



# Knowing What Counts



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## From Gregg's Desk: *Insights by Rushville State Bank's CEO*

I recently had the pleasure of attending the organ concert at the new Rushville-Industry High School Performing Arts Center. Mr. Richard Hills was a remarkable organist, playing the 1925 Wurlitzer theater organ donated by the Bill Bartlow family.

The next day I had some errands to run and my trip took me through the Schuyler County Fairgrounds where I saw the new swine building and the grandstands, past the Rushville Community and Fitness Center, and through Scripps Park with the new Little League diamond and swimming pool. When I got back to the Bank I looked at the Princess Theater marquee to see what recently released movie would be showing this weekend.

The common thread behind all of these is that they were all made possible by an anonymous donor. How great is it to live in Schuyler County, where we are the benefactors of an anonymous donor willing to invest millions of dollars to improve our quality of life? How blessed are we to have individuals in our community willing to donate their time, talents and treasures to make sure that these investments are making a contribution to our community for the benefit of generations to come? Furthermore, how fortunate am I to be working at Rushville State Bank, where our Board, staff, and customers are dedicated to making this a great place to live and raise a family?

As I reflect on all of the progress in our community over the 24 years since my family moved to Schuyler County, I am proud that Rushville State Bank has been an integral part of this transformation. Shortly after starting my tenure at the Bank, our Board of Directors showed me their dedication to this county through their support of Culbertson Memorial Hospital during some extremely difficult times. In addition, their decision to dedicate resources towards our Trust and

Investment Center has produced tremendous benefits for our community. Vice President and Trust Officer Linda Butler has led the development of the Schuyler County Community Foundation, which has been the primary conduit for anonymous donor project funding. The Trust and Investment Center is also responsible for administering numerous scholarship programs. This list is included on page 3 of this newsletter. Please contact Linda Butler or Alaina Heitz in our Trust and Investment Center if we can be of service to you or your organization.

Many of our employees are involved in other church and civic activities. Kelly Greene has served on the board of the Rushville Little League and Rushville Community Chest for several years. Cindy Paisley and her husband Kent are involved in the Late Night Cruisers Car Club. The club will be hosting the annual Father's Day Car Show on Sunday, June 16 on the square in Rushville. Mark Thompson serves on the Rushville Housing Committee and the Schuyler County Architecture Foundation. You will most likely see Isaac Goodrich helping out at the Schuyler County Fair, which runs from June 28th through July 4. Alaina Heitz is currently the President of the Board for the Hub Arts and Cultural Center. Linda Butler has been a Trustee for Spoon River College for many years, serves as a liaison for many community groups and governmental agencies, and has been involved in many local organizations. I have been on the Schuyler County United Way board since inception in 2007 and a member of the Rushville Rotary Club since 2000.

These are just a few examples of the additional time and commitment our employees have dedicated to this community; all of these organizations provide an important service to our community and we are proud of their involvement.

Enjoy the Schuyler County Fair!

*~ Gregg Roegge  
– CEO, Rushville State Bank*



### We're looking forward to seeing you at this year's **Schuyler County Fair!** **June 28th – July 4th, 2024**





# Premier Club News

– by Judy Quillen



## Celebration River Cruise

July 25, 2024



A day-trip is planned on the Celebration River Cruise in Moline, IL on Thursday, July 25, 2024. You will enjoy the “Hits of the Decades” tour on your four-hour cruise on the Mississippi River. Their famous sticky rolls are included along with a hot, two-entrée lunch buffet.

We will leave from the Schuyler County Fairgrounds at 8:00 am in time to start our cruise at 11:00, returning to Rushville around 5:30 pm.

The cost is \$145 for members and \$150 for non-members, with reservation and payment due by July 5, 2024. Stop in the lobby or give us a call at 217-322-3323 to get signed up!

## Branson, Missouri

Nov. 14-17, 2024



We are also planning our annual trip to Branson, MO November 14-17, 2024, staying at the Thousand Hills Resort. Several shows are planned including The Duttons, Hughes Brothers Christmas Show, Branson’s Christmas Wonderland, The Texas Tenors, Six, and the Haygood’s Christmas Show. We will enjoy several meals together at the Uptown Café, Pasgetti’s Italian Restaurant, and the SS Dockside Café & Pub, and have some time planned for shopping at the Branson Landing. More information on costs and the registration deadline are coming soon - mark your calendars to join us on this fun-filled annual trip!

**You do not have to be a Premier Club member to travel with us.**

...but by joining, you can enjoy other benefits all year long!

Premier Club member benefits include discounts on deposit account service charges, check orders, and safe deposit box rental, as well as free money orders, cashier’s checks, notary services, and medallion signature guarantees. Membership requirements are that you are at least 55 years of age and maintain \$10,000 in deposits with Rushville State Bank.

*We look forward to traveling with you in 2024!*

## Meet the newest members of the Rushville State Bank Team!

### Pam Kotter Teller

Pam Kotter joined Rushville State Bank on May 20, 2024, as a Customer Service Representative/Teller. Pam graduated from Rushville-Industry High school in 1983. Since then, Pam has mainly worked in the medical field but is enjoying the career transition to Rushville State Bank.



Pam enjoys seeing and helping her hometown locals. Pam is married to Kraig Kotter. They have three grown children and five adorable grandchildren, which are all in Rushville as well. They enjoy camping and hiking with family and friends, and watching the grandchildren in all their activities.

### Emily Mutschler Part-Time Teller



Please join us in welcoming back Emily Mutschler to Rushville State Bank! Emily worked with us last summer in the teller line and is returning for a similar stint this summer.

Emily is a 2022 graduate of Rushville-Industry High School and will be a senior this fall at Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville where she is double majoring in speech pathology and psychology.

Welcome back, Emily!



# Scholarships Awarded

## through Rushville State Bank Trust Department

The Rushville State Bank Trust Department administers many scholarship programs through several foundations and charitable trusts. To date, the following scholarships have been awarded for use in the 2024-2025 school year.

The 2024 Schuyler County Community Foundation named scholarship fund recipients were recently announced:

**A Country Man's Scholarship:** to Rushville-Industry High School Senior **Taylor Armstrong**.

**Astoria Alumni Association Scholarships:** to Astoria High School Seniors **Brylee France** and **Tommi Gorsuch**.

**Class of 1975 Memorial Scholarships:** Career/Technical Scholarship to Rushville-Industry High School Senior **Paige Ackman** and College Scholarship to Rushville-Industry High School Senior **Scott Norton**.

**Donna Dace Stephens Scholarship:** to Rushville-Industry High School Senior **Skyler Koch**.

**Judge Ramon M. Escapa Memorial Scholarships:** to Rushville-Industry High School Senior **Maci Wrench** and Beardstown High School Senior **Saray Chaparro Rodriguez**.

**Joshua "J PHIL" Phillips Memorial Athletic Scholarship:** to Rushville-Industry High School Senior **Paige Ackman**.

**Late Knight Cruisers Car Club Scholarship:** to Rushville-Industry High School Senior **Dawson Curless**.

**Roger's Bakery Culinary Arts Scholarships:** to Rushville-Industry High School Seniors **Paige Ackman** and **Emma Schroeder**.

**Schuyler County Fair Agriculture Scholarships:** to Rushville-Industry High School Seniors **Taylor Armstrong** and **Elizabeth Corrie**.

**Schuyler Jail Museum Arthur, Carrie and Mardelle Hinners Memorial Scholarships:** High School Scholarships to Rushville-Industry High School Seniors **James Anderson** and **Dawson Curless** and to Astoria High School Senior **Landon McCombs**. College Scholarship Rushville-Industry High School 2019 Graduate **Plamedi Izuba**.

**Virginia and Michael Nosik Memorial Scholarships for Young Women in Science:** to Rushville-Industry High School Senior **Elizabeth Corrie** and Rushville-Industry High School 2021 Graduate **Whitley Cooper**.

**Rozane Williams FFA Scholarships:** to Brown County High School Seniors **Elijah Blakeley**, **Grace Boylen**, **Laiken Craven**, **Lathan Hester**, and **Maxwell Perry**. College Scholarship awarded to Brown County High School Senior **Jayden Fink**.

The Schuyler County Education Foundation has awarded the following scholarships:

**A Hand Up Scholarship:** to Rushville-Industry High School Seniors **Paige Ackman** and **Dawson Curless**.

**Victor "Vic" Wood Memorial Scholarship:** to Rushville-Industry High School Senior **Skyler Koch**.

Rushville State Bank truly appreciates serving the individuals, groups, and organizations that create and fund these scholarships. We thank them for their trust placed in our Bank. It is our pleasure to assist individuals of all ages in pursuing higher education to achieve their career goals.

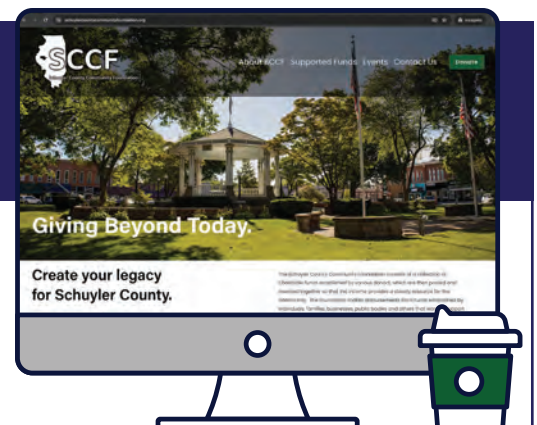
Additional 2024 awards will be announced as application deadlines close and decisions are made. Please contact Linda Butler or Alaina Heitz in the Trust Department for further information concerning 2024 or 2025 opportunities.

## Announcing the Schuyler County Community Foundation Website!

### The new SCCF website features:

- » Online giving for our groups and funds soliciting donations
- » QR code to assist with quick access to make contributions
- » Fund information, upcoming events, and so much more!

Visit [www.schuylercountycommunityfoundation.org](http://www.schuylercountycommunityfoundation.org) – and thank you for your support!





# Calendar of Events

Visit [RushvilleStateBank.com](http://RushvilleStateBank.com) for more community events!

**June – Aug**..... Farmer's Market every Friday morning in Central Park Square

**June 16**..... Father's Day  
Late Night Cruisers Club Car Show

**June 19**..... Juneteenth Holiday  
– Rushville State Bank Closed

**June 20**..... First Day of Summer

**June 28 - July 4**.....Schuyler County Fair

**July 4**.....Independence Day Holiday  
– Rushville State Bank Closed

**Aug 8-18**.....Illinois State Fair  
– State Fairgrounds, Springfield

**Aug 15**..... Schuyler Industry Schools  
– First Full Day of School

**Sep 2**..... Labor Day Holiday  
– Rushville State Bank Closed  
Schuyler Industry Schools:  
– No Student Attendance

**Sep 14**.....Rushville Rotary Golf Outing

**Sep 22**..... Autumn Begins

**Sep 27**..... Smiles Day  
– Schuyler Industry School Holiday

**Sep 27-28**..... Rushville Fall Alumni Celebration



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## It's never this obvious.

### Use these tips to avoid becoming a victim of fraud:

- Use a strong password that has eight or more characters, including letters, numbers and symbols.
- Avoid accessing your Online Banking account using a public Wi-Fi system.
- Ignore emails that claim to be from Rushville State Bank (or any other company) requesting your account details or login credentials (username/password). We will never ask for your personal information online.
- Change your password on a regular basis.
- Use the Exit button to end each Online Banking session. Never use the Back button to exit the site.
- Balance your account on a regular basis to verify there are no unauthorized transactions.
- Install and maintain up-to-date operating system security patches and anti-virus software on your devices.



See the *Security Awareness* page on our website for advice on how to keep your sensitive information safe.