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Lockard awarded

Worker named Pharmacy Technician of the Year

BY JENNIFER SIMMONS
MANAGING EDITOR

FOR more than 40 years, Tina Lockard has been an instrumental worker for one of Rochelle's pharmacies, providing care, support and concern for those in front of and behind the pharmacy counter.

On Friday, Lockard, known to many in the community for her personality and infectious smile, was recognized by the Illinois Pharmacists Association as the state's Pharmacy Technician of the Year. "Meeting her for the first time was unbelievable. Watching the fire and passion she brought to her work was like looking in a mirror," said



Tina Lockard

Rupesh Manek of Rochelle Pharmacy. "Working side-by-side [with Tina] for the past 20 years has been a privilege. Not only has she been my technician, she has grown to be my right hand, my trustworthy confidant."

Manek, who was instrumental in Lockard's nomination for the award, along with more than 90

letters of support from customers, speaks highly of her and her dedication to the profession.

"My growth could not have been possible without her by my side," Manek said. "My words may not ever be good enough to show her justice but I am honored by the opportunity to have her as my go-to girl."

Manek, along with several of Lockard's co-workers, surprised her this past summer at her and her husband Mike's home to tell her about her nomination for the award. During that visit, several coworkers read aloud letters of support that were included with her nomination.

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Covid increase in region leads to restrictions

Move impact bars, restaurants

ROCHELLE — Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker and state health officials announced Tuesday that Region 1 of the IDPH healthcare map, which includes Winnebago, Boone, Ogle, Stephenson and Lee counties, will see additional COVID-19 restrictions beginning Saturday, Oct. 3.

The new mitigations come after Region 1 saw a seven-day rolling average test positivity rate of 8 percent or higher for three consecutive days, which exceeds the threshold set for establishing mitigation measures under the state's Restore Illinois Resurgence Plan. The new mitigations do not currently apply to schools.

"The concerning uptick in Region 1's positivity — jumping more than two percentage points in two weeks even as the majority of Illinois continues to see downward trends — demands increased efforts to stop the spread in our northwestern counties," Pritzker said.

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October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Oct. 10, 2020 recognized as Domestic Abuse Awareness Day

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — Rochelle Mayor John Bearrows began Monday evening's City Council meeting with a series of proclamations recognizing the Rochelle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Rochelle Municipal Utilities and the Rochelle Fire Department.

Bearrows proclaimed October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Saturday, Oct. 10, 2020 as Domestic Abuse Awareness Day in the City of Rochelle. The Rochelle Daughters of the American Revolution, along with HOPE of Ogle County, will be hosting a socially-distanced program called "In Her Shoes" at the Creston Opera House on Oct. 10 at 1:30 p.m. The program will highlight the economic hardships experienced by victims of domestic violence.



(PHOTO BY RUSSELL HODGES)

Rochelle Mayor John Bearrows presents Lydia Roberts of the Rochelle Chapter DAR (left) with an official proclamation recognizing October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the Hub City.

"On average, nearly 20 people per minute are abused in the United States," Bearrows said. "One in seven women and one in 25 men have been injured by an intimate partner. On a typical day, there are more than 20,000 calls placed to domestic violence hotlines nationwide. Domestic victimization is correlated with

a higher rate of suicidal depression and behavior."

Bearrows also proclaimed the week of Oct. 4, 2020 as both Public Power Week and Fire Prevention Week in recognition of RMU and the Rochelle Fire Department. Lydia Roberts of the Rochelle Chapter DAR, Fire Chief Dave Sawlsville and RMU Superin-

"On average, nearly 20 people per minute are abused in the United States," Bearrows said. "One in seven women and one in 25 men have been injured by an intimate partner. On a typical day, there are more than 20,000 calls placed to domestic violence hotlines nationwide."

John Bearrows

tendent Adam Lanning were all present to receive the framed proclamations during Monday evening's meeting.

"In the financial justice version of 'In Her Shoes' that we will present, participants will have the opportunity to see how economic hardship significantly affects the person's ability to leave

an abusive relationship," Roberts said. "Residents in the greater Rochelle area are invited to participate and should plan to arrive anytime between 1:30 and 2:45 p.m. for the 30 to 45-minute scenario. Masks and hand sanitizer will be available to supplement social distancing."

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Above, City Manager Jeff Fiegenschuh (left) and Mayor John Bearrows (right) present Superintendent Adam Lanning with a framed proclamation deeming the week of Oct. 4 Public Power Week. At right, Bearrows presents Rochelle Fire Chief Dave Sawlsville with a signed proclamation deeming the week of Oct. 4 as Fire Prevention Week.



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AWARD: Lockard one of 38,000 nominations

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"It is overwhelming to think that so many people and customers took the time to write letters to the Illinois Pharmacists Association on my behalf for this award," Lockard said. "I would like to thank Rupesh Manek for nominating me for this award. I would also like to thank Rupesh and Simple for the past 20 years working together."

Lockard began a job in 1979 while in high school at what was once known in Rochelle as Barkers Rexall Drugs with Jerry Bumphrey. Forty-one years later, Lockard is still a part of the Rochelle staple.

"This pharmacy has given me the opportunity to work with my sons, Eric and Boone, and help our customers and their families," Lockard said of her 40-plus-year long career at the pharmacy. "In a small town, you really get to know and appreciate the people that come through the doors. The many lifelong friendships I have made is what kept me working here all these years."

Having worked for more than 40 years at the pharmacy, Lockard has also seen many changes, mostly in effects on customers.

"The prices of medication have skyrocketed and insurance companies pay less," she said. "Being a small, independent pharmacy, we take the time to try and save our customers money on their scripts."

Lockard's nomination was one of 38,000 for the Illinois Pharmacy Technician of the Year Award. Garth Reynolds, executive director for the Illinois Pharmacy Association, presented Lockard with her award.

"I want to say congratulations on being the

2020 Pharmacy Technician of the Year," Reynolds said. "In outstanding contributions not only to pharmacy practice and profession and the Illinois Pharmacist's Association, thank you for being a trusted steward of the profession and helping patients all these years. And I congratulate you on winning this year's award."

Lockard's nomination for the Illinois Pharmacists Association Pharmacy Technician of the Year Award reads:

[She] Started over 40 years ago at the Rochelle Pharmacy when she was still a teenager in high school. While many technicians move on, our recipient has stayed committed to her pharmacy and her community.

From cleaning the shelves to managing daily operations she has set and exceeds standards, always performing above and beyond expectation without question or hesitation. She has been an exemplary leader, managing multiple responsibilities including all pharmacy technician duties and front-end management. Her role in the pharmacy goes far beyond the title on her nametag.

On top of having the opportunity to mold and shape her own boys, she became the official/unofficial mom to every kid she hired. She trains her technicians to work with diligence and common sense. They follow her example both within the pharmacy and their own personal lives. As time goes by it becomes easy to spot the technicians she has impacted – shaping them to take on the challenges with enough confidence to exceed their own expectations.

Her hard work and dependability brings her community something special to look forward to when entering the pharmacy. Her smiling face,



signature laugh and loyalty to Rochelle Pharmacy extends to the community she serves.

One patient notes that when he and his wife go on vacation every year in August, our recipient is instrumental in making sure they have all the medications needed for travel.

Her determination that there is a solution for every problem has helped build Rochelle Pharmacy's loyal customer base. She takes the time to make sure every patient is well served and confident when they leave the pharmacy doors.

Additionally, she has developed a positive working collaboration with healthcare providers in the area.

Even Mayor Bearrows noted that for our recipient, her position is not just a job but truly the implementation of her path in life which she dearly loves.

She is so known for her personality and smiles that are infectious to those around her.

CITY: Lee/Ogle Enterprise Zone amended

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Roberts said there is no charge for the event, but donations of small denomination and local gift cards valued from \$10 to \$20 for the benefit of HOPE of Ogle County would be welcomed.

Action Items

Rochelle City Council members authorized an ordinance amending the Lee/Ogle Enterprise

Zone to now include Franklin Grove. Originally approved in 2015 by the mayor and city council, the zone includes Rochelle, Dixon, Ogle County and Lee County. The zone was initially established to promote economic growth, reduce unemployment and encourage expansion, rehabilitation and new construction of structures within the zone over a 15-year

period.

City Council members also approved a change order from Whitaker Construction & Excavating amounting \$73,679.46 for road work and additional small items at the city's water reclamation facility. The facility is currently undergoing a \$7 million upgrade, but unexpected problems were encountered during construction, leading

council members to approve the change order.

An additional change order from WEG Transformers amounting \$22,063 for monitoring equipment for the three transformers at the Prologis Park Substation was approved Monday. Soon after, council members approved a bid from Bruns Construction amounting \$48,500 for floor grating work at the city's water reclamation facility.

City Council members voted to execute a five-year dark fiber license agreement with

Zayo Group LLC to provide services from the Tech Center to Walmart in Rochelle. The contract will provide \$4,500 to the city per year, amounting to \$22,500 over all five years.

The final resolution approved by council members Monday evening was a purchase and sale agreement with 1600 Ritchie Court LLC amounting \$261,359.71 for 6 acres of land located at the intersection of Ritchie Road and Ritchie Court. The lot is zoned for industrial

use in the I-2 General Industrial Zoning District.

Halloween

City officials established Trick-or-Treating hours for Saturday, Oct. 31 from 5-8 p.m. Rochelle residents will also have the ability to trick-or-treat through downtown Rochelle on Thursday, Oct. 29 from 4-6 p.m. 102.3 The Coyote will host a trick-or-treat safe house at the Comfort Inn & Suites on Thursday, Oct. 29 from 5-7 p.m. with a drive-thru event through the hotel's parking lot.

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Best Wishes Linda!

LOCAL NEWS



(PHOTO BY JENNIFER SIMMONS)

St. Paul Lutheran School Principal Steve Hall talks with first and eighth grade students Friday morning at Atwood Park prior to the start of the school's Fun Run event. Students from the school participated in the annual fundraiser by walking or running laps around the park. Students raised funds through pledges for the event.

On a crusade for fun

St. Paul Lutheran School student fundraiser
Fun Run held at Atwood Park

BY JENNIFER SIMMONS
MANAGING EDITOR

St. Paul Lutheran School's sixth annual Fun Run was a little bit different on Friday than in years past.

The event held at Atwood Park throughout the day usually includes a variety of activities including a bouncy house, relays and more hands-on activity stations; however, with social distancing protocols in effect this year, the event was strictly a 'fun run'.

A fundraiser for the Lutheran school, first

through eighth grade students enjoyed some time out of the classroom by running laps around the park.

"We simplified it this year," principal Steve Hall said. "They got pledges, they walk or jog for 30 minutes. We'll still probably raise about the same amount of funds."

Funds earned through previous years' fun runs have been used to purchase new science curriculum, Chromebooks and general school improvements.

"St. Paul is like a mighty-might...I come from big Lutheran

schools, this is my 36th year... the other schools I was at were double, not quite double the size enrollment-wise and congregations were bigger, which a lot of the support for the school comes from the congregation... Coming here, St. Paul accomplishes almost the same things with half the resources. It's pretty impressive," Hall said.

Students participated in groups on Friday, coming to Atwood Park by classes such as first graders with eighth graders who acted as 'buddies' for the younger students as they all completed laps

around the park.

"This year we had to change things up a bit to adhere to social distancing guidelines and change our Fun Run to a Walk A Thon; which eliminated our traditional obstacle course and team building activities. Our students still worked hard to raise funds and reach their class goals," St. Paul PTL member Jennifer Heal said. The weather for the day was beautiful and with the support of many parents, family members, staff and friends we were able to surpass our anticipated goal of \$4,000. We are still calculating figures, but we are very grateful for the support and donations we have received thus far."

Food Truck Fair Saturday

Event supports C.A.N. children's shopping trip

BY RUSSELL HODGES
SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Community Action Network (C.A.N.) will host its annual Food Truck Fair on Saturday, Oct. 3 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.

The Food Truck Fair will be a grab-and-go event this year due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Three food trucks will be present including Ralfie's BBQ, Tacos al Pastor #1 and Big D's Hot Dogs. Each vendor will donate \$100 to C.A.N. to support 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. Normally, the Lee Ogle Transportation System shuttles the

shoppers from First Presbyterian Church to the Rochelle Walmart, with each shopping pair receiving gift cards and a list of items.

Each child also typically receives one toy, with many additional toys being donated through the Hub City Cruisers. Pease said the event will be run differently this year due to COVID-19, with children and parents meeting C.A.N. members at Walmart before entering the store.

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 Rochelle 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 safe way for people to get out of the house and grab a 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."

PLAN: Restrictions go into place Saturday for Region 1

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"As other regions have demonstrated, stricter mitigations will lead to safer communities when people mask up, keep their distance, wash their hands and respect public health. It is my hope that the residents of Region 1 can turn this situation around quickly," Pritzker added.

Region 1's positivity rate will be tracked by the IDPH to determine if and when restrictions can be relaxed or if additional restrictions are required. Region 1 can return to Phase 4 guidelines under the Restore Illinois Plan if the positivity rate averages less than or equal to 6.5 percent for three consecutive days.

If the positivity rate averages between 6.5 and 8 percent, the new restrictions will remain unchanged. More restrictions can be applied if the positivity rate averages more than or equal to 8 percent after 14 days.

The COVID-19 restrictions taking effect on Oct. 3 for bars include no indoor service, no standing or dancing indoors, no seating of multiple parties at one table and no standing or congregating indoors or outdoors while waiting for a table or exiting. All outside bar service must close at 11 p.m. and all bar patrons should be seated at tables outside. Tables should be 6 feet apart and reservations will be required for each party.

The COVID-19 restrictions taking effect on Oct. 3 for restaurants include no indoor dining or bar service, no seating of multiple parties at one table and no standing or congregating indoors or outdoors while waiting for a table or exiting. All outdoor dining must close at 11 p.m. and outside dining tables should be 6 feet apart. Reservations will be required for each party.

The COVID-19 restrictions taking effect on Oct. 3 for meetings, social events and gatherings include limiting to lesser of 25 guests or 25 percent of overall room capacity and no party buses. Gaming and casinos must close at 11 p.m., be limited to 25 percent capacity and follow restrictions for bars and restaurants, if applicable.

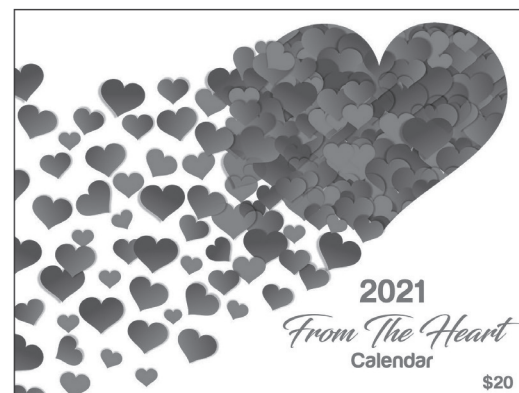


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LOCAL NEWS

Obituaries

Lowell Hatfield

ROCHELLE — Lowell Hatfield, 76, of Rochelle, passed away Saturday, Sept. 26, 2020 at the Serenity Hospice Home in Oregon. Lowell was born Nov. 28, 1943 in Ewing, Virginia, the son of Willis and Minnie (Ayers) Hatfield. He married Dianne Maronde on June 20, 1970 in Rochelle.



Lowell is survived by his wife, Dianne; two sons, Scott (Heather) Hatfield and Ryan (Molly) Hatfield; two grandsons, Caden and Luke Hatfield; six siblings, Lillian Eldridge, Arvil (Tina) Hatfield, Sue (Frank) Ramsey, Doug (Judy) Hatfield,

Gary (Elaine) Hatfield and Minnie Surber; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Lowell is preceded in death by five brothers, William, Grover, Ernest, Austin and Chester Hatfield.

A private family graveside service will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 30 at Lawnridge Cemetery in Rochelle with Chaplain Judy Williams officiating. The service will be live streamed on the Unger-Horner Funeral Home Facebook page.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Lowell's memory may be directed to the family.

Please visit www.unggerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

ROCHELLE — Dale R. Vogeler, 86, passed away peacefully Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020 at his home with family by his side.

Dale was born on July 25, 1934 to Jacob and Alice (Peterson) Vogeler in Rochelle. After graduating from Rochelle Township High School in 1953, Dale proudly served with the United States Army. On Feb. 4, 1956, he married his high school sweetheart, Constance "Connie" J. Busse, in Esmond.

Over the years, Dale had many jobs in the Rochelle area. He worked as a service manager for Manning Ford, truck driver for Swift Meat Packing and Township Supervisor for several years. In 1974, he and Connie bought Hub City Furniture and eventually added Radio Shack into the back of the store. During this time, Dale was elected mayor of Rochelle and served from 1983 to 1987. Following his mayoral term, selling the furni-

ture store and moving Radio Shack out of the store, he became the branch manager of the First Federal Savings and Loan in Rochelle, which eventually became Associated Bank, until his retirement.

Dale had a huge heart not only for his family but for anyone that crossed his doorstep. Everyone was always greeted with a hug and a kiss and an "I love you" when they left. Some of his most treasured time was spent out by the pool enjoying his kids (and their wives), grandkids and most recently his great-grandchildren.

Dale enjoyed many activities over the years, from boating and snowmobiling to his favorite, fishing, and building incredibly detailed and time consuming, large model scale airplanes.

Throughout their marriage, he and Connie went on many trips with their dear friends,

Alice and Melvin Reed and Jack and Lois Graf. He also relished all the years of friendship with his long-time friend, Marion Mann.

In addition to his parents, Dale is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Connie, on Dec. 22, 2011; two infant children, Denise and Jeffery; and four sisters, Doris Pickreign, Barb Ebens, Marilyn Adams and Emogene Jaeger.

Dale is survived by his three boys, Gary Vogeler of Esmond, Jim (Dianne) Vogeler of Rochelle and Michael (Annette) Vogeler of Oregon; his brother, Don (Tootie) Vogeler of Rochelle; brother-in-law, DeWayne Adams of Davis Junction; 13 grandchildren, Michelle (Travis) Petersen, Scott Vogeler, Jacob (Kendall) Vogeler, Nathan (Carly) Vogeler, Blake (Carmen) Vogeler, Mallory Vogeler, Nadia (Zach) Dorrel, Darah (Kyle) Bridgeman, Erick

Vogeler, Tyler Vogeler, Wade Vogeler, Eli Vogeler, Sarah Vogeler; 10 great-grandchildren, Chloe and Ava Petersen, Jack, Ava and Alexis, Henry and Theodore, Bo and Briggs, Jamie and three more on the way; many nieces and nephews; and his favorite four-legged friend, Simy.

A private funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 2 at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home with Pastor Bobby Gardner officiating. The service will be live streamed on the Unger-Horner Funeral Home Facebook page. Burial will follow the service at the Lawnridge Cemetery in Rochelle with military honors provided by the Eastern Lee/Ogle Honor Guard.

Memorials may be made in Dale's memory to Community Action Network or 7 C's of Living Water Community Church, a free clothes closet for those in the Rochelle area.

Dale Vogeler



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ROCHELLE — Beatrice L. Zuercher, 92, of Rochelle, formerly of Creston, passed away Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020 at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born Sept. 15, 1928 in Newberry, Michigan, the daughter of James and Lela (Pickreign) Sanders. She married Franklin E. Zuercher on Dec.

30, 1946 in Rochelle. He preceded her in death on Sept. 26, 1999.

Beatrice worked at Caron International for over 30 years before retiring in 1993. She was a member of the United Methodist Church of Creston.

Beatrice is survived by one son, William

(Terri) Zuercher of Rochelle; six daughters, Juanita Hughes of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Nancy (Bert) Entwistle of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Peggy Howe of Rochelle, Penny

Zuercher of Rochelle, Tina (Randy) Brantley of Rochelle, and Nadine (Geofrey) Dorwaldt of Rochelle; 25 grandchildren; 48

great-grandchildren; and five great-great grandchildren.

A private family graveside service will be held on Thursday, Oct. 1 at Trinity Memory Gardens with Chaplain Judy Williams officiating. The service will be live streamed on the Unger Horner Funeral Home Facebook page.

Please visit www.unggerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

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Bradley Young

ROCHELLE — Bradley John Young, 52, suddenly passed away at his home Sept. 27, 2020. Brad was born July 14, 1968 in Rochelle to Bob and Shirley (Stein) Young.

Brad graduated from Rochelle Township High School in 1986 and immediately enlisted in the Navy. He was a machinist mate and, after suffering a terrible accident aboard his ship, was honorably discharged in 1991.

During his high school years, he was on the track team. After school, he would help his dad and older brother with the family printing business.

Brad held a variety of jobs through the years, most notably as a roofer and handyman. He took pride in his work and was always eager to help when asked.

Brad is survived by

two children, Eric Robert and Noah Andrew; Tyler Ewald, who was like a son to him; four siblings, Cheryl (Alan) Alliston, Lori (Ron) Peterson, Greg (Susan) Young and Jeff (Joe) Young; nieces and nephews, Quinn Peterson, Cody Peterson, Katelynn (Charlie) Crum, Kersta (Adam) Baker, Teigan Young and MeLisa Young.

Brad is preceded in death by his parents.

Cremation care has been provided by the Unger-Horner Funeral Home. A private family memorial service will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 11 at the First Presbyterian Church of Rochelle with Pastor Cary Winn officiating.

Memorials may be made to Cheryl Alliston and mailed to Unger-Horner Funeral Home, c/o Cheryl Alliston, P.O. Box 87, Rochelle, IL 61068 for the benefit of Brad's family.

Please visit www.unggerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

Marion Rittmeyer

ROCHELLE — Marion Rittmeyer, 97, died on Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2020 at her home with her family at her side.

Services are pending with Unger Horner Funeral Home, 400 N. Sixth St., Rochelle.

Visit www.UngerHorner.com.

LOCAL NEWS

County deputies arrest man after responding to disturbance at residence in Holcomb

On Sept. 22, Ogle County Sheriff's deputies arrested Aaron Harvey, 30, of Holcomb, for disorderly conduct. Harvey was arrested after a disturbance at a residence in Holcomb. Harvey was held in lieu of bond at the Ogle County Jail.



On Sept. 22, Ogle County Sheriff's deputies arrested Kenny Wollitz, 35, of Rockford, for driving while license revoked. Wollitz was arrested by Ogle County Sheriff's deputies on Illinois Route 251 near Davis Junction after being stopped for speeding. Wollitz was also arrested for two outstanding Rockford warrants. Wollitz was held in lieu of bond at the Ogle County Jail.

Sept. 23

On Sept. 23 at approximately 10:20 p.m., deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 7000 block of North Illinois Route 2. After investigation, deputies arrested Ramon Woodson, 26, of Chicago, for driving while license suspended. Woodson was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was released to correctional staff and held in lieu of bond.

On Sept. 23 at approximately 9:34 a.m., Ogle County Sheriff's deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 7000 block of South Ridge Road. After investigation, deputies

issued Christopher Ireland, 47, of Bettendorf, Iowa, an I-Bond for driving while license suspended. Ireland was additionally issued a citation for operating an uninsured vehicle.

On Sept. 23 at approximately 10:20 p.m., deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 7000 block of North Illinois Route 2. After investigation, deputies arrested Martavius Woodson, 28, of Chicago, for driving while license suspended. Woodson was also taken into custody for having an active Cook County warrant. Woodson was issued citations for operating an uninsured motor vehicle and two equipment violations. Woodson was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was released to correctional staff and held in lieu of bond.

On Sept. 23 at 5:11 p.m., deputies responded to Hogan road and Rocky Hollow road for a report of an overturned semi truck and trailer hauling corn. It was determined that a 2018 Freightliner driven by James T. Rife, 73, of Rockford, was traveling north on Rocky Hollow Road from Hogan Road, when he went off the east side of the road causing the tractor trailer to roll over onto the roof. Rife was extricated by Oregon Fire and transported to a Rockford Hospital by Oregon Ambulance for

injuries sustained in the crash. Deputies were assisted on scene by the Illinois State Police. The crash remains under investigation.

Sept. 24

On Sept. 24 at 7:47 p.m. deputies stopped a 2011 gray Nissan truck on Interstate 88 at mile marker 76 for speeding. After a short investigation deputies arrested Kenneth Tautkus, 39, of Sugar Grove, for unlawful possession of cannabis (30-100 grams) and unlawful possession of cannabis in a vehicle. Tautkus was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Sept. 25

On Sept. 25, Rebekah Parker, 36, of Rockford, was arrested for failure to appear warrant. Parker had a bond of \$1,493.42. Parker went to court and received a \$1,000 recognizance bond. Parker will return to court on Oct. 26 at 9 a.m. Parker was released from the Ogle County Jail.

On Sept. 25 at 1:48 a.m., Ogle County Sheriff's deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 6000 block of North Illinois Route 251 for a traffic violation. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested Joseph D. Walker, 27, of Rockford, for driving under the influence of alcohol. Walker was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was released to correctional staff and held

in lieu of bond.

On Sept. 25, William Hagemann was taken into custody on an outstanding Ogle County warrant for contempt in Civil Court with a bond of \$345. Hagemann was transported to the Ogle County Jail and released to the correctional staff.

Sept. 26

On Sept. 26 at approximately 7:33 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's deputies responded to a noise complaint at Sledgehammers Bar, 1450 N. Illinois Route 2, Oregon. After a brief investigation, Ogle County Sheriff's deputies arrest-

ed bar owner Jason Stombaugh for disorderly conduct. Stombaugh was released on an I-Bond and will appear in court at a later date.

Sept. 27

On Sept. 27 at approximately 12:23 a.m., Ogle County Sheriff's deputies conducted a traffic stop at East Illinois Route 72 at Kishwaukee Road. After a brief investigation, Ogle County Sheriff's deputies arrested Justin M. Gates, 25, of Kingston, for DUI-Alcohol. Gates was also cited for improper traffic lane usage. Gates was transported to the

Ogle County Jail where he was released to the correctional staff and held in lieu of bond.

Sept. 28

On Sept. 28, Ogle County Sheriff's deputies conducted a traffic stop on in the 1300 block of Pines Road after learning the vehicle was possibly involved in domestic dispute.

After investigation, deputies placed Robert Coldren, 34, of Polo, under arrest for driving while license revoked. Coldren was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

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LOCAL VIEWS

Guest column

Hard to trust Illinois politicians who won't trust voters with the truth

“PEOPLE who fail to regard the truth seriously in small matters, cannot be trusted in matters that are great.” *Excerpt from Albert Einstein's last statement, April 1955*

A decade before Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker was born, Albert Einstein already had Springfield's number. If lawmakers fail to be honest with the details, then how can they be trusted with the big picture?

Sept. 24 is the start of when voters need to remember that: Early voting begins, and through Nov. 3 voters for the first time in 40 years get a say on whether state lawmakers should be told “no” to greater taxing powers.

When voters see the ballot question, they will see it coupled to what some will construe as an inaccuracy, others as a lie. In any case, the drafters may have violated the Illinois Constitution's “free and equal” elections clause because they biased the ballot description of the amendment, which is meant to be accurate and neutral.

The description reads: “The proposed amendment grants the State authority to impose higher income tax rates on higher income levels ...”

That's wrong. There is nothing in the amendment that limits state lawmakers to soaking the rich. What the amendment does is eliminate the protection built in to the 1970 Illinois Constitution that guarantees everyone will be taxed at the same rate. Unsurprisingly, this misleading

ballot language was passed on a party line vote in the Illinois Senate.

The amendment would let state lawmakers with a simple majority vote target any group of taxpayers they wish either up or down the income ladder. Any time they need more money, they can decide to roll another income group into a higher tax bracket.

They already passed a bill setting initial progressive tax rates: Those earning over \$250,000 would see a tax hike Jan. 1; those at the low end would get a break that barely buys a fast food meal, while still paying \$1,800 in state and local taxes. Nothing stops lawmakers from changing the rates the day after the Nov. 3 election.

Public pension costs going up? Lower the bracket to \$200,000, then \$180,000, then eventually to the group with the greatest revenue potential: the middle class, as happened in the last state to impose a progressive tax.

Or, go after retirees by charging their income at a lower rate. Illinois currently spares retirees from state income taxes. But of all 32 states with progressive tax systems, all 32 tax retirement income in some form.

Any time state lawmakers want to spend money, they can split off a group large enough to create the revenue they want but small enough that few of those lawmakers will pay the political price for raising taxes.

That political cost for raising taxes is exactly why the constitution's authors created a flat tax protection. When state lawmakers last raised the state income tax rate

to 4.95 percent in 2017, there was a wave of turnover in Springfield. About 30 percent of the lawmakers from the 100th Illinois General Assembly were gone after the hike passed as a result of quitting or being forcibly retired by voters.

Remove that protection, and voters are left trusting the same group of politicians who gave Illinois the nation's second-worst finances,

20 years of deficit budgets, \$241 billion in pension debt and five key supporters of this amendment convicted, indicted or under investigation for corruption.

Voters are also left with a \$3.7 billion tax hike without the promised property tax relief, pushed by a governor who tried to dodge \$331,000 of his own property taxes, and who doesn't trust voters with a clean, unbiased de-

scription on the ballot.

Pritzker wants unfettered taxing authority so badly that he's spent \$56.5 million of his own money trying to convince voters his is the “fair tax.” Even his branding of the scheme is a misnomer: There's nothing fairer than Illinois' current system that treats everyone the same by taxing them at the same, flat rate.

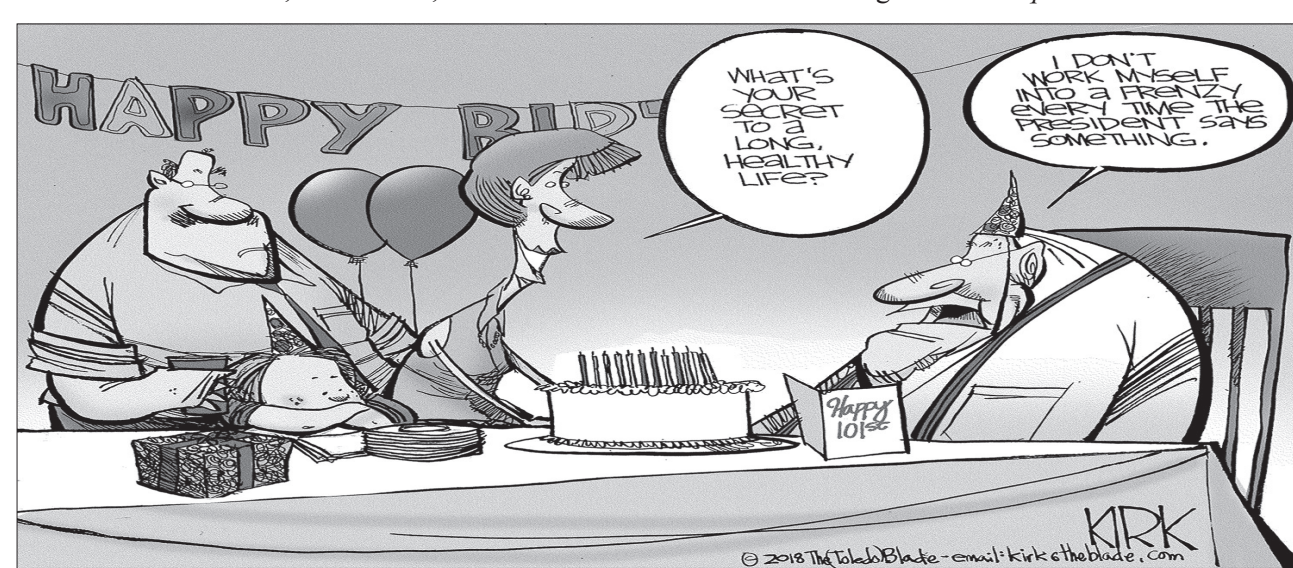
In small matters, in matters that are great:

Truth matters. Pritzker and Co. are not serious about truth in taxation, and voters should say “no” to trusting them and their progressive tax.

Brad Weisenstein is editor at the Illinois Policy Institute. Before that he spent more than 30 years as an editor at his hometown newspaper. Brad wrote this column for The Center Square.



Brad Weisenstein



VOICE ON THE STREET

Question:

The first presidential debate was scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 29. Will you be watching the debate between candidates president Donald Trump and Joe Biden?

“The debates have changed. It is attack and attack versus blame and not about how they want to do policies and government. Not sure I have the stomach to even watch.”

Leah Vanstone

“Absolutely. We have a group of friends who gathers together to watch.”

Ann Andersen

“Sure will be!”

Amy Cragin

“Yes.”

Bill Tracey

“Absolutely.”

Heath Daniel Raley

“No.”

Pat Estes

“I'll watch just to see Biden's incredible mental power...but seriously...just want to watch him melt down.”

David Reish

“Nope! Media already told me who won. He just has to stay awake.”

Bill Hackett



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COMMUNITY



Meet and greet

Dani Brzozowski, candidate for Congress for the 16th Congressional District, met with Rochelle area residents at Skare Park on Sunday. Brzozowski, a Democrat from LaSalle County, has been having meet and greets at public parks within the 16th District. She is challenging incumbent Adam Kinzinger for the House seat. Social distancing was observed during the meet and greet.

The Kitchen Table menu

Sept. 29 (Tuesday) Balsamic pork with roasted carrots and potatoes, green bean and dinner rolls	bread
Oct. 1 (Thursday) Smoked sausage with green peppers, onions, potatoes and peas	Oct. 22 (Thursday) Pork chops, mac 'n cheese, peas, bread
Oct. 4 (Sunday Brunch) Sausage gravy and biscuits, sausage and egg casserole, pancake	Oct. 27 (Tuesday) Shrimp and grits, fried okra, salad (vinaigrette)
Oct. 6 (Tuesday) KT Bowls – Mashed potatoes, chicken gravy, corn, cheddar cheese, fried chicken nuggets	Oct. 29 (Thursday) Chili – traditional or white chicken chili - cornbread
Oct. 8 (Thursday) Chicken bacon ranch kabobs, salad, Alfredo pasta	*The Kitchen Table is located at 7034 S. Klondike Road, Rochelle. The suggested donation is \$5 unless otherwise stated. A kid's menu is available each serving date and includes peanut butter and jelly, corn dog with chips or chicken nuggets. Please note that all menus are subject to change. Serving is from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Sunday brunch is served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The menu is always available on the answering machine by calling 815-561-9074 or visit www.KitchenTableRochelle.org .
Oct. 13 (Tuesday) Meatloaf, green beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, bread	
Oct. 15 (Thursday) Steak bowl, red beans and white rice, plantains, French bread	
Oct. 16 (Friday) To Be Determined	
Oct. 20 (Tuesday) Crab cakes, steamed veggies, garlic	

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sept. 29 Josh Walker	Oct. 9 John Oleson	Kayleigh White
Oct. 2 Noah Owens Sammy Lopez Mason Bolhous	Oct. 14 Samantha Zellers	Oct. 24 Brittany Brown
Oct. 3 Valerie Aleman	Oct. 15 Rivers Estock	Oct. 25 Bianca Herrera
Oct. 5 Gabe Zellers	Oct. 17 Kati Johnson	Oct. 28 Stephanie Wiginton
Oct. 8 Jose Avila	Oct. 20 Preston King	Bryce Weems
	Oct. 22 Veda Lopez	Oct. 30 Jack Powell
		Oct. 31 Angel Weyhrauch



FROM THE HEART DAILY CASH WINNERS

Sept. 7 - Sunshine Bakery, Rochelle, \$1,000

Sept. 8 - Gabe Garcia, Chana, \$25

Sept. 9 - Carol Koch, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 10 - Sandra Chasm, Oregon, \$25

Sept. 11 - Ron Schabacker, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 12 - Jackie Cutts, DeKalb, \$25

Sept. 13 - Linda Sanderson, Creston, \$50

Sept. 14 - Joe & Norma Thiele, \$25

Sept. 15 - From the Heart Auction, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 16 - Jimmy Gilbert, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 17 - David Sprung, LaMoille, \$25

Sept. 18 - Bobby Clausen, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 19 - Monty Enoch, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 20 - Roger & Jan Hoyle, Dixon, \$50

Sept. 21 - From the Heart auction, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 22 - Cheri Divine, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 23 - Sheri Klindera, Rochelle, \$25

Sept. 24 - Robert Bryant, Earlville, \$25

Sept. 25 - Teresa Probasco, Stillman Valley, \$25

Sept. 26 - Jennifer Diehl, Oregon, \$25

Sept. 27 - Gerri Arntzen, Amboy, \$50

Sept. 28 - Jackie McConnell, Beloit, WI, \$25

Sept. 29 - Kathleen Wayman, Oregon, \$25

Checks to winners will be mailed out at the end of each month



Coffee Break

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Former fresh-men

6 Squid squirt

9 Doctrine

12 Construction piece

13 Cattle call

14 IRS employee

15 1492 ship

16 SAT takers' equipment

18 Pet rodent, often

20 Warmth

21 Second person

23 More, to Manuel

24 Portion of a repair bill

25 Great Lake

27 Amulet

29 "Where the Wild Things Are" author

31 "Nighthawks" painter

35 Edition

37 Genesis maker

38 Sings like Ella

41 Apprehend

43 Promptly

44 Sea eagle

45 Downy ducks

47 Necklace ornament

49 "Psycho" star

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

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44 45 46

47 48 49 50 51

52 53 54

55 56 57

52 Commotion

53 Tall tale

54 Rod of tennis lore

55 Actress Myrna

56 Toss in

57 Tools for duels

6 Mischievous

7 Yule refrain

8 "— -Tiki"

9 Less friendly

10 Pie-in-the-face sound

11 Sail supports

17 Winners

19 Supports

21 "Certainly"

22 Mined find

24 Expert

26 Rewrote, maybe

28 Winning

30 Fool

32 Musingly

33 Swelled head

34 Uncooked

36 One

38 Calyx component

39 Guiding principle

40 Bother

42 Ball VIP

45 Oklahoma city

46 Harvest

48 Carte lead-in

50 "Golly!"

51 Storefront sign abbr.

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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 D

CX PRRMLHPCM EMPT PVXSC P RXY
FPTLMGC, VSRV ZTXYMTG ZPLM P
GCPCM-XE-CFM-XIHXI PJJTMGG.

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Answers

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CryptoQuip

state-of-the-art address.

harvest; bulb growers gave a

To alleviate fear about a low

answer

STATE NEWS

E-Check payment processor fee waived through end of year

Renew online now and avoid facility lines

SPRINGFIELD — Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White and Treasurer Michael Frerichs have successfully partnered with National Cash Register (NCR)—the Treasurer’s approved payment processor company—to remove the e-check payment processing fee through the year 2020. This is part of an ongoing effort by White to encourage online transactions with the Secretary of State’s office at www.cyberdriveillinois.com.

“Don’t wait, renew online by e-check,” said White. “By renewing your vehicle registration or obtaining a duplicate driver’s license or ID card online by e-check through December 31, you won’t have to visit a Driver Services facility and wait in line. This will save you money and time. I commend Treasurer Frerichs for his efforts in working with NCR to make this happen.”

Since the payment processor fees were first waived on May 5, the number of transactions conducted online and paid with e-checks have nearly tripled compared to the same time frame in 2019.

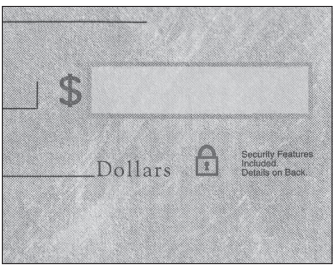
TIME FRAME	E-CHECK TRANSACTIONS
May 5-Aug. 31, 2020	257,940
May 5-Aug. 31, 2019	91,618

This e-check payment processor fee will be waived for the following online services:
renewing a vehicle registration;
obtaining a duplicate driver’s license or ID card;
and
renewing a driver’s license with the Safe Driver Renewal program.

“We are pleased to work with Secretary White and NCR to continue waiving the processing fee for e-checks,” Frerichs said. “We hope this encourages more people to consider online transactions through the Secretary of State’s website while we follow the social distancing guidance from state and federal health officials during this pandemic.”

Paying with an e-check is simple. Customers visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com to begin their transaction. Then they are automatically connected to NCR where they provide their routing number and bank account number on the secure payment page. After the transaction is completed and the e-check is verified, the Secretary of State’s office will begin the process of mailing the vehicle registration sticker or DL/ID card.

Even though White extended expiration dates until Feb 1, 2021, for driver’s licenses and ID cards, he strongly encourages customers to renew online if they are able to do so. Vehicle sticker renewals remain extended until Nov. 1, 2020.



State Senate GOP outlines ethics package

Measures aim to enhance enforcement of existing laws, ensure lawmakers work ‘in public interest’

BY JERRY NOWICKI

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SPRINGFIELD — Illinois Senate Republicans unveiled a package of ethics proposals Thursday which they say is targeted to stop the type of corruption that has led to the indictment of four legislative Democrats in recent months.

“Today we’re introducing a legislative package that targets corruption by focusing on two distinct areas: enhancing the state’s ability to enforce the laws we already have on the books; and ensuring that legislators are serving the public interest,” state Sen. John Curran, R-Downers Grove, said during a virtual news conference.

To enhance the ability to enforce laws, Republicans are backing bills to: allow the state attorney general to impanel a statewide grand jury to investigate, indict and prosecute bribery and misconduct by members of the General Assembly; provide state’s attorneys with wiretap authority; and grant the legislative inspector general the ability to investigate members of the General Assembly without first receiving approval from the Legislative Ethics Commission, while changing the composition of the commission to make its members part of the general public, rather than legislators.

Curran said inaction on corruption in Illinois breeds distrust in the system as headlines of indictments continue to mount.

Four Democrats from the General Assembly have been indicted since the start of 2019, including former Sens. Martin Sandoval of Chicago and Terry Link of Indian Creek, as well as former Rep. Luis Arroyo of Chicago. While the charges against Sandoval and Arroyo relate to their official business as lawmakers, Link’s does not, as he pleaded guilty to a tax evasion charge related to underreporting income.

State Sen. Tom Cullerton, D-Villa Park, was indicted on ghost payroll charges but has pleaded not guilty and continues to serve.

Meanwhile, Commonwealth Edison, the state’s largest utility, admitted to corruptly seeking influence in the General Assembly and agreed to pay a \$200 million fine. In the court document known as a Deferred Prosecution



State Sen. Jil Tracy, R-Quincy, speaks at a virtual news conference to unveil a package of ethics proposals Thursday. (Credit: BLueroom-stream.com)

Agreement, in which ComEd made the admission, it was also noted that one of the main officials they sought to influence was House Speaker Michael Madigan, a Chicago Democrat.

While Madigan has denied any wrongdoing and has not been charged, ComEd claimed in the court document that it handed out jobs and contracts to close Madigan associates in an effort to curry his favor for legislation that benefitted the company.

Sen. Jil Tracy, R-Quincy, said it’s “understandable that people are skeptical of their government” given the recent headlines, which is why lawmakers are also taking aim at bills to ensure lawmakers “are working in the public interest.”

Other proposals

Other proposed measures would ban legislators from lobbying other branches of state government or units of local government for compensation — an activity that would have prevented Arroyo from receiving payment for lobbying the city of Chicago while he was a sitting legislator.

“This would stop a legislator from being able to leverage his or her position as an elected official at one level of government to influence action at another level for his or her financial benefit,” Tracy said.

Another bill backed by the GOP senators creates a revolving door prohibition preventing lawmakers from becoming lobbyists for one year after leaving office, or until the end of the current term.

Other proposed measures prohibit

a legislator from leaving office and continuing to use their campaign fund to support lobbying activities and require further reporting on statements of economic interests to enhance the disclosure of potential conflicts of interest.

The GOP senators faced questioning as to whether they would be able to work with Democrats, and they noted similarities in ethics proposals backed by the majority party.

On Aug. 13, the same day news broke that Link was indicted, General Assembly Democrats hosted a virtual news conference to unveil reforms calling for similar lobbying restrictions for current and retiring lawmakers.

On Thursday, John Patterson, a spokesman for Senate President Don Harmon, D-Oak Park, issued a statement saying, “They’ve got some interesting ideas. We look forward to them working with us to pass and enact meaningful ethics reform for the people of Illinois.”

Sen. Dale Righter, R-Mattoon, said he believes Democrats will be receptive because many of them are fed up as well.

“The supermajority is filled with good people who, I’m sure, the overwhelming majority of them are just as embarrassed by what they hear and read and see going on with their colleagues as we all are,” Righter said. “The question is whether or not we can help pull them away from a system that has developed ... of systemic corruption, to pull them away from that. And the best way to do that is for us to jointly, on a bipartisan basis, embrace these proposals.”

Sen. Dan McConchie, R-Hawthorn Woods, said the narrow focus of the bills introduced Thursday was intentional.

“This entire package is focusing on us cleaning up our own house,” he said of the General Assembly. “We believe that there are plenty of members on the other side of the aisle that want to do that.”

As to whether the measures will be heard in the fall veto session, which is scheduled Nov. 17-19 and Dec. 1-3, Righter said “that’s completely up to the Democrats.” Harmon’s spokesperson did not indicate whether the measures would be considered in the veto session.

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This Gen Z woman is the right teacher at the right time

Sidney Lippens is a member of Generation Z and that moniker gives her an edge, making her a teacher for our times. Gen Z kids were born from the mid-1990's through the late 2000's with the world at their fingertips, digitally speaking.

Lippens is tech savvy and eager to learn. "There really isn't anything you can't learn how to do if you look for a YouTube video," she said while taking a break from lesson planning. "I am renovating a house," explaining that she refreshed her kitchen with a countertop marbling process she found on the

online public communications site.

The home on which she is currently working is her second. Her first was purchased while she was still in college. Does she see herself hosting a home improvement show during summers when not teaching? "That would be an absolute dream!" She admitted.

Lippens graduated college in December of 2019 from the University of Dubuque with a degree in elementary education and endorsements in special education, reading, and coaching. She immediately landed a mathematics position in Wisconsin. "I taught January through March when pandemic shut schools down, and then taught from home," she said.

During the Shelter in Place order, Lippens interviewed with other school districts online. She was offered a position in a nearby district before she was recruited via Facetime by Principal Chris Lewis for the Instructional Reading Writing position she now holds.

"I hadn't met anyone from Rochelle Township High School in person until our very first day of school," she said. In fact, Sidney has only ever conducted online interviews. (Three on camera interviews resulting in 3 job offers bodes well for that HGTV home improvement show dream).

Lippens will also coach basketball for the Lady Hubs, once her conference rival. "I'm a Sterling girl and while I don't remember specifics about our games against the Lady Hubs, I do remember being impressed by the beautiful facilities here," she said.

Completing one last class towards her master's degree, familiarizing herself with the new Read/Write curriculum she is teaching and creating online videos for remote learners every night while renovating that house in Rock Falls keeps her very busy, but not too busy to put personal touches on her classroom space. It's beautifully decorated with autumnal garlands and soft amber lights.

OCTOBER CALENDAR

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Oct 5 - 9/10	Parent/Teacher Communication Week
Oct 6 - 11/12	NMSQT registration deadline in CC Mobile Food Pantry 1-2:30 Loaves/Fishes, Mt. Morris 5-7pm FAFSA filing event B102; pre-register in CC 7 pm Key Club via ZOOM Last day to register to vote November 3, 2020
Oct 7 - 9/10	7 pm Interact Club meets via ZOOM
Oct 9	Teacher Institute No School
Oct 12	Columbus Day No School
Oct 14	Senior SAT Day; Gr 12 only. Gr 9-11 do remote learning NMSQT test for Juniors who registered (\$15) 7 pm Interact via ZOOM
Oct 15	Gr 11/12, 5-7 pm FAFSA filing workshop for pre-registered seniors, B102
Oct 16	Gr 9/10
Oct 19	Gr 9/10, 5:30 pm Board of Education
Oct 20	Gr 11/12, 10-11:30 NI Mobile Food Pantry St. Mary's, Oregon 7 pm Key Club via ZOOM
Oct 21	Gr 9/10, 7 pm Interact Club via ZOOM

Oct 22	Gr 11/12
Oct 23	Gr 9/10
Oct 26	Gr 9/10
Oct 27	GR 11/12, Fall SAT makeup test date for Seniors
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LOCAL NEWS

Audubon Society to feature "Survival by Degrees" report

ROCKFORD — At Northwest Illinois Audubon Society's monthly meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 6, Juliet Moderow, NIAS past president and Highland Community College biology instructor, will explain the science behind the National Audubon Society's "Survival by Degrees" report released October 2019.

This program offered virtually by Zoom begins at 7 p.m. and is open to the public.

Two-thirds of North American birds are at increased risk of extinction from global temperature rise. The results

will be shared, with specific details from northwest Illinois including predicted climate threats for this area and specific birds affected. Juliet will also share how you can help and make a difference.

For individuals who want to participate, please e-mail nwilaudubon@gmail.com to receive the link and password to join this Zoom program. The meeting opens with chapter announcements from the president and board members, followed by Moderow's program with time for questions and discussion.



Moderow

Contact Tracer class available online through Kishwaukee College this fall

MALTA — Kishwaukee College Workforce and Community Education will offer an online Contact Tracer class Nov. 1 through Nov. 14.

Contact tracers are skilled, public health professionals who provide information regarding isolation/quarantine, testing and public health resources. They work with individuals who have been diagnosed, or exposed, to highly communicable diseases. The cost of the program is \$50.

Contact tracers are trained to communicate respectfully and empathetically. In addition, they are trained to adhere to strict confidentiality and ethical stan-

dards and to use technology to collect required information. Participants will have the opportunity to practice their communication skills during the class.

Individuals trained as contact tracers are in high demand in both the public and private sector, especially if you are bilingual. The average pay rate is \$20 an hour.

For more information on community education and short-term training at Kish or to register, visit kish.edu/ce or contact Melissa Gallagher, coordinator of short-term training and continuing education, at mgallagher1@kish.edu or 815-825-9466.

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The RTHS golf team played its last regular season match at Sycamore on Thursday.

See page 5 for more details

Seniors lead the way

Thiravong, Kirk record top-16 finishes at Sterling Invitational

took their rounds one hole at a time and they fought back all day long. It was a tough day for a lot of players and the scores were much higher than usual.”

"With the elements the kids faced and how slick the greens were, we were lucky to break 90," head coach Glen Mehrings said. "The scores were high across the board. I thought it was a good experience for the boys because they don't see that course regularly, but I think scores in the low 90s or upper 80s could be good enough to get the boys through to the sectional."

"There was a lot of wind and the greens were really fast," head coach Glen Mehrings said. "I thought Megan and Reese negotiated the greens well and they never got too far ahead of themselves. They



(COURTESY PHOTO)

Rochelle seniors Megan Thiravong (left) and Reese Kirk (right) show off their flags after finishing 14th and 16th, respectively, in the 49th Annual Sterling Invitational at Emerald Hill Golf Course on Saturday.

(COURTESY PHOTO)

Hubs place 10th in DeKalb Freshman-Sophomore Invitational at River Heights

ball, six holes of alternate shot and six holes of scramble play. Above, freshmen Alivia Henkel (left) and Cale Workman (right) show off their scorecard after the tournament.



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Macenzie

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Year: Freshman

Sport: Tennis

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

A: This is my first year.

Q: What do you enjoy most about this sport?

A: The people I play with.

Q: What is your favorite school subject and why?

A: Biology because I'm good at it.

Q: Who is your favorite athlete and why?

A: Jazzy Sweet because she's a great volleyball player.

Q: Who is your biggest role

model and why?

A: Anybody who makes a living doing something they love.

Q: What is your dream job and why?

A: To be a marine biologist because I love the ocean.

Q: Where would your dream vacation be and why?

A: Greece because of the pretty architecture.

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

A: Being pushed to succeed.

Samantha

Sanford

Year: Sophomore

Sport: Tennis



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

A: This is my first year.

Q: What do you enjoy most about this sport?

A: I enjoy spending time with my friends while I play.

Q: What is your favorite school subject and why?

A: Math because I've always been good at it.

Q: Who is your favorite athlete and why?

A: Alexis Sanford because she's my older sister and I look up to her.

Q: Who is your biggest role

model and why?

A: My mom because she has to work and take care of me and my siblings.

Q: What is your dream job and why?

A: To work for NASA because I have always found space and science interesting.

Q: Where would your dream vacation be and why?

A: To go to Hawaii.

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

A: I like having more opportunities to make friends.



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SPORTS

Kishwaukee College

RTHS grads compete for Kougar athletic teams

Brizuela, Hickey, Jones see action with Kishwaukee programs

MALTA — Kishwaukee College's women's and men's cross country teams travelled to Normal on Friday to run in the Hawks Invite. Anne Hickey (Rochelle HS) finished 27th with a time of 24:00.

On the Men's side, Nick Fiore (Belvidere HS) led the way with a 29th place finish and a 30:34. Teammates Liam Pitney (DeKalb HS) was in 45th place with a 38:09 while Mark Shaver (Genoa-Kingston HS) crossed the finish line in 46th and a time of 39:13.

"It was a little short of our expectations, but given it was our first actual meet after a couple relay challenges and the virtual event," head coach Brady Hunt said. "We had plenty of teams to challenge us this time in the traditional cross country format so there were some good take-aways. The athletes know what they have to work on now and are hungry to move up the rankings. We will be in much better shape by the next meet."

Virtual Relay

The Kishwaukee College women's and men's cross country teams competed on Tuesday, Sept. 15 in a unique "virtual" relay organized by Rockford University.

Multiple four-year colleges including Beloit College, Concordia University-Wisconsin, Elmhurst University, Edgewood College and Wisconsin Lutheran participated with Kish, St Charles (MO) Community College and host Rockford University among others. The Kishwaukee men's team finished 11th in the overall team standings with individual split times of 16:14 for Nick Fiore, 18:54 for Bryce Guerrettaz, 20:08 for Liam Pitney and 20:29 for Mark Shaver.

The Kougar women's team members posted strong times of 21:55 for Anne Hickey (Rochelle Township HS) and 24:49 for Lydia Myers.

Current protocols and guidelines have made creative scheduling and ideas for teams to compete this cross country season commonplace. The Rockford University "Virtual Relay" had teams running their own race at their own location at their own time with just their team members. Colleges then divided their squads into pairs and each pair alternated running a 1-mile loop until all team members completed 6 miles total, or 3 miles each.

Both Kish teams return to "live" event status when they travel to Normal, Illinois for the Heartland

Challenge meet on Oct. 9.

Golf

Thomas O'Connor paced the Kishwaukee Kougars men's golf team with a 155 and a tie for 17th place at Senica's Oak Ridge GC in LaSalle on Tuesday, Sept. 22.

Other Kishwaukee College two-day total scores and places included Hayden Jones 172 (T55), Matthew Randall 172 (T55), Dyllon Davis 176 (61) and Noah Forsberg 190 (69). The team placed 11th for the tournament.

Kishwaukee will next return to PrairieView GC in Byron on October 2 in the PrairieView Classic which will be the final tune up to the Region IV Tourney the following weekend.

eSports

The very first year of intercollegiate play for the Kishwaukee College eSports team is underway with their initial competition this past week.

Competitions this fall will be as a team, as well as individual competitions, in various games including Valorant, Smash Bros Ultimate, Overwatch, Rocket League, Hearthstone and League of Legends. The following are some of the results for the Kougars this week.



(COURTESY PHOTO)

Former Rochelle student-athlete Anne Hickey competes for the Kishwaukee College cross country team during a meet in Normal earlier this month.

On Tuesday, the Kougars took first in team Rocket League action against Bobcats WI with team members Josafat Brizuela (Rochelle Township HS), Kyle Rasmussen (DeKalb HS) and Tucker Mark (Lebanon HS-IN).

Josh Sunderlage (Hiawatha HS) and Jack Sunderlage (Hiawatha HS) both won their Smash Bros Ultimate matches and are both 2-0 versus opponents via the NJCAA/Generation eSports platform.

Chase Littlefield (DeKalb HS) went 3-0 in Hearthstone in competitions on Wednesday while Madison Bauling (DeKalb HS), Allen Bredeson (DeKalb HS) and Brian Garcia (Rockford Guilford HS) will be competing in upcoming competitions as the weeks continue in 1-on-1, 3-on-3 and even 6-on-6 events, all leading up to Fall semester play-offs the week of Dec. 6 and Fall Championships the week of Dec. 12.

"It was a very good week of getting settled in with actual competitions against other college teams," head coach Matthew Hixon said. "All the student-athletes did a very good job working together. They all know they are founding members of the program and want to represent the athletics program, Kishwaukee College and our community well while making everyone proud of the Kougars' new college team."

Illinois High School Association

IHSA extends state series tournaments in golf, cross country

Board of Directors alters length of summer season

BLOOMINGTON — The Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Board of Directors announced on Sept. 23, 2020, that they have voted to expand the IHSA State Series in two fall sports, adding a second round of postseason play in boys and girls golf and boys and girls cross country. There will be no additional fee to compete in the sectional round. The vote took place during a special meeting that was called to specifically address sectionals for the two sports.

"Despite the challenges of this school year, our board has remained committed to providing the most rewarding postseason experiences possible," said IHSA executive director Craig Anderson. "Given the relative success we have had safely conducting cross country and golf this fall, the board asked our staff during the September board meeting (Sept. 14) to explore the possibility of expanding beyond regionals to conduct sectionals as well."

Both sports were each initially scheduled to culminate their respective seasons after IHSA Regional meets, but will now conclude their respective seasons after the sectional round. In golf, the top two teams and top four individuals in each regional will advance to sectional play.

Cross country will advance five teams from each regional to section-

als, with no changes in the individual qualifier field. IHSA staff attempted to maintain COVID regions and keep participant levels as low as possible when making assignments, but in some cases, generally those involving schools on or near a COVID border, schools were assigned to a tournament outside of their COVID region.

"Given the timing, our greatest challenge will be finding hosts, especially in cross country," said Anderson. "We have been granted exemptions to compete outside the COVID regions in instances, for example, where assigning schools on or near a region border creates better balance in the number of participants at a site. Based on the feedback we have received, we expect some schools will choose not to participate beyond Regionals. We respect those decisions, but still want to provide as many opportunities as possible."

The board also created an exemption to the season limitation rule to allow for participation in the cross country sectionals, while temporarily modifying Terms & Conditions for both sports to allow greater flexibility in scheduling the respective meets. Golf sectionals are slated for the week of Oct. 12-17, while cross country sectionals are expected to unfold Oct. 29-31.

There were no changes made to the postseason structure for IHSA girls



tennis and girls swimming and diving, which both begin postseason competition at the sectional level.

Meeting

The Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Board of Directors met virtually for their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, Sept. 14, 2020, where the board approved several updates to the IHSA Return To Activities guidelines, while also providing guidance on the IHSA's independent team participation rule for the 2020-21 school year.

The Board updated its Return To Activities guidelines by waiving the 2020-21 season limitations for winter, spring, and summer sports that would have restricted those sports to no more than two contests per week. The winter, spring, and summer seasons will now revert to their normal season game limitations as dictated by IHSA by-laws.

"We have preached that this school year will be fluid, and the changes made by the Board today are a good example of that," said IHSA executive director Craig Anderson. "When the IHSA's initial Return to Activities guidelines were

established, the limitation of two contests per week felt like a constraint that would help limit exposure. However, given how well our state is handling the pandemic, and the lack of setbacks in the fall sports we have conducted so far, there was a consensus that we could move forward with allowing schools to schedule winter, spring, and summer sports without further restrictions."

Additionally, the IHSA's summer season will begin two weeks earlier than initially announced. With Monday's modification, summer sports (baseball, softball, track and field, girls soccer, lacrosse, boys tennis) can now begin practices on April 19 and games on May 3.

"We understood that when the modified schedule for 2020-21 was released that the summer sport season coaches would take some umbrage with it," said Anderson. "However, we also knew that summer was the season that we had the most time and flexibility to work with, so we preached patience. We are glad to be able to provide some relief by creating the option to start two weeks earlier."

NIU Football



MAC returning in November

Huskies to play six-game conference schedule

DEKALB — The Northern Illinois University football team and its 11 Mid-American Conference counterparts will play a 2020 football season beginning in November, the MAC office announced Friday following a meeting of the MAC Council of Presidents.

League teams will play a six-game season beginning Nov. 4, 2020 and concluding with a MAC Championship game on Dec. 18 or 19. Teams can begin preseason practices on Oct. 5. The complete schedule for all 12 teams will be announced at a later date.

Advancements and availability of testing, including the ability to get more rapid results, and increased protocols for cardiac screening, all contributed to the decision

to return to competition, according to NIU Associate Vice President and Director of Athletics Sean T. Frazier.

"From the beginning, NIU and the MAC, led by our Council of Presidents and with guidance of the MAC Medical Advisory Board, have prioritized the health and safety of student-athletes," Frazier said. "That has not changed and will not change. With the commitment across the league to the rigorous testing and screening protocols, we feel optimistic about the opportunity to play a schedule beginning in November."

NIU Athletics will be in communication with season ticket members regarding their 2020 options as decisions regarding attendance are finalized.

PRIME TIME



How aging adults can maintain their mental acuity

Maintaining social connections can help aging men and women prevent cognitive decline

AGING is associated with or linked to a host of mental and physical side effects. For example, many adults expect their vision to deteriorate as they grow older. Such a side effect can be combatted with routine eye examinations that may indicate a need for a stronger eyeglass prescription, a relatively simple solution that won't impact adults' daily lives much at all.

While physical side effects like diminished vision might not strike much fear in the hearts of aging men and women, those same people may be concerned and/or frightened by the notion of age-related cognitive decline. Some immediately associate such decline with Alzheimer's disease, an irreversible, progressive brain disorder that gradually destroys memory and cognitive skills, ultimately compromising a person's ability to perform even the simplest of tasks. But age-related cognitive decline is not always symptomatic of Alzheimer's disease. Learning about Alzheimer's and how to maintain mental acuity can help aging men and women better understand the changes their brains might be undergoing as they near or pass retirement age.

Is Alzheimer's disease hereditary?

The National Institute on Aging notes that only a very rare form of Alzheimer's disease is inherited. Early-onset familial Alzheimer's disease, or FAD, is caused by mutations in certain genes. If these genes are passed down from parent to child, then the child is likely, but not certain, to get FAD. So while many adults may be concerned about Alzheimer's because one of their parents had the disease, the NIA notes that the majority of Alzheimer's cases are late-onset, which has no obvious family pattern.

Can Alzheimer's disease be prevented?

Studies of Alzheimer's disease are ongoing, but to date there is no definitive way to prevent the onset of the disease.

How can I maintain mental acuity as I age?

Researchers have not yet determined a way to prevent Alzheimer's disease, but adults can take certain steps to maintain their mental acuity into retirement.

- Exercise regularly. Routine exercise may be most associated with physical benefits, but the NIA notes that such activity has been linked to benefits for the

brain as well. For example, a 2011 study published in the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America found that aerobic exercise training increases the size of the hippocampus, leading to improvements in spatial memory. The NIA also notes that one study indicated exercise stimulated the brain's ability to maintain old network connections and make new ones vital to cognitive health.

- Read more. Avid readers may be happy to learn that one of their favorite pastimes can improve the efficiency of their cognitive systems while delaying such systems' decline. A 2013 study published in the journal Neurology by researchers at Chicago's Rush University Medical Center found that mentally active lifestyles may not prevent the formations of plaques and tangles associated with Alzheimer's disease, but such lifestyles decreases the likelihood that the presence of plaques or tangles will impair cognitive function.

- Stay socially connected. Maintaining social connections with family, friends and community members also can help women prevent cognitive decline. Epidemiologist Bryan James of the Rush Alzheimer's Disease Center studied how social activity affected cognitive decline, ultimately noting that the rate of cognitive decline was considerably lower among men and women who maintained social contact than it was among those with low levels of social activity.

The idea of age-related cognitive decline strikes fear in the hearts of many men and women, but there are ways for adults to maintain their mental acuity well into their golden years.

Eat healthy at 50 and beyond

2,800 calories

When choosing foods to eat, the NIA recommends eating many different colors and types of vegetables and fruits. Phytochemicals are substances that occur naturally in plants, and there are thousands of these substances offering various benefits. The Produce for Better Health Foundation notes that a varied, colorful diet incorporates lots of different types of phytochemicals, which the PBH says have disease-preventing properties.

The NIA also advises that men and women over 50 make sure at least half the grains in their diets are whole grains. Numerous studies have discovered the various benefits of whole grains, which are loaded with protein, fiber, antioxidants and other nutrients.

Whole grains have been shown to reduce the risk for diseases such as type 2 diabetes, heart disease and some types of cancer.

Another potential hurdle men and women over 50 may encounter is a change in their sense of smell and taste. A person's sense of smell may fade with age, and because smell and taste are so closely related, foods enjoyed for years may no longer tantalize the taste buds. That can be problematic, as many people instinctually add more



salt to foods they find bland. According to the U.S. Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, older adults should consume no more than 1,500 milligrams of sodium per day. That equates to roughly 3/4 teaspoon of salt. Older men and women should resist the temptation to use salt to add flavor to foods, instead opting for healthy foods that they can still smell and

taste. In addition, men and women should mention any loss of their sense of smell to their physicians, as such a loss may indicate the presence of Parkinson's disease or Alzheimer's disease.

Maintaining a healthy diet after 50 may require some hard work and discipline. But the long-term benefits of a healthy diet make the extra effort well worth it.

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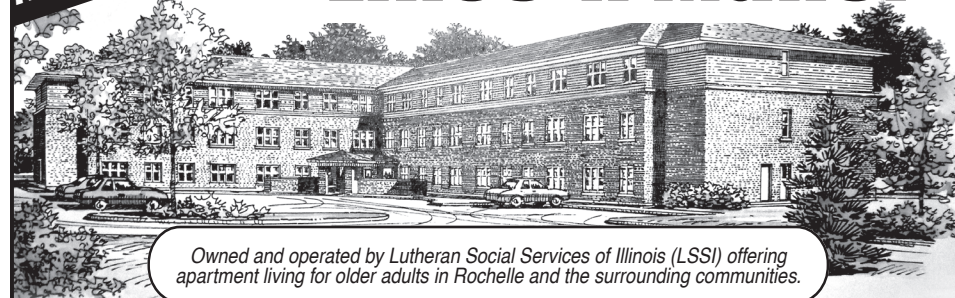
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SPORTS

RTHS Golf

Hubs drop finale against Sycamore

Rochelle falls 171-180

SYCAMORE — Thursday was not only the regular season finale for the Rochelle Township High School golf team, but a preview of what could be coming this week for Lady Hub senior Megan Thiravong as she attempts to defend her Interstate 8 Conference Girls Championship.

Thiravong led all varsity players in scoring on Thursday, carding 38 at Sycamore Golf Course and finishing the regular season tied for first in the boys conference standings with 74 points. The Spartans held on for the victory, however, defeating Rochelle 171-180 and dropping the Hubs to 6-6 overall and 2-5 in the conference. Sophomore Griffin Ohlinger shot 44 for Rochelle, while senior Reese Kirk added 47 in the match against the Spartans.

"I thought Griffin and Megan both played really well," head coach Glen Mehrings said. "I know Griffin and Reese can both play well enough to advance beyond the regional tournament. They've each made a lot of progress over the last few weeks. We had a lot of close conference matches this season, so I don't think the 2-5 record reflects how well we've played."

Thiravong will return to Sycamore Golf Course in order to defend the con-



(PHOTO BY RUSSELL HODGES)

Senior Dominic Williams hits a tee shot for the Hubs.

ference championship she won in Rochelle during the 2019 season. It was the first conference title of her illustrious career, and given the similarities between the two courses, Mehrings said he thinks Thiravong has a great chance to end the day on top and become a repeat champion.

"The pace of the greens at Sycamore are nice and fair," Mehrings said. "They aren't too slick and they aren't too slow. I know she can putt well there and she putted well there during the match on Thursday. She hit her driver well, and Sycamore's course rewards players who hit their drivers well. If she can shoot a good number, I know she can defend her title."

Healthy Hand Hygiene Habits



Protect yourself against COVID-19 and other diarrheal and respiratory illnesses, and help prevent the spread of germs to others, by following these simple hand hygiene guidelines:

1. Wash your hands with soap and warm water, lathering for at least 20 seconds.
2. If soap is unavailable, use a hand sanitizer containing at least 60 percent alcohol to clean your hands.

Wash your hands throughout the day, and particularly under these circumstances:

- Before preparing food
- Before eating
- After using the toilet
- After changing a diaper or helping a child use the toilet
- Before and after exposure to someone who is sick
- After coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose
- After touching an animal or picking up animal waste
- After handling pet food or treats
- After handling garbage or garbage cans
- Before and after attending to a cut or wound

Information resource: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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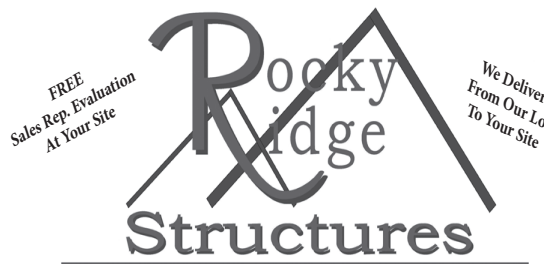
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2020 LIST OF ASSESSMENT CHANGES		
The following is a list of assessments changes in Dement, Flagg, Lynnvile and White Rock townships by the township assessor, and/or approved or revised by the supervisor of assessments. The values shown are after the application of equalization factors.		
Under the authority of 35 ILCS 200/9-210 (Illinois Compiled Statutes), notice is hereby given that the following equalization factors (or "multipliers") have been applied to all non-farm land and improvements on class 0010, 0011, 0020, 0028, 0030, 0040, 0050, 0060 and 0070 properties in the following townships, all other classes received a 1.0000 factor;		
Dement	1.0325	
Flagg	1.0175	
Lynnvile	1.0325	
White Rock	1.0325	
Pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/10-115, the farmland assessments for the 2020 assessment year have increased by 10% of the preceding year's median cropped soil productivity index per acre as certified by the Illinois Department of Revenue. Data was provided by the Farmland Assessment Advisory Board and approved by the Ogle County Farmland Assessment Review Committee resulting in an increase in assessment of \$32.01 per acre for each soil productivity index.		
Pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/12-10, individual notices will not be mailed on properties with assessment changes due to equalization alone. The factors shown are determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue's most recent sales-to-assessment ratio study, and take into consideration any assessment changes made by the assessor. These factors bring the average assessment level in the townships to 33 1/3% of market value, and they will be applied to the categories of property listed above. Your township assessor is listed below. Your property is to be assessed at the above median level. You may check the accuracy of your assessment by the following procedure: divide your assessment by 0.3333 (median level of assessments). The resulting value should equal the estimated fair cash value of your property. If the resulting value is greater than the fair cash value of your property, you may be over-assessed. If the resulting value is less than the fair cash value of your property, you may be under-assessed.		
If you believe your property's fair cash value is incorrect or that the equalized assessed valuation is not uniform with other comparable properties in the same neighborhood, the following steps should be taken:		
1. Contact your township assessor to review the assessment.		
2. If you are not satisfied with the assessor review, taxpayers may file a complaint with the Ogle County Board of Review. For complaint forms, instructions, and the Rules and Procedures of the Board of Review, call (815) 732-1150 or visit www.oglecounty.org for more information.		
3. File a complaint of assessment with the Board of Review. The final filing deadline for your township is generally 30 days from this publication date. After this date, the Board of Review is prohibited by law from accepting assessment complaints for properties in this township. For more information on complaint deadlines, call (815) 732-1150 or visit us at 105 South 5th St, Suite 215, Oregon, Illinois 61061.		
If you believe your property is over-assessed, you may file an appeal within 30 days of this publication. The deadline to file an appeal of the 2020 assessment is October 30, 2020.		
See www.oglecounty.org/departments/supervisor-of-assessments/ for assessor contact information, assessment publications, appeal and exemption information.		
An assessment is not a tax bill. The assessment allocates the property tax burden based on the value of your real property, and the aggregate value of all property in the tax district. In general, the higher valued properties pay more taxes than the lower valued properties.		
Exemptions: exemptions reduce the taxable value of homestead property. Exemptions are available for owner occupied, seniors, disabled and disabled veterans, returning veterans, and certain homestead improvements.		
Ogle County Assessors for these townships are		
White Rock, Dement, Lynnvile, Paul Peterson, 815-561-4577		
Flagg, Susan Rothenberger, 815-562-6862		
If you have questions about your assessment, it is recommended that you contact your assessor for a review and explanation.		
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105 S. 5th St. PO Box 40		
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Dement Township		
Parcel Number	Property Owner	Total Asmt
25-23-234-012	KATZMAN, STEVEN D & DEBO-RAH K	51,340
25-03-300-005	GOOD, JEREMY MATTHEW & LISA ANN	20,464
25-04-100-010	C & G REAL ESTATE INC	82,600
25-13-300-004	WILLRETT, RANDALL A TRUSTEE	71,890
25-13-300-005	DAVEY, WILLIAM D & JULENNE	32,425
25-16-300-005	QUEST, RICHARD R SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE	2,424,310
25-17-100-007	ALLSTATE INSURANCE CO	2,374,506
25-17-100-013	CITY OF ROCHELLE	1,517
25-17-100-014	HARRIS, REED W & BAER, CORLISS MAE TRUSTEE	30,425
25-22-300-005	CITY OF ROCHELLE	463,000
25-22-300-006	CITY OF ROCHELLE	439,000
25-22-300-007	CITY OF ROCHELLE	439,000
25-22-300-008	CITY OF ROCHELLE	1,105,000
25-23-202-006	KERNS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC	33,861
25-23-252-004	PILLION, WILLIAM THOMAS & LINETTE D FANT	18,585
25-29-300-001	AMERICOLD REAL ESTATE LP	21,763,000
25-30-126-001	WATSON, SCOT	6,309
25-30-400-015	SARA LEE CORPORATION	11,870,000
25-31-200-011	JACOBSON ROCHELLE LLC	1,184,000
25-32-301-004	PROGRESSIVE PARK ROCHELLE LLC	28,501
Flagg Township		
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24-01-300-001	WEGENER, DAVID J & GERDA L	27,493
24-01-400-002	WEGENER, DAVID J & GERDA L	73,925
24-06-300-006	ROWLEY, RANDY REED TRUSTEE & LOIS JEAN TRUSTEE LOIS JEAN ROWLEY TRUST NO 1	109,276
24-07-100-012	PAGE, KYLE W & DONNA A	11,739
24-07-100-013	DELHOTAL, STEVEN W & LOIS J	34,509
24-07-400-016	DIXON, RUDY & LINDSEY	11,949
24-08-300-003	BAYLOR, RYAN E & JACQUELINE	38,191
24-08-400-003	MYERS, MICHAEL J & LORI L	65,600
24-09-300-003	HENG, CORDELIA M TRUSTEE & HENG, JOHN G TRUSTEE	25,584
24-09-300-004	DUTCHER TRUST #2, ET AL & DEMETRE-BELLOWS-CO TRUSTEE MARY L 2	29,151
24-09-300-005	HENG, CORDELIA M TRUSTEE & HENG, JOHN G TRUSTEE	27,659

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24-14-454-016	PRUSATOR, TODD M & JANICE M	63,335
24-14-454-019	THOMPSON, TIMOTHY J & JENNIFER R	71,854
24-14-454-020	WHITNEY, CURTIS S & BURKE, KATHLEEN A	64,886
24-14-454-021	TOLLY, BARBARA K	64,782
24-14-454-023	VAN HISE, ERIC & KARA	71,171
24-14-454-024	LEMAR, KEN M & JANINE A	70,204
24-14-454-025	LAMBERT, RUSSELL J & PAMELA J	64,744
24-14-454-026	SOOST, KELLY A	58,481
24-14-454-027	REDINGTON, JOHN C & ROBIN L	68,790
24-14-454-028	KING, GARY F & HELEN E	56,442
24-14-454-029	REED, MELVIN C TRUSTEE REED LAND TRUST	63,351
24-14-454-030	ROEGLIN, CRYSTAL	64,695
24-14-454-032	DOUGHERTY, KENNETH E & CONNIE	59,908
24-14-454-033	KUEHL, ROBERT ALLEN	57,110
24-14-454-034	MOLINARO, ROBERT N & FAITH E	66,400
24-14-454-038	HOLLONBECK, KATHLEEN M	80,344
24-14-454-039	UNDERWOOD, JASON M & CHRISTINE A	58,856
24-14-454-040	PETERSON, MICHAEL D & CELILIA	73,072
24-14-454-041	YOUNG, GREGORY A & SUSAN	68,198
24-14-454-042	YOUSSEI, JAMES	69,516
24-14-454-043	FANE, WESLEY & ANNE	70,086
24-14-454-044	RAND, HOWARD E & GLORIA A	70,235
24-14-454-045	CRANDALL, KEVIN M & RHONDA R	77,137
24-14-454-047	MAJESKI, GREGORY E & DONNA M	69,209
24-14-454-048	REIF, JEFFREY G & SHIRLEY A	79,599
24-14-454-049	HATFIELD, LOWELL M & DIANNE L	62,865
24-14-454-050	PECCARELLI, ANDREW L	62,746
24-14-454-051	BRESSON, JACOB & RAMIREZ, MARIANA PEREZ	72,095
24-14-454-052	HICKS, JEREMY & ERICA	58,842
24-14-454-053	KOLB, CARL L & MARIJANE	66,756
24-14-454-054	HALL, COLBY & JOYCE	67,279
24-14-454-055	KERSTEN, THOMAS & DEBRA	64,771
24-14-455-009	FURMAN, DAWN R	58,347
24-14-455-010	HARTNETT, THOMAS J III	61,146
24-14-455-011	LENKAITIS, JOSEPH M & EVA	86,192
24-14-455-012	GOODWIN, JASON J & PATRICIA K	64,307
24-14-455-013	MYERS, CORY J & NICOLE L	57,534
24-14-455-014	OVERBY, RICHARD A & MARILYN R	63,735
24-14-455-015	REUMANN, BRUCE B & MARGARET E	68,427
24-14-455-016	STEVENS, LARRY D & KAREN L	66,903
24-14-455-017	CARMICHAEL, BRENT T & DANIELLE M	83,771
24-14-455-018	ALFANO, JR, PETER & GIUSEPPINA M JT	93,669
24-14-455-019	BARKMAN, SUSAN V TRUSTEE	55,915
24-14-455-022	STECHSCHULTE, MARK E & DENISE A	65,352
24-14-455-023	BRUNS, TIMOTHY	65,098
24-14-455-024	KAMINSKI, JOHN & KATHLEEN A	62,314
24-14-477-003	CHAPMAN, NICHOLAS L	56,741
24-15-200-012	CASEY, BARRY D & PHYLLIS L	89,978
24-15-301-017	LEE, SHAWN M & TROSCINSKI, ELYSE C	49,835
24-16-179-002	RAMSEY, BRIAN & JACLYN A	73,451
24-16-179-004	SCHACHT, JOSHUA J & BECKY	77,719
24-16-300-017	FMC CORPORATION	21,349
24-16-300-019	VALENCIA, RAFAEL	9,833
24-16-401-008	PEASE, RICHARD D & MICHELLE J	20,350
24-16-401-012	NOBLES, ZACHERY R	29,264
24-16-402-010	FITZGERALD, JAMES S	28,274
24-17-101-001	KEHL, KEITH A & DOTSON, MELISSA	126,500
24-17-129-008	GARZA, SYLVIA A	98,396
24-17-153-002	SPEARS, JAMES A & EILEEN M TRUSTEES TRUST NO 101	91,204
24-17-202-001	HICKORY RIDGE III, LLC	38,721
24-17-328-003	MEADOWS, JOSEPH A & SHARLENE M	87,767
24-17-352-006	HAMER, JOSHUA PETER & AHRENS, SARA E	81,699
24-17-356-001	INGRAM, MICHAEL D & DEBRA L	86,396
24-17-377-001	HATFIELD, SCOTT E & HEATHER L	93,824
24-17-377-002	FABER, SUSAN A & RANDAL	95,533
24-17-377-008	OLSON, GREGORY ALAN & DENISE RENE	105,020
24-17-379-001	HARDCASTLE, DAVID R & LISA J	77,100
24-17-379-005	PUTZSTUCK, KYLE K & KLOUSE, AMBER L	107,040
24-17-379-006	FRANSEN, BRIAN J & KAREN S	102,070
24-18-226-008	MACKLIN, KYLE & MARKEE	46,807
24-18-453-006	RENFRO, HEATH & TIFFANY	91,429
24-18-477-027	MC GEE, NATHAN L & JENNIFER A	13,731
24-19-226-004	BAILEY, ROBERT L & MARCIA R	73,475
24-20-178-001	MARTINEZ, NATHAN A & PATRICIA	70,956
24-20-179-001	CAPESE, CHAD E & ASHLEY D	2,544

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24-20-202-005	HAYWELL LLC WESTWOOD	8,919	24-23-251-011	GOLT, MICHAEL B & DORENE K	43,854	24-25-109-003	ASKVIG BOYS CONSTRUCTION LLC	25,989
24-20-204-008	SVELA, MATTHEW & ANDREA	83,977	24-23-277-030	TILTON, JEFFERY S	38,243			
24-20-205-001	ADOLPH, JUSTIN L & ANNA M TRUSTEES	66,943	24-23-278-012	WICKSON, DAVID & DIANE	38,696	24-25-109-010	HOPKINS, WESLEY M & WINNIE M	28,193
24-20-206-006	HAYWELL LLC WESTWOOD	5,022	24-23-279-009	KLECKA, MICHAEL A & EMILY C	30,472	24-25-109-015	BURKE, JOSEPH	13,922
24-20-207-001	KETTLESON, ANTHONY D & KARA R	77,472	24-23-428-006	WENZ, JASON	30,413	24-25-109-016	BURKE, JOSEPH	13,922
			24-23-434-005	BRIGHT, DARNELL A & JESSICA ANN	42,954	24-25-151-010	SILVA, JORGE & SILVA, PABLO & BLANCA ETAL	21,367
24-20-402-002	SCHULFER, LEONARD M & JOANNE M	53,450	24-23-435-002	HERNANDEZ, GERARDO	37,932			
			24-23-451-003	T&R RENTALS LLC	39,483	24-25-151-020	DE JESUS CHAVEZ , ANGEL	25,254
24-20-403-001	RANGEL, DWAYNE & KRISTINA	73,372	24-23-478-006	HUERAMO, BILLY	37,974	24-25-155-001	INFANTE, ROBERTO	28,632
24-20-404-008	HAYWELL LLC WESTWOOD	3,249	24-23-478-007	CHADWICK, MICHAEL R	47,496	24-25-214-008	LYNCH, ALICIA M	27,789
24-20-405-005	POPP, JASON C & SCHULFER-POP, SARAH E	70,721	24-23-485-001	SUAREZ, JOSEPH	11,849	24-25-253-005	DICKSON, PATRICIA A	42,112
			24-24-102-001	BULLOCK, TERESA	42,996	24-25-277-002	BROWNING, AMBER	16,257
24-20-477-017	HAMILTON, LYNN A	46,528	24-24-102-012	SASALA, JANE E	47,470	24-25-277-010	WHITE, DAVID E SR	19,738
24-20-481-006	SHEARER, DAMIEN JAMES & SKEEL, LOGAN LEE	37,501	24-24-105-021	DOMINGUEZ, ALEJO & VELASCO, MARIA G	12,873	24-25-330-014	SILVA, PABLO & BLANCA	32,452
						24-25-403-012	ABDALLAH, REHANA	24,588
24-22-400-012	PASQUESI FARMS LLC DBA MIGHTYVINE	1,496,372	24-24-126-026	HERNANDEZ, EDUARDO & POOLE, TARA	29,283	24-26-276-016	RESENDEZ-SALINAS, JOSE	30,771
						24-28-105-007	BROWN, GRANT & CAROLYN	33,434
24-23-202-001	HILL, THOMAS L & BETSY J	63,510	24-24-127-012	PLEMMONS, KELSEY	24,661	24-28-106-003	MONTEMAYOR, MERCEDES CRISTINA & JUAN MANUEL	57,911
24-23-202-003	PRABHAKER, JOHN M TRUSTEE	74,905	24-24-128-013	MILLER, JORDAN A	39,157			
24-23-202-004	SULLIVAN, SANDRA J	66,377	24-24-157-013	CORTES-PEREZ, EMANUEL & HUGHES, KYLE THOMAS	49,996	24-30-300-014	COUNTRY DELIGHT LTD	43,244
24-23-203-001	CECH, KEVIN D	71,368				24-30-300-015	KOCH, RICHARD E & ROGENE E TRUSTEES KOCH FAMILY TRUST 8-07	54,647
24-23-203-003	LARSON, JORDAN & MILLER, DANIEL	72,894	24-24-180-003	BARKUS, SAMANTHA	26,756			
			24-24-183-004	HAYES, CYNTHIA B	24,344	24-31-200-003	HUERAMO, ENRIQUE & VICKIE	62,902
24-23-203-004	ROSENWINKEL, MARK E & GAYLE L	68,122	24-24-204-013	LANDRUM, SANH	41,470	24-32-451-002	DUDZINSKI, GARY G & RENETTA A	81,752
			24-24-226-001	MILLER, DANIEL C & JULIE A	73,790			
24-23-203-005	HUB CITY HOMES LLC	8,466	24-24-226-002	CALDERON, CARLOS & OLGA L	66,974	24-36-201-006	KRAMER, RAYMOND M & BETTY	28,552
24-23-203-006	DUNN, GARY K & LORI J	67,185	24-24-228-015	SEEBACH, HARVEY J & JULIA T	59,439	24-36-201-010	LOTHAN LLC	25,921
24-23-203-007	SMITH, ADRAIN L & KIMBERLY A	83,049	24-24-230-005	LYONS, THOMAS P JR & KAREN O	68,232	24-36-204-018	GELLINGS, JAMES R	56,734
24-23-203-008	GABRIELSON, HARRY M & LAC-EY B	69,058				24-36-228-017	TURNER, DAVID T & PAULA	56,320
			24-24-276-005	HAGAN, JOSEPH C, Z DIANE & HENDRY, KIMBERLY A COTRUST-EES & HAGAN, JOSEPH C, Z DIANE & HENDRY, KIMBERLY A COTRUSTEES	51,666	24-36-229-008	GORDON, ERIC V	29,087
24-23-203-009	STRAN, ROBERT J & JUDITH I HILL	92,400				24-36-229-016	BRODZIK, MICHAEL S	44,837
						24-36-229-020	DICKEY, JEFF & GONZALES, DIANA	45,228
24-23-203-012	BURDIN, JASON & KELLY A	76,712	24-24-276-021	TESS, DAVID D & JEAN C	28,055	24-36-232-003	DONOHO, JACKIE L	53,861
24-23-204-001	KUEHL, MARJORIE N	65,151	24-24-310-011	AJ HOMES LLC	42,454	Lynnville Township		
24-23-204-002	BIALAS, PEGGY J TRUSTEE	67,215	24-24-312-004	ALFANO, PETER	25,110	Parcel Number	Property Owner	Total Asmt
24-23-204-003	SNYDER, ROY W & CATHERINE E	68,834	24-24-313-008	BREDESON, JONATHAN ED-WARD & ORTEGA, SONIA	35,856	19-08-400-014	DETIG, JOEL ALAN	43,881
24-23-204-005	BJORNEBY, ROBERT O & BREN-DA G	58,990				19-09-100-010	DENNIS R & LORRAINE M BEAR-ROWS REVOCABLE TRUST NO 1	3,789
			24-24-327-003	ROSENTHAL, RACHAEL	38,544	19-09-400-004	WILLS, N TODD	37,094
24-23-204-006	DICKEY, CLINT R & SHAW-DICK-EY, KATHRYN	68,079	24-24-327-005	MCARTOR, KEVIN D TRUSTEE & MCARTOR, DENICE L TRUSTEE	53,186	19-09-400-005	BROWN, JOHN AND BONNIE	14,499
24-23-204-007	CHADWICK, ELIZABETH L & ROBERT T	77,871				19-19-100-005	BIGELOW, GEORGE E & KRISTIN M	8,260
24-23-204-009	CURTIS, DOYLE W & JOYCE A COTRUSTEES CURTIS FAMILY TRUST	91,127	24-24-328-003	HARRISON, PAUL	27,134	19-20-200-006	COUNTRY DELIGHT LTD	105,828
			24-24-329-007	ANDERSON, J RODNEY & MARY J	45,739	19-20-200-007	JOHNSON, EMERSON C & TERI S CO-TRUSTEES	2,849
24-23-204-010	CHADWICK, PAUL E & KAYCEE I	78,493	24-24-331-005	LOPEZ, ALFREDO & MARIA DELIA	12,849			
24-23-204-011	HAYDEN, TIMOTHY J & GERI DEE A	8,133	24-24-331-009	SHAW, NATALIE LYN	21,029	19-22-200-004	SHEARHAM FARMS LLC	131,896
			24-24-337-003	HARTNETT, THOMAS J III	30,829	19-24-200-001	BABSON FARMS INC	106,974
24-23-204-012	HAYDEN, TIMOTHY J & GERI DEE A	80,650	24-24-340-008	STORYBOOK GARDENS LLC	56,364	19-30-200-001	CARMICHAEL, NOAH J	1,964
			24-24-340-009	STORYBOOK GARDENS LLC	24,346	White Rock Township		
24-23-205-001	MOLLET, DAVID P & TINA R	77,558	24-24-341-004	BEMIS, BETH	42,853	Parcel Number	Property Owner	Total Asmt
24-23-205-002	RODEGHERO, CHRISTIAN J & TRISHA N	75,071	24-24-355-005	SILVA, PABLO & BLANCA E	13,567	18-02-100-010	A&H LAND LLC	8,261
			24-24-363-005	BELMONTE, NEFTALI & CATHY A	7,084	18-17-300-003	SISSONS, RODNEY	12,906
24-23-205-003	GONZALEZ, ROSA G	71,211	24-24-363-006	AJ HOMES LLC	13,567	18-17-300-004	HAYENGA, ROGER W TRUSTEE	39,655
24-23-205-006	ZICK, BRETT R & BRITTNEY L	68,861	24-24-377-002	CITY OF ROCHELLE	5,088	18-17-300-005	BARKER, TRACY, MICHAEL S, LISA M	51,626
24-23-205-007	JOHNSON, JACQLYN A	58,458	24-24-401-007	WILMARTH, BARRY	32,047			
24-23-205-009	WHALEY, STEPHANIE & TERRY N	58,006	24-24-403-009	CHARBONEAU, GEO & MARGA-RET	29,173	18-24-400-018	MCCANDLESS, COLTER RILEY	38,692
24-23-205-010	DUNN, GARY K & LORI J	60,973				18-24-400-019	REINTS, STEVEN W & REINTS, TIMOTHY E	1,912
24-23-205-012	MCMINN, SAMANTHA JANE TRUSTEE	71,903	24-24-408-011	SELDAL PROPERTIES LLC	349,447			
			24-24-460-002	DELOZA, JULIAN & MARIA MAG-DALENA	23,632	18-27-134-004	SPEED, DAVID C & BARBARA J	1,949
24-23-227-001	GARCIA, EZEQUIEL	29,555				18-36-100-002	TOP CROP FARMS LLC	27,362
24-23-228-023	SPRIGGS, NATHAN M & SHIREY, SALINA MAE	36,048	24-25-105-010	MCBRIDE, TIMOTHY & FELTES, JENNA, MICHAEL A & LINETTE J	34,207	18-36-100-003	TOP CROP FARMS LLC	69,676
24-23-230-025	LANTZ, CRYSTAL FAE & BRIAN	43,454				No. 0939 Sept. 30, 2020		

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101 LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Rochelle Municipal Utilities, Ogle County, Illinois will receive sealed bids for:

Prologis Park Substation

Equipment Purchase

until 11:00 a.m. local time on the 6th day

of October 2020 at the Rochelle Municipal Utilities, 420 N 6th

Street, Rochelle, Illinois 61068.

The plans and specifications are on file with the said Rochelle Municipal Utilities for viewing purposes only.

Copies of the documents may be acquired from BHM Engineers, Inc., 630 Jeffco Boulevard, Arnold, Missouri

63010, Consulting Engineers for said City.

Please email Laura Stackle, Lstackle@bhm.com with request.

Bids shall be received for the aforementioned items.

A certified check or bank draft on a responsible, solvent bank, or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and an acceptable surety company, payable to the Rochelle Municipal Utilities, Adam Lanning, Utility Manager, or Government Bonds or cash in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of bid, shall be submitted with each bid.

The bid shall be marked to identify bid package contents, reference specification 2031 K003.

The successful bidder will be required to:

• Register as a bidder for this project.

• Furnish in duplicate the following executed documents:

• Non-Collusion Affidavit

• Bid Bond, Certified Check or Money Order

• And any other documents as required by the specifications.

No bid shall be withdrawn after the opening of bids without the consent of the Utility for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled time of closing bids.

The said Rochelle Municipal Utilities reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in bidding, and to determine and accept the bid most advantageous to the Utility.

Rochelle Municipal Utilities

Adam Lanning, Utility Manager

Date: September 15, 2020

No.0924 (September 20, 23, 27, 30, October 4, 7, 2020)

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

OGLE COUNTY

IN THE)
MATTER)NO.
OF THE)2020
ESTATE)P 59
OF)
JOHN)
GEORGE)
WALSH,)
Deceased.)

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of JOHN GEORGE WALSH, of Rochelle, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on September 17, 2020, to EDITH PFEIFFER, whose address is 2511 Reynolds Road, Ashton, IL 61006, and whose attorneys are Fearer, Nye & Chadwick, 420 4th Avenue, PO Box 117, Rochelle, IL 61068.

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105 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

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113 FINANCIAL

NOTICE Advance Fee Loans or Credit Offers Companies that do business by phone can't ask you to pay for credit before you get it. For more information, call toll-free 1-877-FTC-HELP. A public service message from your hometown newspaper and the Federal Trade Commission.

119 ANNOUNCEMENTS

"This publication does not knowingly accept fraudulent or deceptive advertising. Readers are cautioned to thoroughly investigate all ads, especially those asking for money in advance."

127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

JNJ JUMPERS Indoor/Outdoor Bounce House Rentals Available Year Round. Please Call 815-784-4256 For Availability or Visit us on Facebook.

201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

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203 HELP WANTED

CDL DRIVER and Farm Help Wanted For Fall Harvest. 10 Miles South of Rochelle. 815-716-6681. (10-11-20)

301 ANTIQUE

WANTED TO BUY: Vintage Metal and Wood Signs, Milk Bottles & Local Advertising, Oak Icebox, Iron Door Stop and Antique Lighting... Call Dick Harms at 815-562-2928 or email dickharms@hotmail.com

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307 MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

BMW Wheels & Tires. Four @ 15", Four @ 16". All \$175 Call 331-575-9355. (10-04-20)

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501 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

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ROCHELLE: 527 Woolf Ct. Thursday October 1st, Friday October 2nd, & Saturday October 3rd. HUGE SALE! Home Décor, Seasonal Décor, Women's Clothing, and Much More. (09-30-20)

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COUNTY NEWS

Group gathers to save plant

Byron Station Response Committee includes variety of people from community

BYRON — The Byron Board of Education recently convened the initial meeting of the "Byron Station Response Committee," to develop a collaborative, broad-based response to Exelon's announcement of its intent to close Byron Station in September 2021.

Byron's Superintendent, Buster Barton, said the impetus to form the group came from the community itself. The day Exelon announced the potential closing, numerous community members and organizations reached out to him to offer their support.

"It just goes to show you how much our community cares about our school district and how important the power plant is to our funding," Barton said. "We think this committee will

help identify and mobilize groups that can spread our message that the power plant should be kept open."

"And really, the focus should be on this entire area — all of Northern Illinois," said School Board President Christine Lynde. "Beyond being a great source of reliable clean energy, Byron Station has a very big footprint in this region — the tax revenue supports not only the Byron School District but eleven additional taxing bodies; our fire district, library, museum, forest preserve, even Rock Valley College to name a handful.

"The people who work at the plant have homes in Ogle, Boone, Winnebago, Lee and DeKalb counties and there are so many businesses in and around Byron that serve the plant. The impact is a lot larger

than you might initially think."

The group is aware that the solution will involve legislative action, and so will require broad-based support and far-reaching plans until the end of the legislative session in May 2021.

"We need to start small in our own local communities to share information, and build an understanding to extend our network and message to the surrounding communities, and indeed all of Illinois," said Byron Mayor John Rickard.

The group identified key stakeholders, worked to craft messages, and developed a rough timeline for people to engage with the cause.

"It's important to get out a consistent, accurate message," Barton said.



868 acres along county border sold

Land purchased by Forest Preserves of Winnebago County

BY MARK HERMAN
BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

BYRON — The Forest Preserves of Winnebago County announced on Sept. 21 the purchase of 868 acres of land from Funderburg Farms Inc., located along the Ogle County border in southern Winnebago County.

This new land has been named the R. Robert Funderburg Forest Preserve in honor of the former longtime president of Funderburg Farms Inc.

The land was purchased with the help of a \$3 million grant from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation. This is the largest single forest preserve land purchase ever made by the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District which owns 43 other preserves containing over 10,500 acres of protected land throughout Winnebago County.

What makes this land purchase important is that the new preserve is located adjacent to the Severson Dells Forest Preserve (369 acres) to the west and the Natural Land Institute's Howard Colman Dells Nature Preserve (93 acres) and Byron Forest Preserve District's Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve (281 acres) and new R. Robert Funderburg Forest Preserve (40 acres) to the south in Ogle County. Along the Winnebago/Ogle County border there are now over 1,651 acres of connected natural lands. These protected lands are part of a significant wildlife corridor with miles of trails for public recreation access that will be operated by three different local conservation organizations.

The Illinois Clean Energy Commu-

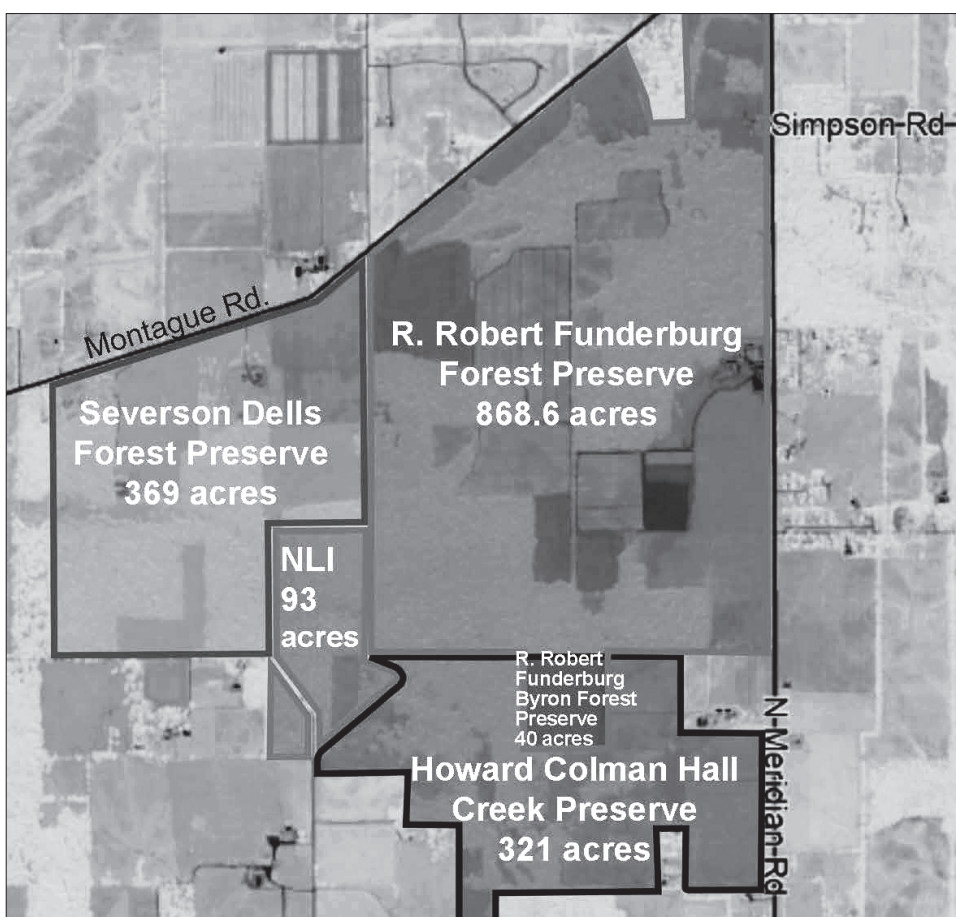
nity Foundation was excited to fund the purchase of the new Winnebago County Forest Preserve land since the adjacent Severson Dells Forest Preserve, Howard Colman Dells Nature Preserve and Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve are all designated Illinois Nature Preserves by the Illinois Nature Preserve Commission.

This designation protects the high-quality natural areas and habitats of endangered and threatened species in these preserves in perpetuity. The new R. Robert Funderburg Forest Preserve site contains oak-hickory woodlands, oak savannas and prairie remnants.

Earlier on July 14, 2020, the Byron Forest Preserve District purchased 40 wooded acres from Funderburg Farms Inc. which was located next to their Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve. The parcel has also been named the R. Robert Funderburg Forest Preserve. The oak-hickory woodlands are already being restored and boundary fences will soon be removed across the entire northern boundary of the Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve along the Winnebago County border.

There are plans for future trails to be established in order to link the Winnebago County and Byron Forest Preserve District preserves sites.

Both the Forest Preserves of Winnebago County and the Byron Forest Preserve District are grateful to Rob Funderburg and Funderburg Farms Inc. for making these lands sales possible at greatly reduced prices to protect this important large land area for both the wildlife and people of Winnebago and Ogle counties.



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HOME IMPROVEMENT

Signs your gutters are in need of repair

FALL is a great time to tackle projects around the house. The weather each fall allows homeowners to make improvements to their homes' exteriors without worrying about extreme heat or cold, while interior projects like painting are made easier because homeowners can open the windows to allow for proper ventilation.

Fall also marks a great time to prepare for upcoming projects that can make winter work that much easier. For example, fall is a great time to take stock of your gutters so you can address any issues before leaves begin to fall or the first snowstorm touches down. Compromised gutters can contribute to water issues in basements and adversely affect a home's foundation if not addressed immediately, so it behooves homeowners to learn the signs that gutters are in need of repair or replacement.

- **Gutters hanging off the home:** Gutters were once installed predominantly with spikes. However, many industry professionals now install gutters with hanger brackets. Why the change? Spikes loosen over time, leading to the gutters hanging off the home. That can contribute to serious issues if left untreated. Gutters hanging off the home need not necessarily be replaced, but rather secured to the home, ideally with hanger brackets instead of spikes. Brackets hook into the front of the gutter and are then screwed into the fascia of a home. A professional who specializes in gutter repair can

perform this task relatively quickly, and it's an inexpensive yet highly effective solution.

- **Gutter separation:** Gutters that are no longer fastened together can leak and contribute to issues that affect the home's foundation, siding and appearance. Clogs and the accumulation of debris can cause gutters to separate because they are not designed to hold too much weight. Replacement of separated gutters may or may not be necessary depending on how big the problem is and the condition of the existing gutters. If replacement is not necessary, separated gutters may be remedied by securing the joints, another relatively simple and inexpensive fix.
- **Peeling exterior paint:** Paint that appears to be peeling off of your home may indicate that water is seeping over the edge of the gutter closest to your home. When that happens, water is coming down the side of the house, causing the paint to peel. In such instances, replacing the gutters is often necessary.
- **Basement flooding:** Not all signs of deteriorating gutters are outside a home. Many a homeowner has been flummoxed by flooding in their basements, and such flooding can be caused by aging, ineffective gutters. That's because deteriorating gutters sometimes allow water to leak near the foundation of a home, contributing to basement flooding.

Fall is an ideal time to inspect gutters and have any issues fixed before leaves begin to fall or harsh winter weather arrives.



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