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Volo Museum rolls out red carpet for moms this weekend

Messages, live acoustic music, Mom-mosas and more await mothers who spend part of their Mother's Day weekend being pampered at the Volo Museum.

With paid admission, moms can indulge in a complimentary massage, enjoy musical performances by all-female artists, sip a delicious craft Mom-mosa and take in all of the amazing exhibits at the museum, 27582 Volo Village Road. The celebration, a first of its kind for the museum, will be ongoing Saturday and Sunday.

"With the addition of our ice cream parlor, custom drink menus, new exhibits like the Titanic Museum and carousel room — and with our massive antique mall — we've been noticing a large increase in the number of women coming out with friends or family," said Jim Wojdyla, marketing director. "This event should be a great way to bring more women out and show them that we are so much more than a 'car place.' They can spend a terrific day here."

Chair or table massages will be available at no additional cost to moms between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The museum has set aside its new event space for massage therapists to set up in quiet surroundings with soft, tranquil

music playing.

Representatives of the following businesses will be on hand: Massage on Main Street and Real Relief Massage, both of Antioch; and Massage Therapy by Jo Ann Obrochta of Lake Villa. In addition, a representative of Get Salty Skin Care Studio of McHenry will provide free hand paraffin wax treatments, Wojdyla said.

Mom-mosas (prosecco and orange juice) will be available for purchase, with other flavors that can be added upon request. These come in a souvenir glass that moms can take home.

Serendipity will provide live acoustic music from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, and Gina Gonzalez will perform live music from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday.

The Volo Museum is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Admission is \$22.95 per adult, \$20.95 per senior, \$19.95 for military, \$12.95 for children ages 5 to 12 and free for children 4 and younger. Separate admission to the Jurassic Gardens dinosaur park is \$15.95 each; free for children 4 and younger. Combo passes for both attractions cost \$34.95 for an adult or \$24.95 for children ages 5 to 12, and are good for two consecutive days. Members are free.

For other details, visit volo-fun.com, find Volo Museum on social, or call 815-385-3644.



Moms are invited to celebrate Mother's Day at the Volo Museum this year, with complimentary massages, live acoustic music, Mom-mosas and more on tap May 13-14. JIM WOJDYLA PHOTO Hi-Liter/MCN



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MCHS starts graduation celebration with Senior Decision Day

McHenry Community High School got a head start in celebrating the Class of 2023 on May 2 with a special Senior Decision Day event to acknowledge postsecondary plans for the soon-to-be graduates.

During the hour-long ceremony that was streamed live by Warrior Weekly broadcast students, future plans of college, apprenticeships, military service and more were acknowledged by staff and students at Upper Campus.

Principal Jeff Prickett noted that this is the first time for such an event since consolidating into one McHenry Community High School with two campuses from two separate high schools.

Sophomore and junior students filled the Main Gym

to hear each senior's plan for after graduation on May 20. Prickett and College and Career Counselor Curtis Menke told sophomores and juniors to keep working to formulate plans for life beyond high school, but don't worry if plans change.

"There are so very many opportunities for you," Prickett said. "You feel a lot of pressure. It's a big deal."

Senior Rayaan Ahmed, who is one of more than 200 seniors planning to continue studying at McHenry County College, said he was glad to see an event for seniors to celebrate all postsecondary plans, and not just college plans. There are about 550 members of the Class of 2023.

There were many stu-

dents planning to pursue apprenticeship or vocational training programs and others enlisting in the Army National Guard, U.S. Marines, U.S. Air Force, and more. In addition to McHenry County College, other top schools selected by seniors include Illinois State University, Iowa State University and University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

"I feel as though it was an effective way of appreciating and honoring all of the seniors and their decisions," Ahmed said.

The school counseling team is also tracking next steps for the Class of 2023 on a map. It is continuously being updated as seniors make their plans and inform counselors.



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Sophomores and juniors look on as McHenry Community High School celebrated the soon-to-be graduates at a special Senior Decision Day event on May 2.

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Usher in summer at Independence Grove

The Beer Garden at Independence Grove, featuring scenic views and craft brews, opened May 5.

The venue at Independence Grove Forest Preserve in Libertyville features a variety of local craft brews on tap and cans, wines and hard ciders, along with packaged snacks. Plenty of casual lakeside seating is available at the family-friendly picturesque setting.

Fire pits and free firewood, first come, first served, are available for use along the lakefront. S'mores kits are on hand for purchase. Non-alcoholic beers are available, and beer flights and tastings will again be included in the lineup this season.

For the first time, the Beer Garden at Independence Grove is offering its seasonal menu through Untappd, a geosocial networking service used through your phone app. Menus featuring local breweries will be updated weekly on the app. A calendar of upcoming events is another feature as well as notifications sent to users. "This will greatly improve the customer's experience at the beer garden," said Dan Stearns, chief business development officer.

"The beer garden has been a very popular destination," said Angelo Kyle, president of the Lake County Forest Preserves. "The venue provides a fantastic opportunity for family fun as the weather begins to improve."

Tentative May hours will be available pending staffing levels and weather. Check the LCFPD.org website for the current hours.

Entrance is free for Lake County residents. Nonresidents are charged \$12 on weekends and holidays and \$6 during the week beginning the week after Memorial Day. After Labor Day, entrance fees are collected on weekends only.



The Beer Garden at Independence Grove features scenic views and craft brews and is now open on weekends. Hours will vary pending staff levels and weather. Visit LCFPD.org for current hours and more information.

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Group rates and reservations are available at the beer garden. Email IndependenceGrove@LCFPD.org for details and pricing or fill out an event inquiry form on the website.

Pets are not permitted, with the exception of service animals.

Offering panoramic views of the lake and preserve, the Beer Garden can be reserved for special events such as birthday parties, re-

unions, picnics, corporate retreats and other private celebrations. There are semi private and full buy-out options available, and plenty of casual lakeside seating. Fill out an events inquiry form or call 847-968-3473.

The entrance to Independence Grove is located on Buckley Road (Route 137) just east of Milwaukee Avenue (Route 21) and west of River Road in Libertyville.

MCHS class of 1973 seeking missing classmates for reunion

The 1973 McHenry Community High School Reunion Committee is seeking missing classmates to join in celebration of their graduation fifty years ago. The class was the first to graduate from West Campus. They spent their first two years at East. Events are planned in July,

in conjunction with McHenry's Fiesta Days. Tours of both (East and West) Campus will happen, along with a casual buffet dinner, informal golf at a local course and plenty of time to catch up with classmates. Many are traveling in from other parts of the country, as well as

those attending from McHenry and surrounding communities.

Registration will begin soon, with an early bird price planned. 1973 classmates can register at 1973warriors.net or contact Don Rose at mchs1973dr@gmail.com or 815-814-5075.

Join the mission to back local veterans

The McHenry County Department of Health and its participating partners are running the annual Operation Dropbox donation drive through the month of May.

Operation Dropbox is a county-wide event that has continued to grow as representatives from local businesses, agencies and organizations have committed their support to a campaign that champions local heroes. Through their pledge to host drop sites to collect donations at their locations, these representatives have chosen to support McHenry County veterans and their families.

Now in its fourth year since its inception, the Operation Dropbox campaign has grown to include 25 local businesses and organizations and has proven to be a success that has positively impacted men, women and their families. Last year alone, the people of McHenry County came together and were able to support more than 3,000 McHenry County veterans and their families.

To make Operation Dropbox possible, MCDH continues to partner with a key group of partners to promote the campaign and provide a location large enough so volunteers can sort items and deliver the much-needed items to veterans and their families.

"When we work together, we rise together," said Bridgett Hoffmann, MCDH's Emergency Response Coordinator. "We have a strong group of partners who make this event possible every year, but without the care and support of the people who contribute to the event, we would not be able to call this campaign a success."

All contributed items will be collected by MCDH, sorted by Medical Reserve Corps volunteers at the McHenry County Division of Transportation and delivered to Veterans Path to Hope by McDoT. The McHenry County Veterans Assistance Commission is also instrumental in Operation Dropbox by promoting the event through its partners and the veterans it serves.

People who live, work, play and learn in McHenry County can also join the mission by backing veterans and their

families in the form of a donation.

Those who elect to offer their support can deliver one or more of the following new or unexpired store-bought items at a participating dropbox location:

- Non-perishable food and snacks: canned soups, stews, fruits and meats; granola bars, shelf-stable milk, condiments, cereal, bottled juice, sugar, peanut butter, jelly, salad dressing, apple sauce and fruit cups
- Manual can openers
- Coffee pots and supplies
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- New socks for men and women
- New pillows
- Cookware: pots, pans, utensils and baking sheets
- Gift cards: Walmart and gas

"Operation Dropbox has been a lifesaver," said Laura Franz, Executive Director of Veterans Path to Hope. "Prior to this campaign, our onsite food pantry would often run short this time of year and it was a terrible feeling to have to turn veteran families in need away due to lack of inventory. The food also goes out to veteran families that have been placed back into housing after a period of homelessness; this is where the additional household items also make such a difference. We are honored and humbled by the generosity of this community that cares so much for military veterans."

Veterans Path to Hope is a Crystal Lake-based organization that provides vital assistance and resources to veterans. VPH has served over 3,200 veterans through its on-site food pantry, provided employment support to 250 veterans and has provided homeless support to more than 520 veterans.

For more information about Operation Dropbox, including a list of locations collecting items, please visit <https://bit.ly/OperationDropbox>.

Community briefs

Church holding pie sale on Saturday

The Altar & Rosary Society-CCW of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Richmond, will be holding its 15th Annual Day Before Mother's Day Pie Sale on Saturday, May 13, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and continuing until all pies are sold.

The homemade pies are baked by parishioners of St. Joseph's, and choices can range from rhubarb to blueberry to cherry. Stop in early for the widest selection.

The church is located at 10519 Main Street,

Richmond, IL, 1/2 block south of the intersection of Highways 12 and 173.

For more information, call the church at 815-678-7421 or visit their Facebook page or website at stjosephrichmondil.weconnect.com.

Recycling collection event May 20

Helping Hands Recycling will be holding a collection drive on Saturday, May 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Spring Grove.

The event will be collecting many household items

you are looking to get rid of which effectively diverts millions of pounds of clothing from landfills.

Accepted donation items include: all types of clothing, shoes, household items (bedspreads, drapes, sheets, towels, blankets, baskets, home décor, vases, books), accessories (backpacks, belts, computer bags, gloves, luggage, purses, office supplies), kitchen items, and toys (plastic toys, plush, stuffed, dolls, baby toys and games with all pieces).

The event will be located at 7401 Meyer Road, Spring Grove.

College news

Riedle recognized for outstanding achievement

McKendree University, Lebanon, IL, proudly congratulates its outstanding students across all disciplines for their high overall academic achievement. Alex Riedle of Antioch, was recognized for excellence in the study of health.

The 2023 honorees were selected by full-time faculty members based on four major components of McKendree University's mission: responsible citizenship, engagement, academic excellence and life-long learning.

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Tulip Fest to remain open through Mother's Day

Cynthia Wolf
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The third annual Richardson Adventure Farm Tulip Festival will remain open through Mother's Day, May 14.

George Richardson, who co-owns the Spring Grove farm along with other family members, said this week that he anticipates the first 300,000 tulips that bloomed may be wilted by late this weekend, May 7, but that several hundred thousand have just opened and another 80,000 remain pre-bloom. So the display is expected to remain gorgeous through May 14.

"It's always a good idea to visit our website, richardson-farm.com, before making the trip. We update it regularly with our latest field conditions," George Richardson said. "But walking our tulip fields today, I estimate that at least 80,000 tulips have not even begun to show color. Another 400,000 to 500,000 have just opened."

George and Wendy Richardson, along with George's brother, Robert, Robert's wife, Carol, George's son, Ryan, and Ryan's wife, Kris-

ten, all co-own and coordinate the various activities at the farm, which include the "World's Largest" corn maze, the adventure farm and a sunflower fest in the fall as well as cut-your-own Christmas trees in the winter.

The spring tulip fest has been an enthusiastically received addition since its 2021 debut at the farm, located at 909 English Prairie Road, Spring Grove.

"This year has been going really well," Wendy Richardson said, noting that the look on visitors' faces after they've taken in the view is as beautiful as the tulips themselves. "They come into the gift shop after being out in the flower fields and their faces just glow with this glorious feeling of spring renewal."

With 900,000 bulbs planted over the last three years, and with the first batch now sprouting offshoots, it was expected that nearly 1 million tulips would bloom over the course of this year's fest. Some varieties bloom earlier and some later. The display includes reds, pinks, corals, deep purples, crisp whites, blazing yellows and more.



TOM FUNK PHOTO Hi-Liter/MCN

Spring Grove residents James and Kathleen Barger and their daughter, Annika, are among the thousands who have enjoyed this year's tulip festival at Richardson Adventure Farm, 909 English Prairie Road. The fest is ongoing through Mother's Day, May 14.

"Thousands of people have given us positive comments about how spectacular the fields look and how fun it is to walk right through the tulips," George Richardson said.

This year's tulip fest opened April 27. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays, closed Mondays. Live music and food trucks are featured on weekends. Beer and wine are available. A picnic area is set up along Richardson

Lake near the tulip fields. And outdoor games such as Giant Jenga and Giant Connect Four add to the family fun. The gift shop — featuring modern restroom facilities, hand-painted crafts, fresh doughnuts, a wine-tasting bar and more — remains open until 7 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays for the duration of the fest. Pricing, tickets and other details are available at richardsonfarm.com.



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K9 Drako of the Lake County Sheriff's Office will be receiving a bullet and stab protective vest thanks to a charitable donation.

K9 Drako to get donation of body armor

Lake County Sheriff's Office K9 Drako will receive a bullet and stab protective vest thanks to a charitable donation from non-profit organization Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. K9 Drako's vest is sponsored by a fundraiser hosted by Brittany Piccola of Watchung, NJ and will be embroidered with the sentiment "In honor of Nancy Plis". Delivery is expected within eight to ten weeks.

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc., established in 2009, is a 501(c)(3) charity whose mission is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of law enforcement and related agencies throughout the United States. This potentially lifesaving body armor for four-legged K9 officers is U.S. made, custom fitted, and NIJ certified. Since its inception, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. has provided over 5,043 vests to K9s in all 50 states at a value of \$6.9 million, made possible by both private and corporate donations.

The program is open to U.S. dogs that are at least 20 months old and actively employed

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Sheriff John D. Idleburg said, "Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. is again proving to be an incredible partner in our efforts to keep our sheriff's canine safe. We are very grateful for their years of support to the Lake County Sheriff's Canine Team."

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. accepts tax-deductible contributions in any amount, while a single donation of \$985 will sponsor one vest. Each vest has a value of \$1800, weighs an average of 4-5 lb., and comes with a five-year warranty.

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College of Lake County (CLC) welcomed newly elected community members Allena Barbato, J.D., William M. Griffin, Ed.D., and student Daniel Blaine to the Board of Trustees on April 25. The three are familiar faces with paths that have crossed campus before. The board also passed resolutions honoring Trustee Matthew J. Stanton, J.D., and Trustee Robert J. Tomei, J.D., for their service.

Trustee Griffin of Lake Forest is a professor of business and serves as chair of the Triton College School of Business in nearby River Grove. As a CLC trustee emeritus with demonstrated leadership, he returns to the board after two years. Griffin was first elected to the Board of Trustees in 1995 and served as chair most recently from April 2019 to April 2021. He was recognized as the 2017 recipient of the Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA) Gary W. Davis Ethical Leadership Award. "CLC commits to ensur-

ing each student receives a quality education," Griffin said. "It is important for boards to support strong and effective institutional leadership, and board members serve to advocate for the value of public higher education."

Trustee Barbato of Lake Villa is director, Title IX Compliance and Equity Officer at Rosalind Franklin University in North Chicago. She previously served at CLC in the roles of Title IX Coordinator and part-time faculty. Barbato is also a trustee on the Village Board of Lake Villa.

"I am very invested in making sure that the college is at its best," Barbato said. "High quality education for all should be the number-one focus for our college."

Griffin and Barbato were elected to serve six-year terms. Once the new Board was seated, the following appointments were made by the Board: Trustee Julie B. Shroka of Grayslake to chair, Trustee Torrie Mark Newsome of Waukegan to

vice chair and Trustee Paul G. Virgilio of Lake Zurich to secretary.

Daniel Blaine was seated as the student trustee, a role he has held previously. He plans to pursue a degree in nonprofit and business management with a minor in public policy and administration. His community involvement includes work

in support of A Safe Place, an organization committed to empowering survivors of domestic violence.

"It's a privilege to be elected again," Blaine said. "I consider it an honor to serve as student trustee and look forward to contributing positively to the board's efforts to enhance the student experience."



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For more information visit the Conservation District's website : MCCD.me/BOT. Applications can be found on the McHenry County website at MCCD.ME/BecomeATrustee.

Court & crime news

Update: Driver charged following investigation

Following a thorough investigation by the Lake County Sheriff's Office Technical Crash Investigations Unit, the driver of the Toyota was charged with several felonies.



Liliana Wagner

After reviewing the facts and circumstances of the incident, the Lake County State's Attorney's Office approved the following charges for Liliana Wagner, 17, of Winthrop Harbor: Leaving the Scene of a Personal Injury Accident (Class 2 Felony), Aggravated Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol (Class 4 Felony) and Aggravated Fleeing to Elude (Class 4 Felony).

Wagner, who was charged as an adult, surrendered herself to the Lake County Sher-

iff's Office on May 3, and appeared at a bond hearing. Following the hearing, a Lake County Judge set her bond at \$250,000. Wagner currently remains in custody.

The victim continues to recover while undergoing intensive rehabilitation treatments.

Original release: Driver flees with man on hood of car, then runs over man (issued March 20, 2023)

On March 20, at approximately 1:30 a.m., a Lake County Sheriff's Deputy was on patrol in the 37800 block of North Sheridan Road, Beach Park. The deputy saw two vehicles leaving a business at a high rate of speed, one of the vehicles was a 2004 Toyota Camry. The deputy also saw a man (later determined to be a 19-year-old of Waukegan) on the hood of the Toyota. The man was waving at the deputy for assistance.

The deputy attempted to

conduct a traffic stop on the Toyota, however, the driver, (later determined to be a 17-year-old female of Winthrop Harbor) fled. As the deputy pursued the Toyota, the driver of the second vehicle passed the deputy and pulled alongside the Toyota. The driver of the Toyota swerved and abruptly stopped, causing the victim to fall off the hood of the vehicle. The driver of the Toyota then ran the victim over, before again fleeing.

The victim was transported to Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville with critical, life-threatening injuries.

The deputy stayed on scene and rendered aid to the victim. The driver of the second vehicle followed the Toyota, and called in updated locations to sheriff's telecommunications. A deputy located the Toyota traveling southbound on I-94 and initiated a pursuit. The deputy was joined by a sheriff's sergeant and Illinois State Police Troopers.

One of the sheriff's deputies was able to deploy Stop Sticks, a tire deflation device, which successfully deflated the tires on the Toyota. The driver of the Toyota came to a stop at mile marker 41.75 near Rosemont.

The driver and two passengers were taken into custody and transported to the Lake County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division, where they currently remain.

Preliminary investigation shows the driver of the Toyota was involved in a minor traffic crash in the business

she was fleeing from. The victim attempted to intervene following the crash. It was during this intervention that the victim had no choice but to jump on the hood of the car, to avoid being struck at that time by the Toyota.

The incident remains under investigation by sheriff's detectives and the Lake County Sheriff's Office Technical Crash Investigations Team.

Serious traffic crash under investigation

On May 5, at approximately 11:00 a.m., Lake County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to Route 41 and Stearns School Road, Unincorporated Gurnee, for a traffic crash with injuries. Sheriff's deputies arrived and located three vehicles with heavy damage.

Preliminary investigation shows a 2019 Ford F150, driven by a 77-year-old man of Lindenhurst, was traveling southbound on Route 41 approaching Stearns School Road. As the Ford drove through the intersection, a northbound 2012 Ford Focus, driven by a 19-year-old female of Zion, made a left turn onto Stearns School Road, directly in front of the F150. The F150 'T-Boned' the Focus. This caused the Focus to strike a 2010 Honda Pilot, driven by a 42-year-old woman of North Chicago, which was stopped, facing eastbound, on Stearns School Road, just west of Route 41.

The driver of the Focus was transported to Advocate

Condell Medical Center in Libertyville with critical injuries. The driver of the F150 was transported to Vista East Medical Center in Waukegan with minor injuries. The driver of the Honda was transported to Advocate Condell Medical Center with minor injuries.

The crash remains under investigation by the Lake County Sheriff's Office Technical Crash Investigations Unit.

Update: Charges Approved for Driver

Following a thorough investigation by the Lake County Sheriff's Office Technical Crash Investigations Unit, investigators determined the driver of the Kia, Jariah Terrell, 24, of the 11300 block of South Aberdeen Street, Chicago, was driving under the influence of drugs while driving.

In addition to her previous charges regarding the retail thefts, the Lake County State's Attorney's Office approved the following charges: DUI - Drugs, Driving with an Intoxicating Compound in Blood/Urine, Prohibited Amount of Cannabis Concentration in Blood within Two Hours of Driving, and Obstructing Identification.

Terrell remains held \$400,000.00 bond for her previous charges. She will next



Jariah Terrell

appear in court on May 11.

Original release: Subject Fleeing Theft Cause Serious Crash; Passenger in Fleeing Vehicle Impaled

On March 6, 2023, at approximately 3:45 p.m., Lake County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a traffic crash with injuries in the intersection of Route 60 and Saint Marys Road, Mettawa. Sheriff's deputies arrived and found three vehicles involved in the crash.

Preliminary investigation shows a 2018 Kia Optima was traveling eastbound on Route 60. The occupants of the Kia, who crash investigators are still working to identify, were involved in a retail theft in Vernon Hills. Following the retail theft, the driver of the Kia fled eastbound on Route 60, recklessly, at a high rate of speed.

As the Kia approached Saint Marys Road, the stop light was red for Route 60 traffic. The driver of the Kia ran the red light and was struck by a southbound 2012 GMC Sierra. The Kia then left the roadway on the southeast corner of the intersection and drove into a wooden fence.

Following the collision with the Kia, the GMC collided with a 2016 Toyota 4-Runner, which was facing northbound, in the turn lane to turn left onto westbound Route 60.

The driver of the GMC, a 34-year-old man of Round Lake Beach, was transported to Lake Forest Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. The driver of the Toyota, a 60-year-old man of Water-vliet, Michigan, and his passenger, a 23-year-old man of Riverwoods, were uninjured.

The driver of the Kia was transported to Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville with non-life-threatening injuries. A front-seat passenger in the Kia was impaled by a wooden fence post and transported to Advocate Condell Medical Center with critical, life-threatening injuries. A back-seat passenger in the Kia was transported to Lake Forest Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Vernon Hills Police Officers who arrived on the scene along with responding sheriff's deputies performed first aid and utilized an automated external defibrillator on the front-seat passenger of the Kia, prior to the arrival of paramedics.

The crash remains under investigation by the Lake County Sheriff's Office Technical Crash Investigations Unit. The retail theft remains under investigation by Vernon Hills Police Department.

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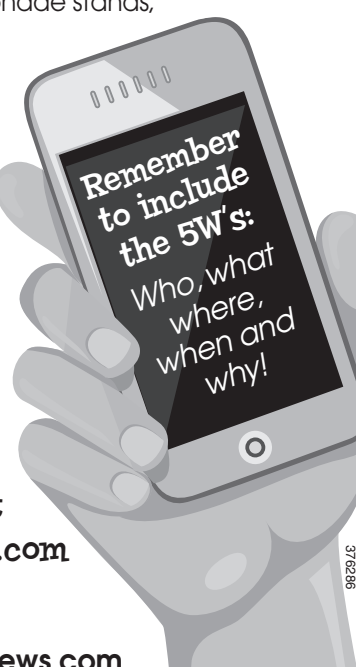
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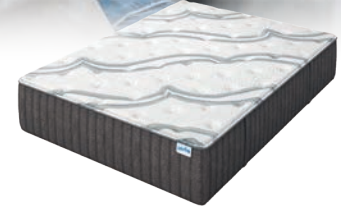


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