## April 2, 2024

## **ISSUES/PROGRAM LIST**

## January 1 – March 31, 2024

There follows a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by WRHL-AM, Rochelle, IL., along with the most significant programming treatments of those issues for the above period of time. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The issues and segments are from the public affairs program "In The Know" airing Sundays, 7:00am to 7:15am. Please see below for date, type and description of program.

## **ISSUES/PROGRAM TOPICS:**

- 1. Legislative achievements for Senator Stoller
- 2. Work for 2024
- 3. Bill to protect enterprise zone around Rochelle
- 4. Services and assistance for Ogle County veterans
- 5. Helping those who service in armed forces with benefits
- 6. The Veterans Assistance Commission helps over 700 residents
- 7. Expanded health care for veterans
- 8. Transportation for veterans
- 9. Economic future for Rochelle
- 10. How I-88 drives business to Rochelle
- 11. How the intermodal yard drives business to Rochelle
- 12. Future business development for Rochelle
- 13. A positive view for Rochelle and its residents
- 14. State Representative talks about his time in office so far
- 15. Representing the communities
- 16. The politics of Springfield
- 17. Selling Girl Scout cookies in the area
- 18. Raising money for activities

- 19. Community projects for Girl Scouts
- 20. How Illinois government finances work
- 21. Get ready to file taxes
- 22. Scammers when it comes to taxes
- 23. Comptroller Mendoza warns of look-alike documents
- 24. And warns of unsolicited calls
- 25. Upcoming improvements for Rochelle
- 26. Infrastructure in Rochelle
- 27. Community can share input with City
- 28. Proposed downtown bandshell for Rochelle
- 29. Outdoor dining area for Rochelle
- 30. Community involvement for residents in Rochelle
- 31. How regional governments work together
- 32. Accomplishments in Oregon
- 33. Future plans for Oregon
- 34. Economic development for Oregon
- 35. Recreational opportunities in Oregon
- 36. Bilingual education programs at RTHS
- 37. Reaching the community and families where English in a second language
- 38. A community event called FutBol Fundraiser
- 39. A scholarship for a RTHS Senior
- 40. Police involved in the city of Rochelle
- 41. How residents can be involved in policing
- 42. Police department has great support from local government
- 43. Rochelle is working at staying ahead repairs
- 44. Projects in the City
- 45. Expansion in Rochelle
- 46. Building for the future
- 47. Utilities and roads in Rochelle
- 48. Cooperation with neighboring communities to expand business, residents and recreation
- 49. Bills introduced in Springfield

- 50. Legislation that could harm commerce in Northern Illinois
- 51. Reducing the burden on Township Governments

In The Know Issues & Programs 1st Quarter 2024

State Senator Stoller Reflects on 2023 01/07/24

ROCHELLE - State Senator Win Stoller is proud of the legislative achievements he has helped pass in 2023, and looks forward to the work in Springfield in his final year in office. He was particularly proud of his bill to help protect the \$70 million enterprise zone around Rochelle from wind and solar development.

Ogle County Veterans Assistance Commission to Events Next Week 01/11/24

OREGON - The Ogle County Veterans Assistance Commission is a very busy service provider in the area. The VAC helps those who have bravely served in the armed forces get the benefits they deserve and assistance they need. The Ogle County Veterans Assistance Commission helps over 700 area residents. Not only can they help those in need of benefits or expanded health care, they also can arrange transportation for medical appointments to VA facilities.

Rochelle Mayor Has An Optimistic View Of Economic Future 01/20/24

ROCHELLE - Rochelle Mayor John Bearrows has an optimistic view of the economic future of the city. Speaking with Charles Van Horn on the Rochelle Broadcasting Company program "In The Know", he said he remembers a time when I-88 and the intermodal yard weren't helping drive business in the area. He shared his hopes that more business development will be coming to Ogle County and Rochelle specifically, and also encouraged residents to remain positive.

State Rep. Bradley Fritts Takes A First Look at Springfield 01/28/24

ROCHELLE - Illinois State Representative Bradley Fritts (R-Dixon) visits with Charles Van Horn about what it is like to be the youngest ever elected to the state house, how the community has treated him so far, and what friends (and foes) he has made downstate in Springfield.

Girl Scouts Tour Radio Station and Talk About Cookies! 02/4/24

ROCHELLE - The Girls Scouts will be selling cookies once again. Area Girl Scout Troops will be selling boxes of delicious cookies at locations all over town, hoping to raise money for activities for the coming year. All of your favorites will be available, including the world famous thin mints. Rochelle area Girl Scout Troops 2112 and 1168 will be selling cookies and enjoyed a tour

of the station, learning about the business of radio, how the equipment works, and were featured on air talking about community projects but the fun of being a Girl Scout.

Illinois Comptroller Warns of Tax Scams 02/11/24

SPRINGFIELD - Illinois Comptroller Susanna Mendoza joins Charles to talk about how Illinois government finances work, and how those getting ready to file taxes can be aware of how scammers may take advantage of them. She warned of look-alike tax documents and unsolicited calls.

Rochelle City Manager Discusses Improvements to the City 02/18/24

ROCHELLE - Rochelle City Manager Jeff Fiegenschuh talks about upcoming city improvements to infrastructure, including how community members can share input on the new design that may be featured on the water tower. He also shares his personal love for the Batman comic book and movies.

Rochelle Mayor provides update on possible downtown improvements 2/25/24

ROCHELLE - Rochelle Mayor John Bearrows provided an update on a proposed downtown bandshell and outdoor dining area, plus weighs in on community involvement and how regionally governments work together to benefit all residents.

Oregon Mayor Ken Williams shares the future plans for the city and current projects 03/03/24

OREGON - Oregon Mayor Ken Williams spoke about his career in politics and his accomplishments as Mayor, plus what future plans the community has in store in regards to economic development and recreational opportunities.

Celeste Canfield from Rochelle District 231 - The Director of Language Services 03/10/24

ROCHELLE - Celeste Canfield spoke about the successes the Bilingual education programs are having with younger students, and how they plan on reaching the community and those families where English is a second language. She also promoted an upcoming community event on April 27th, a FutBol Fundraiser, which will help raise funds for a \$500 scholarship for a Rochelle Township High Senior.

Rochelle Police Chief Pete Pavia 03/17/24

ROCHELLE - Rochelle Police Chief Pete Pavia joins Charles to discuss how his first year as Chief is going, what he loves about the community, and how residents can be involved with policing. He also talked about how the department is thankfully far from want, due to the great support from local government.

Rochelle Mayor Discussed Infrastructure 03/24/24

ROCHELLE - Rochelle Mayor John Bearrows spoke with Charles to talk about how the city is working to stay ahead of repairs, getting to projects before expansion creates an overwhelming demand and building for the future. They discussed utilities, roads, and cooperation with neighboring communities to expand the area for business, residents and recreation

Illinois Representative Bradley Fritts 03/31/24

ROCHELLE - Bradley Fritts discusses the attempt by colleagues to introduce bills with no hope of passage, legislation that he is against that may harm commerce across northern Illinois, and what bill he is championing to help reduce the burden on Township Governments having to undertake costly audits.