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Messer retiring after 22 years

City Clerk: 'It's great when you feel like you can be of service'

BY JEFF HELFRICH
MANAGING EDITOR

ROCHELLE — One of the last projects Sue Messer got to bring to fruition was the City of Rochelle's Citizens Academy program.

The 10-week program offered the opportunity for residents to learn about the city and its various departments. Participants went behind the scenes to learn how the city works through hands-on activities, facility tours and more.

Starting Citizens Academy was a goal of Messer's for a few years and she had attended conferences on similar programs. She enjoyed seeing it finally take place this fall. Messer, who works as assistant to the city manager and as city clerk, will retire at the end of the year after 22 years with the city.

"It was really cool to see Citizens Academy come together," Messer said. "It was something where I didn't want to leave without having its inaugural year. I didn't want our staff to have to start at square one. I could



(PHOTO BY JEFF HELFRICH)

Rochelle City Clerk Sue Messer will be retiring at the end of the year. Messer, who also works as assistant to the city manager, has worked for the City of Rochelle for the last 22 years.

take that knowledge I had from different meetings I'd been in and kick it off and they can adjust. At least I

helped get it started." Messer started with the city as a supervisor for Rochelle Municipal Utili-

ties customer service for a number of years before taking a position as assistant to the city manager. She had

city clerk added onto her title four or five years ago.

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County farmers wrap up 2021 harvest

Ogle Farm Bureau Manager Kern reflects, looks forward

BY JEFF HELFRICH
MANAGING EDITOR

OGLE COUNTY — Ogle County Farm Bureau Manager Ron Kern said last week that county farmers have harvested "well over" 90 percent of crops and yield results have started to come in.

"There's maybe still a spot of beans or corn out there," Kern said. "I've noticed fertilizer going on and field work being done. That means it's wrapped up. From what I'm hearing, the summer dryness and spotty rain, it sounds like the bean crop was average to above average and the corn on average was off 5-10 percent and more in some spots."

Kern said while looking at the fields throughout the year, he believed the bean crop would be the star of the 2021 show, and that turned out to be true. He said some farmers had optimism about the corn crop, but a dry spell took off some yield and "the numbers just haven't shown up."

The year of farming



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in the county started off "pretty well" according to Kern. After being dry from last fall, winter brought moisture.

"And then it got dry and we started struggling,"

Kern said. "The rain we did get, it seemed like it came right when we absolutely needed it. Harvest I think saw mild and fair weather. The crops dried down pretty well. I didn't see as

many dryers running. That saved our farmers some cost. And obviously gas prices wouldn't have been helping them."

Some of the mid-harvest rain that came did keep

farmers out of fields, but Kern said due to the dryness before that, much of the rain got into the ground quickly.

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LOCAL NEWS



After an altered 2020 year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Rochelle's Old Fashioned Christmas Walk returned to its usual form on Friday night. The night began with the lighted parade sponsored by the Rochelle Chamber of Commerce with local businesses and organizations in holiday-themed vehicles traveling through the downtown. Following the parade, Mayor John Bearrows led a ceremony at city hall and Santa lit the Christmas tree.

Christmas Walk lights up downtown Rochelle

Event features parade, tree lighting, carriage rides and Santa Claus

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tions in holiday-themed vehicles traveling through the downtown.

Following the parade, Mayor John Bearrows led a ceremony at city hall and Santa lit the Christmas tree.

Bearrows presented the city's annual Gratitude Award to Chuck and Lydia Roberts for their work in the community to bring light to the history of veterans and their service. The Roberts run a museum, work with

Wreaths Across America, provide military equipment for parades and events and work with the local VFW.

"This year's recipients have spent hours upon hours to bring light to the many servicemen and women who have devoted their lives," Bearrows said. "They've worked diligently to educate everyone about the past history of many in our own community who have served. I've

been so impressed with the dedication and devotion they've given to this community."

Chuck and Lydia were on hand to receive the award.

"I'm totally humbled by this and was not expecting it at all," Chuck said. "Thank you very much. This will be cherished greatly at the museum."

The Rochelle Township High School Madrigals

sang at the tree lighting and afterwards at the Flagg Rochelle Public Library.

Santa was at the Flagg Township Museum throughout Friday evening to hear children's Christmas wishes. Horse and carriage rides also ran during the night from the museum.

Food was available downtown Friday night and downtown businesses had their doors open for

those attending the Christmas festivities. Remedy Boutique Tanning won the chamber's Merry and Bright Decorating contest for its "Live Elf" display.

The VFW Women's Auxiliary held a craft & vendor show Friday and Saturday to benefit the VFW Women's Auxiliary Scholarship Fund and Santa returned Saturday at the VFW to hear more Christmas lists from children.



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MESSER: City clerk reflects on career with City of Rochelle

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She also served as interim city manager for a time just over four years ago before City Manager Jeff Fiegenschuh came on board. She called that a challenge she was proud of.

She called her work with the city “really rewarding” and enjoyed being able to work on a lot of different projects with different city managers, community members and developers.

Among Messer’s favorite projects she worked on with the city were the Tech Park, improvements to the downtown area, new streetlights, the census and Citizens Academy.

“I kind of feel like I had my toe in a lot of things and then putting agendas together and seeing things through, it gave me a lot of self-satisfaction, that’s for sure,” Messer said. “Feeling like I could make a difference in our community.”

Messer plans to spend her retirement with her husband, who is also retiring. She wants to travel and spend time with her eight grandchildren and pursue her hobbies. She said it’s going to be bittersweet leaving her work at the city and her coworkers.

“It’s just been a really



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great group of staff to work with and I grew up here,” Messer said. “To see so many other people that care so much for Rochelle, it’s rewarding to work around them. Because they have a passion for taking

care of the community. A great group of people work for the city and I don’t think citizens necessarily realize how they take the service to heart.”

When Messer moved from RMU over to city

hall, she didn’t think she’d stay long. She wasn’t sure about working in government. But, she found interest. She found that she’d come in every day with a plan for what her day was going to look

like, and that was rarely how things turned out. New challenges popping up made the job enjoyable.

In her work at the city, Messer tried to be “conduit of making things easier.” That’s what she enjoyed

about being assistant to the city manager and city clerk.

“It’s great when you feel like you can be of service,” Messer said. “That you can make things easier for people.”

Swartz, Preston earn Corn Classic DDA championships

ROCHELLE — Paul Swartz and Mikayla Preston were tournament champions in Dramatic Duet Acting Saturday when the Rochelle Township High School Speech Team competed in the 2021 DeKalb Corn Classic, finishing fifth in the 20-team field.

Other Rochelle Hubs earning finalist honors included: Varsity division: Preston’s third place in dramatic interpretation, Bella Nauman’s fifth place and Jaela Ludwick’s sixth place in oratorical declamation.

In the next-in division, Anna Harvey took first place in special occasion speaking, Aiden Ramsey took third place in radio speaking, Jessi-



Mikayla Preston



Paul Swartz

ca Nguyen took fourth place in informative speaking, Swartz and Nauman took fifth place in humorous duet acting, Ramsey took fifth place in impromptu speaking, Layla Pelan took sixth place in oratory and Ranboo Hull took seventh place in prose reading.

In the novice division, Julia Livingston took third place in

extemporaneous speaking, Karma Lidren took third place in humorous interpretation and fourth place in original comedy, Sienna Seebach took fifth place in original comedy and Khalil Winston took seventh place in impromptu speaking.

The speaker of the week was Preston.

The Speech team will be hosting a tournament on Saturday, Dec. 11.

Books By the Bushel grants available

AMBOY — The Lee County Farm Bureau Foundation is excited to announce that it is once again giving away Books by the Bushel grants to organizations in the county that can benefit from a bushel basket

of agricultural themed children’s books.

Applications to apply for “Books by the Bushel” are available on the Lee County Farm Bureau Foundation website, www.lcfbfoundation.org. Applications are

open to all organizations in Lee County.

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LOCAL NEWS

Obituaries

Gary Leininger

ROCHELLE — Gary Leininger, 78, of Rochelle, passed away on Friday, Dec. 3 at the O.S.F. St. Anthony Medical Center in Rockford. Gary was born Nov. 7, 1943 in Streator the son of Charles and Dorothy (Logsdon) Leininger. He married Dorothy Watson on May 12, 1962, in Rochelle. Gary worked for 34 years at Caron International and another 14 years at Ideal Industries until he and his wife, Dorothy, decided to retire on the same day in 2009. Gary built and rode Harley Davidson motorcycles, a hobby he passed down to his son, Jeff. He enjoyed drag racing and body building but his real passion was power lifting. Gary spent 54 years of

his life power lifting. He became a national power lifting champion in his age group in the mid 1980's and continued to lift until the age of 78.

Gary is survived by his wife of 59 years, Dorothy, of Rochelle; two sons, Elvis (Becky) Leininger and Jeff (Tracey) Leininger, both of Rochelle; six grandchildren, Courtney (Jason) Svela, Adam Leininger, Tara Leininger, Tiffani (Josh) Medema, Mallory Leininger, and Ashlynn Leininger; six great-grandchildren, Payton Medema, Cayson Svela, Rylan Svela, Brayden Svela, Otto Medema, and Kinley Svela and several nieces and nephews.

Gary is preceded in death by his parents, Charles



and Dorothy Leininger and four siblings, Shirley Field, Lowell Gray Jr., Dean Leininger and Bill Gray.

Cremation care has been provided by the Unger-Horner Funeral Home in Rochelle. No services will be held at this time. Contributions in Gary's memory may be directed to the family for a memorial to be established.

Please visit www.ung-erhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

Sharon McKeown

STERLING — Sharon Marjorie (Clarkson) McKeown, 92, passed away Saturday morning at Avonlea assisted living in Sterling, with her seven living children at her bedside.

Sharon was born May 22, 1929 in Clinton, Iowa the daughter of Luke V. Clarkson and Vivian (Mader) Clarkson. Many of her years of education were spent in Clinton with some years in Hanover, Illinois.

After her graduation from Clinton High School, Sharon then worked as a secretary for Bender Music in Clinton. On Dec. 17, 1948 she was united in marriage to William Joseph McKeown of Harmon, Illinois at St. John Evangelist Catholic Church in Hanover. After their wedding, the couple lived on the family farm located five miles southwest of Harmon where six of her nine children were born. In 1959, Bill and Sharon purchased a farm three miles north of Sterling where their

three remaining children were born. During this time in Sterling, Sharon was an active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church later serving as president of their altar and rosary society.

After raising her nine children, Sharon attended Sauk Valley Community College attaining a LPN nursing degree and then began a career working for Dixon State School and then for Exceptional Care in Sterling. Her children include: Joe (Karen) McKeown of Eldridge, Iowa; Cathy (Patrick) Karrick of Rochelle; Jeff McKeown of Rodgersville, Alabama; son-in-law Kent Hungerford of Murray, Kentucky; Jean (Tom) Bowser of Dixon; Betsy Considine of Dixon; daughter-in-law Diann McKeown of Oregon; Ann Glaser of Dixon and Dan McKeown of Rockford. Sharon was a caring and nurturing mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and will

be greatly missed.

She was preceded in death by her husband William, her daughter Chris (McKeown) Hungerford, her son Patrick "Duffy" McKeown, her sister Patricia "Tudy" Foote, her mother (Vivian) and father (Luke), her half-brother Vernon Clarkson, her half-sister Gertrude Clarkson and her son-in-law Matt Glaser.

Per her wishes, her body will be cremated with no immediate services. Remembrance graveside services for Sharon McKeown are planned for a later date.

The family would like to thank Julie McCormick and her staff at Avonlea for their compassion and care for Mom especially the past few months and to Gaffey Hospice as well. In addition, a special recognition and gratitude to Amy Cook and Chrissy Henry for their additional personal care they provided mom the past 11 years.

Viola Alma Lindquist

ROCHELLE — Viola Alma Lindquist, 100, passed away peacefully Friday, Dec. 3 at the Franklin Grove Nursing Home in Franklin Grove. Vi was born on June 26, 1921, the daughter of August and Martha E. (Dilling) Felgenhauer in Rochelle. On Feb. 8, 1941, she married Chester J. Lindquist in Rochelle. Vi farmed with Chester until his passing in 1962. Af-

ter that, she worked for the dentist, Dr. Goggeshall and then for Don Taylor State Farm Insurance for many years, retiring in 1991. Vi was a lifelong member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Rochelle.

She is survived by her son, John Lindquist of Rochelle; four grandchildren: Craig McIntyre, Tanya Lindquist, Lillian Zoss and Nicholas (Samantha) Lind-



quist; and niece, Barbara Lindquist. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her son, Richard Lindquist in 2017 and brother, Wilbur Felgenhauer in 2014.

The visitation will be from 9-10 a.m., Friday, Dec. 10 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 1415 10th Ave., Rochelle. The service will follow at 10 a.m. with Pastor Gregory Hoffmann officiating. Burial will be at Lawnridge Cemetery in Rochelle. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Vi's memory to St. Paul Lutheran Church. Visit www.ung-erhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

James (Spencer) Roberson

ROCHELLE — James (Spencer) Roberson, died Dec. 1 at the age of 79. He was born July 29, 1942 in Russellville, Alabama to Thomas Henry and Elsie (Cain) Roberson and was the last living son of the family. He is preceded in death by his brothers Bill, John and Henry; and sisters, Wilma, Mae, Jean, Nell and Corrine; nephews, Wallace, Alan, Jeff, Rodney, Ronnie and Craig; along with special niece, Denese, Crawford family in Texas; ex-wife, Marilyn Roberson and their unborn child.

Survived by daughter, M. Diane Roberson, Loves Park; sisters, Elnor (Orvil) McDonald, Ros-

coe, Margret (Elton) Jack of Haleyville, Alabama, Peggy (Stanley) Waite of Edmonds, Washington, Patricia Jones of Glasgow, Kentucky and Carol (Rodney) Burgoyne of Coloma. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

He was a member of Harvest Baptist Church in Hillcrest. He spent many years teaching third and fourth graders Sunday school in several Southern Baptist churches through the years. He worked at Swift and Rochelle Foods. He was a proud union member. The TV was always on watching CNN or sporting events. His favorite teams were the New York Yankees and Alabama Crimson Tide.



Thank you to the care given to him at Generations Nursing Home. Special thank you to the Capes and Mear families who kept an extra eye on dad the last few years.

Memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9 at Honquest Family Funeral Home with Crematory - Mulford Chapel, 4311 N. Mulford Road, Loves Park with a visitation from 4 p.m. until time of service.

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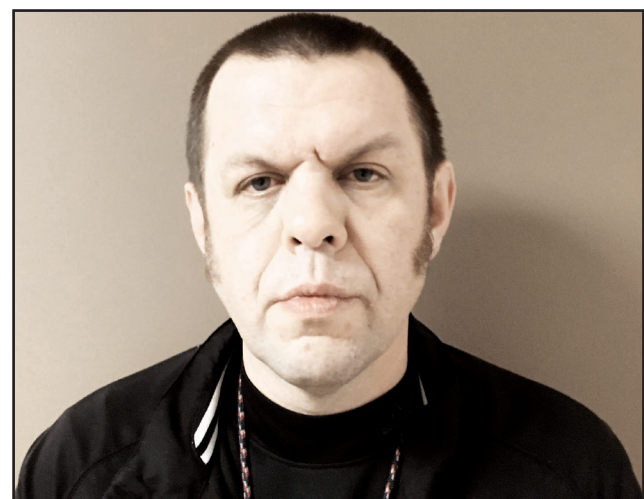
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Charles M. Christensen

Oregon man arrested for child pornography

OREGON — On Dec. 2, Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) Zone 2 officials arrested Charles M. Christensen, 43, of Oregon for five counts of possession of child pornography under 13 years of age (class two felony) and two counts of possession of child pornography over 13 years of age (class 3 felony).

On Dec. 2, ISP DCI investigators, along with ISP District 1 troopers, Homeland Security, the Ogle County Sheriff's Office, the Whiteside County

Sheriff's Office and the Oregon Police Department, executed a search warrant at Christensen's residence in the 600 block of Timber Lane in Oregon following an investigation involving child pornography.

During the warrant execution, investigators seized evidence supporting the arrest of Christensen.

Christensen is currently being held at the Ogle County Jail, pending a bond hearing. The investigation remains open and ongoing. No further information will be disseminated by the Illinois State Police.

Report policy

Any arrests listed in this paper are merely charges and the defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law. Please note that all police reports received from

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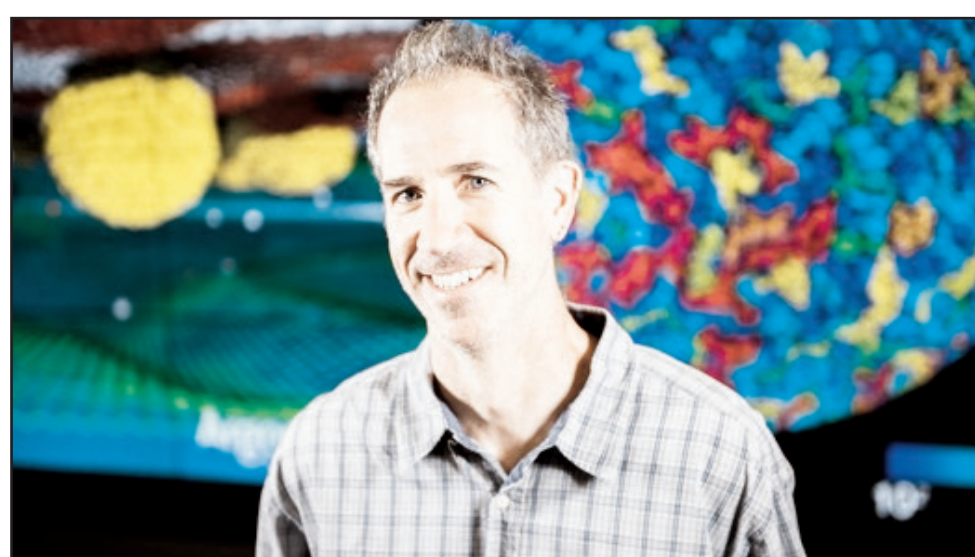
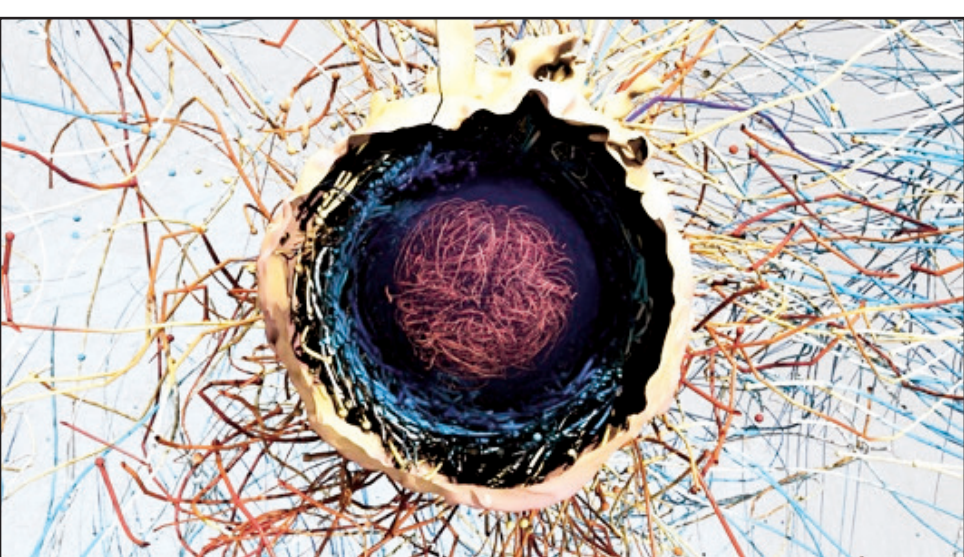
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Joe Insley (right), a data visualization researcher at Argonne National Laboratory and an associate research professor in NIU's School of Art and Design, is the presenter for the Dec. 15 NIU STEM Café. Visualization of the residual proto-neutron-star (PNS) core of an exploding 25 solar-mass star. Data courtesy of Adam Burrows, Princeton University. Data visualization by Joe Insley.

NIU STEM Café explores why data visualization matters

DEKALB — SciVis, maps, charts, graphs and infographics. There is some truth to the old adage that a picture is worth a thousand words. The public is invited to learn more about the art and science of data visualization at the next NIU STEM Café on Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 6:30 p.m. at Fatty's Pub and Grille (1312 W. Lincoln Hwy, DeKalb). The event is free and open

to the public, with food and drink available for purchase from Fatty's. Register at go.niu.edu/stemcafe. Presenter Joe Insley is a data visualization researcher at Argonne National Laboratory and an associate research professor in NIU's School of Art and Design. He'll share a wide range of visualization examples, including large-scale computer simulations, and discuss how

these examples impact scientific research and our everyday lives. "Visualization can be beautiful and compelling," Insley said. "Beyond producing pretty pictures, it can provide insight and communicate complex phenomena. It can also inspire students and get them excited about the creative process, about science and learning." Insley has been a re-

searcher at Argonne National Laboratory for more than 20 years, where he's primarily been involved in high performance computing and scientific data visualization. He's currently the team lead for data visualization and analysis at the Argonne Leadership Computing Facility (ALCF), which is home to some of the largest supercomputers in the world. "In addition to comput-

er science, I also have a background in fine art," Insley said. "And several years ago I returned to the School of Art and Design at Northern Illinois University, where I had received my undergraduate degree. Combining my passion for art and computer science, I teach courses in data visualization and computer programming in art and design." Insley also co-leads

the Data, Devices and Interaction Laboratory (ddiLab) at NIU, along with his colleague Michael Papka, NIU professor of computer science. The lab brings together students from both the Department of Computer Science and the School of Art and Design with the goal of using computers to support and enhance knowledge and discovery, as well as artistic expression.

Ogle County Sheriff's Department

Rochelle man transported to hospital after rollover crash

OREGON — On Dec. 4 at 3:55 p.m. deputies responded to the 10,000 block of north Illinois Route 2 for a one vehicle accident. After brief investigation, Skylar Luric, 30, of Rockford was arrested for driving while license revoked. Luric was released with an I-Bond on scene and given a return court date. On Dec. 6 at 2:35 a.m. deputies along with the Rochelle and Flagg Center Fire Departments responded to a rollover crash on Illinois Route 38 and Fisher Road. Investigation by deputies revealed that a Ford truck operated by Emanuel Escatel, 31, of Rochelle was traveling west on Illinois Route 38 when the Ford left the north side of the roadway

and struck a culvert. The Ford then overturned and struck a utility pole. Escatel was transported by Rochelle Fire ambulance to Saint Anthony's hospital in Rockford where he was listed in critical condition. The crash remains under investigation by the Sheriff's Office. On Dec. 6 deputies arrested Andrew Beitia, 19, of Tinley Park for driving on a suspended license. Beitia was arrested by Deputies on Interstate 39 near Illinois Route 64 after being stopped for speeding 118 miles per hour. Beitia was released on a I-Bond and will appear in Ogle County Court at a later date. On Dec. 6 at approximately 9:53 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop on

Interstate 39 at mile marker 102. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested Mika Walley, 27, of Union City, Tennessee for driving while license suspended. Walley was given an I-Bond with a return court date later next month and released on scene.

Rochelle Police Department

Resident arrested for two counts of domestic battery

ROCHELLE — On Dec. 3 at 11:01 p.m. Anthony J. Berg, 36, of Oregon was cited for no insurance. He signed a promise to comply and was given a Rochelle court date of Jan. 7. On Dec. 5 at 2:47 a.m. Zachary J. Doty, 26, of Rochelle was cited for no

valid registration and no insurance. He signed a promise to comply and was given a Rochelle court date of Jan. 7. On Dec. 5 at 6:11 p.m. Lyle D. Bushland, 49, of Rochelle was arrested for two counts of domestic battery, aggravated battery

and aggravated assault and transferred. On Dec. 6 at 10:42 a.m. Nathan Laws, 23, of Rochelle was cited for speeding 57 m.p.h. in a 35 m.p.h. zone. He signed a promise to comply and was given a Rochelle court date of Jan. 7.

Board meeting canceled

ROCHELLE — The Dec. 16 Railroad Advisory Board meeting for noon in the Lower Level Confer-

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LOCAL VIEWS

Guest column

Stanley Fell and the Juneau

STANLEY Fell was born in Steward on Sept. 21, 1921. He went to school in Sycamore and his family later moved to Lindenwood. Stanley was a small-town boy who would become a part of history. Like so many, Stanley graduated from high school as the United States was being drawn into World War II.

One year after Pearl Harbor was attacked, Stanley enlisted in the Navy. By 1942, Stanley was a Fireman First Class upon an Atlanta Class Light Cruiser. Light cruisers were designed to be fast scout ships or flotilla leaders. These cruisers were well-armed and very effective against air-craft and water-craft.

The Fireman First Class worked in the engine room which was located in the in the belly of the ship and kept the cruiser’s engines running at peak efficiency. Stanley was stationed on the U.S.S. Juneau under the leadership of Captain Lyman Swenson.

The Juneau saw action at the Buin-Faisi Raid, Battle of Santa Cruz and The Battle of Guadalcanal. At Guadalcanal the Juneau was part of a small force protecting landing craft and scouting for Japanese vessels. On Sept. 15, 1942, the Aircraft Carrier Wasp with 11 other war ships were escorting troop transports to Guadalcanal.

At 2:44 p.m. a lookout spotted three torpedoes. The Wasp turned hard to starboard, but it was too late. There were several explosions and severe fire. Within about 30 minutes, almost 2,000 sailors were in the water.

The Juneau was one of the crafts that participated in the rescue of the stricken crew. The Wasp sits today beneath 14,000 feet of water, the crew for the most part was saved. The crew of the Juneau was rightfully proud of the part they played in the rescue. Little did they know that in two short months they would be the ones in the water.

The weather was bad on Nov. 13, 1942. Stanley would have been working below decks in the engine room. Reports of a group of Japanese ships approaching were received and several troop carriers were diverted to safer locations.

The fighting crafts, including the Juneau, prepared to meet

the enemy. 30 torpedo planes led the Japanese attack. The Juneau shot down six enemy planes and allied aircraft shot down 23. Only one Japanese bomber escaped. The Japanese fleet included two battle ships, one light cruiser and nine destroyers.

The weather grew worse and visibility was almost non-existent. By the time the warring parties could see each other they were so close that each shot fired took a terrible toll. The Juneau was

struck on the port side by a torpedo launched by the Japanese Destroyer Amatsukaze.

The Juneau, Helena and San Francisco were heavily damaged and headed toward Espiritu Santo for repairs. The Juneau was listing badly, she was steaming on one screw, but the crew below deck was doing everything in their power to keep the ship moving on a straight course.

At about 11 a.m. two torpedoes were launched from Japanese submarine I-26. One struck the Juneau in the same spot she had been hit during the earlier battle. There was a massive explosion and the Juneau broke in two and disappeared within 20 seconds. The Helena and the San Francisco, afraid of another sub attack and assuming that no one could have survived the explosion, fled the area without searching for survivors.

Over the next several days, 100 men fought to stay alive in the open ocean. On Nov. 20, USS Ballard recovered two survivors. A PBV Seaplane rescued five sailors five miles away. Three more made it to San Cristoba (now Makira) Island. 100 went into the water and 10 survived, the elements and the sharks took the rest.

We will never know at what point Stanley Fell lost his life, we do know that he was never recovered. For most, the Juneau is remembered as the ship where the five Sullivan brothers lost their lives. They were immortalized in the 1944 film “The Fighting Sullivans.”

Let us remember our local hero, Fireman First Class Stanley Fell, and all of the 687 crew members that were lost that day in 1942.

Tom McDermott is a *Flagg Township Museum historian and Rochelle city councilman.*



Tom McDermott

Human life is precious. Things aren’t.

THE Kyle Rittenhouse trial and verdict is a bit like those ink blot tests psychologists sometimes have patients examine.

A half-dozen folks can look at the same thing and see something different.

I’ve heard Rittenhouse described as a “hero” by right wingers and as a “criminal” by those on the left. But when I look at him, I see a wannabe.

Thirty-some years ago, when I was a reporter at the Quad-Cities Times, there was a teenager who bought an old police car at an auction, painted it white, put a CB radio on the console and trolled around town like he was a cop.

The high school kid’s antics got eyerolls from the real police officers.

And I’d get calls while working the newsroom’s night desk that a “plainclothes policeman” was seen someplace. Inevitably, it would be the kid playing dress-up.

He never really said he was a cop, but when folks would see his four-door sedan with its whip antenna they would hit their brakes and watch their speedometers.

This kid enjoyed feeling important.

Watching Rittenhouse testify, I couldn’t help but think of that mystery teenager from more than 30 years ago. Today he’d be well into middle age. I never found out if he moved from being a wannabe to being a get-to-be.

Did he move from a life of pretend to a career of service?

I wonder about Rittenhouse too. My hope is that he will move beyond this new-found notoriety and settle down and live a productive life. Killing two men and wounding another is not something to be proud of.

Can anyone say beyond all reasonable doubt that he wasn’t in fear of his life when confronted by sometimes violent protestors? I can’t. And that is the burden of proof those 12 jurors had to unanimously reach if they were to convict him.

But what I can say with certainty is that a 17-year-old shouldn’t have been there in the first place. If a teenage civilian feels the need to carry a rifle for self-protection when leaving home, it’s time to rethink his destination.

Human life is precious. Things aren’t.

That lesson was taught to me by my parents. Growing up on a farm, we found that

occasionally thieves would take advantage of the remoteness of our location and that of our neighbors and steal gasoline or tools late at night.

A farmer we knew pointed a rifle at someone stealing his tools and held him at bay until a deputy sheriff arrived. The next day the sheriff was praising the farmer on the front page of the Galesburg Register Mail.

I wanted to be a hero too. So, in my teenage enthusiasm I told my parents if I saw a thief, I would take my .22 rifle and confront him.

My folks set me straight.

There is no tank of gas or power drill so valuable to warrant the taking of a human life. If I saw a theft in progress they said to make sure I was safe in the house and to call the sheriff.

That is the difference between the reasoning of a teenage boy and an adult.

I wish someone had sat Kyle Rittenhouse down and told him the same thing. A used car lot in Kenosha isn’t so valuable that it warrants the taking of a life.

Comedian and social commentator Trevor Noah said, “Nobody drives into a city with guns because they love someone else’s business that much.”

I’m sorry, Trevor, you are thinking like an adult. A teenager’s brain isn’t fully formed.

Teenage boys sometimes do really stupid things.

And parents need to parent.

Rittenhouse is a working-class kid who worked after school as a fry cook and a janitor. Some members of Congress have recommended him for a Congressional Gold Medal. Another congressman said he might offer Kyle an internship.

Killing two people and wounding another perhaps in self-defense doesn’t merit an award. If he was truly in fear of his life, his reward is still being alive. My hope is that Kyle doesn’t cash in on his new-found fame but instead pursues an education and picks a career of service.

That way, he’ll no longer be a wannabe, but a get-to-be.

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Scott Reeder

VOICE ON THE STREET

Question:

What is your favorite show on TV or streaming service right now?

“Yellowstone.”

Carolyn Capes

“Lost in Space (remake on Netflix. One of the best shows on there and the final season just released.”

Joshua Mosher

“Yellowstone.”

Becky Dickinson Moore

“Yellowstone.”

Deborah Schuler Beck

“Yellowstone.”

Teresa Josephsen

“Svengoolie.”

Mark G Schabacker

“Orphan Black, FRINGE and Smallville.”

Jimmy Rot

“That 70’s Show.”

Lisa Werstine

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COMMUNITY

Veterans benefits sessions are first Friday of every month at VFW

ROCHELLE — The Veterans Assistance Commission of Ogle County and Edward Hines Jr. of the VA Hospital's Community Outreach Team will be at VFW Post 387 at 318 4th Ave. in Rochelle on the first Friday of every month to assist veterans with benefits.

The 2022 dates include Jan. 7, Feb. 4, March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3, July 8, Aug. 5, Sept. 2, Oct. 7, Nov. 4 and Dec. 2.

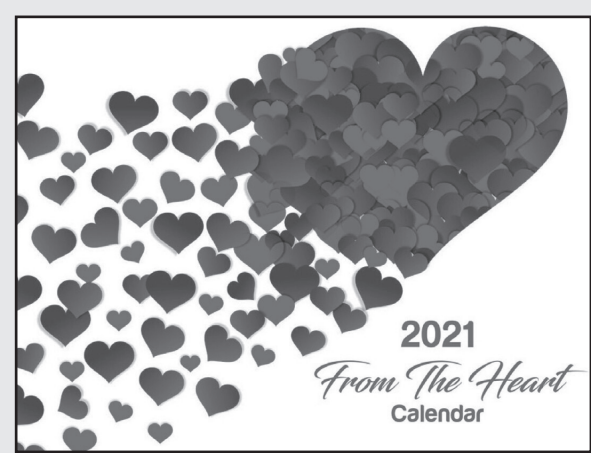
The hospital's community outreach team's hours will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the veteran's assistance commission will be there from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Come to the VFW and check out what benefits you might be initialed for.



Sheriff's Office participates in Shop with a Cop

Members of the Ogle County Sheriff's Office along with other local law enforcement agencies participated in Shop with a Cop over the weekend. The money was raised by the Forrestville Valley School District and local donors. The sheriff's office thanked the donors and Blain's Farm and Fleet for helping to carry out the tradition.



- Nov. 11 - Regina VanHise, Rochelle, \$250
- Nov. 12 - Brent Wagner, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 13 - Emma Etheridge, Woodridge, \$25
- Nov. 14 - Ashley Kerns, Creston, \$50
- Nov. 15 - Domingo Mancella, Ashton, \$25
- Nov. 16 - Jeff Perry - Jeep, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 17 - Anne Brodersen, Stillman Valley, \$25
- Nov. 18 - Louise Price, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 19 - Dr. Nancy Williams, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 20 - Tim Kromm, Johnson Tractor, Rochelle, \$25
- Nov. 21 - Kris Hagemann, Stillman Valley, \$50
- Nov. 22 - Robert Johnson, Steward, \$25
- Nov. 23 - Tamra Call, New Berlin, Wis., \$25
- Nov. 24 - Lisa M. Goy, Amboy, \$25
- Nov. 25 - Jon Long, Tomahawk, Wis., \$500
- Nov. 26 - Glen Hughes, Dixon, \$25
- Nov. 27 - Deanna Rosenbaum-Hall, Chicago, \$25
- Nov. 28 - Laurie B orowicz, Sycamore, \$50
- Nov. 29 - Sue Worley, Maplehurst Farms, \$25
- Nov. 30 - Mia Ramsey, Rochelle, \$25
- Dec. 1 - Rochelle Christian Food Pantry, \$25
- Dec. 2 - Martha Landa, Rochelle, \$25
- Dec. 3 - Deb Julifs, Rochelle, \$25
- Dec. 4 - Henry Hall, Sycamore, \$25
- Dec. 5 - Jodi Ziegler, Oregon, \$50
- Dec. 6 - Lois Hultgren, Rochelle, \$25
- Dec. 7 - Matt Thimjon - Rochelle Foods, \$25
- Dec. 8 - Amy Kerns, Creston, \$25

THE KITCHEN TABLE MENU

Dec. 9 - (Thursday) -Chicken Licken Bowls, Coleslaw, Biscuits with Honey

Dec. 14 - (Tuesday) -Christmas Dinner -Turkey Breast or Ham, Sausage Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Corn, Pea Salad, Dinner Rolls, Homemade Cranberry Sauce

Dec. 16 - (Thursday) -Christmas Dinner -Prime Rib, Sausage Stuffing, Stuffed Potatoes, Corn, Pea Salad, Dinner Rolls, 7 Layer Salad

Dec. 17 - (Friday) -NO FRIDAY DINNER THIS MONTH DUE TO CHRISTMAS !!! **All menus are subject to change.

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| Dec. 11
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Jacob King | Dec. 26
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| Dec. 13
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| Dec. 14
Kellen Eggenburg | Dec. 24
Tristen McGuire | Dec. 31
Jamey & Nicole King |
| Dec. 15
Jeff Dickey | Dec. 25
Luke Gilliam | Dec. 30
Ruth Allen |
| Dec. 16
Kenlee Hayward | | Dec. 31
Hayleigh Jones |



Coffee Break

King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Alum
- 5 Spell-off
- 8 Pit
- 12 Taylor of "Mystic Pizza"
- 13 Approves
- 14 Satan's forte
- 15 Leading man?
- 16 Landlocked Mideast territory
- 18 Disney's Ariel, for one
- 20 Van Gogh venue
- 21 CBS logo
- 22 Mimic
- 23 Wedding VIP
- 26 "I'm No Angel" actress
- 30 '60s chic
- 31 Green shade
- 32 Cattle call
- 33 "The Great Gatsby" setting
- 36 Self-reproach
- 38 Stop — dime
- 39 "— voyage!"
- 40 Skater Ohno
- 43 Within earshot
- 47 Oater setting
- 49 Author Bellow
- 50 Within (Pref.)
- 51 "Shoo!"
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- 53 Beheld
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- 3 Winged singer
- 4 Darkened
- 5 "Let's Dance"
- 6 Scratched (out)
- 7 Curved letter
- 8 Semitic language
- 9 Cameo shape
- 10 Queue
- 11 BPOE members
- 17 Carton sealer
- 19 Nay undoer
- 22 Motorist's org.
- 23 Upscale auto
- 24 Shad product
- 25 Egos' counterparts
- 26 Jo's sister
- 27 Brit. record label
- 28 Fa follower
- 29 Youngster
- 31 Links org.
- 34 Ratted out
- 35 Sufficient, old-style
- 36 Deity
- 37 Gender-neutral
- 39 Montana city
- 40 Dazzles
- 41 Freshener scent
- 42 Shoppe description
- 43 Unrepaired
- 44 Lip soother
- 45 Garage job
- 46 Panache
- 48 Conceit

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: **M** equals **P**

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CMMCWIJ LU JCDXAP.

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Solution time: 23 mins.

Cryptoquip
answer
Clothing ensembles so goofy-
looking that they make
passersby crack up:
apparel of laughs:

LOCAL NEWS



(PHOTO BY JEFF HELFRICH)

Ogle County Farm Bureau Manager Ron Kern recently discussed the 2021 harvest and looked ahead to 2022. As far as 2022's weather, Kern said he's read it's going to be cold with average or above average precipitation. He's ready to look forward after the year that was.

HARVEST: County Farm Manager looks ahead to 2022

From page 1

An August windstorm did down "a lot of" corn and forced harvesters to cut down machine speed.

Farmers have not been immune to rising prices across all industries. Fuel prices of diesel and gas

are up, but luckily a lot of farmers contract gallons ahead of time at a fixed price. Another spike has been seen in the price of anhydrous ammonia fertilizer, which Kern said is three times the price of what it was a year.

To combat that, farmers

could switch fields from corn to beans, which don't need anhydrous ammonia. Some could cut back on the rate they use. Kern believes "the smart guys" will be doing a lot of soil testing to see how much fertilizer they need.

"A lot of guys are

scratching their heads about that," Kern said. "I suppose you could see guys switching corn acres to bean acres, but the University of Illinois said it expects more corn next year. I don't know how. Some input costs will go through the roof.

I'm not sure about 2022 and what it will look like with things like that going on. But commodity prices improving recently does help."

As far as 2022's weather, Kern said he's read it's going to be cold with average or above average

precipitation. He's ready to look forward after the year that was.

"Every harvest is a journey and an adventure," Kern said "Thank God we got through this year unscathed. I guess that means we can call it a good year."

The 2022 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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GIARDINI GRAPPLERS

The RTHS wrestling team took fifth place at the Rockford East Giardini Invitational.

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RTHS Boys Basketball

Dixon rallies over Hubs

Gaither leads Dukes with game-high 32 points as Rochelle falls 55-46

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — Dixon’s Jacob Gaither was the best player on both ends of the floor Monday night, when the Rochelle Hub varsity basketball team hosted the Dukes in nonconference action.

Gaither led all scorers with 32 points, but his defense in the fourth quarter created several Rochelle turnovers and allowed the Dukes to close the game on a 14-2 run. Despite the Hubs briefly holding the lead after a 3-pointer from sophomore Eli Luxton, Gaither and the Dukes rallied to stun Rochelle 55-46. The Hubs fell to 2-4 on the season with the loss to Dixon.

“Jacob was the best player on the floor tonight,” head coach Tim Thompson said. “He’s the best player in the area and I think he believes that because he plays with that type of confidence. I thought our guys were intimidated by him. He kept going inside and

wedidn’t have an answer for him. When we’re going up against an All-State caliber player, we have to compete against him and that’s not what we did tonight. We backed off and he took control.”

Gaither drilled two 3-pointers and scored 14 of his points in the first quarter to ignite the Dukes, who limited the Hubs to only three field goals and took a 20-8 lead. Looking for a spark, Rochelle turned up its defense in the second quarter, forcing the ball away from Gaither and toward Dixon’s supporting cast, which struggled to knock down shots. The Hubs held the Dukes without a made field goal in the second quarter, coming back and slipping ahead 25-24 at half.

“We knew we had to just lock down and try our best,” Thompson said. “We have to figure out why we aren’t playing with that energy from the start of the game. It’s been like pulling teeth trying to prod our kids into getting going. I have to

figure out what makes our kids click at the beginning of the game. They’re all such nice kids, but they’re all such quiet kids.”

Rochelle converted multiple 3-pointers in the second half including two from senior Adam Kemp, who led the Hubs with 12 points on four triples Monday. Senior Ryan Simmons also fired up the home crowd with a pair of second-half dunks for four of his eight points. But the Dukes successfully regained the lead 36-31 entering the fourth quarter, where the Hubs struggled to handle the ball against the Dixon defense, which forced several traps leading to turnovers.

“We’re so methodical in everything we do,” Thompson said. “We don’t dart to our spots, we don’t snap passes, we don’t make the extra pass and that makes everything difficult. Our forwards need to get to their spots and hold players off, but our guards also have to get the ball from side to side. We’re dribbling so



(PHOTO BY RUSSELL HODGES)

Junior forward Raul Aguirre works around a double team in the paint during the Rochelle Hub varsity basketball game against Dixon on Monday.

much that we can’t get the ball inside. We have to be able to shift zones and look

defenders off so we aren’t having passes deflected.” Senior Tanner Lager to-

taled nine points in the loss, with Luxton adding six on two 3-pointers.

RTHS Boys & Girls Bowling

Rochelle teams host doubleheader with Dixon

Patel leads Hubs to narrow win, Vincent shoots high series for Lady Hubs

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Hub and Lady Hub varsity bowling teams hosted a nonconference doubleheader against Dixon on Monday. Senior Devansh Patel rolled a 526 series to lead the Hubs over the Dukes by a score of 2,623-2,574, while freshman Cassidy Vincent fired a 555 series as the Lady Hubs took one game in their 2,715-2,665 series loss to the Duchesses. The Hubs improved to 2-7 overall with the win, while the Lady Hubs fell to 1-3 with the loss.

Lady Hubs

Dixon edged Rochelle by only 10 pins in the first game, winning 986-976 behind 238 from Grace DeBord and 196 from Tianna Bryson. Seniors Alyssa Mickley and Alyssa Schwanert carried the Lady Hubs in the first game, with Mickley shooting 202 and Schwanert adding 200.

Rochelle cut the series deficit to just four pins with an 892-886 victory in the second game. Vincent and Schwanert led the Lady Hubs in the second game, with Vincent rolling 192 and Schwanert recording 186. Bryson totaled 190 for Dixon’s top score in the second game.

The Duchesses outlasted Rochelle in the third game, winning 843-797 to take the series. Bryson fired 203 to

finish with a match-best 589 series, while Vincent scored 203 for the Lady Hubs in the third game. Mickley rolled 167 to end the evening with a 501 series and Schwanert recorded a 524 series after totaling 137 in the third game. DeBord bowled a 515 series.

Hubs

Rochelle edged Dixon in the first game, winning 876-870 behind 200 from Patel. Oliver Haverland led the Dukes with 192 in the first game, while Cody Gehl followed with 190.

The Hubs extended their series lead with a 900-836 victory in the second game. Sophomore Christian Thorne fired 180 to lead Rochelle, with Patel adding 159 and senior Luke Orlikowski adding 157. Dixon won the third game 868-847, with Gehl shooting 205 for a 577 series.

J-Hawk Invite

The Rochelle Lady Hub varsity bowling finished 15th out of 18 schools in the Rockford Jefferson J-Hawk Invitational at the Cherry Bowl on Saturday. Senior Alyssa Schwanert led the Lady Hubs with a 488 series and 186 high game, while freshman Cassidy Vincent recorded a 408 series. Rochelle totaled 1,954 pins over three games before adding 1,349 pins in the baker format.

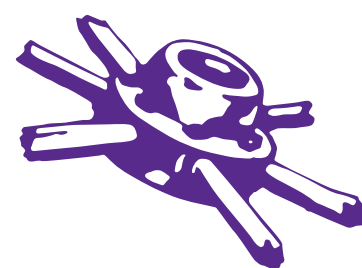


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Senior Devansh Patel (left) and freshman Cassidy Vincent (right) rolled the high series scores for the Rochelle Hub and Lady Hub varsity bowling teams against the Dixon Dukes and Duchesses on Monday.



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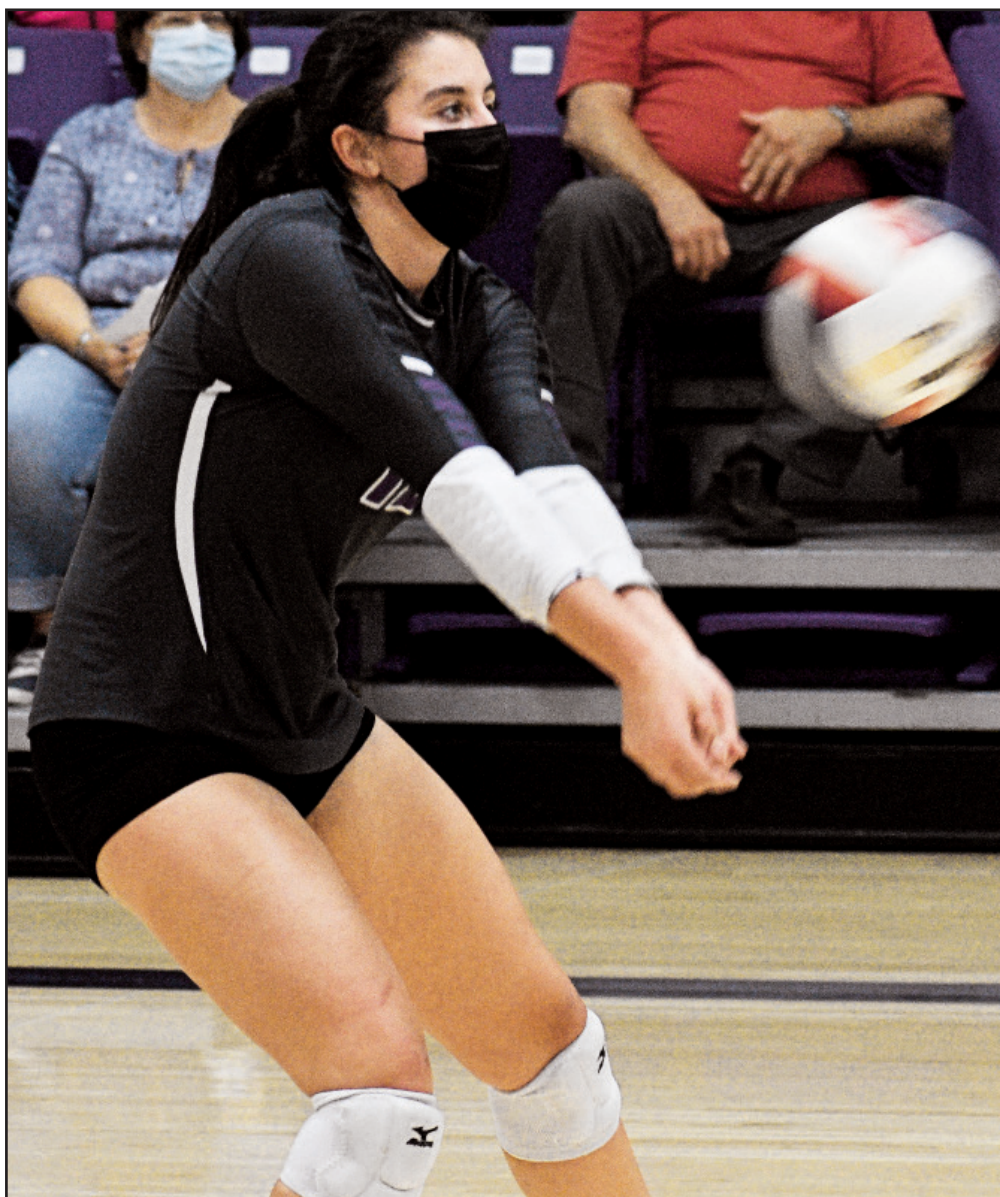
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HUB SPOTLIGHT



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Rochelle senior Sylvia Hasz has committed to continue her academics and her volleyball career at the NCAA Division I Eastern Illinois University next year.

Hasz commits to Eastern Illinois University

ROCHELLE senior Sylvia Hasz has aspired to become a Division I volleyball player since she first took the floor for the Lady Hubs three years ago. Hasz made that dream a reality on Saturday, when she committed to continuing her academics and athletics at Eastern Illinois University.

“I chose EIU because I liked the size of the school and how close it was to home,” Hasz said. “The head coach also really stood out to me and I’m looking forward to working with her. I’m also looking forward to playing at a higher level with new teammates and a new environment.”

Hasz spent four years with the Rochelle Lady Hub volleyball program including three seasons with the varsity team. A three-time Interstate 8 All-Conference First Team honoree, Hasz received Most Valuable Player honors during her sophomore season, leading the Lady Hubs in both aces (35) and digs (243) while finishing second in kills (205). Hasz returned as the team’s starting outside hitter during her junior season, leading Rochelle with 239 kills and 98 digs.

“Sylvia is a fantastic teammate and person,” head coach Molly Sly said. “She has

been a very influential player in our program for the last four years. The underclassmen have looked up to her and learned so much from her leadership on and off the court. She has a very high ceiling with her work ethic and her coachable attitude. I’m excited for her and I’m looking forward to seeing what she can do at the college level over the next four years of her volleyball career.”

Hasz eclipsed Rochelle’s all-time career kills record during her senior season, finishing her varsity career with 644 kills. Despite her success at the outside hitter position, Hasz said she plans to play the setter position, which she plays for her VC United club team, for the Eastern Illinois University team. Hasz, who said she’s considering studying business while playing volleyball for the Panthers, totaled 198 kills and a team-high 42 aces for Rochelle this season.

“RTHS has helped me develop my all-around skills by being able to play all different positions,” Hasz said. “EIU recruited me as a setter and that’s what I hope to play, but I want to help the team however I can. EIU will be getting a player who’s ready to come in and work for a spot.”

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SPORTS

RTHS Wrestling

Hubs finish fifth at Giardini Invitational

Six Rochelle wrestlers earn medals including champions Nadig, Metzger

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCKFORD — The Rochelle Hub varsity wrestling team finished fifth out of 18 schools at the Rockford East Giardini Invitational on Saturday. Rochelle scored 125.5 points in the meet.

Senior Caleb Nadig took first place in the 145-pound bracket. Nadig scored consecutive technical falls against Rolling Meadows' Ben Olberg (18-3), Metea Valley's Patrick Mullen (17-1) and Freeport's Jaylon Hail (17-1) before pinning Rockford East's Sam Young to win the title.

Sophomore Brock Metzger finished first in the 170-pound bracket. Metzger opened the tournament with a 9-3 decision

against Geneseo's Nathan McAvoy and a 10-4 decision over Belmont's Kady Davis. Metzger won by fall over Winnebago's Lucas Cowman in the semifinal round before pinning Richmond-Burton's Alex Reyna in the third period during the finals.

Freshman Xavier Villalobos took second in the 113-pound bracket. Villalobos notched back-to-back pins against Belmont's Austin Cushman and Rockford East's Peter Young before facing Geneseo's Zachary Montez, who outlasted Villalobos for a 6-4 sudden victory in the finals.

Freshman Joseph Nadig finished second in the 120-pound bracket. Nadig scored a 16-3 major decision against Richmond-

Burton's Dalton Youngs before grinding out a 2-1 decision against Rolling Meadows' Alan Velasquez. Freeport's Cadence Diduch won the title with a 7-1 decision.

Sophomore Tommy Tourdot took third in the 106-pound bracket. Tourdot won by fall over Geneseo's Devan Hornback before being pinned by Kaneland's Cameron Phillips. Tourdot advanced to the third-place bout against Richmond-Burton's Clay Madula, winning by fall.

Freshman Kaiden Morris placed third in the 220-pound bracket. Morris received a first-round bye before pinning North Boone's Greyson Griffin in the quarterfinals. After being pinned by Geneseo's Tim Stohl, Morris



(COURTESY PHOTO)

The Rochelle Hub varsity wrestling team finished fifth out of 18 schools at the Rockford East Giardini Invitational on Saturday.

topped East Aurora's Bryan Romero by 9-3 decision for third place.

Junior Wesley Brown scored one victory in

the 132-pound bracket, winning by fall over North Boone's Dominic Mercadante. Freshman Grant Gensler wrestled

in the 145-pound bracket, pinning Kaneland's Cole Olsen. Junior Weldon Nay finished 0-2 in the 126-pound bracket.

Flagg-Rochelle Community Park District



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REC Girls Basketball season continues for third and fourth-graders

Third and fourth-grade basketball players returned to the Flagg-Rochelle Community Park District REC Center on Saturday for the seventh week of the eight-week REC Girls Basketball season. Formerly the RYBA, REC Basketball brings together boys and girls basketball players between third and sixth grade to teach the fundamentals of the sport and create friendly competition. Roughly 40 third and fourth-graders are participating in the REC Girls Basketball program this season.

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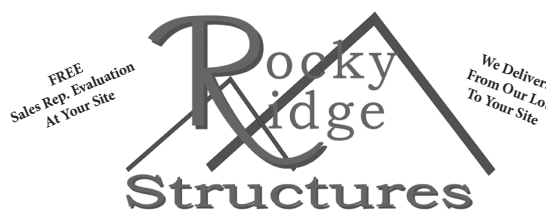


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19	Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures			13,464,296	1,011,858	5,976,895	755,140	360,992	0		209,630	958,339	
20	Other Sources/Uses of Funds			0	0	4,563,064	0	0	0	1,101,293	0	0	
21	Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2020			1,350,566	4,898,816	406,958	700,850	350,125	0	1,979,112	316,314	187,132	
22	Other Changes in Fund Balances			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
23	Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2021			2,918,204	5,721,854	666,736	784,254	542,365	0	3,272,126	1,145,072	74,966	

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62				Weden, Catherine N	Waltrip, Darci D		
63				Worthington, Victor M	Wheat, Carolyn D		
64				Wyatt, Anthony D	Worthington, Melody J		
65				Young-Hernandez, Andrea K			
66							
67							
68	GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL						
69							
70	Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999	Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999	Salary Range: \$60,000 and over			
71	Albaugh, Dorene M	Baiocco, Breynn L	DePriester, Michael A	Davis, Lester O			
72	Ansteth, Stacey A	DePriester, Melanie L					
73	Barrientos, Mercedes	Gittleson, Michele R					
74	Baylor, Jacqueline E	Gittleson, Seth R					
75	Bearrows, Marla R	Guerrero, Leticia A					
76	Bearrows, Richard E	Horstmeier, Stacey Lea					
77	Belmonte, Daisy	Johanning, Brian					
78	Belmonte, Marisol	Johanning, Roger J					
79	Belmonte, Vanessa	Johnson, Kelly S					
80	Bernardin, Bonnie J	Messer, Robert C					
81	Bly, Dionne L	Metcalf, Lora L					
82	Brizuela, Diana A	Montgomery, Laura D					
83	Brown, Jennifer Y	Rand, Judith J					
84	Cedillo Martinez, Laura E	Richolson, Seth M					
85	Chu, Annette M	Tollefson, Kimberly S					
86	Cicogna, Debra L						
87	Contreras, Roxanna						
88	Cunningham, Cynthia M						
89	Curtis, Stephanie D						
90	Davis, Kelli A						
91	Davis, Tina M						
92	Dickey, Jodi L						
93	Dobbs, Kay M						
94	Dougherty, Marilu A						
95	Emshoff, Linda						
96	Garcia Belmonte, Bryan E						
97	Garcia, Itzel Y						
98	Garcia, Marisol						
99	Garcia, Yensy M						
100	Gardner, Megan R						
101	Gati, Komla W						
102	Gati, Modesta Abra						
103	Gaytan, Berenice						
104	Gerber, Suzanna L						
105	Gillis, Angela L						
106	Golden, Susan K						

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107	Gonzalez, Annette G		
108	Gonzalez, Karina		
109	Gonzalez, Monica		
110	Gonzalez, Sandra L		
111	Goodrich, Kimberly J		
112	Gosnell-Villalobos, Gabriella D		
113	Hall, Skylar A		
114	Harding, Allysa M		
115	Harms, Ali N		
116	Hart, James C		
117	Harvey, Staci E		
118	Hasz, Dawn R		
119	Haub, Laurie L		
120	Heinrich, Brian J		
121	Hernandez, Damaris		
122	Hernandez, Jennifer		
123	Hickey, Sandra K		
124	Hoffmann, Ashley B		
125	Hughes, Phoebe M		
126	Johnson, Juanita		
127	Kessen, Ashlyn K		
128	Laws, Julie A		
129	Livingston, Rachel L		
130	Loggins, Merilee J		
131	Long, Mary C		
132	Louis, Tucker K		
133	Ludwig, Brittany D		
134	Martinez, Sara G		
135	Meador, Barbara M		
136	Milan Belmonte, Maria A		
137	Morse, Tamara L		
138	Nantz, Melanie G		
139	Niemeyer, Linda		
140	Odle, Pamela D		
141	Overby, Marilyn R		
142	Patrick, Kimberly K		
143	Paulsen, Katie L		
144	Redington, Benjamin A		
145	Redington, Daniel P		
146	Redington, Robin L		
147	Reyes, Nancy G		
148	Reynolds, Dianne M		
149	Rogers, Danica L		
150	Saenz, Jane M		
151	Sanchez Turcios, Xenia E		
152	Sarabia, Richard A		
153	Scott, Monica		
154	Shearer, Brittanie L		
155	Simms, Tristin A		
156	Smith, Julie A		
157	Springmire, Amy S		
158	Tenorio, Alejandra		
159	Tirado Salinas, Maria B		

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160	Valle, Nephertiti A		
161	Wagner, Malinda R		
162	Wagner, Reilly E		
163	Wallace, Larry		
164	Welles, Sherrie L		
165	Zamora, Marlene J		
166	Zepeda, Leslie D		

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1	Payments over \$2,500, excluding wages and salaries.			
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4				
5	Rochelle Elementary School District 231			
6	Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount		
7	2125-NCPERS GROUP LIFE INS.	3,400.00		
8	AERO GROUP INC	135,519.46		
9	ALARM DETECTION SYSTEMS, INC	3,751.92		
10	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	3,802.29		
11	AMAZON MARKETPLACE	54,669.49		
12	AMAZON.COM	25,119.19		
13	AVTECH SOFTWARE/ROOM ALI	5,589.75		
14	BAPCC, LLC AOIA	169,758.00		
15	BARBECK COMMUNICATIONS	3,252.00		
16	BATTERIES PLUS BULBS	3,735.45		
17	BENCHMARK EDUCATION COMPAI	4,784.30		
18	BERG-JOHNSON ELECTRIC	8,517.20		
19	BESTBUY.COM	3,090.54		
20	BONNELL INDUSTRIES, INC	3,976.40		
21	BRUNS CONSTRUCTION INC	5,120.00		
22	CDI TECHNOLOGIES	75,102.50		
23	CDW GOVERNMENT	325,683.04		
24	CENTRAL BANK ILLINOIS	7,212,183.65		
25	CINTAS FIRE PROTECTION	4,716.85		
26	CITY OF ROCHELLE	73,389.47		
27	CODECOMBAT	5,475.00		
28	COMPUTER INFORMATION CONCE	63,141.00		
29	CONSERV FS	18,403.71		
30	CRAVEN, JODEE	10,500.00		
31	CUSTOM EDUCATION SOLUTIONS	7,417.09		
32	DELTA DENTAL OF IL - RISK	102,737.09		
33	E-RATE ONLINE	3,000.00		
34	EFTPS	1,153,957.92		
35	ELLEVATION INC.	6,000.00		
36	EMBRACE EDUCATION	3,962.00		
37	EMS LINQ INC	3,546.00		
38	EVENTBRITE	4,100.00		
39	FACILISERV, INC.	3,622.00		
40	FIRST STATE BANK	520,005.00		
41	FOCUS HOUSE	126,877.61		
42	FOLLETTT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS IN	10,181.22		

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43	FORECAST5 ANALYTICS	23,150.50
44	FRONTIER	6,672.43
45	FRONTLINE TECHNOLOGIES GROU	8,519.63
46	GARCIA BELMONTE, BRYAN	3,732.80
47	GARCIA, YENSY	4,732.80
48	GORDON FOOD SERVICE	138,949.19
49	GREAT MINDS	50,253.73
50	GREEN ASSOCIATES	19,212.40
51	H2I GROUP	14,467.00
52	IDEAL ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER	33,295.00
53	IDESIGN SOLUTIONS	2,974.96
54	IL ASSOC OF SCHOOL BOARDS	11,866.00
55	IL CENTRAL SCHOOL BUS	156,730.78
56	IL DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT	18,620.56
57	IL DEPT. OF REVENUE	389,206.06
58	IL MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	197,867.34
59	ILLINOIS SCHOLASTIC COOPERAT	952,165.24
60	ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCA	7,532.44
61	JOHNSON TRACTOR	12,503.85
62	JOSTENS	3,445.00
63	KENDALL HUNT PUBLISHING COMI	53,529.39
64	LARSON & LARSON BUILDERS, INC	848,057.30
65	MILLER ENGINEERING CO	99,938.81
66	MULLER-PINEHURST DAIRY INC	22,173.18
67	MYSTERY SCIENCE INC	3,247.00
68	NELSON CARLSON MECHANICAL C	7,222.00
69	NES, INC.	60,445.00
70	NEWEGG BUSINESS	11,011.15
71	NIXON INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.	4,110.00
72	NORTHERN IL DISPOSAL	22,697.45
73	OGLE COUNTY EDUCATIONAL COO	1,639,752.69
74	OMEGA PEST CONTROL	3,775.00
75	OMNI	154,577.66
76	OREGON DISTRICT 220	7,500.00
77	ORIENTAL TRADING CO.	2,700.42
78	PC PARTS PLUS LLC	3,215.17
79	PHELPS UNFORM SPECIALISTS	18,825.36
80	PRESCOTT BROTHERS INC	32,016.00
81	PSIC	186,327.00
82	REEA	86,933.16
83	RENAISSANCE	26,253.60
84	ROBBINS, SCHWARTZ, NICHOLAS	43,178.56
85	ROCHELLE ACE HARDWARE	4,455.69

PUBLIC NOTICE
SECTION 00 10 00
BID SOLICITATION
FROM:
1.01 The Owner
(hereinafter referred to
as Owner):
Rochelle Municipal
Utilities c/o City of
Rochelle, 420 North
Sixth Street, Rochelle,
IL 61068
1.02 And the Engineer
(hereinafter referred to
as Engineer):
Fehr Graham
515 Lincoln Highway
Rochelle, IL 61068
1.03 TO: POTENTIAL
BIDDERS
A. Sealed bids for 2ND
AVENUE WATERMAIN
M A T E R I A L S
PROCUREMENT -
PIPING for Well #4
Watermain will be
received by the Owner
at the address indicated
above until 10:00 A.M.
local standard time
on the 20th day of
December, 2021 for the
following project: 2ND
AVENUE WATERMAIN
M A T E R I A L S
PROCUREMENT -
PIPING.
B. General Contract
bidders are required
to prequalify to the
requirements described
in Document
00200 - Instructions to
Bidders.
C. Project Description/
Location: 2ND
AVENUE WATERMAIN
M A T E R I A L S
PROCUREMENT -
PIPING for Well #4
Watermain.
D. Bid documents may
be obtained from the
Engineer.
E. Documents may be
viewed at the Office of
the Engineer at Fehr
Graham, 515 Lincoln
Highway, Rochelle, IL
61068.
AUTHORIZATION
By: /Jeff Fiegenschuh
Title: City Manager
Date: December 02,
2021
No. 1211 (Dec. 8)

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Ogle County
E d u c a t i o n a l
Cooperative (OCEC)
maintains temporary
student records
on students with
disabilities who have
received special
education services
while attending the
public schools in Ogle
County. These records
are maintained at the
OCEC central office
in Byron. This notice
is intended only for
those individuals having
birth dates during the
period of 1996, 1997,
1998, and 1999 who
have received special
education services.
OCEC advises
as follows: Any
temporary student
records maintained
regarding your special
education services will
be destroyed effective
January 31, 2022.
These records may be
of assistance to former
students and they may
request the actual
student records, rather
than the records being
destroyed. Individuals
wishing to obtain their
temporary records must
request such no later
than January 15, 2022
at the OCEC offices
at 417 N. Colfax St.,
Byron, IL 61010. The
OCEC will continue to
maintain permanent
records of former
students on compact
discs. By Matt Zilm,
Director
No. 1201 (Dec. 6, 8, 13,
15, 20, 22, 27, 29)

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86	ROCHELLE AREA COMMUNITY FOI	11,398.00
87	ROCHELLE ELEM INS ACCT/SUN LI	22,218.18
88	ROCHELLE ELEMENTARY INS ACC	1,308,106.36
89	ROCHELLE JANITORIAL SUPPLY	24,130.44
90	ROCHELLE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	242,381.98
91	ROCHELLE NEWS-LEADER	2,887.00
92	ROCHELLE TWP. HIGH SCHOOL	488,599.42
93	ROCKFORD STEAM BOILER WORK	3,907.00
94	SCHOOL HEALTH CORPORATION	4,148.02
95	SCHOOL SPECIALTY, INC.	7,599.24
96	SCHOOLKIDZ	3,242.80
97	SCREENCASTIFY	3,750.00
98	SEESAW LEARNING INC	11,977.62
99	SHOUTPOINT INC	4,140.00
100	STATE DISBURSEMENT UNIT	13,616.00
101	STERLING COMMERCIAL ROOFING	4,003.75
102	STILLMAN BANK	202,470.00
103	SYNDEO NETWORKS, INC	18,649.00
104	TASC	36,321.93
105	TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM	966,011.93
106	THE HOME DEPOT PRO INSTITUTIC	38,376.56
107	TIMECLOCK PLUS	10,100.00
108	TINY EYE	9,920.80
109	TMC DON DIETZ	4,346.30
110	TRACK TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS, II	20,416.00
111	TWIG EDUCATION	17,233.76
112	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	21,496.00
113	US POSTAL SERVICE	4,626.65
114	VANGUARD ENERGY SERVICES	28,358.31
115	VERIZON WIRELESS	2,864.27
116	VETERANS FLOORS INC	4,920.00
117	VSP OF ILLINOIS, NFP	10,872.72
118	WALMART	9,182.86
119	WEBSTAURANTSTORE	4,573.38
120	WELLES, ERIC	4,892.10
121	WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LEASIN	53,516.40
122	WILSON LANGUAGE TRAINING	3,321.23
123	WIPFLI LLP	22,750.00
124	WORKS INTERNATIONAL INC	5,975.00



MARKETPLACE

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
1	ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021											
2												
3	The summary must be published in the local newspaper.											
4												
5	Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, annually. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:											
6	Rochelle Township High School D212		1401 Flagg Rd. Rochelle, IL 61068				815-562-4161		7:30AM - 4:00PM			
7	School District/Joint Agreement Name		Address				Telephone		Office Hours			
8	Also by January 15, annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for theFiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@www.isbe.net.											
9												
10	SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal yea											
11												
12	Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2021											
13			Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety	
14	Local Sources	1000	7,805,349	1,366,203	1,800,531	1,190,513	542,607	552,079	226,202	1,472,120	270,416	
15	Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	0					
16	State Sources	3000	2,422,531	60,000	0	231,628	0	0	0	0	0	
17	Federal Sources	4000	406,637	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
18	Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		10,634,517	1,426,203	1,800,531	1,422,141	542,607	552,079	226,202	1,472,120	270,416	
19	Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		9,862,983	1,082,412	1,471,925	988,994	418,097	404,845		561,240	0	
20	Other Sources/Uses of Funds		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
21	Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2020		7,670,523	1,018,493	353,205	1,552,373	(574)	(187,101)	3,283,050	587,403	106,960	
22	Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
23	Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2021		8,442,057	1,362,284	681,811	1,985,520	123,936	(39,867)	3,509,252	1,498,283	377,376	

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1	SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL					
2						
3	<i>This listing must be published in the local newspaper, sent to ISBE, and retained</i>					
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5						
6	Rochelle Township High School D212					
7	47071212017					
8						
9	GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL					
10						
11	Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999	Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999	Salary Range: 60,000 - \$89,999	Salary Range: \$90,000 and over	
12						
13	Duval, Ronald L	Powers, Duncan M	Baker, Nelson R	Bergeson, Dale A	Dale, Kevin L	
14	Hill, Jodi L		Busching, Hannah F	Bergeson, Erin M	Dale, Michael V	
15	Hutchinson, Brock A		Frieden, Christian	Campbell, Clyde S	Dewey, Kimberly T	
16	Wyatt, Anthony D		Howard, Joseph A	Cartwright, David Robert	Doyle, Anthony E	
17			JACOBS, DEANNA M	Cartwright, Elizabeth B	Harper, Jason M	
18			Lippens, Sidney S	Dobbs, John H	Harvey, Richard L	
19			Naylor, Susan E	DuFoe, Bethney A	Lenkaitis, Eva	
20			Pena-Hernandez, Valeria	Evangelista, Andrew B	Lewis, Christopher R	
21			Reynolds, Jarrod D	Flanagan, Kristin K	Olson, Erick E	
22			Schaefers, Shaun D	Fonfara, Michael J	Perrin, David J	
23			Schweitzer, Amy R	Hacaga, Natasha	Pillen, Laura A	
24			Sly, Molly A	Hagemann, Matthew G	Prusator, Janice M	
25			Snedeker, McKayla K	Hill, Timothy E	Smith, Adrian L	
26			Strietelmeier, Katelyn Louise	Jackson, James R	Thompson, Timothy J	
27			Vrana, Ryne M	Jenkins, Ann M	Wolter, Kurt A	
28			Vruno, Alphonso J III	Kissack, Kyle G	Worthington, Brian P	
29				Maciel, Sorayda		
30				Mehrings, Glen G		
31				Mock, Beth K		
32				Page, Donna A		
33				Pfaff, John C		
34				Prose, Charity L		
35				Rowan, Anthony Robert		
36				Sage, Suzanne N		
37				Schneider, Carol D		
38				Suess, Lindsay A		
39				Swartz, Scott J		
40				Vrana, Alison M		
41				Welle, David G		
42				White, Danae D		
43				Zepeda, Javier		
44				Zick, Brett R		
45						
46						
47	GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL					
48						
49	Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999	Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999	Salary Range: \$60,000 and over		
50	Aylsworth, Heather E	Belmonte, Michael A	Daugherty, Terry L	Bull, Kathy A		
51	Bivins, Danelle J	Bonilla, Alma C	Gleissner, John H	Klouse, Mark C		
52	Brown, Jared	Brass, Yvonne B	Kersten, Kelly M	Smith, Sherri M		
53	Bursing, James C	Bryan, Cathy L	Lovell, Mark E	Tooley, Michael E		

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54	Carrillo, Araceli	Cartwright, Robert G	Poliska, Ronda M	Wise, William S III			
55	Chennell, Bruce A	Furman, Mae A	Reints, Keith W				
56	Chiavini, Laura A	Haub, David Alan	Snyder-Chura, Vicki L				
57	Creuziger, Amy Beth	Hueramo, Onessa	Wittenberg, Lynsey K				
58	Cupp, Janice R	Johnson, Jacquelyn					
59	DeLille, David Michael	Mann, Jeffrey L					
60	Devers, Sterling K	Moreland, Timothy L					
61	Dickey, Jeff B	O'Brien, Debra S					
62	Eckardt, Kristen A	O'Reilly, Andrea					
63	Elliott, Jane A	Person, Nicholas P					
64	Farrall, Jennifer June	Ricketts, Teresa A					
65	Flanagan, Sarah K	Simms, Angela T					
66	Fox, Julie A	Stevens, Kathleen G					
67	Gabriel, Virginia K	Stevens, Scott A					
68	Gandara, Ruben R	Stoll, Brian D					
69	Garcia Escutia, Lizbeth	Villalobos Nazario, Jose F					
70	Gardner, Robert W Jr	Wegener, Maryellen T					
71	Gonzales, John M						
72	Guerrero, Stephanie A						
73	Hager, Tyler C						
74	Haggestad, Teresa M						
75	HARVEY, CARL R						
76	Harvey, Staci E						
77	Heimann-Hoffer, Gloria A						
78	Henley, Betty A						
79	Herebia, Rosario M						
80	Herrmann, Sheila M						
81	Hippen, Trace D						
82	Hodges, Hannah M						
83	Hueramo, Bianca G						
84	Hurst, Mychaela N						
85	Johnson, Bonnie P						
86	Johnson, Dakota M						
87	Johnson, Jared A						
88	Johnson, Joshua R						
89	Kerns, Abigail C						
90	Konstans, Russell D						
91	Lara, MacKenzie P						
92	LeMar, Janine A						
93	Lenkaitis, Sofia N						
94	Loggins, John M						
95	Longoria, Bonnie L						
96	Lyles, James D Jr						
97	Male, Brad D						
98	Maliszewski, Elise R						
99	Martinez, Ramiro						
100	Mayer, Debra R						
101	Mayer, Paul H						
102	McCoy, Dena R						
103	McGee, Sawyer B						
104	Mehrings, Emma J						
105	Miller, Bonita K						
106	Miller, Edna M						

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	A	B		
107	Miller, Lori A		125	Smith, Kevin L
108	Miller, Zachary G		126	Steder, Karla D
109	Moore, Bonnie J		127	Stroh, Calla M
110	Nazario Colon, Elizabeth		128	Tepinski, Stephanie A
111	Nicolosi, Rebekah R		129	Threlkeld, Ronda L
112	Pearson, Karen L		130	Tilton, Abigail A
113	Perusquia, Vianey N		131	Truckenbrod, Jeffrey F
114	Pfeiffer, Gregory J		132	Valle, Nephertiti A
115	Primrose, Joseph R		133	VanVickle, Alexandra J
116	Rattanasavanh, Heidi		134	Wachowski, Pamela A
117	Redington, Robin Lea		135	Weiler, Donna R
118	Richards, Desa M		136	Widick, Leslie Eric
119	Rodeghero, Trisha		137	Wilmot, Charles T
120	Roush, Katherine E		138	Wing, Larry P
121	Sawicki, Sally L		139	Worthington, Victor M
122	Slattengren, John T		140	Youngs, Mike C
123	Smith, Diane L		141	Zickur, Garrett J
124	Smith, Kassandra		142	Zickur, Marilyn G
			143	Zilis, Mark R

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5	Rochelle Township High School D212			
6	Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount		
7	926 CUSTOM EMBROIDERY	8,190.60		
8	ADRENALINE FUNDRAISING	11,492.57		
9	AIR COMFORT CORPORATION	4,792.50		
10	AMAZON MKTPLACE	47,548.90		
11	AMAZON.COM	26,929.04		
12	ANDERSON PLUMBING, HEATING & AIR	2,588.58		
13	APEX LEARNING	8,750.00		
14	ARBOR MANAGEMENT INC.	7,582.28		
15	BAPCC, LLC AOIA	174,665.00		
16	BATTERIES PLUS BULBS	7,281.40		
17	BEE DESIGNS	7,861.63		
18	BEST BUY	7,630.14		
19	BLACKBOARD	2,566.51		
20	BLICK ART MATERIALS	3,372.98		
21	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD ILLINOIS	1,414,907.40		
22	BLUE FREEDOM FARM MARKETS, INC.	6,729.95		
23	BSN SPORTS INC	67,109.50		
24	C.S.R. BOBCAT INC.	50,552.06		
25	CBRE, INC - VALUATION AND ADVISORY	11,675.00		
26	CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	97,038.00		
27	CENGAGE LEARNING - GALE	9,323.24		
28	Central Bank Illinois	5,428,175.43		
29	CINTAS CORP #F94	7,075.36		
30	CITY OF ROCHELLE	68,065.68		
31	COLLEGE BOARD	5,662.20		
32	CONSERV FS	52,830.06		
33	CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY GAS	64,205.82		
34	Contract Paper Group, Inc	14,976.00		
35	CREASON, DOUGLAS	3,529.80		
36	DAV (DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS) ASSOCIATION	5,000.00		
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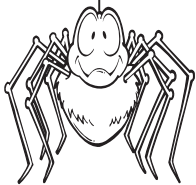
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RTHS Football



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The Rochelle Hub football team celebrated its season with a team banquet Sunday evening. Garrett Gensler (left) took home the Hackett MVP Award while John Green (middle) earned the Scout Team Player of the Year Award. Josh Lloyd (right) brought home the Ellis Sportsmanship Award as well.

Hub players earn team awards

Academic All-Conference honorees announced

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Hub football team celebrated its season with a team awards banquet Sunday evening. Several varsity

players took home RTHS and Interstate 8 Conference awards during the event.

Junior Garrett Gensler received the Hackett Award as the Most Valuable Player, while senior Josh Lloyd was named the Ellis Sportsman-

ship Award winner. Junior John Green took home the Scout Team Player of the Year honor.

Ten varsity players earned Interstate 8 Academic All-Conference recognition this season including Gensler,

Lloyd and Green as well as seniors Braden Alfano, Nate Burdin, Tanner Lager and Grant Messer. Juniors Trey Taft, Aidan Rodriguez and Landon DeLille were also Academic All-Conference honorees this season.



(PHOTO BY MARCY DELILLE)

Ten members of the Rochelle Hub varsity football team received Academic All-Conference recognition from the Interstate 8 Conference this season.

RTHS Girls Basketball

Luxton leads Lady Hubs to win at Stillman Valley

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

STILLMAN VALLEY

— Lady Hub senior Abby Luxton was slowed down with an ankle injury before this season, but the 6-foot-1 forward looked healthy and confident when the Rochelle Lady Hub varsity basketball team faced Stillman Valley on the road Monday evening.

Luxton recorded the first double-double of her senior season, scoring 13 points and grabbing 12 rebounds as the Lady Hubs outlasted the Cardinals 43-39 to snap a two-game losing streak. Rochelle improved to 4-6 overall with the victory.

“I’ve lacked the confidence to play basketball since my ankle injury and it was hard to do everything I used to do when I first came back,” Luxton said. “But I had the mindset during the game that it was going to be my game. I really wanted to win and do the best I could for my team.”

Senior Josie Lundquist added eight points for the Lady Hubs on Monday, while sophomore Alivia Henkel scored seven points. Luxton said her positioning on the floor played a key role in her success Monday.

“Being at the top of the floor, I was able to make quick passes out to my teammates and make quick cuts,” Luxton said. “It’s a big confidence booster for us. I’m feeling really confident in our team this season. I haven’t had much a role since I’ve been out, but I think my role moving forward will be to score and

rebound the ball.”

The Rochelle Lady Hub JV basketball team also secured a win on Monday, defeating Stillman Valley 22-13 and reaching 9-1 on the season. Sophomore Sydney Tabor led the Lady Hubs with 11 points and six steals.

“Watching this team come together and improve each game has been a huge win as a coach,” head coach Katie Roush said. “Starting the season with a 9-1 record is a huge accomplishment.”

Kaneland

The Rochelle Lady Hub varsity basketball team opened Interstate 8 play at Kaneland on Saturday, falling 42-31 and dropping to 3-6 on the season. Senior Josie Lundquist led the Lady Hubs with 11 points, while sophomore Alivia Henkel added nine points and senior Lucy Bunger recorded eight points.

The Lady Hub JV basketball team defeated Kaneland on Saturday, winning 24-21 and improving to 8-1 on the season.

Rock Falls

The Rochelle Lady Hub varsity basketball team took on Rock Falls in a nonconference road matchup this past Wednesday, losing 33-20 and moving to 3-5 overall. Senior Zoey Tabor scored six points for Rochelle, while senior Josie Lundquist added five points in the loss.

The Lady Hub JV basketball team downed Rock Falls this past Wednesday, winning 39-14 and bumping to 7-1 overall.

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