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Stahl announces re-election bid

OREGON—Ogle County Circuit Clerk highest degree of accuracy, integrity and Kimberly A. Stahl has announced her bid for re-election.

"I am happy to formally announce that I am running again for the office of the Ogle County Circuit Clerk," Stahl said in release

Monday night. 'Serving as your circuit clerk is truly an honor. Our office is responsible for maintaining a record of all cases filed in the Ogle County court

system. Our goals are to operate with the has conquered more statutory changes

efficiency as possible for the citizens of Ogle County," Stahl said. "A high degree of focus is on technology solutions as we continue to review procedures, policies and business practices for efficiency

Stahl has been Ogle County Circuit Clerk since 2012. Stahl

and effectiveness in our office."

'Since I became your Circuit Clerk on Dec. 3, 2012, our office

better process that way."

than ever and we have succeeded. We are e-filing in all civil cases, we are accepting e-citations, and we have completed a total transformation in our court fee structure, which was a statewide effort," she said. "I am proud to be part of the Ogle County Circuit Clerk's team; I would like to acknowledge my staff as we all take in these changes together: Tina, Diana, Jennifer, Diane, Sherri, Laurie, Lynda, Tammy, Annette, Jennie, Megan, and Lisa."

The Primary Election is set for March

17, 2020.

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now we make it the day before since it is a little

Manhole repair work underway

Village of Creston fixing leaking seals

as tight as

Kevin Bunge

a drum."

BY ANDREW HEISERMAN STAFF WRITER

CRESTON-The topic of leaking manholes within the Village of Creston during the monthly meet- "Grouting

ing Tuesday. Village En- went well, gineer Kevin Bunge talked We got about seven seven of the worst manholes in the manholes village that had recently been done that

repaired and are now all were no longer leaking. "Grouting went well, we got seven man-

holes done that are now all as tight as a drum," said Bunge.

The cost of grouting the seven manholes was \$10,143.

While there are still eight or more manholes that need new chimney seals, there are three specific manholes in most need of repair. A motion was passed to use up to \$4,500 to visualize and look for leaks in those areas.

Trustees also passed a motion to adopt a solar panel ordinance similar to what is already existing in other cities such as Rochelle.

The lease discussing renting out the city farm to Petry Farms was also brought up during the meeting. The agreement is for two years with a thirdyear option at the end of the initial two, at \$300 an acre. The village just needs to print it out and have the agreement signed.

Trustees were also informed that they need to

have a hazard mitigation resolution in place in the event of an emergency within the village. A motion was passed to adopt the mitigation resolution was once again discussed already in use in Ogle

County so that the village does not have to create its own.

New

business

Treasurer Peggy Payton presented the Fiscal Year 2020 Tax Levy. The city will collect \$20,245 from the state that will be used for sewer repairs. The

levy will sit for 30 days before approval at December's meeting.

An establishment within the village is seeking a liquor license; however, the village ordinance allows for only one which is already taken. Trustees passed a motion to add a second Class A liquor license ordinance that will follow the same parameters as the one currently on the village books.

Payton also gave a presentation about an E-pay system that the village will be adopting. Currently, all bills to the village need to be paid in cash and this would allow for residents to pay their bills with a credit card online or with a credit card at village hall. The system would be set up at no cost to the village, the state would pay for everything, including card readers at village hall.

The Creston gazebo will be getting dressed up for the holiday season.

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Golden K ready to serve up some chili

BY ANDREW HEISERMAN

STAFF WRITER

ROCHELLE – November has arrived and that means it is time for the Kiwanis Golden K to host its annual Chili Day. The club will serve on Saturday, Nov. 16 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Rochelle Methodist Church Hicks Hall.

Tickets for the event are \$7 and include all-you-can-eat chili, French bread, cake and juice or coffee. Tickets can be purchased at the door or from any one of the Kiwanis Golden K members. Children 10 and under can eat for free and carry-out orders are also available.

All of the chili for the event is homemade by Kiwanis Golden K members.

"We start out making about 90 gallons of chili, we used to make it a week ahead of time, but now we make it the day before since it is a little better process that way," explained Dennis

Swinton, past Lt. Governor and current Golden K member.

The Rochelle Township High School Key Club will also be at the event with a cookie sale and a 50/50 raffle. The Key Club is sponsored by the Kiwanis.

The main goal of the Chili Day event is to raise money for the Kiwanis Golden K and more than 20 different organizations including the Salvation Army, Focus House, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, the RTHS Key Club and scholarships.

Other fundraisers and events put on by the Kiwanis Golden K are the annual peanut day and pancake day that will be taking place in February.

The Kiwanis Golden K currently has 50 members dedicated to serving their organization and the community.

"The fantastic thing about our club is that we have 50 members, and it could be snowing and blowing and they will all show up for a meeting or a project," explained Swinton.



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Museum open Nov. 10 in honor of Veterans Day

ROCHELLE — The Roberts Armory World War II museum will be open from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 10.

The Higgins Boat will be available for viewing, weather permitting. The museum displays artifacts from WWII, specializing in the history of the 70th Tank Battalion, 10th Mountain Division and local area veterans of WWII.

The museum is open to the public three times



each year: Memorial Day, the Lincoln Highway Heritage Festival

and the Sunday before Veterans Day. There is no admission charge.

To find the museum, go to the intersection of Illinois Route 251 and Intermodal Drive in Rochelle, there will be an Army truck at this intersection, and then follow the signs west about three miles to the museum. More information is

available at http://www. enjoyrochelle.com/online-directory/what-todo/history-attractions. html or http://www. robertsarmory.com.

Community invited to college's Veterans Day observance Nov. 11

MALTA — To celebrate veterans this year, Kishwaukee College invites active, inactive and military personnel as well as the general public to its Veterans Day Observance on Nov. 11 at 11 a.m. in the College's theatre, room B1205.

The event is sponsored by the Veterans Advocacy Committee. Guests are encouraged to park in lot B and enter through door 56.

The observance will include a welcome by Dr. Laurie Borowicz, president of Kish; the singing of the National Anthem by Leslie Ciaccio, coordinator of complementary health programs at Kish; and the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance led by Ethan Hodzic, current Kishwaukee College student NIU Army ROTC will present and retire the Flags.

The event will also include a presentation "Stories of Diversity in the Military" by The Veterans Advocacy Committee.

For more information contact Meaghan Cassinelli at mcassinelli@kish.edu or 815-825-9533.

Ashton American Legion to host Veteran's Day service on Nov. 11

ASHTON—The Ashton American Legion Post 345 will host the annual Veteran's Day service at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 11 at the Mills and Petrie Memorial Building. Guest speaker for the

day will be Reverend Seamus Enright, pastor of Reynolds United Methodist Church.

He received his undergraduate degree from Judson



Enright

University in Elgin and completed his Master of Divinity Degree at Chicago Theological Sem-

His father-inlaw and brotherin-law were U.S. Navy men, his uncle served with the U.S. Army in Korea and he has been proud to mentor two U.S. Marines.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend this service.





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State news

Bills letting students leave school to vote

Lifting license suspensions will head to governor

BY JERRY NOWICKI

Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD — Gov. J.B. Pritzker will soon have more bills to consider signing after the Illinois House this week approved three measures which had already passed in

They affect student access to the polls on Election Day, limitations to when the secretary of state can suspend a driver's license and what happens to police pensions when municipalities grow into a different section

Leave School to Vote

Senate Bill 1970, carried in the House by Rep. Nicholas Smith, D-Chicago, will give high school students who are of age and eligible to vote a two-hour window on election day or 15 days prior to leave school to vote in an election.

The bill provides the school may specify the hours in which the student may be absent, and ensures that voting absences will not count against enrollment calculations pertaining to the allotment of school funding.

"We want to encourage our young people to be engaged in civics," Smith said during floor debate. "... Here is an opportunity for them to band together, leave school for a couple hours just like people do when they are at work, and go vote and return to school."

The bill passed 74-40 in the House after Smith faced questioning from Republicans.

Rep. Mark Batinick, R-Plainfield, said the bill "coddles" students, who should have ample time to vote with access to mail-in ballots, early voting and polls which close several hours after most school days end. He also questioned why the bill does not require students to prove they actually voted, as opposed to just skipping class.

Smith said there are ways to prove participation in the election, such as receiving stickers at the polls, but there is no requirement for them in the bill.

"We'll leave that to the schools themselves," he said. "... This is another tool in the tool box for our young people to vote."

The bill passed the Senate by a 40-10 vote on April 10 and will become law if signed by the governor.

License suspension limits

Rep. Carol Ammons, D-Urbana, passed Senate Bill 1786 through the House on Tuesday, removing from state law several non-driving-related instances that would lead to a driver's license suspension. Those currently facing suspensions would have them lifted if the bill becomes law.

"The driver's license suspension is a draconian debt collection tool," Ammons

said in floor debate. Ammons said those who owe money from traffic tickets will still have to pay it, but they

cannot face a license suspension because of the debt. She said a driver's license is often a requirement for employers, and those facing suspension for being unable to pay fines are often unable to work because of

the suspension. The Illinois secretary of state's office favors the bill, she added.

The bill removes suspensions for failing to pay: more than 10 parking tickets, more than 5 toll violations, or due taxes or fees to the Illinois Commerce Commission. It also removes them for theft of motor fuel.

All other penalties pertaining to the offenses will remain, outside of the driver's license suspensions.

The bill passed the House 88-27 Tuesday and will take effect July 1, 2020, if signed by the governor. It passed the Senate 38-10 on March 28.

Pension code

Rep. Kelly Burke, D-Evergreen Park, passed Senate Bill 1670 through the House on Tuesday to clarify the pension code as it pertains to employees whose municipality has grown large enough to be required to create its own pension fund.

Burke said the bill codifies that if a police officer in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund's Tier 1 pension schedule works for a municipality with a population below 5,000. they will remain in Tier 1 in newly-created funds mandated in Article 3 of the Pension Code when the municipality grows beyond that number.

Tier 1 employees must have started before Jan. 1, 2011. Burke said the bill would affect eight departments in the state and approximately 50 officers.

Batinick said even Tier 2 in the downstate police and fire pension fund could be construed as an actual "benefit enhancement" over Tier 1 in the IMRF schedule because it has a lower retirement age. So he called the shift from Tier 1 in IMRF to Tier 1 in downstate police and fire pension a "pretty significant increase in benefits."

Batinick voted against the measure and said he would have preferred a bill that allows the officer to opt to keep the current benefit structure or shift to Tier 2 in the newly-created plan.

He said benefits should remain flat instead of being increased, especially considering that the General Assembly is considering a separate pension consolidation measure that is necessitated because of growing unfunded liabilities on the part of many municipalities.

"So what we're doing for those eight departments is, we're dramatically increasing the benefits that they have to pay for their employees," he said.

The measure passed 79-34 and will take effect immediately if signed by the governor. It passed the Senate 38-2 on March 28.

Rochelle Moose news



The Illinois Moose Association, consisting of over 80 Moose Lodges and now 60 chapters, chooses Dave Schwitters of Rochelle Lodge 903 as their annual Legionnaire of the year. Presenting Schwitters with the award is Lodge Prelate Mike Wilson. The Moose Legion has represented the Second Degree of the Fraternity since 1913. This is the first time that the local lodge has been honored. Schwitters was cited for his years of work with the adopt-a-highway program, membership retention, helping serve meals and helping with local Moose Legion events and fundraisers. He also served as lodge trusteee and treasurer.



All names have an etymology or origin. Recently, local retired farmer Harry Ross of Rochelle went to Paw Paw to discover the origin of the village's name. Paw Paw is located on Chicago Road approximately 20 miles southeast of Rochelle. The pawpaw trees in this village gave the town its name and are at the northern most range of their species in Illinois. They bear small banana-like fruit in late summer that taste like kiwi fruit. Pictured is 96-year-old Ross standing next to the 9 inch leaves of a pawpaw tree.

CRESTON: Village will finish alleyway in future

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Trustees discussed decorating the town gazebo before Saturday, Dec. 7 for the upcoming holiday season. Dement Township recently purchased six new decorations, all LED so that the bulbs don't need to be replaced

A local resident also brought to the attention of the board, an issue with the city not plowing his alley all the way up to his property line. The issue was the alley was not completely graveled resulting in half gravel and half grass. Village president Wayne Williams said that the city cannot plow unimproved alleys that do not go all the way through.

After a bit of debate, a solution was reached that both accommodates the resident and follows the village's rules was agreed upon.

"There is a simple solution, we will put some gravel in there and plow from there in," said trustee Tom Byro.

Next spring the village will finish the whole alley so that it can continue to be plowed in the future.

At the end of the monthly meeting it was also voted and passed to pay the bills, with the inclusion of the \$ 10,143 grouting bill.



After a bit of debate over a previous plowing issue, an agreement was reached between the Village of Creston and a resident. Village president Wayne Williams, pictured, said Tuesday night that the vilalge cannot plow unimproved alleys that do not go all the way through. Next spring the village will finish the whole alley so that it can continue to be plowed in the future.

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Melvin Nefstead

FORT PIERCE, Florida — Melvin Craig Nefstead, 70, formerly of Kings, passed away Thursday,

Oct. 31, 2019 at his home in Fort Pierce, Florida.

Craig was born on May 3, 1949 to E.

Melvin and Margaret (Furman) Nefstead in Rockford. He proudly served with the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Before retiring to Florida, he was a farmer in the Rochelle/ Kings area.

Craig was a 1967 Stillman Valley High School graduate. During his high school career, he participated in choir, FFA and 4-H. He was a member of the Rochelle VFW Post 3878, the Rochelle Moose and

the American Legion in Stillman Valley. Craig is survived by

his brother, Gary (Deb Maas) of Kings. He is preceded in death by his parents.

A visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 8 at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home, 400 N. Sixth St., Rochelle. The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 9 at

Elim Reform Church, 140 S. Church Rd., Kings, with Pastor Cary Winn officiating. Burial will follow the service at White Rock Cemetery in Kings with military honors provided by the Eastern Lee-Ogle Honor Guard.

Memorials may be made in Craig's memory to Serenity Hospice and

Visit www.ungerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

Timothy Perkins

ROCHELLE—Timothy Charles "Fluffy" Perkins, 44, a resident of Rochelle, passed away on Sunday, Nov. 3, 2019. He was born on March

16, 1975 in Kankakee,

to Charlene Perkins and Terry Theis.

He went to elementary school (K-8) in Kankakee. In 1990 Tim

moved to Rochelle and went to RTHS and graduated in 1994.

Tim worked a lot of different jobs like gas stations, he was a security guard, bar bouncer, he drove for PTI railroad transportation, and in 2018 Tim worked as a cab driver for J&S cab.

On Nov. 3, 2019, Tim went to Rochelle Community Hospital and at 1:47 p.m. he passed away.

He is preceded in death by his daughter, Elizabeth; dad, Terry Theis; and grandparents, Charles and Gladis

Perkins. He is survived by, sister, April Perkins; stepsister, Anitra; nieces, Sara and Cadence; and mom, Charlene Perkins; along with many close friends, extended family members and numerous co-workers.

Visitation will be held Saturday, Nov. 9 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Beverage-Lyons Family Funeral Home, 704 N. Sixth St., Rochelle. Service will be held at 3 p.m.

Cremation rites will be accorded.

Arrangements entrusted to Beverage-Lyons Family Funeral Home, Rochelle. Online condolences

may be made at www. beveragelyonsfamilyfh. com.

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Man cited for parking in handicap space without proof

On Nov. 1 at 12:59 a.m., Rochelle police cited Jeffrey A. Brue, 39, of Dixon, for no handicap parking proof. He issued a promise to comply. His court date is set for Dec. 13.

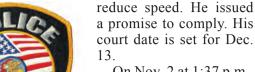
On Nov. 1 at 12 a.m., Rochelle Police arrested James Hernandez, 39, of

Rochelle, on a DeKalb County warrant. He posted \$375 bond. His court date is set for November 19.

On Nov. 2 at 8:39 a.m., Rochelle police cited Ryan A. Mooreland, 27, of Montgomery, for speeding 70 m.p.h. in a 40 m.p.h. zone. He issued a promise to comply. His court date is set for Dec. 13.

On Nov. 2 at 2:02 p.m., Rochelle police arrested Samuel L. Oleson, 35, of Rochelle, on an Ogle County warrant. He posted \$1,075 bond.

On Nov. 2 at 7:32 p.m., Rochelle police cited Julian R. Moorehead, 20, of Rochelle, for not having his driver's license on his person and failure to



On Nov. 2 at 1:37 p.m., Rochelle police arrested James C. Vangellow, 24, of Rochelle, for obstructing a police officer. He posted I-bond. His court date is set for Dec. 13.

On Nov. 3 4:06 p.m., Rochelle police cited Daniel Martsenyvk, 20, of Rockford, for speeding 46 m.p.h. in a 30 m.p.h. zone. He issued a promise to comply. His court date is set for Dec. 13.

On Nov. 4 at 2:22 p.m., Rochelle police arrested Jonathan A. Carrillo, of Rochelle, on an Ogle County warrant. He was transported to jail.

On Nov. 4 at 12:44 p.m., Rochelle police arrested Dana R. Latour, 61, of Rochelle, for improper backing and leaving the scene of an accident. He issued a promise to comply. His court date is set for Dec. 13.



Kishwaukee College's Engineering, Math & Science Academy (EMSA) will hold an information session on Nov. 13 at 6 p.m. at the college so interested high school students and their parents/guardians can learn more about the program. Pictured left to right are Grace Fitch from Sycamore High School, Gwynneth Boynton from Sycamore High School and Olivia Simmons from Genoa-Kingston High School work in the lab during their general chemistry class on Kishwaukee's campus.

Man arrested on failure to appear warrants

On Oct. 31, Gabriel Thornton, 40, of Oregon, was arrested on two failure to appear warrants. Thornton had a bond of \$3,426 and \$782 full cash. Thornton appeared in court and was released on a recognizance bond for both charges. Thornton will return to court on Dec. 30 at 9 a.m.

Nov.1

On Nov. 1, the following people were arrested for outstanding Ogle County warrants:

Corey R. Dunbar, 42, of Roscoe, for failure to appear. Dunbar posted the \$364 full cash bond and was released from the Ogle County Jail with no further court dates.

Alan Cruz Quiroz, 38, of Round Lake, for failure to appear. Cruz Quiroz posted



the \$325 full cash bond and was released from the Ogle County Jail with no further court dates.

Nov. 3

On Nov. 3, at approximately 2:43 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's deputies performed a traffic stop in the 8,000 block of North Freeport Road. After investigation, deputies placed Joshua Wilson, 30, of Freeport, under arrest for Driving While License Suspended. Wilson was additionally issued a citation

for operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Wilson was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

Nov. 4

On Nov. 4, Ogle County Sheriff's deputies arrested Teodoro Jimenez, 20, of Freeport, for driving while license suspended. Jimenez was arrested by deputies on Mulford Road after being stopped for speeding. Jimenez was held in lieu of bondatthe Ogle County Jail.

On Nov. 4, Andrew Beam, 38, of Oregon, was arrested for a fishing without a license warrant. Beam had a bond of \$3,000/10 percent. Beam did post the \$3,000/10 percent bond and was released from the Ogle County Jail. Beam will return to court on Nov. 22, at 9 a.m.

Food bank's My Pantry Express named winner of 18th Annual Chicago Innovation Awards

CHICAGO —Northern Illinois Food Bank, based in Geneva, has been named one of the winners of the 18th annual Chicago Innovation Awards. The organization's pilot program, My Pantry Express (MPX), is an online source for food when in need.

The winners were announced at an event held at Chicago's Harris Theater on Monday, Oct. 28, with nearly 1,500 business and civic leaders, and supporters of innovation in attendance. The Chicago Innovation Awards, celebrating its 18th year, is the Chicago region's foremost recognition of the most innovative new products or services brought to market each year.

My Pantry Express reduces barriers for food insecure neighbors to receive help. The program offers private online food shopping and local pickup at convenient locations and times to reach food-insecure individuals not currently accessing the charitable food network. Northern Illinois Food Bank is the first food bank to offer this service. MPX creates simple, easy access to nutritious food at no cost for food insecure neighbors. It connects an overabundance of food with areas of need, providing an added level of food availability and choice. Seventy-four percent of food-insecure people participating in MPX reported being able to keep up with paying their bills on time and making fewer tough choices. For more information, visit www.solvehungertoday. org/MPX.

"Chicago's innovators continue to demonstrate the breadth of innovation found in the Chicago region, cutting across all industries, sectors and sizes," said Tom Kuczmarski, co-founder with Chicago journalist Dan Miller of

the awards. "2019 winners are pioneers in energy, healthcare, telecommunications, manufacturing, drug development, food, automotive, cyber security, architecture, community and workforce development, education, entertainment and more."

"This award is a wonderful recognition for our team and the work we're doing to serve our neighbors, which envisions a better way of working to solve hunger in our communities," said Julie Yurko, president and CEO of Northern Illinois Food Bank.

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Kishwaukee College EMSA program holding information session

MALTA — Kishwaukee College's Engineering, Math & Science Academy will hold an information session for the 2020-2021 academic year on Nov. 13 from 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Conference Center Dining Room, room A1273 at the college. The information session is open to current high school sophomores and juniors and their parents/guardians.

EMSA offers high school students an early start on their college careers by taking college-level courses. Students must have completed pre-calculus and chemistry with a "B" grade or better to be considered eligible for the program.

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The information session will overview the program, explain the application process and answer questions for students and parents/guardians. Application materials must be received by the College no later than Jan. 31, 2020 for consideration for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Attendants are encouraged to park in Lot A and enter through doors 16 and 17.

To learn more about EMSA, visit www. kish.edu/emsa. For more information on the upcoming information session, contact administrative assistant Cindy Karasewski at ckarasewski@kish.edu or 815-825-9307.

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LOCAL VIEWS

Guest column

Suspending previous practice

UST call it a statesupported scam. Once upon a time, parking enforcement was the purview of metermaids on scooters tooling from spot to spot.

Today, it is big busi-For example,

in 2008, Chicago received \$1.15 billion when it signed a

75-year lease with a private outfit called Chicago Parking Meters LLC. Within a decade, they

Scott Reeder

have already collected revenue greater than their initial payment by jacking up parking fees and zealously enforcing meter times. And please note they have 64 years remaining on the lease. It seems rather unfair

that when folks fall behind in paying this outfit owned by a Wall Street bank and the Middle Eastern emirate of Abu Dhabi, they can have their driver's licenses suspended by the State of Illinois. Why should the power

of the state be used to benefit a particular moneymaking enterprise? Imagine a landlord

or credit card company telling someone who has fallen behind on payments that if they don't pay up, the state will suspend their driver's license. Not only would that

be unfair, it also wouldn't make much sense. After all, how is someone supposed to pay what they owe if they don't have a way to drive to work? But that is exactly what

the State of Illinois does in helping companies and cities collect parking fees. Illinois is one of 44

states that have policies of suspending driver's licenses over unpaid fines, fees or court debts.

Last week, the Illinois General Assembly passed a measure that would end the practice of suspending licenses for unpaid parking fines. The measure awaits Gov. J.B. Pritzker's consideration.

A high percentage of those suspensions affect drivers from low-income, black neighborhoods in Chicago and its suburbs ProPublica Illinois has reported.

Many of those affected have been unable to drive legally for years but do so anyway. If pulled over, they face further fines, fees and even jail time. This can exasperate a cycle of poverty that many spend decades trying to escape.

The bill on the governor's desk also restores driving privileges for some 55,000 individuals whose licenses are currently suspended.

Passing this measure, is a smart move on the part of lawmakers. And I'm hopeful Pritzker will sign the measure.

But the underlying policy of paid, on-street parking needs to be examined. The practice deters people from doing business in central city locations and places downtown businesses at a disadvantage.

Communities such as Rock Island have moved away from this antiquated practice.

Beginning in 2016, it removed its parking meters and increased the time limit on most downtown parking spots from two to four hours.

Too often, cities have viewed parking policy as merely a means to generate revenue rather than an asset that should be promoted and used to make for a more vibrant, user-friendly community.

Debt-based license suspensions don't protect or promote safer communities. They are indicative of that is callous toward the most vulnerable among

The Illinois Legislature made a step in the right direction by passing this measure. No one should have a license suspended for any non-safety related matter.

Scott Reeder is a veteran statehouse journalist and freelance reporter.

Letter to the Editor

Thanks community for support of annual Candy Day

Dear Editor,

The Rochelle Lions Club would like to say thank you to all who supported us on our Candy Day fundraising

A special thanks to the following businesses that so generously contributed to our cause: Dr. Chad Piller -Rochelle Chiropractic Clinic, T-Byrd Lanes, Alderks Tire Service, Hayden Real Estate, Prescott Brothers Ford, Petro Travel Plaza, First State Bank, C&S Flooring Group, Gardner Products Inc., Holcomb Bank, Stillman Bank, Fearer-Nye & Chadwick, Sam Graber Insurance, Central Illinois Loan, Unger Horner Funeral

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Donations received support local people with vision and hearing impairments to improve their quality of life. Through our fundraising we also support the Rochelle Little League, scholarships for Rochelle Township High School seniors, purchasing glasses for local students and citizens, Diabetes awareness, Leader Dog and many other local contributions.

> Tom Hill Rochelle



VOICE ON THE STREET

Question:

A bill allowing college athletes in Illinois to be paid for the use of their image, name and likeness passed the state House last week with broad bipartisan support after lengthy debate. The bill would allow collegiate athletes to be paid for the use of their name and likeness and would prohibit the NCAA from punishing students who take part in the payment or the universities they attend. It would not allow for payment of salaries by universities. What are your feelings on this?



"In the past it has always been a no no. And I don't agree with it because once they accept payment that puts them at pro status and they are not professional athletes."

Todd Adee



"I don't agree with them being paid. If they are out of college and that is their career then it is okay. But not if they are still in school."

Susan Duffy



"It is hard because some are being paid and some of them being paid illegally, which is not right for the kids who aren't. It could take something away from being a college athlete, if that is their path then they could turn pro early."

Peggy Richard

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COMMUNITY

Final 2019 county electronic drop-off recycling event set

OREGON — The Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department will be holding the last residential electronic recycling drop-off of the year on Friday,

This event is a week early due to the Thanksgiving holiday. There will be no electronics collection during the month of December. The location for the event is the County Annex Building at 909 Pines Road from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The events are for residential electronics from Ogle County and ID's are checked. There is a limit of seven large or bulky items per vehicle. A tub or box filled with smaller items is considered one bulky item.

Acceptable items

Accepted items include all residential televisions, computers, computer monitors, all computer accessories, hardware, and cables, UPS systems, printers, FAX machines, copiers, laptops, cell phones, tablets, video game equipment, phone systems, radios, stereo equipment, digital clocks, VCR/DVD players, remotes, and cable/ satellite receivers, holiday light strands, rechargeable batteries, CFL bulbs, and printer ink cartridges. Microwave ovens are also accepted for a \$5 charge.

Unacceptable items

Items that are not accepted include smoke detectors, fans, lamps, vacuum cleaners, personal hygiene items, power tools, yard tools, toys, heaters, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, sump pumps, coffee makers, bread makers, slow cookers, toasters or ovens, or electric fryers. Electronics from businesses, schools, or other institutions are not accepted at these events. Please contact the OCSWMD for options regarding business or institutional electronic items.

The OCSWMD will also be accepting non-perishable food items at the electronics drop-off. Items accepted include all non-expired and sealed canned foods, soup, cereal, pasta, rice, pancake mix, syrup, peanut butter, jelly, and items such as bar soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. Cash donations are also accepted. All donated items are distributed to various Ogle County food pantries. The food pantries in Oregon, Byron, and Stillman Valley have already received donations collected by the OCSWMD during the September and October drop-off events. Please be generous and consider those in need as you drop off your electronics for recycling. The OCSWMD will do the rest getting the donated items to our local food pantries.

Questions about the residential electronics recycling drop-off or about the food drive may be directed to OCSWMD at 815-732-4020 or visit www.oglecounty.

CALENDAR

Wed., Nov. 6

1:30 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous will meet at St. Patrick's Learning Center, 903 N. Caron Road. (every Wednesday)

Thu., Nov. 7

4:30 to 7:30 p.m. -Dinner will be served at The Kitchen Table, 7034 E. Klondike Road. The menu includes chicken alfredo with broccoli on the side, salad, garlic bread. The kids' menu includes corn dog with chips, chicken nuggets or peanut butter and jelly.

5 to 8 p.m. — Kennay Farms Distilling, located in the former Hub Theater at 416 Lincoln Highway, will host Sip 'n Shop, an indoor market featuring a variety of vendors including handmade pottery, wood crafts, jewelry, fresh flower bouquets, homemade breads, soaps, fresh vegetables, pizza by the slice and more. There will be a variety of drink options to enjoy while you sip & shop. Check Kennay Farms Distilling Facebook event for vendor details.

Sat., Nov. 9

7 a.m. to 11 a.m. — The Lindenwood Union Church, corner of Galena and Walnut Streets in Lindenwood, will serve a biscuit and gravy breakfast. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children 4 to 10 years old and free for children 3 and under.

4:30 to 7 p.m. — The Malta United Methodist Church will host its annual roast beef dinner and bake sale at the church. The menu includes beef pot roast, mashed potatoes and gravy, sweet peas, raspberry-applesauce jello salad, fresh baked rolls and homemade



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Oct. 30 - Kassie Elliott, Rochelle, \$25 Oct. 31 - Glen Hughes, Dixon, \$250

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Nov. 4 - Bud Norcross, Rochelle, \$25

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Nov. 6 - Steve Eckhardt, Rochelle, \$25

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

desserts. Tickets are King Cut (Double Meat) for \$20, regular dinner (ages 8 and up) for \$15, children ages 0-7 for \$5. Carryouts are available. Tickets may be purchased from members or at the door.

5:30 p.m. — Rochelle **United Methodist Church** will hold a Turkey Dinner and Silent Auction fundraiser in Hicks Hall to benefit the Community Outreach program. Carry outs are also available

from 4:30-5:45 p.m. and tickets may be purchased from the church office.

Mon., Nov. 11

5 to 6 p.m.— Rochelle **Christian Community** free Monday supper for all in need. The supper is served at St. Patrick Parish Center, 244 Kelley Drive.

6:30 p.m. – Group Hope meets in the RCH Health & Wellness Center Conference Room. Provides support with

depression and bipolar disorder. Affiliated with the Rock River Mental Health Association. (every Monday)

Tue., Nov. 12

4:30 to 7:30 p.m. -Dinner will be served at The Kitchen Table, 7034 E. Klondike Road. The menu includes chicken parmesan, garlic bread, salad, tortellini soup. The kids' menu includes corn dog with chips, chicken nuggets or peanut butter and jelly.

Thu., Nov. 14

4:30 to 7:30 p.m. — Dinner will be served at The Kitchen Table, 7034 E. Klondike Road. The menu includes hamburgers, French fries, baked beans. The kids' menu includes corn dog with chips, chicken nuggets or peanut butter and jelly.

Sat., Nov. 16

11 a.m. to 6 p.m. — The Kiwanis Golden K will hold its annual Chili Day at Hicks Hall at the Rochelle United Methodist Church, 709 4th Ave. Cost is \$7. Children 10 and under eat

Meetings

Tue., Nov. 12

6:30 p.m. — The Rochelle City Council will meet in regular session in council chambers at Rochelle City Hall. The meeting is open to the public. *Please note date change due to Veteran's Day holiday observance.

7 p.m. — The Rochelle Elementary District No. 231 Board of Education will meet in the media center at Rochelle Middle School for its regular monthly board meeting. The meeting is open to the public.



Coffee Break

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by Linda Thistle

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Clue: D equals Q

Challenging

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SPORTS 5



Fall is in the air...

BOWLERS HIT THE LANES

The Rochelle boys bowling team returned to practice this past week.

See page 3 for more details

RTHS Cross Country

Crossing the finish

Lady Hubs wrap up successful season at Belvidere sectional

BY RUSSELL HODGES SPORTS EDITOR

BELVIDERE — The Lady Hubs have raced through tough weather conditions all season, and those didn't change Saturday morning, when the Rochelle girls competed against over 20 area high schools in the IHSA 2A Sectional at Belvidere High School.

With temperatures approaching freezing and only four runners healthy enough to race, the Lady Hubs finished their season strong despite being unable to record a team score. Senior Britney Baez continued leading the Rochelle girls on Saturday, clocking in at 21:36.7 to place 90th while sophomore Sara Johnson took 116th with a time of 22:34.5.

"It was about 37 degrees when we got there but the people at Belvidere did a great job of cleaning up the snow and debris on the course," head coach Mark Zilis said. "I checked the times from other schools and as a whole, everybody raced a bit slower than they normally would have... Britney ran a competitive



(PHOTO BY MARCY DELILLE) The Rochelle girls cross country team sent four runners to the IHSA 2A Sectional in Belvidere this past Saturday. Above from left to right

are coach Dale Bergeson, Ahtziri Zepeda, Emily Garcia, Sara Johnson, Britney Baez and head coach Mark Zilis.

race and Sara ran a nice race as well."

Freshman Ahtziri Zepeda and sophomore Emily Garcia rounded out the Rochelle team on Saturday with respective times of 26:05.6 and 27:47.5. The Lady Hubs were without freshman Yuelma Ortiz and sophomore Morgan West, who each helped Rochelle reach the sectional after the Lady Hubs qualified in sixth place at the IHSA 2A

Regional in Sterling. "The four girls who

raced gave their best effort," Zilis said. "The three girls who will be coming

back next season earned some good experience this weekend. They learned what it's like to race in a sectional atmosphere."

RTHS Volleyball

Offseason work pays dividends for Lady Hubs

Varsity program ready to rebuild after setting single-season wins record

BY RUSSELL HODGES SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — The recent surge in success from the Rochelle volleyball program stems from work the Lady Hubs put in over the offseason. That work was evident as the purple and white set a new single-season wins record this fall while reaching the IHSA3ARegional Cham-

pionship match for the second time in two years. After winning 16 matches in 2018, the Lady Hubs returned this season and compiled a 21-16 overall record that included a second-place

silver finish at the Sterling Invitational and thirdplace finishes in both the E-Rab Invitational at Rockford East and the Lady Hub Invitational. Rochelle went 7-7 in its first season as a member of the Interstate 8 Confer-

"It was a fantastic season," head coach Molly Sly said. "Our seniors wanted to win every match

they took the floor for and that's the reason they were able to make history this season. It was fun to be around them each day."

The Lady Hubs went 8-2 to start the season before cooling off near the start of conference play. Rochelle carried a fourmatch winning streak into the regional final against Belvidere North, where the girls fell just short of the school's first title since 1995. Senior Katie Van Hise led the Lady Hubs with 267 kills this season, while junior Clare Green recorded a team-high 458 assists and senior Maggie Duval totaled 224 assists, 156 digs, 119 kills and 22

aces all around. "I think our success is a result of the work these girls put in over the offseason," Sly said. "They give it their all every time they're on the floor and they go after every single ball. A lot of the girls play

club volleyball so they're

putting the work in outside

of the high school season

and we get to reap those

benefits. These seniors came to all of our open gyms, they made every league match and they helped out at all of our

Rochelle will graduate a talented senior class that features Van Hise, Duval, Allison Seebach, Emma Smith and Caitlin Hensley. The Lady Hubs will return a portion of its varsity roster including junior Afi Gati, who led Rochelle with 30 blocks this season. Sophomore Sylvia Hasz emerged as a cornerstone after compiling team-highs in digs (243) and aces (35) while adding 207 kills and 13 blocks. Junior Ellie Kinn finished with 206 digs and 28 aces as a first-year

"We're expecting to have another successful season next year," Sly said. "We have a good core group coming back but we'll have to fill some shoes and some of the returning girls will need to

step up and work hard on

their game."



Juniors Jesenia Solano (left) and Afi Gati (right) will each be eligible to return for the Rochelle varsity volleyball team next season.

"I think our success is a result of the work these girls put in over the offseason. They give it their all every time they're on the floor and they go after every single ball.."

Molly Sly



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Grace Luxton

Year: Freshman Sport: Basketball

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

Q: What do you enjoy most about this sport?

A: I really like the competition. Q: What is your favorite

school subject and why? A: Biology because it's

challenging and I'm learning new things during every module. Q: Who is your favorite

athlete and why?

A: Michael Jordan because he's really inspiring and I enjoy watching him play

Q: Who is your biggest role model and why?

Miraya

Montes

Year: Freshman

Sport: Basketball

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

A: Three years.

Q: What do you enjoy most

A: I love the bond everybody

about this sport?

shares. We aren't just teammates

and everybody is really close.

Q: What is your favorite school subject and why?

A: Math because it challenges

Q: Who is your biggest role

A: My mom because she's the

Q: What is your dream job

model and why?

most hard working person I know.

A: My dad, he never gives up and I aspire to be like that too.

Q: What is your dream job and why? A: To be an author because I

feel like books are another way of reaching out to people.

Q: Where would your dream vacation be and why?

A: Honduras because I've been there on a mission trip and I love the children and their views.

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

A: I love the coaches and my teammates. They treat me like family.



and why?

A: To be an architectural engineer because I love to design and build things.

Q: Where would your dream vacation be and why?

A: London because everything there is so much different than here and I think it's a very interesting place.

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

A: I enjoy playing and meeting new people and I enjoy making new bonds and growing closer with my teammates.









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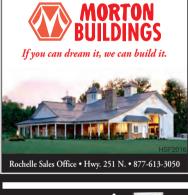
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SPORTS

RTHS Boys Bowling

Lyles takes over as Hub rollers begin new season

Ortega, Holland headline returning varsity players

BY RUSSELL HODGES

SPORTS EDITOR

ROCHELLE — The start of a new era for the Rochelle boys bowling team began this past Monday, when the Hubs took over T-Byrd Lanes for their first practice of the 2019-20 season under new head coach Jim Lyles.

Lyles takes over for Doug Koch, who resigned earlier this year after leading the boys bowling program for nearly two decades. Numbers were much greater at the start of practice this season, as close to 20 players laced up their shoes and threw balls down the lanes. Rochelle will be gearing up for its first season as an Interstate 8 Conference competitor.

"I'm looking forward to making all of the kids better by the end of the season," Lyles said. "We

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Jim Lyles

aren't concerned with scores at this point. We want to continue getting better so we're ready for when regionals come around. Hopefully the kids will have a lot of fun this year."

The Hubs graduated their core players including Tyler Johnson, Dallas Driver and Rock Valley College player Brady Shank earlier this year. Senior Logan Ortega and junior Keith Holland are the only two varsity bowlers returning from last season, but sophomores Sergio Guevara and Devansh Patel could see their roles elevated after competing on the junior varsity team. Rochelle finished 5-10 overall this past season.

"I'm hoping we can put together a good record this year but I don't have too many expectations right now," Lyles said. "We have a lot of new bowlers and we're going to work with them a lot. We want to get our bowlers into some new equipment as opposed to using house balls."

Rochelle opens the season with a road match against Sycamore on Nov. 12 before facing Sterling

at home on Nov. 14. The Hubs will be aiming to reach the sectional round for the first time since the 2017-18 campaign. It will be a challenge, but with roster numbers well into double-digits, the boys bowling program rebuild is off to a promising start.

"I'd like to see our returning players give the new kids some guidance so they'll know what to expect when we go to meets," Lyles said. "I'd like them to step up as captains so the bowlers can go to them when they have questions."



(PHOTO BY RUSSELL HODGES)

Senior Logan Ortega will be a key player for the Rochelle boys bowling team this season.

NIU Football

Huskies drop MAC decision at Central Michigan

Chippewas build 28-point halftime lead in 48-10 win

MT. PLEASANT, **Mich.** – Central Michigan tailbacks Jonathan Ward and Kobe Lewis combined for 281 of CMU's 327 rushing yards and quarterback Quinten Dormady threw three touchdown passes as the Chippewas handed the Northern Illinois University Huskies a 48-10 loss Saturday at Kelly/Shorts

NIU (3-6, 2-3 MAC) turned the ball over four times in the second half, while the Huskie defense forced just one CMU punt on the day.

"Give credit to Central Michigan, they went out there and they dominated us, it's as simple as that, and we're not going to make excuses," said NIU head coach Thomas Hammock. "We've got to respond, we've got to come back and figure out what went wrong. I take full responsibility as the head coach. I thought we had good preparation, but we got out there and we didn't get it done."

CMU did most of its damage in the first 30 minutes as they took a 38-10 lead into the halftime locker room, amassing 400 yards of offense in the half while forcing six NIU punts. The Chippewas scored on each of their three first-quarter possessions, while the Huskies could manage only a 33-yard John Richardson field goal.

Central Michigan (6-4, 4-2 MAC) matched that on their first drive of the second quarter to take a 24-3 lead. NIU got into the end zone on its next drive with a 9-yard touchdown pass from Ross Bowers to Spencer Tears that came one play after Bowers connected with Cole Tucker on a 49-yard pass play. The PAT made it 24-10 Central Michigan with 10:48 left in the half.

Dormady, who completed 18-of-24 passes for 288 yards on the day, hit tight end Tony Poljan from 39 yards out for a score and closed out the half with a 16-yard TD throw

to Tyrone Scott.

The Chippewas' Ryan Tice missed three field goals in a scoreless third quarter while each of the Huskies' three thirdquarter drives ended in interceptions.

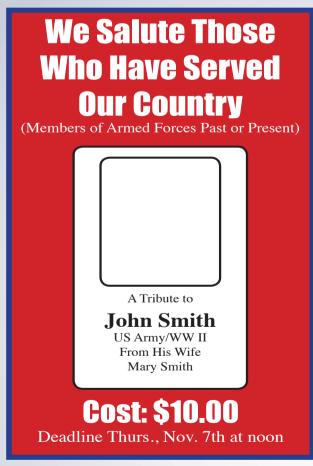
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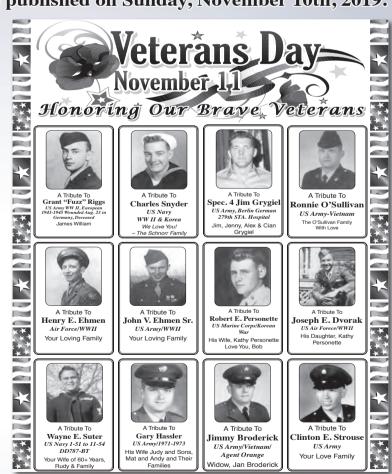
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SPORTS

NIU: Huskies face Toledo for final road game Nov. 13

From page 3

CMU scored its final touchdown on Ward's three-yard run at the start of the final period as he finished the game with 138 yards on 20 carries while Lewis ran 17 times for 143 yards. The Chippewas totaled 615 yards of total offense on the day.

"I saw a talented [Central Michigan] team on tape with the two running backs and the wide receiver, I saw talent and I thought we would do a better job

receiver, I saw talent and I thought we would do a better job of containing them." of containing them," Hammock said. "For us, when you get an opportunity,

you have to finish the play. We didn't finish the play. We had guys in position. Whether that's making the catch or the tackle or the interception."

NIU managed just 22 rushing yards on 25 carries on the day and were held to one-of-12 on third down conversions. Bowers, who did not go through a full practice until Friday, completed 18-of-29 passes for 221 yards. Tucker caught

"I saw a talented [Central Michigan] team on

tape with the two running backs and the wide

three passes for 75 yards and running back Marcus Jones had four catches on the day. Mykelti Williams was one of three Huskies in double figures in tackles with 12, while Nick Rattin and Vinny Labus each had 10 stops.

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nance No. 102319 (the "Ordinance") adopted by the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Village of Hillcrest, Ogle Illinois (the "Village"), on the 23rd day of October, 2019, the Village intends to purchase, for the sum of \$70,000.00, the following described parcel of real estate for public purposes:

Lot 22 in Hillcrest Subdivision No. 8, in Township 40 North, Range 1 East of the 3rd P.M., according to the Plat thereof recorded in Book J of Plats on Page 71, in the Office of the County Recorder, Ogle County, Illinois; commonly known as 422 N. Roy Avenue, Rochelle, IL 61068; and having a PIN of 24-12-301-001 (the "Real Estate"). A complete copy of the Ordinance follows this Notice.

Notice is hereby further given that a petition signed by 67 or more electors of the Village, said number of electors being equal to 10% of the number of registered voters in the Village, may be submitted to the Village Clerk (the "Clerk") within thirty (30) days after the date of the second publication of this Notice and the Ordinance asking that the question of the purchase of the Real Estate be submitted to referendum. petition is filed with the Clerk within thirty (30) days after the date of the second publication of this Notice, an election on the proposition to purchase the Real Estate shall be held on newspaper of general the 17th day of March, circulation in the Vil-2020. If no such petition is filed within said thirty (30) day period. then the Village shall be authorized to purchase the Real Estate for public purposes as hereinabove provided.

Dated this 29th day of

Clerk, Village of Hillcrest. Ogle County, Illinois ORDINANCE

October, 2019.

Dawn Bearrows

102319 AN ORDINANCE AU-THORIZING THE VIL-I AGE OF HILLCREST

TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE PURSUANT TO 65 ILCS 5/11-76.1-1 WHEREAS, the Village of Hillcrest, County of

Ogle, State of Illinois

(the "Village") has the authority pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-76.1-1 to purchase real estate for public purposes; and WHEREAS, the Village has deemed it neces-

sary and in the best interests of the Village to purchase the following parcel of real estate for public purposes:

303 **APPLIANCES**

ship 40 North, Range 1 East of the 3rd P.M., according to the Plat thereof recorded in Book J of Plats on Page 71, in the Office of the County Recorder, Ogle County, Illinois; commonly known as 422 N. Roy Avenue, Rochelle, IL 61068; and having a PIN of 24-12-301-001 (the "Real Estate"), and WHEREAS, the Village has sufficient funds on hand to pay the \$70,000.00 purchase price for the Real Estate and that said expenditure of funds will not unduly burden the Village. NOW. THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUST-EES OF THE VILLAGE OF HILLCREST, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

Lot 22 in Hillcrest Sub-

division No. 8 in Town-

Section 1. Incorporation of Preambles. The Board hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are full, true and correct and does incorporate them into this Ordinance by this reference.

Section 2. Determination to Purchase Real Estate. It is necessary and in the best interests of the Village of Hillcrest to purchase the Real Estate for the sum of \$70,000.00 and to pay the purchase price thereof from funds presently on deposit in the General Fund, and the Village President and Village Clerk are hereby authorized by the Village Board to sign a contract consistent with said terms.

Section 3. Publication. This Ordinance, together with a notice in the statutory form, shall be published in the Rochelle News-Leader, the same being a lage, and if no petition, signed by 67 electors, the same being equal to 10% of the number registered voters in the Village, asking that the purchase of the Real Estate by the Village be submitted to referendum, is filed with the Village Clerk within thirty (30) days after the date of the publication of this Ordinance and said notice, then the Village shall proceed to purchase the Real Estate.

Section 4. Additional Ordinances. If no petition meeting the requirements of applicable law is filed during the petition period hereinabove referred to, then the Village may adopt additional ordinances or proceedings supplementing or amending this Ordinance, so long as the purchase price of the Real Estate set forth in this Ordinance is not exceeded and there is no material change in the transaction described herein. APPROVED AND AD-

OPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village

follows: AYES: Ball. Kerwin. Pitmann, Potter, Salsbury,

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Rhoads

of Hillcrest this 23rd day

of October, 2019, pur-

suant to roll call vote as

ABSTAIN: None APPROVED this 23rd day of October, 2019. Jason Fore, Village President ATTEST: Dawn Bearrows, Village Clerk

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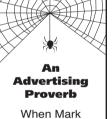
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U.S. soybean industry has largely been tied to China. In the two decades since China joined the World Trade Organization, U.S. soybean exports nearly doubled to more than 2 billion bushels during the 2017-2018 marketing year and soybean acres planted expanded by 15 million acres, or 20 percent, to 90 million acres planted in 2018. For the past year and

a half, however, U.S. soybeans have been subject to retaliatory tariffs by China. Not only that, but China has suffered a devastating outbreak of African Swine Fever, which has decimated over 30 percent to as much as 50 percent of the world's largest hog population (African Swine Fever Outbreak in China, African Swine Fever and China: Part II and African Swine Fever in China Keeps Getting Worse). Reducing demand, driving down prices and pushing up stockpiles, these events have roiled U.S. soybean markets. In 2019, soybean planted acres fell to the lowest level since 2011, 76.5 million acres.

Now, recently released data from US-DA's Global Agricultural Trade System provides an opportunity to review the combined impact of retaliatory tariffs and

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the lowest level since the 2012-2013 marketing year and down 18 percent, or 386 million bushels, from prior-year levels. China remained the United States' largest buyer, importing 489.5 million bushels, or 28 percent of the U.S. exports. However, exports to China fell by 53 percent or 546 million bushels from prior-year levels. Exports to China during the 2018-2019 marketing year were the lowest since the 2006-2007 marketing year. U.S. soybean exports to the rest of the world increased by 15 percent, or 160 million bushels, to 1.258 billion bushels.

Some have claimed that purchases by other trading partners would offset the decline in soybean sales to China. For the 2018-2019 marketing year, the second-largest buyer of U.S. soybeans was Mexico at 190 million bushels. Exports to Mexico did jump 18 percent, or 29 million bushels, from prior-year levels, but they remained a very distant second to China.

Another noteworthy buyer of U.S. soybeans was Argentina – the world's third-largest producer of soybeans behind Brazil and the U.S. Argentina was hammered by a drought that reduced their soybean production by more than 30 percent and left many soybean crushing facilities under capacity, leading them to make up the shortfall with U.S. soybeans. During the 2018-2019 marketing year, Argentina purchased 73 million bushels of soybeans, up 873 percent from non-existent prior-year levels.

Led by a 31-million-bushel increase in Spain, a 16-million-bushel bump in Italy and a 14-milPortugal, the European Union increased its purchases of U.S. soybeans by 33 percent, or 69 million bushels, to 278 million bushels. Sales to the Netherlands dropped by 15 million bushels, or 14 percent, from prior-year levels. Over the last decade,

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China had purchased more than 60% of the soybeans traded globally. Given China's outsized purchasing power, a consider-Ron Kern able reduction in sales to that market

is nearly impossible to offset by sales to other countries around the world. More directly, it's not easy to rearrange the deck chairs in the soybean supply chain – as some have suggested.

During the 2016-2017 marketing year, Chinese purchases peaked at 1.3 billion bushels of U.S. soybeans, representing one-third of every acre planted in the U.S. based on the national average crop yield. Now, however, with China reducing purchases by nearly 300 million bushels in 2017-2018 and another 546 million bushels this marketing year, fewer acres are needed to meet Chinese demand.

During the 2018-2019 marketing year, the 489 million bushels purchased by China could have been supplied by fewer than 10 million soybean acres – 11 million fewer acres than the prior year and 16 million acres fewer than two years earlier. This year, only 11 percent of U.S. soybean acres were needed to meet Chinese demand from the U.S.

U.S. farmers responded to the market signals, planting only 76.5 million acres, a substantial 12-million-acre drop from last year. As a result, soybean production is currently projected at 3.55 billion bushels, down 20 percent, or 878 million bushels, from last year – more than enough to offset the reduction in Chinese demand and help reduce the 453-million-bushel

stockpile. For new-crop soybeans, USDA currently projects exports at 1.775 billion bushels – up 27 million bushels from the prior year. Through the first four weeks of the marketing year, USDA's grain inspection data reveals soybean exports at 154 million bushels, up 27 percent from prior-year levels. Of the 154 million bushels inspected for export, 36 million bushels are destined for China – up from last year but down from the 93 million bushels shipped two years prior. While inspections

are up, commitments, i.e., accumulated and outstanding soybean exports, are down. USDA's weekly export data shows total soybean export commitments at 602 million bushels through the first five weeks of the marketing year, down 20 percent, or 153 million bushels, from last year and down 34 percent, or 217 million bushels, from two years prior. Accumulated and outstanding sales to China currently total 176 million bushels through the first five weeks of the marketing year, up sharply from last year. Outstanding sales, i.e., not yet shipped, represent 143 million bushels and accumulated exports total 33 million bushels. China has returned, but it's not necessarily business as usual.

The bigger question now is not when the Chinese fully re-enter the U.S. market, but when they do, how much will they demand? Due to ASF, pork production is likely to fall sharply in the near term. This, in turn, will be accompanied by a reduction in demand for soybeans and soybean meal. Some have argued that the impact of ASF has done more to curb Chinese soybean demand than tariffs. While the Chinese substituted U.S. soybeans for Brazilian soybeans in late 2018 and into 2019, their overall import demand fell sharply.

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Eligible voters to receive ballots week of Nov. 4

SPRINGFIELD — The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will begin mailing ballots on November 4 to eligible farmers and ranchers across the country for the Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committee elections.

"Our county committee members play a key role in our efforts to provide assistance to producers," said FSA Administrator Richard Fordyce. "We value the local input of the over 7,000 members nationwide who provide their valuable knowledge and judgment as decisions are made about the services we provide, including disaster and emergency programs."

To be counted, ballots must be returned to the local FSA county office or postmarked by December 2.

Each committee has three elected members who serve three-year terms of office. One-third of county committee seats are up for election each year. Newly elected committee members will take office January 1, 2020. County committee members help FSA make important decisions on its commodity support programs, conservation programs, indemnity and disaster programs, and emergency programs and eligibility.

Producers must participate or cooperate in an FSA program to be eligible to vote in the county committee election. Producers who supervise and conduct the farming operations of an entire farm, but are not of legal voting age, also may be eligible to vote.

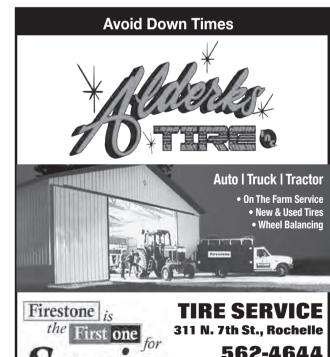
Producers can find out if their local administrative area is up for election and if they are eligible to vote by contacting their local FSA county office. Eligible voters who did not receive a ballot in the mail can pick one up at their local FSA county office.

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