court. Shreya Patel and Meghan Bzdill held

Julia Burgstrom besting 6-3 at the No. 2 doubles court, while Faith Ragan and Abbey Henson outlasted senior Maleah Pointer and sophomore

The Lady Hubs (2-3, 0-2 Interstate 8) will host the Dixon Duchesses on Monday, Sept. 12 at 4:30

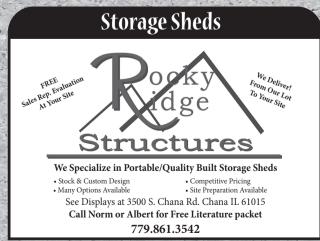
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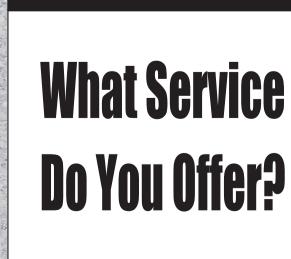
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Former RTHS student-athlete Austin Brown started in all 31 games for the Kishwaukee College men's basketball team during the 2021-22 season.

Brown concludes career at Kishwaukee College

BY RUSSELL HODGES

SPORTS EDITOR

OVID-19 made former Rochelle student-athlete Austin Brown's first year with the Kishwaukee College men's basketball program difficult to navigate. Despite seeing his first season canceled and practicing as little as once a week, Brown chose to return for a second year this past winter.

Brown's decision proved fruitful, as the RTHS alum was the only player to start in all 31 games for the Kougars during the 2021-22 season. Brown averaged 3.9 points, 3.2 rebounds and 2.5 assists per game, scoring a season-best 11 points against Elgin Community College on Dec. 21, 2021 and dishing out a season-best seven assists against Rock Valley College on Dec. 7, 2021.

"My time at Kishwaukee College was definitely interesting," Brown said. "We didn't play any games during my first year and we practiced once or twice a week for an hour or so. My second year was much better, though. We practiced six days a week and we played a full season. I enjoyed meeting new players from all around the area and growing closer to my teammates throughout the season. I thought my decision making improved on and off the basketball court."

Brown's favorite moments from the 2021-22 season include bringing home a win from Carl Sandburg College on Feb. 3. The former Hub guard also grabbed a season-high 11 rebounds in an 86-71 win at McHenry County College on Nov. 23, 2021. Brown recorded season-bests in steals (four) and blocks (two) in Kishwaukee College's 75-72 win against Judson University JV.

"I wound up starting during my second year and my role was to guard whoever I was asked to, make the right play and knock down shots," Brown said. "I felt like guarding came naturally to me and I excelled in that area. My favorite moment was when we traveled to Galesburg and came home with a win against Carl Sandburg College. Being able to stay ready and come home with a win after that long of a bus ride was a great feeling for me and my teammates."

With his time at Kishwaukee College now over, Brown currently attends the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, where he helps the women's basketball program as a student manager and practice player. He's currently studying finance and hopes to pursue a career in finance.

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Girls cruise over Plano

Lady Hubs open conference schedule with 25-18, 25-13 victory Tuesday

BY RUSSELL HODGES

SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — Outside hitters Addie Friestad and Taelynn Rodeghero had several strong swings during the Rochelle Lady Hub varsity volleyball team's match against Plano on Tuesday.

With sophomore setter Ali Ohlinger running the offense, Friestad recorded a team-high nine kills while Rodeghero added three kills from the outside as the Lady Hubs cruised over the Reapers 25-18, 25-13 to start the Interstate 8 Conference schedule. Junior Alivia Henkel added three kills from the right side and Ohlinger dished out 19 assists for the Lady Hubs in the win.

"I thought we played with our own intensity throughout the entire match," head coach Molly Sly said. "Our outside hitters were on fire this evening and Ali was getting them the ball. Our back row was passing the ball up with great tempo, which allowed our offense to work quickly."

Plano took the early lead in the first set, opening the match on a 9-3 run from Rodeghero helped

together a long rally with senior Payton Hale on the serve, breaking off an 11-2 run to force a Reaper timeout and take control of the match. Hale finished with four kills, two digs, one assist, one block and one ace for the Lady Hubs, who overcame a shaky start on defense behind their senior leaders Hale and Friestad, who scored several key kills throughout the opening set.

"We still have some areas to improve in and I know our best volleyball is still to come," Sly said. "The girls are coming out with the right spirit and desire and that's what I've loved most about what I've seen so far this season. Addie and Payton have been great leaders on the court during matches. They take care of their own business and they're always checking on the girls.'

A Plano service error allowed the Lady Hubs (7-4-3, 1-0 Interstate 8) to seal the first set. Rochelle asserted itself early in the second set, opening with a 9-3 run that was capped off by an ace from Ohlinger, who totaled three in the match. A flurry of kills before Rochelle strung the Lady Hubs take a 16-6





The Rochelle Lady Hub varsity volleyball team defeated Plano in two sets on Tuesday. At left, junior Macenzie Glosser prepares to serve. At right, junior Alivia Henkel passes the ball forward.

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RTHS Volleyball

Lady Hubs concede loss to Genoa-Kingston Cog offense too strong as Rochelle suffers 7-25, 10-25 defeat Thursday night

BY RUSSELL HODGES

SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Lady Hub varsity volleyball team fought hard to defend a talented and athletic Genoa-Kingston front row during Thursday's home match against the Cogs.

Looking to build on an Interstate 8 Conference win against Plano on Tuesday, Rochelle struggled from the first serve, with the Cogs opening the match on a 14-1 run that ultimately sparked a decisive 25-7, 25-10 victory over the Lady Hubs. Seniors Macy Ramos and Isela Vasquez combined for nine digs on the Rochelle side, while sophomore Ali Ohlinger finished with five assists. The Lady Hubs (7-5-3, 1-0 Interstate 8) host Sandwich on Monday at

"Genoa-Kingston has a fantastic team," head coach Molly Sly said. "I thought our defense held up against their fantastic serves and I'm proud of what our defense did this evening. We got balls up and we were able to get some swings on their serve. They had three hitters going at all times, but

we weren't confused in

the middle and we were getting to the blocks. We just needed to be a touch stronger on those touches and the ball would've gone back over to their side."

The Cogs built their lead in the first set with clean passing from the back row and a strong scoring performance from the front row led by outside hitter Alayna Pierce, who rose up for multiple kill shots during the match. Rochelle fell behind early in the second set, but the Lady Hubs battled throughout the set, with senior Addie Friestad and sophomore Taelynn Rodeghero combining for three kills on the outside to keep Rochelle within striking

distance of the Cogs. But a short 3-0 run from Genoa-Kingston gave the Cogs a 16-8 lead and forced a Rochelle timeout. Despite a solid effort from the Lady Hub defense, which tracked down a ball deep on the Rochelle side of the floor late in the second set and hit it just over the net for a point, the early hole was

too much to emerge from. Senior Payton Hale totaled three digs in the match, while Friestad and Ohlinger each finished

with two digs.



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The Rochelle Lady Hub varsity volleyball team celebrates a hard-earned point during Thursday evening's nonconference match against Genoa-Kingston. The Cogs took down the Lady Hubs 25-7, 25-10 in the match.