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## Longtime board members retire

BY RUSSELL HODGES

SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — Rochelle School District 212 recognized two longtime board members who will be retiring after nearly two decades of service. Brent Tracy and Bob Walsh were each honored for their hard work and achievements during the district's monthly board meeting Monday night.

"We want to thank both board members on behalf of our students, our staff and the entire administration," District 212 Superintendent Jason Harper

said. "Brent and Bob have helped me a lot over the last few years and they've been tireless supporters of what we've been trying to accomplish... We're really appreciative of everything they've done for RTHS and the district."

Tracy has served on the board for 16 years, while Walsh has been a board member for roughly 14 years. Both members received gifts from school administrators as a token of appreciation for their years of service to the board. District 212 will hold a reorganization meeting for the new board next Monday, April 26 at 5:30 p.m. in the Rochelle Township High School board room.

"The one comfort I've



PHOTO BY RUSSELL HODGES

RTHS board members Brent Tracy and Bob Walsh pose after their last board meeting Monday night.

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## Park district set for summer

Spring Lake improvements are nearly done, including new piers



This is a file photo of the piers which will be replaced at Spring Lake Marina. FILE PHOTO

BY ELLEN O'MALLEY

INTERIM EDITOR

ROCHELLE — If you have any doubt about things getting back to normal, then you need to look into what the park district is doing.

At its regular meeting, the Flagg-Rochelle Community Park District board and its executive director, Jackee Ohlinger, talked about opening Spring Lake pool and events in the parks along with the regular appearance of a food truck.

Being closed for a season, Spring

Lake needed some attention, and she expects the repairs to be done before it opens Saturday, June 5.

The park district received a \$310,000 from the state's Open Space Land Acquisition and Development program (OSLAD). This is a grant program that was established by the Illinois General Assembly in 1986. The program matches funds provided by park districts, municipalities, forest preserve districts and other local government entities, providing up to 50 percent of the funding.

Ohlinger explained that they've already received half of the \$310,000 and will receive the remainder upon completion of the Spring Lake project.

Although Spring Lake is the community's only outdoor public pool, there's so much more to it. It's built in an old quarry with springs, so issues arise from that. Ohlinger explained that the walls needed to be stabilized with both vegetation and timber.

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## If you like food, it's the place to be

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Community Action Network (C.A.N.) will host its annual Food Truck Fair on Saturday, April 24 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The event will be held at the downtown gazebo, located at 400 N. Main St. in Rochelle.

Hot Dogs, Acres Bistro and Black Pearl Coffee. Each vendor will donate \$100 to C.A.N. to support



Three food trucks will be present including Ralfie's BBQ, Oasis Real Mexican Food, Big D's

its various programs. "Guests can pick up one or several to-go lunches," said Michelle Pease,

community development director for the City of Rochelle.

"This is an annual fundraiser for the Rochelle Community Action Network, which provides the annual holiday shopping trip for low-income Rochelle children, as well as the backpack program for Rochelle children and the coat drive."

The Food Truck Fair raises funds for several C.A.N. programs including the annual holiday shopping trip, which matches adult shoppers

with low-income children in Rochelle.

### Helping local families

Two more events made possible with the help of funds from the Food Truck Fair are the annual backpack program and coat drive.

The backpacks, which are filled with a variety of school supplies and additional essentials each spring, are given to Ro-

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## RTHS event at stadium

ROCHELLE — Taking it back to the field, Rochelle Township High School graduation will be outdoors once again.

Principal Chris Lewis reached out to members of the Class of 2021 in a memo recently with an apology for all they have missed due to the Coronavirus and a promise of good news to come.

"We are working with the guidelines from the Illinois Department of Public Health on an outdoor graduation ceremony on the football field," Lewis wrote.

It has been determined that students will be limited to four tickets due to the guidelines, but the ceremony will be livestreamed so other family members can watch. Lewis added that the stadium is large enough to safely accommodate all the families who attend.

Graduation is on the calendar for 10 a.m. Saturday, May 29. The gates will open at 9 a.m. The event is under the guidance of the Ogle County Health Department.

## What about the weather?

"If it looks like rain, we will push it later in the day. If it looks like an all-day rain, we will reschedule it to a later date," Lewis explained.

Lewis added that graduation will roll if there's light rain, so plan accordingly.

- In the case of truly inclement weather, the make-up date is 1 p.m., Sunday, May 30.
- Please consider our inclement weather plans if you are planning graduation parties.
- If the rain continues on Sunday, they will reschedule starting on Tuesday, June 1 at 6 p.m. From there, they will continue to reschedule it for the subsequent evening at 6 p.m. until they are able to complete it.
- Other guidelines
  - Graduates will be socially distanced on the football field
  - All participants and attendees will wear masks throughout the ceremony
  - Students or guests presenting any symptoms of Covid-19, those who

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# LOCAL NEWS

## PARKS: Spring Lake opening, family events planned

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“The goal when applying for the grant was to combine all upcoming maintenance projects with some added recreational opportunities,” explained Ohlinger.

Other improvements included shaded structures

into other options.

On the other side of the lake, a new fishing pier will replace the aging one there now.

Presently, Ohlinger has been in contact with the conservation club as they installed a new, cost-effective pier that they recommend.

“It’s been wonderful to see the transformation of Spring Lake.”

Jackee Ohlinger  
Executive Director

for the pool area, electrical upgrades in the filter room, painting of the property such as the bathhouse, diving board upgrades and improving the splash pad. Because of new fencing, the splash pad will be open even when the pool is not.

In addition, 16 parking stalls were added at the lower entrance.

Because of Covid-19, the concession stand will not be able to operate; however, Ohlinger is looking

for the pool area, electrical upgrades in the filter room, painting of the property such as the bathhouse, diving board upgrades and improving the splash pad. Because of new fencing, the splash pad will be open even when the pool is not.

“It’s been wonderful to see the transformation of Spring Lake. It’s a beautiful facility and a blessing to have in our community,” Ohlinger said.

As if that weren’t exciting enough, there are other outdoor activities that are going to happen this summer.

The Rotary Club is planning an event June 12 in both Atwood and

Cooper parks. It’ll include bands, local vendors and food trucks as well as events for the entire family. “Our main goal is to get the blood pumping in the community again,” said Josh Carney, from Rochelle Rotary.

Tenth Avenue will be closed between the two parks and there will be alcohol served, also by local vendors.

The event will be from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. “This is not a fundraiser, just an event to get the community back together again,” Carney added.

The park district does not assume any liability, the Rotary Club has insurance for the event.

All the present board members voted in favor of allowing the use of the two parks.

On a side note, it was mentioned that Fourth of July activities are scheduled to take place in the

parks as well.

Another exciting, recurring happening will be Candy Cloud Food Truck will be in Cooper Park every Tuesday this summer.

The truck will feature Hawaiian shaved ice as well as other cool sweets. It’s operated by Alex Edwards, out of Davis Junction, and it’ll be in the park from 4-7:30 p.m. each week.

Edwards told the board he’s fully insured and because he’s been working with the City of Rochelle, he has his permits and a background check completed. He added that his crew will clean up after they close each night.

All the present board members voted in favor of the truck selling in Cooper Park each Tuesday.

Look for further coverage of the park district board meeting in Sunday’s edition of the Rochelle News-Leader.



FILE PHOTO  
Some of the improvements at Spring Lake included landscaping, deck repairs, diving board upgrades and painting of the bathhouse.

## GRAD: Event on football field

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have tested positive for Covid-19 in the last 14 days, or have been exposed to someone who tested positive for Covid-19 in the last 14 days are asked not to attend.

### Not there yet

In the meantime, he advised seniors to check these boxes to ensure graduation:

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This will be the first time RTHS graduation is outdoors since they were at the old school location and graduations were held on Helms Field. The new campus opened in 2004.

## CAN: Food truck an annual event

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chelle children during registration before the upcoming school year. The coat drive, which takes place each winter, provides children with clothing such as coats, mittens, gloves, scarfs and more.

“The fair is a great way to get those food truck vendors out there and provide a delicious meal,”

Pease said.

“It’s also a great way to raise funds for C.A.N. and the events C.A.N. provides for the City of Rochelle... We could potentially have kids in our community who have the opportunity to go Christmas shopping, receive a backpack and a winter coat. That way, we can help our kids have a really good year.”

## Drive thru vaccines

**OREGON** — The National Guard will hold another drive thru vaccine event tomorrow, April 22, in Oregon at the fire department, located at 123 N. Second St. in Oregon.

This event is for all residents in Illinois 18 years of age and over.

To make an appointment, call the Ogle County Health Department at (815) 562-6976.

## Special school meetings

**ROCHELLE** — The Rochelle Township High School Board of Education will hold a special meeting on April 26 at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a board reorganization meeting following the April election.

Likewise, the Rochelle Community Consolidated School District 231 Board of Education will hold a special meeting on April 26 at 6 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a board reorganization meeting following the April election.

The meetings will be held in the board room at Rochelle Township High School.

*On behalf of all staff members,*

we want to thank all the individuals listed below, who volunteer their time to help us provide the very best care and service to RCH patients and visitors.

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# LOCAL NEWS

## RTHS presents virtual plays this weekend

ROCHELLE — Rochelle Township High School will present “RTHS-TV,” a collection of short plays that observe the human experience and inspire laughing as well as self-reflection.

The show is free and available from 7 p.m. Friday through 7 p.m. Sunday.

Director Amy Creuziger said four of our plays are from the anthology “Alone, Together,” commissioned and originally presented in June 2020 as part of the University of California, Santa Barbara, Department of Theater and Dance Launchpad Zoom Festival.

“The Yellow Line” by Kira Obolensky takes us on the road, “the road of life” with a couple and their relationship throughout life, all in one car ride.

The short plays “Rosebud” and “Dynamite Sales” both by Dan Castellana and Deb Lacusta. “Whitman V. the United States” was written by James Still.

Finally, “The Shakespeare Section” was written by Lynn Rosen.

Each piece shares a window into our relationships with work, new love, friends, our passions and hobbies. The plays are all tied-together with our original show, “The Relationship Doctors.”

Crewing this spring’s show are: Jennifer Heinrich, costume design; Ava Coglianese, prop design; Mirella Vazquez, sound design; and original music created by Liam Wise. Members of the cast include: Avery Auld, Ava Coglianese, Bella Nauman, Mikayla Preston, Victoria Sheehy, Paul Swartz, Grayson Yates and Ariel Zuercher.

To watch the spring play, go to [www.broadwayondemand.com](http://www.broadwayondemand.com) and type in Rochelle Township High School in the search portion. If you experience difficulty please email [info@broadwayondemand.com](mailto:info@broadwayondemand.com).



## RTHS: Two retire Monday

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every board meeting and we always have a way of working together,” District 212 Board President Tom Huddleston said.

“There were very few times where we had a split vote on the board and we usually developed a consensus. We’ve always been good about agreeing to disagree and moving forward and I think that’s always been a great trait of our board. We’re going to miss Brent and Bob very

much.”

### Agenda

Board members will be presented with recommended changes to the 2021 fiscal year budget during a hearing before the regularly scheduled board meeting. Board members renewed the yearly membership agreement with the IHSA and approved an intergovernmental agreement with Oregon Community Unit School

District 220 for a shared professional services position.

### Vaccines

Harper said that RTHS and the OCHD will hold the first round of Covid-19 vaccinations for students 16 and older on Tuesday. Roughly 100 students will receive either the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine. Harper said that more vaccination clinics may be held in the future.

## Police make arrests

On April 17 at 10:32 a.m., Zachery S. Burkhart, 20, Rochelle, was cited for speeding 50 m.p.h. in a 30 m.p.h. after he was stopped at Calvin Road at Illinois Route 38. He posted an individual bond and will appear in court on May 21.

### April 18

On April 18 at 9:48 p.m., Juan R. Garcia, 21, Rochelle, was cited for no valid driver’s license following a traffic stop at Lincoln Highway and Seventh Avenue. He posted an I-bond and is to appear in court on May 21.

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## Ogle County COVID-19 Weekly Update As of Tuesday, April 20, 2021

### Ogle County COVID-19 Statistics\*

Number of Positive Cases:	5,622
Recovered Cases:	5,294
Current Active Cases:	250
Deaths:	78
Positivity Rate:	5.7%

\*Most current statistics available.

**The future of COVID depends on your decisions now.** Cases have increased in Region 1.

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**Total Vaccinations Administered: 28,368**  
**Total Fully Vaccinated: 12,019**  
**Pct. Fully Vaccinated: 23.6%**

**Vaccination Clinics:** Anyone age 16+ is now eligible to be vaccinated. OCHD clinics are limited to those who live or work in Ogle County. As of April 13, the CDC and FDA have paused the use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine until further notice.

**OCHD Vaccination Appointments:** CLINIC IN OREGON TOMORROW, THURSDAY, APRIL 22. The link to register for this clinic and any other upcoming clinic dates can be found at [health.oglecounty.org](http://health.oglecounty.org). This National Guard Clinic offers 800 appointments with Moderna vaccine from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. by the river at the fire department — 123 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Oregon. This event is for ALL residents in Illinois 18+ years of age.

**RCH Vaccination Appointments:** Call the Triage Line at **815-561-8829** Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Scheduling appointments for age 18+, who live or work in Ogle County. Callers have the ability to leave a message and your call will be returned within one business day.

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City of Rochelle	815-562-6161
Hispanic residents call LULAC	815-570-3111
Rock River Center	815-732-3252
Oregon Public Library District	815-732-2724
Univ. of IL Extension Office	815-732-2191
Mt. Morris Senior Center	815-734-6335
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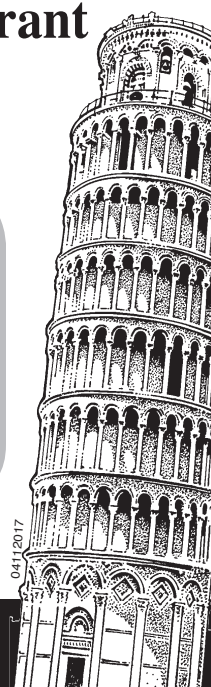
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# LOCAL NEWS

## Obituaries

### Marth L. Maxson

**WHEELING** — Marth L. Maxson, born March 22, 1946 in Rochelle, died peacefully in her home in Wheeling, Ill., on April 13, 2021. Marth, whom friends and family called "Martie," was the daughter of Ernest Delos (Cracker) and Florence Maxson.

Marth graduated from Rochelle Township High School in 1964 and went on to get a B.S. in physical education from Western Illinois University in 1969, a master's in physical education and health from Northern Illinois University in 1978, an English teaching certification from DePaul University in 1988 and an additional 60 master credit hours in an at-risk student curriculum from St. Xavier University in 1993.

Before starting her career as a teacher, Marth saw the world as a flight attendant for United Airlines, where she discovered her passion for travel and world culture.

She found a particular love for Paris, a place she visited often throughout her life. She shared this love with her friends and family and introduced them to French culture.

Marth began her teaching career in the Chicago Public Schools.

She ultimately had a long career at Buffalo Grove High School where over the years she taught P.E. and health, and coached swimming, volleyball, gymnastics and her favorite, dance.

She was the director of the Orchestis Performance Co. for several years.

She taught hundreds of students and instilled in them a passion for performing, something at which she excelled.



She also shared that enthusiasm with her nieces and nephew.

After her retirement in 2005, Marth continued to share her love of educating and inspiring students by teaching homebound high school students until 2017.

Marth's busy teaching career never kept her from pursuing other interests. She modeled and was featured in many ads and commercials, including one for Canon Camera.

She loved playing the piano, swimming, reading, shopping and going to movies with friends as well as working Chicago Tribune crossword puzzles.

Marth had a zeal for everything she did. She always lit up a room and was a force of nature wherever she was.

Her family and friends will remember her fire for life and vibrant spirit. Marth was very active in both her personal and social life and continued

to be until Alzheimer's dementia began to rob her of the ability to do the things she loved. She will be so missed by her many friends and family.

She is survived by her friend and love, James Bernardi; sister, Susan Anderson (Donald Metzger); brother, Joel (Karan) Maxson; nieces, Olivia Metzger (Alexander Dennis) and Sarah Maxson; nephew, Harrison Metzger; three great-nephews; and many cousins and friends.

Plans for a memorial service for family and close friends are pending.

Memorial Contributions can be made to a fund in Marth's name aiding at-risk students at Buffalo Grove High School. Donations can be made via check (please put "Maxson Fund" in the memo line) and written out to the D214 Education Foundation, mailed to the Foundation at 2121 S. Goebbert Road in Arlington Heights, 60005. Donations also can be made by credit card directly to the fund online at this link: [district214educationfoundation.salsalabs.org/maxsonfund](https://district214educationfoundation.salsalabs.org/maxsonfund).

## RTHS student scholars listed

Based on ACT/SAT scores

**ROCHELLE** — The Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) is pleased to announce the 2021-22 Illinois State Scholars.

### How they're chosen

These top performing students are selected annually based on their ACT or SAT exams and sixth semester class rank and are recognized for their exceptional academic achievement. Illinois State Scholars rank in approximately the top 10 percent of graduates from Illinois high schools.

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and statewide media recognition.

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### Students named

Rochelle Township High School students selected were: Ethan Burgholzer, Madison Carmichael, Sterling Devers, Clare Green, Morgan Haas, Benjamin Harvey, Lauren Hopkins, Crue Larsen, Sofia Lenkaitis, Ayah Sbeih, Megan Thiravong, Zane Walters, Emily Ward, Faith Worthington and Ariel Zuercher.

## David D. Kasmar, Jr.

**LA CROSSE, Wis.** — On Saturday, April 17, 2021, David D. Kasmar, Jr., often called Kaz, passed away after a battle with cancer and Covid-19 at Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center in La Crosse, Wis. He was 69 years old.

Dave was born in Rochelle and attended the local schools graduating from Rochelle Township High School in 1970.

He was a firefighter/EMT for the City of Rochelle from 1974 until 2004. Dave volunteered his time in the community by coaching Little League, Junior Tackle, soccer and was active in helping the community through the fire department social club.

He started a dive rescue team to provide safety at local boat races which later became the Black Diamond Rescue team that provides safety for boat races across the Midwest.

He became an instructor for the fire academy at IFSI in 2002 and retired from that in 2014.

Dave loved the outdoors and was an enthusiastic kayaker, rock climber, scuba diver, skier and loved camping and traveling. As his sons grew up, he included them in these adventures.

He joined the ski patrol at Chestnut Mountain so he could combine his passion for skiing and helping others.

Dave will be missed by his surviving sons, David R. Kasmar (Khirsten Kasmar), Rochelle and Scott Kasmar (Nora Cook) of Rome, Ga.; as well as his beloved grandchildren, Kennedy and Maddoc Kasmar of Rochelle; his father, David D. Kasmar, Sr. of Adams, Wis. also survives; as well as three brothers, Rick (Dorie) Kasmar of Rochelle, Barry (Pat) Kasmar of Roscoe and Jerry (Dixie) Kasmar, Cambridge, Wis.; one uncle, Brian (Teri) Kasmar of Rochelle also survives; as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Patricia Kasmar; and his maternal and paternal grandparents.

Funeral services will be Saturday, May 15 from 2-4 p.m. at Beverage-Lyons Funeral Home in Rochelle.



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# LOCAL NEWS

## THINKING GREEN



### Three easy tips

In honor of Earth Day, Jaya Jaya Myra, former immunologist turned mind-body wellness expert and bestselling author, highlights how nature and environmental conservation and sustainability are connected to mind-body wellness and health.

#### #1 Spend more time outdoors

Take some extra time to make outdoor time a priority. It has significant mental and physical health benefits. Make it a goal to spend some outdoor time daily.

#### #2 Support a tree

Even if you can't go and plant a tree this earth day, you can support organizations and movements that are planting trees and helping to reduce environmental impact.

#### #3 Find your new favorite sustainable product

There are many sustainable products on the market — laundry strips instead of a giant tub of liquid detergent, bamboo toothbrushes instead of plastic, cleaning cartridges, reusable bottles, there's even sustainable clothing.

## You can grow culinary herbs anywhere

URBANA—Culinary herbs can add variety and splashes of color to any deck, balcony or patio.

This makes them an “My favorite group of plants to grow is culinary herbs.”

Jennifer Fishburn  
UI Extension

excellent option for many small space gardeners.

“My favorite group of plants to grow is culinary herbs,” says Jennifer Fishburn, a University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator based in Sangamon County. “These plants are good fillers in perennial and

herb gardens, and many are a source of pollen and nectar for pollinating insects.” The same herbs that add flavor to your

favorite food dishes do well in containers, says Fishburn.

They will need to receive full sun, she added.

Gardeners can also choose plants based on a theme.

Design a pizza garden with a container filled with oregano, sage, thyme,

marjoram, and winter savory. Or create a “lemon drop” using lemon basil, lemongrass, and lemon verbena.

Every container must contain a good quality potting media that is sterile, retains moisture and allows for aeration.

And since container-grown plants will need fertilizer throughout the growing season, purchase a potting media with slow-release fertilizer.

Drought-tolerant herbs do particularly well in containers. Tender, perennial herbs such as rosemary are good choices as well. Plants with a trailing habit look nice cascading over

the edge of a pot.

Container gardens must be carefully watered; their most common problem is under- or over-watering.

To water correctly, apply water until it runs out the drainage holes.

Containers dry out quickly so check containers at least twice a day on hot, dry, windy days.

Harvest herbs regularly to keep the plant growth

compact and bushy.

Herb plants are easy to maintain, can grow in



almost any full sun location. Most importantly, they give gardeners the satisfaction of eating the fruits of their labor.

## Fun ways to celebrate Earth Day

Earth Day is a celebration of the planet that people, plants and animals call home. First celebrated in 1970, Earth Day was established to demonstrate support for environmental protection, and events are held each year on April 22. It is now coordinated globally by the Earth Day Network and celebrated in more than 193 countries.

People may wonder what they can do at a local level to make Earth Day a larger part of their lives. Here are just a few great ways to embrace Earth Day.

• Make it a point to bike or walk to school or work. If conditions are

prohibitive, carpool to cut down on traffic. The fewer cars on the road, the less emissions in the air.



Protection Agency suggests e-waste is the fastest growing

waste stream in the world.

• Invest in a reusable coffee cup or water bottle. This can reduce the amount of trash that ultimately ends up in the environment.

• Connect with nature by turning off electronics for the day and getting outside. Head to a park or nature trail and immerse yourself in the great outdoors.

• Do something as simple as switching paper statements and bills to e-bills and online invoices. This reduces reliance on trees for new sources of paper.

• Grow some edibles in your home garden or even on a windowsill. This is a fun, eco-friendly

way to control the foods you consume at home and a great way to save money as well.

• Reusing and recycling does not just pertain to water bottles and aluminum cans. Find out ways to repurpose or share items with others so they get more mileage. Also, make use of sharing services like bike sharing kiosks or Yerdle, an online community sharing marketplace.

• Volunteer your time at an organization that has an environmental focus. Or suggest a task with an eco-friendly slant, like picking up trash from a beach, to a local community group or club.

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# LOCAL VIEWS

## Guest column

### The gift of life is priceless

**M**att Creemens went on Facebook looking for a babysitter and ended up losing a kidney.

The 47-year-old Springfield computer programmer and married father of four was looking for a teenager from

his church to watch his kids.

As he perused various social media posts, he came across a link concerning the health challenges of one of his church's pastors.

Steve Patzia, co-lead pastor at Cherry Hills Church, was born with a

rare kidney disease and found himself nearing organ failure in 2019.

"It was strange, I found myself staring at that page and I couldn't make my hand move. The Holy Spirit was leading me. It is a difficult thing to describe but I not only felt compelled to move forward but also was very much at peace," Creemens said.

The two men, who are both in their 40s, did not know each other particularly well.

"I don't remember ever speaking with Steve one-on-one before this, but I listened to his sermons, so we had that connection," he said.

When Creemens began the process, he underwent several medical tests to see if his kidney would be a good match for Patzia. But he didn't inform his pastor that he was having the test done or contemplating being a donor.

"I kept taking tests and I kept proving to be a good match. Finally, the doctors said I needed to tell Steve."

Creemens' inspiration to donate a kidney came from words of John the Baptist in the Gospel of Luke: "Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none."

Creemens said he believed that admonition could apply as easily to someone with two kidneys as someone with a pair of shirts.

Pastor Patzia said he was shocked when Creemens made the offer.

"I just knew that he had called the church and scheduled a private meeting with me. I didn't know what it was about — but I wasn't looking forward to it," he said.

Creemens laughed and said, "When someone wants to meet in private with the pastor, a lot of times it's about something really bad. So, I think I took him a bit off guard."

April is Donate Life Month in the United States. The two men illustrate the need and generosity present in today's transplant network. State and health officials say the need for organ donors remains high.

In August 2019 Patzia and Creemens underwent their surgeries at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis.

"Some of my earliest memories were of being in the hospital at the University of Minnesota. This disease is something I had lived with my entire life," Patzia said. "When I woke up from surgery, I remember thinking, 'So this is what normal feels like.'"

Almost immediately after surgery his pallor gained a healthy glow, debilitating muscle cramps disappeared and urinary issues became normal.

"The biggest thing I noticed was that I wasn't tired all of the time. Before the surgery I needed 12 or 13 hours of sleep every day. After the surgery, I could get by with a normal seven or eight hours," Patzia said.

Creemens was released from the hospital after just one day.

"I was ready to go back to work about after two weeks. I ran a half marathon a few months after surgery," he said.

Patzia, who has two children with his wife Peggy, recovered at home over four months. When he returned to the pulpit, the congregation gave both he and Creemens a standing ovation.

"They were celebrating, being part of something bigger and that is what the church is all about," Patzia said. "We're all about community. We're all about loving each other, supporting one another. That's something Cherry Hills is amazing at doing, not just for their pastor, but for whoever's going through a difficult time or a difficult situation."

Patzia added he found spiritual significance in the transplant.

"Somebody who's willing to literally take the risk to give their kidney for the sake of another helped me see the cross in a whole new light," he said. "Jesus is not only willing to give a kidney, but gave his entire body so that we may have a new life. In the same way, Matt gave his kidney so that I could

have new life."

Of the 18,000 individuals who donated organs in the United States in 2020 about 6,000 were living donors according to the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network.

The need for organ donors remains great said, Dr. Marc Garfinkel, who heads the kidney transplant program at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield.

"One metric is that there are nationwide approximately 100,000 people waiting for a kidney transplant right now.

And there are only approximately 21,000 kidney transplants done every year. And the rate of additions to the waiting list outpaces the number of organ transplants."

Illinois is a leader when it comes to enrolling individuals to be potential organ donors, said Secretary of State Jesse White, whose office administers the state's donor registry.

"I learned more about this program being the secretary of state, then I did being a state lawmaker," he said.

"I realized now that an individual can get a second chance at life or they can improve the quality of someone's life if they step up and say, 'Yes, I want to give this person a second chance at life. I want to give them an organ that will allow them to live a long and productive life.'"

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Reader thanks medical staff

Dear Editor,

If I were to thank everyone for everything in their role before, during and after my recent surgery, you'd think I was giving an academy award thank-you speech. I'll keep it short.

Thank you Doctor Monfils and the entire staff at Rochelle Community Hospital.

Thanks to me my support staff: Cody, Debby, Erica, Hanna, John, Karen, Nelly, Pete and Tom. Thanks also to texters, callers and card senders.

Anyone I missed? Thanks.

I'll leave you with a line from my favorite film, 1967's "Bonnie and Clyde" (winner of two academy awards). "Ain't like grand?"

Robert Whipple  
Rochelle

### Plant-based products essential

Dear Editor,

Earth Day 2021's theme is Restore Our Earth — focusing on ways to prevent and reverse the impacts of climate change. Incorporating more products and materials made from renewable, plant-based inputs into our lives can help address our environmental challenges head on.

Using more plant-based products — including everything from household cleaners, packaging, textiles, building materials and more — can decrease our reliance on fossil fuels, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and cut down on landfill waste. As the sustainable inputs used to create these products grow, they remove carbon dioxide (CO2) pollution from the atmosphere. And many of these products are compostable, helping provide much-needed organic matter and nutrients to our depleted soil resources.

The Plant Based Products Council is dedicated to promoting the adoption of more renewable products and materials. This Earth Day let's commit to using more renewable resources to create the products we use every day as an important step towards restoring our earth.

Jessica Bowman  
Executive Director  
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## VOICE ON THE STREET

### Question:

Thursday is Earth Day, what do you do to reduce your "footprint?"

*"Garden composting—egg shells, veggies and fruit scraps, and coffee grounds—none of that goes in the landfill. Reuse and repurpose items. Use reusable containers rather than baggies whenever possible. Donate/give away items rather than throw them away."*

Heather JoAnn

*"I sit on my couch with my feet up."*

Denis Rewerts

*"I recycle all paper, plastic and aluminum. I have composting worms that get my egg shells and coffee/tea grounds. I always take cloth bags with me to the store, never use plastic bags. I have rain barrels to collect water that I use for my plants. The list goes on and on. Simple ways to protect Mother Earth."*

Dan Delbridge

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# COMMUNITY

## Taylor plans continued community service

**STEWARD** — After more than three decades in public education, Steward's Superintendent Lowell Taylor is planning a transition to "the next phase of service and teaching."

Taylor resigned from Steward School District, effective the end of this school year, to focus more time on family and actively manage farms.

He's still looking for continued ways to give back to the school community, though, and anticipates new opportunities in mentoring educators and professional consulting.

Taylor led the Steward district for more than eight years, during which the school benefitted from hundreds of thousands of dollars in increased state and federal grant revenues, paid off all outstanding debts, routinely lowered the local tax rates, increased professional opportunities for staff, made dozens of long-lasting improvements to the campus and facility and vastly increased the learning opportunities for students. Improved classroom environments highlighted his service in the school district. He also volunteers in schools abroad and supports schools in several Third World countries.

"As a superintendent, his approach to bettering learning environments is centered on collaboration, stakeholder involvement, transparent governance, and constant attention to continuous improvement," shared Regional Superintendent of Schools, Bob Sondergroth. "He's been a mentor to countless teachers and school administrators, showing that at heart he is still an educator," characterized Sondergroth. Taylor also served as a professor, university trustee, instructor for multiple government agencies, nationally active flight instructor and commercial pilot, long-term chairman of the regional special education cooperative



Retiring Steward School Superintendent Lowell Taylor poses with a group of student artists recently.

COURTESY PHOTO

and chairman of several statewide administrative organizations.

He remains active in the Boys and Girls Clubs of America, the Engineers Foundation, the Foundation for the Arts and several philanthropic/scholarship foundations.

"It's been a pleasure to see so many quality people through my career," said Taylor of his time in education. "It's fulfilling to have shared in bettering the opportunities for learning for so many children as they grew into responsible adults."

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54 Speak one's mind

55 USPS delivery

56 "— Clear Day"

57 Egg holders

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1 Word of denial

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4 "Moonstruck" actress

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6 Rifle part

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8 AAA job

9 Navajo or Hopi

10 Ones for the road?

11 Signs

17 Disney's "Love Bug"

19 Impudent

21 Ozone, for one

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24 Flop

26 Broadway's Stritch

28 Pine product

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32 "The Chronicles

of Narnia" author

33 Airport screening org.

34 Weep

36 California peak

38 Taj —

39 Uneasy feeling

40 Crew member

42 Matt of Hollywood

45 Family

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**Weekly SUDOKU**  
by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦ ♦ ♦  
♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging  
♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!  
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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: J equals H

NJW NMXMLWVG MS MWKK JWL  
ELHWPG X MXKW XTSBM X PSSNW,  
TBM MJWP KWEM JWL JXPUHPU.

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**King Crossword**  
Solution time: 26 mins.

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Answers  
Weekly SUDOKU

**CryptoQuip**  
answer

She started to tell her friend a tale about a moose, but then left her hanging.

Answers  
King Crossword



# LOCAL NEWS

## Kish College receives crane, welding equipment

Canadian-based energy company Enbridge, Inc. also made its annual \$5,000 scholarship donation

**MALTA**—The Kishwaukee College Welding and Diesel Power Technology Programs were the recipient of a hydraulic crane truck and diesel-powered service level welder, courtesy of Enbridge, Inc.

The Canadian-based energy company donated the truck and equipment, along with an annual scholarship donation of \$5,000, during a ceremony at Kish on April 7. Leadership from both Kishwaukee College, the Kishwaukee College Foundation and Enbridge, along with students and faculty, were in attendance. Following the ceremony, Enbridge guests stayed and worked with Kish students during a training session with the equipment.

“We’re proud to continue supporting engineering and welding students at Kishwaukee College through this scholarship. We’re also honored to be able to donate the additional equipment, and we hope it enables students to experience specialized and real-world learning opportunities to help them achieve success in their field,” said Dave Bareham, Griffith Area Manager for Enbridge.

The new equipment offers expanded opportunities for Kish welding students, allowing them to train on identical equipment often found in professional welding jobs. Kish’s Diesel Power Technology Program will also have access to the crane truck as a training aide.

“The possibilities are endless with the hydraulic crane,” said student William Miller. “You can get certification for the crane and do some bigger welding projects with this type of equipment. There are a lot of new training opportunities with this donation.”

Enbridge employees commented on the need for more skilled people in the workforce, and the donation allows for expanded training options.

“You have an amazing program here, and we are happy to be able to support it,” said Dan Morang, senior welder with Enbridge. “There are a lot of welding jobs out there that are good-paying jobs. You can make a good living doing it.”

Along with the equipment donation, Enbridge made its yearly contribution of \$5,000 to the Kishwaukee College Foundation for the Enbridge Energy Company Pipeline Industry Awareness Scholarship. The scholarship was started in 2015 for students enrolled in the Automated Engineering Technology Program or Welding Technology Program.

“Kishwaukee College is committed to supporting the education needs for a skilled workforce in the local community. I want to thank Enbridge for their partnership and their continued support of helping educate and train our students,” said Dr. Laurie Borowicz, president of

**“You have an amazing program here ... there are a lot of welding jobs out there that are good-paying jobs. You can make a good living doing it.”**

Dan Morang  
Senior Welder  
Enbridge, Inc.



COURTESY PHOTOS

**Kishwaukee College faculty and welding students gather for a demonstration of the diesel-powered service level welder donated by Enbridge, Inc. Dan Morang (kneeling), senior welder with Enbridge, gave a tutorial for the equipment, which was delivered with a hydraulic crane truck and the energy company’s annual scholarship donation of \$5,000.**

Kishwaukee College. “All of our students, now and in the near future, will benefit from this generous donation.”

Enbridge has made several equipment donations and given guest lectures and demonstrations at Kish over the past several years. With a long history of supporting educational opportunities, the latest donation is further evidence

of the company’s support of career and technical education.

For more information on the Kishwaukee College Foundation or the programs at Kish, such as welding or diesel power technology, visit [www.kish.edu](http://www.kish.edu).

For more information on Enbridge, visit [www.enbridge.com](http://www.enbridge.com).



**Leadership from Kishwaukee College, the Kishwaukee College Foundation and Enbridge, Inc. pose after Enbridge donated a hydraulic crane truck, a diesel-powered service level welder, and a yearly scholarship contribution of \$5,000 to the foundation. The new equipment will benefit Kish’s Welding and Diesel Power Technology programs. Pictured left to right are Greg Bennett, field operations supervisor for Enbridge; John Boesche, Kishwaukee College assistant professor of diesel power technology; David Losiniecki, heavy equipment operator for Enbridge; Dr. Kayte Hamel, executive director of the Kishwaukee College Foundation; Dan Morang, senior welder with Enbridge; Dave Bareham, Griffith area manager for Enbridge; Zachery Caccia, Kishwaukee College assistant professor of welding; Chase Budziak, dean of instruction; Dr. Laurie Borowicz, president of Kishwaukee College; Bernard Pupino, coordinator-career internships and apprenticeships; Emily Cutka, senior advisor, community engagement, public affairs for Enbridge; Jim Connors, Enbridge community ambassador, northern Illinois; Dr. Joanne Kantner, vice president of instruction; and LaCretia Konan, director of workforce and community education.**

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BANK OF )  
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Plaintiff, )  
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VUKAD- )  
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## HUB SPOTLIGHT



(COURTESY PHOTO)  
 Sophomore Landon DeLille carries the football for Rochelle during the Hub fresh-soph game against Sycamore on Monday.

## Fresh-Soph Hubs stay hot against Sycamore

**SYCAMORE** — The Rochelle fresh-soph football team continued its strong surge in the Interstate 8 Conference standings on Monday, defeating the Sycamore Spartans 50-28 and reaching 4-1 on the season. Rochelle will conclude its season with a home game against Ottawa on Saturday, April 24 at 10 a.m.

Sophomore Trey Taft ran for 187 yards and three touchdowns in the victory. Sophomore Cody Stover-Cullum shined on both sides of the football, rushing

for 106 yards and three touchdowns while adding eight tackles, two forced fumbles and an interception on defense. Sophomore quarterback Hayden Inman ran for one touchdown and recovered a fumble.

Sophomore Kyce Jaradat led the Hubs on defense, recording seven tackles and a fumble recovery. Sophomore David Gerber added six tackles, with freshman Tommy Tourdot totaling five tackles in the Rochelle win.



(COURTESY PHOTO)  
 Sophomore David Gerber totaled six tackles for the Rochelle fresh-soph football team during its victory over Sycamore on Monday.

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# SPORTS

**RTHS Volleyball**

## Lady Hubs bounce back with win over Ottawa

Rochelle defeats Pirates 25-15, 25-22 as Senior Night approaches



(PHOTO BY RUSSELL HODGES)

Sophomore Payton Hale serves during the Rochelle Lady Hub varsity volleyball match against Ottawa on Tuesday.

**BY RUSSELL HODGES**  
SPORTS EDITOR

**ROCHELLE** — The first time Rochelle and Ottawa met this season, the Pirates were the aggressors who had the Lady Hubs on their heels. That wasn't the case Tuesday evening, when Rochelle's varsity volleyball team hosted Ottawa for an Interstate 8 Conference rematch.

Behind 21 assists from senior Clare Green and 17 kills from junior Sylvia Hasz, Rochelle's offense was in sync on Tuesday, collapsing the Pirate defense and forcing Ottawa into several hitting errors. After losing to the Pirates earlier this season, Rochelle earned its revenge, defeating Ottawa 25-15,

25-22. The Lady Hubs (7-9) host Plano for Senior Night on Thursday.

"I think we really picked on their hitters tonight," Green said. "We knew what shots they were going to make and we were reading them much better on defense. Sylvia and I have learned a lot about how we each play and there isn't a ball that she and I aren't going after it 100 percent. It's really nice that we've been able to develop that trust in each other."

Seniors Alexis Sanford and Ellie Kinn combined for 15 digs in the match, which started with Rochelle building a six-point lead, 15-9, midway through in the first set.

Needing a chance to reset, Ottawa called a timeout to stall the Lady Hub momentum, but Rochelle continued to attack, rallying behind Green and Hasz to increase its lead to as many as 13 points.

Trailing in the match, Ottawa briefly bounced back in the second set, opening with a 6-3 run. The Pirates immediately saw their advantage fade away, however, as the Lady Hubs scored four straight points with Hasz on the serve to take the lead. With

the match tied 10-10 and sophomore Anna Harvey serving for the Lady Hubs, Rochelle broke off an 8-0 run. The Pirates fought back to within two points, but a hitting error on the Ottawa side sealed the victory.

"With everything happening between COVID-19 and having so much time off, I think we've made the most of our season," Green said. "We're ready to get one last win on Thursday. I want to show my teammates that I work hard for them and I want them to work hard for me."



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The Rochelle fresh-soph football team cruised over the Spartans on Monday.

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### RTHS Boys Soccer

# Third in the Interstate 8

## Rochelle closes out season with 3-1 victory over Morris

BY RUSSELL HODGES  
SPORTS EDITOR

**ROCHELLE** — Senior members of the Rochelle Hub varsity soccer team wanted to make the most of their shortened spring season this year. That journey came to a conclusion Saturday, when Rochelle faced Morris for third place in the Interstate 8 Conference tournament.

After drawing the Redskins 0-0 earlier this season, Rochelle came out with more firepower during the rematch, scoring two second-half goals and holding off a late surge to defeat Morris 3-1 and take third in the conference tournament. The Hubs finished 6-5-1 overall for the year.

“I thought we did an excellent job today and I thought we executed our strategy that we worked on during practice,” senior Josh Hurtado said. “We communicated well and moved the ball around. We did a better job of finding the open spaces, which we struggled with earlier in the season... We all said before the season started that a shortened season was better than nothing, so we came out here and

the seniors wanted to make the most of this because it was going to be our last time playing here. I thought that we ended our season pretty well.”

The Hubs possessed the ball well during the first half, breaking the scoreless tie during the 13<sup>th</sup> minute on a free kick that senior Zane Walters booted through the Morris defensive wall. Although the Hubs led 1-0 at halftime, Rochelle was forced to retreat on multiple second-half possessions as the Redskins began working the ball around and putting several shots on goal.

Morris was unable to convert on its chances, however, allowing Rochelle to extend its lead during the 64<sup>th</sup> minute, when senior Juan Cincire rolled a right-footed pass to freshman Eli Luxton, who smashed the ball into the Redskin net to put Rochelle ahead 2-0. But Morris capitalized on a breakaway shortly after, scoring in the 69<sup>th</sup> minute to cut the Hub lead.

As the final minutes approached, Rochelle netted a much-needed insurance goal, with Luxton finding fellow freshman Diego



(PHOTO BY RUSSELL HODGES)

Senior Juan Cincire battles for the ball during the Rochelle Hub varsity soccer match against Morris on Saturday. Cincire had one assist in the victory.

Salazar in the 79<sup>th</sup> minute to effectively seal the Hub victory. The win provided a sense of closure for the Hubs, who lost in the third-place match last season.

“We definitely came out and passed the ball better than we did the first time we faced them,” Cincire said. “I’m really proud of how well we communicated and

this season definitely was a blast. We had so much fun and it’s sad that this was my last season, but it was awesome that we ended it with a win. We were

motivated to win and we didn’t want our season to end with a loss. We wanted that third-place finish and I thought we played an awesome match.”

### RTHS Volleyball

# Sandwich takes conference rematch with Rochelle

## Green, Hasz record double-doubles in 14-25, 25-21, 16-25 loss

BY RUSSELL HODGES  
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**ROCHELLE** — Lady Hub volleyball standouts Sylvia Hasz and Clare Green have been in unison throughout the season. Their combined efforts resulted in each of them netting double-doubles Monday evening, when Rochelle hosted an Interstate 8 Conference rematch with Sandwich.

Hasz and Green spearheaded the charge for the Lady Hubs, who split the first two sets with the Indians before conceding a late rally and ultimately falling 14-25, 25-21, 16-25. Green netted 26 assists and 10 digs for Rochelle (6-9), while Hasz scored 19 kills and added 17 digs in the loss.

“They play a lot of club volleyball and they always come to practice and matches ready to go,” head coach Molly Sly said. “They have a winning attitude and we saw a lot of that tonight. They play with their hearts on their sleeves and it was fun to see them working together so well.”

Rochelle defeated Sandwich earlier this season,

“We didn’t come ready to play today. Clare and Sylvia showed up and wanted it all three sets. Sandwich caught us on our heels unfortunately and we need to be on our toes.”

Molly Sly

but the Indians opened the match on Monday with the upper hand. While the Lady Hubs were within striking distance for most of the first set, Sandwich rallied off eight unanswered points with a 17-14 advantage to put Rochelle away and secure the 1-0 set lead. The Lady Hubs bounced back in the second set, opening on a 10-3 run behind several sets and kills from Green to Hasz. The rally forced Sandwich to call a timeout.

“We didn’t come ready to play today,” Sly said. “Clare and Sylvia showed up and wanted it all three sets. Sandwich caught us on our heels unfortunately and we need to be on our toes.”

Sandwich brought itself within two points, 15-13, before Hasz strung to-

gether four straight kills to extend Rochelle’s lead and hold the Indians off during the second set. The Lady Hubs played Sandwich to a 9-9 tie to start the third set, but three consecutive points from the Indians forced Rochelle to stop the match with a timeout. The unanswered points were the beginning of an 11-3 Sandwich run that ultimately proved too much for the Lady Hubs to overcome Monday.

“I felt that we couldn’t move on after we missed a point,” Sly said. “We were getting down on ourselves and we weren’t able to move on from the little mistakes. We’re hoping that our girls can learn from that. It’s not about what happened during the last point, it’s about what’s next.”



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Rochelle teammates Ella McKinney (left) and Afi Gati (center) block a kill shot during the Lady Hub varsity volleyball match against Sandwich on Monday.