NEWS BRIEFS

R-H approves kindergarten plans

Rush-Henrietta school district voters on Tuesday approved plans to implement full-day kindergarten in the district and rearrange grade levels among its buildings. The two separate votes both passed by more than a 3-to-1 margin. The changes will take effect in the 2017-18 school year. Crane, Fyle, Leary and Winslow school buildings will be K-3, with all students, including kindergarteners, going to school for six hours. The Sherman and Vollmer buildings will be grades 4-6, Burger and Roth will be grades 7-9 and the high school will be grades 10-12. The project will cost $18.5 million and will be paid for with existing capital funds.

Henrietta board member to retire

Henrietta Town Board member Bill Mulligan announced this is his final term after 36 years. Mulligan represented Henrietta and west Brighton in the County Legislature during 1980-81. Next for Mulligan were positions as receiver of taxes, town clerk, finance director and director of personnel for the town of Henrietta from 1982-87.

Mulligan shared his plans with the Henrietta Republican Committee on Monday.

Stretch of parkway closed for winter

A two-mile stretch of the Lake Ontario State Parkway is closed after Friday for the remainder of winter, according to the New York State Department of Transportation.

Motorists are advised to use Route 18 as a detour from the parkway between Lakeside Beach State Park and Route 98 in the town of Carlton.

The NYSDOT also said in a release that unplanned repairs to the bridge over Oak Orchard Creek on Route 18 are scheduled to begin later this month, and the road will remain open during the work.

RRHS lifts visitor restrictions

Rochester Regional Health System announced Tuesday morning that it had lifted visitor restrictions at Rochester General Hospital, Newark-Wayne Community Hospital, United Memorial Medical Center and Unity Hospital as the number of flu cases in the area has declined. Restrictions had limited each patient to two visitors at a time, and children under age 14 and people with flu symptoms were prohibited from visiting patients.

Visitor restrictions often are implemented at the height of flu season, which usually is from late December to about this time of year.