

Hannah Soukup

Two Year Reporter of the Year nominee (Elgin Community College)

Stories to consider:

<https://elginobserver.com/20967/human-interest/the-heart-of-libby-a-story-worth-telling/> (feature story)

<https://elginobserver.com/21189/news/success-rates-of-ecc-classes/> (news story)

<https://elginobserver.com/19714/opinion/the-beginning-end-and-everything-in-between/> (column)

<https://elginobserver.com/20860/opinion/the-disappearance-of-timothy-pitzen-the-child-never-found/> (second column)

<https://elginobserver.com/21189/news/success-rates-of-ecc-classes/> (second news story)

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Objective

To deliver interesting and impactful stories to serve the community

Education

Northern Illinois University (DeKalb, IL)

August 2023-May 2025

- Pursuing Bachelor's of Arts in Journalism

Elgin Community College (Elgin, IL)

August 2021 - May 2022

- Associates of Arts, Journalism (4.0 GPA)
- Earned valedictorian honors of Hampshire High School while duly enrolled at ECC
- Member of Phi Theta Kappa and National Honors Society

Work Experience

Editorial Intern- Shaw Local News Network (DeKalb, IL)

March 2023 – Present

- Reported and wrote compelling feature stories
- Generated effective, engaging headlines and cutlines
- Re-wrote over 20 press releases to conform to news style for Shaw news websites

Managing Editor- The Observer, student news outlet of Elgin Community College

August 2022-May 2023

- Wrote 14 news, feature, and opinion stories
- Provided guidance and mentorship as managing editor to staff of 13
- Edited dozens of stories for content, style, and grammar
- Published photos and wrote cutlines for several stories
- Earned third place for feature writing at 2023 ICCJA conference
- Contributed to staff that earned third place for General Excellence and Best Student Media at the 2023 ICCJA conference
- Wrote and edited the digital newsletter that won Best in Show at the 2023 Associated Collegiate Press national conference in San Francisco

Junior Columnist- My Huntley News (Huntley, IL)

August 2022 – Present

- Wrote five columns on mental health
- Assisted editor in generating new story ideas

Reporter- NOVA Real Producers (Washington DC)

September 2022- Present

- Reported and wrote over 10 stories on real estate, including advice pieces and profiles