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HOLIDAY FUN

Evie Schaumberg pulls Nehemiah Vrhovnik while the rest of their families, all from Seymour, go about choosing a Christmas tree Dec. 7 at Hanauer's Tree Farms northwest of Shawano. **FOR MORE ON THIS HOLIDAY TRADITION AND SOME NEW HOLIDAY IDEAS, SEE PAGES 16-17.**

DAVID WILHELMS

County U and 29: DOT gets earful

Area residents express strong feelings on dangerous intersection.

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Boys and Girls Club coming to Keshena

After-school program will be open weekdays with activities, meal.

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Packers still have plenty to prove

Packers need to continue to build confidence as they face the Bears.

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Residents back wider median, lower slope for Highway 29/U intersection

By DAVID WILHELMS
Correspondent

TOWN OF HERMAN — If the 40 people attending a meeting hosted by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) at the Town of Herman hall Wednesday night represent the consensus of public opinion, the state Highway 29 and County Road U intersection will be rebuilt with wider medians and a lower slope to the east.

The intersection is about 13.3 miles west of Shawano following Highway 29. WisDOT data from 2009 shows 1,500 vehicles per day on County Road U north of Highway 29 and 380 vehicles per day south of the highway. The traffic count on the east-west state highway was 9,100 per day.

The preferred solution will improve driver's vision to the east by lowering the slope on both lanes. Wider medians with stop signs will encourage drivers to cross Highway 29 in two stages instead of one, according to the WisDOT presentation.

The WisDOT called the meeting to present four alternatives and start gathering public input as it looks to 2021 as the year of rebuilding the intersection that Tim Hanley, WisDOT project manager, called a "top crash location." The most recent fatality was April 2019 with at least three more recorded since 2011.

As currently configured, the intersection has 42 "conflict points" or opportunities for vehicles to collide, according to the WisDOT presentation. The goal is to reduce those "conflict points," Hanley said. A special concern is "right angle crashes" or accidents caused by vehicles turning and being hit by another vehicle, the WisDOT project manager said. "Right angle crashes" accounted for the three fatalities cited by WisDOT in its initial study, Ryan Jahnke, an engineer working with the WisDOT, said.

Hanley said all of the alternatives as "conceptual" and will be reduced to one proposed solution over the next few months. He credited a Nov. 12 meeting with local officials in providing initial input that resulted in the alternative most preferred by attendees.

Hanley responded to a question



Ryan Jahnke, left, makes a point about one of the four alternatives for the reconstruction of the state Highway 29 and County Road U intersection Wednesday at a meeting to gather public input. The meeting was at the Town of Herman hall just south of the intersection. Jahnke works with the state Department of Transportation (DOT) on the engineering of the chosen solution. DAVID WILHELMS

about the WisDOT's understanding of farming operations by saying all alternatives would be tested against "turning movements" of farm implements and semi-trucks as well as other vehicle types. Including travel trailers in the testing was suggested by an attendee.

The project's final shape will be the result of additional WisDOT study and engineering, Hanley said. There will be a second local officials' meeting in February 2020 and a second public meeting in March 2020.

Mike Kretschmer, a WisDOT project development supervisor, stressed the \$2.5 million price tag currently assigned to the project was only calculated to get the 29-U intersection in the state project queue. The final cost will likely be far different, Kretschmer added.

One option, installation of a "J-Turn Intersection" such as found on state Highway 29 at the junction with County Road VV in Brown County (near Maplewood Meats), was soundly rejected by those in attendance.

That option "won't work for us as dairy farmers," Angela Schultz told the DOT representatives. One reason is that farm equipment would have to be pulled up Timm's Hill, the slope west of the intersection, which would increase, not decrease the chance of collision with traffic on state High-

way 29, she added.

The Brown County J-Turn intersection is being replaced with a cloverleaf-style intersection. Hanley said the intersection was being replaced due to economic development, not safety. He added it was his understanding that Brown County and the developer were contributing to the costs of replacement.

The WisDOT did not present a cloverleaf-style intersection with ramps and an overpass as an alternative, although that kind of intersection has been discussed for years. When challenged on that decision, Hanley acknowledged that, if money were not a concern, then that solution would be viable. He added that the goals of reducing or eliminating severe crashes and making the intersection more usable would be met with the lower-cost alternatives shown at the meeting.

WisDOT "wanted to look at something more intermediate and not go for the 'max.' That would not be reasonable," Hanley said.

The public has until January 8, 2020, to provide comments by regular mail, email, phone or personal contact to: Timothy Hanley, WisDOT Project Manager, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, 1681 S. Second Ave., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495, 715-421-8050, timothy.hanley@dot.wi.gov

ARF seeks pack participation

Crowdfunding approved for Shawano dog park

By **CAROL RYCZEK**
Editor-in-chief

SHAWANO — The Shawano Common Council will ask for help from the entire pack — that is, the community — to help build a play area for pets.

The council approved a request from the Shawano Parks and Recreation Department to open one or more crowdfunding sites to raise money for a fenced dog play area. Though commonly known as a dog park, some council members had asked for an alternative designation for the facility.

Matt Hendricks, parks and recreation director, said he had a suggestion.

“I let my dog out and hear, ‘Arf, arf, arf.’ It got me thinking: Animal Recreation Facility, or ARF,” Hendricks said.

The city has already allocated \$30,000 for the project, about half

of the cost. Hendricks said a local donor has paid \$15,000 toward the remaining cost. He said there has been a lot of community interest in the ARF, and feels that a crowdfunding internet site would be a good way to solicit donations from many individuals.

The donation website will be selected now that the council approved the concept, he said. Options include GoFundMe and Facebook. Hendricks said it is not unusual for cities to solicit donations this way, but this is a first for Shawano.

Having a donor website will also allow ARF users to contribute to future enhancements, such as benches or water, he added.

Present plans call for a grassy, fenced area located in the Shawano Industrial Park, next to the Shawano County Humane Society. The design will include an area for small dogs and double fencing at the doors to prevent dogs from escaping as owners enter or leave the area.

Initial plans do not call for benches or play structures for the dogs.

“It is a pretty bare bones dog

park,” Eddie Sheppard, city administrator said.

Alderwoman Sandy Steinke said the crowdfunding project is a way for ARF supporters to get help get the project moving forward.

“Now is the time to help your community,” she said.

Hendricks added that while crowdfunding is a way to involve many donors, he asked anyone with a sizable donation, over \$500, to contact him directly through the park and recreation office.

Tax levy

In other business, the city adjusted the tax levy due to changes in one of the city’s Tax Increment Finance Districts. The changes does not affect the general fund levy, but reduces the mill rate (the amount an individual pays per \$1,000 of assessed value) from 24.9690 to 24.6595.

“It’s positive for the taxpayers,” Sheppard said.

Sidewalks

Alderwoman Rhonda Strebel noted that sidewalks are “looking pretty

good,” in terms of snow removal. She reminded homeowners and business owners to include corners in their snow clearing.

Airport commission

The city voiced its approval to change the Shawano City-County Airport commission’s size from three to five at-large members.

The city and Shawano County will each select one new commission member for the at-large positions. Engel said several community members have expressed an interest in serving.

The council also:

- Approved contracts and leases to facilitate the Menominee Department of Transit Services operation of the taxi and bus service in Shawano.
- Approved non-union wages.
- Approved the purchase of a single tractor for parks department lawn mowing, ball diamond surfacing and snow removal.
- Approved the purchase of Civic Systems for accounting software.

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Cookie walks



Bobbi Sager reaches over to pack cookies in a container held by Alissa Koss Hutjens on Saturday at the Peace United Church of Christ annual cookie walk. With Sager is Dick Menning. Hutjens was at the event with Polly Koss, to her left, her husband, Jamie Hutjens, and their daughters, Hazel and Isla (seen at the end of the table).

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Just how many Christmas cookies is enough? Sharon Schlender and her husband, Bob Schlender, seem to have slightly different ideas Saturday at the Wolf River Lutheran High School cookie sale. Fortunately, it was a good-natured disagreement, and the couple left with a couple of cookie trays. The cookies were donated and sold as a fundraiser for the school.

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Patty Retzlaff gets a little coaching from her grandson, Oliver, on which cookies to select at the Wolf River Lutheran High School cookie sale Saturday.

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Rodgers signs extension with Prevea

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Prevea and Rodgers began their official partnership in 2012.

"This relationship goes far beyond the idea of a celebrity serving as a spokesperson," said Dr. Ashok Rai, Prevea president and CEO. "As one

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Frozen (II) foods

ABOVE: Keaton Kropp, 3, shakes hands with an inflatable Olaf, a character from "Frozen II," at the Shawano Optimist's free family movie day Saturday at the Shawano Cinema. The event featured a choice of four movies for a donation of a non-perishable food item for the Shawano food pantry. Meeting Olaf with Keaton is his father, Phillip Kropp.

RIGHT: The food items weren't frozen, but the movie offerings included "Frozen II" at the Shawano Optimists' free family movie day Saturday at the Shawano Cinema. Admission was one non-perishable food item to be donated to SAFFPARC, the Shawano area food pantry. Ron Schmalz, left, gets ready to sort a bag of canned goods from fellow Optimist Doug Erdmann, who is accepting donations at the door. The event brings in hundreds of food items and provides a family outing during the holidays, Schmalz said.

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Bonduel High School plans teddy bear toss

Bonduel High School's Impact Club plans to make sure there are more than five Bears on the court when the boys basketball team takes on Shiocton at 7 p.m. Thursday — a lot more.

The club is planning a teddy bear toss at halftime, and all of the toys collected will go to HSHS St. Vincent Children's Hospital in Green Bay. According to Megan Zeitler, the club's spokeswoman, other animals are welcome besides bears, and they can be any size, as long as they're new.

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Special Board Meeting

6:00 PM Bonduel High School/Middle School Library Media Center
December 16th, 2019

Agenda

1. Call to Order— (Posting Notice: **December 10th, 2019** the agenda for the meeting was sent to the Shawano Leader, WTCH radio, and the clerks of the municipalities within the District's boundaries. Copies were also posted on the bulletin boards in the District office, Bonduel High School office, Bonduel Elementary School, the bus garage, the Bonduel State Bank, and the Village of Bonduel Office). Please visit our District website on the Fridays before Board meetings at www.bonduel.k12.wi.us for the most up to date agenda.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Adjourn to Closed Session as authorized under Wisconsin Statue 19.85(1)(a) for the purpose of deliberating as a quasi-judicial body in a matter concerning student disciplinary action (approximately 60 minutes).
4. Reconvene to Open Session.
5. Adjourn

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Agenda

Tuesday, December 17, 2019 – 9:00 A.M.

Legend Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District
Board of Commissioners Meeting

Legend Lake Lodge, N1024 Old South Branch Rd., Keshena, WI 54135

This is an open meeting of the Legend Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District. Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting, by forwarding the complete agenda to the newspaper and to all news media who have requested the same as well as by posting. Copies of the complete agenda were available for inspection at the Office of the Legend Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Public Input – Limit of 5 minutes, if the concern will take longer than a 5 minutes statement, it should be written and Available to the Commissioners at least a day before the meeting. Persons attending meeting can give input on any District matter, whether on agenda or not. Public will only be allowed to speak at this time during meeting unless they are specifically on the agenda.
4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
5. Correspondence
6. Cash Balance Report
7. Approval of Disbursements Discussion / Motion
8. Committee Reports –
 - Chairman
 - Lake Manager
 - Dam Inspector
 - Lake Maintenance
 - Adopt-A-Shore/Horn Brigade
 - Sanitary
 - Communications
 - Law Enforcement
 - Fish
 - Legal
 - Auxiliary Approved Meeting Reports
 - Personnel

Old Business:

9. 2020 Lake Management Plan
 - A. Update Sensitivity Study of Hybrid EWM / Discussion / Motion
 - B. Update Fish Toxicity Study / Discussion / Motion
 - C. 2020 Lake Management Planning / Discussion / Motion
10. New Storage Building / Discussion
11. Wake Boats / Discussion / Motion
12. CBCW Resolution 2020 / Discussion / Motion
13. Trade Fair 2020 Data? / Discussion / Motion
14. Budget Update / Discussion / Motion

New Business:

15. Lake District Insurance Renewal / Discussion / Motion

Other Information:

Informational Items only (no action to be taken)

Set Date for Next Meeting

Adjournment

"If you are an individual with a disability and need a special accommodation while attending this meeting, as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act, please notify Legend Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District at 715-799-3080 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting so suitable arrangements can be made." Thank you.

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Candidates take out election paperwork

Mayor, 5 council hopefuls in the running

By **GRACE KIRCHNER**
Correspondent

CLINTONVILLE — Four incumbents and one newcomer have taken out nomination papers in the city of Clintonville for the spring election in April.

Those aldermen whose terms are up in April are Ben Huber, Chuck Manske, Brandon Braden, Mike Hankins and Rusty Mitchell. The mayor's position is also up for grabs.

Huber serves District 1 and is completing his first two-year term on the council. No paperwork has been taken out for the seat.

Manske is finishing his second term on the council in District 2 and has taken out papers seeking reelection. He is being challenged by newcomer Peggy Zaemisch.

Braden has taken out papers to seek reelection in District 3. He is

seeking his second two-year term. Hankins has taken out papers for another term in District 4. He was defeated in 2014 by former alderwoman Mary Beth Kuester. He ran again in 2016 and has been serving since.

Mitchell will run after completing his first term, having been appointed to fill the vacancy created in District 5 when Maggie Hintz-Polzin moved from the district.

Richard Beggs served as mayor in 2004 until 2010. He won the seat back in 2018 and plans to run again.

Incumbents have until Dec. 27 to file their notification of non-candidacy if they decided not to seek reelection. New candidates have until 5 p.m. Jan. 7 to turn in their papers. The spring election will be April 7. A primary, if needed, will be held Feb. 18.

Clintonville School Board

Two seats are up for election on the Clintonville School Board. The incumbents are Kristine Strauman and Jim Schultz. Schultz is completing his second three-year term, while Strauman is completing her first.

The school district does not require nomination papers for candidates. Anyone interested in seeking election must file a campaign registration statement and a declaration of candidacy no later than 5 p.m. Jan. 7, in the district office, 45 W. Green Tree Road, Clintonville.

For information, contact Superintendent Dr. David Dyb at 715-823-7215, ext. 2604, or ddyb@clintonville.k12.wi.us.

OBITUARIES

Pamela Zahringer

Pamela R. "Pam" Zahringer, 62, of Gresham, passed away at her home Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2019. Pam was born May 18, 1957, in Kenosha, to Gerald and Laurie (James) Reisenauer. She graduated from Kenosha High School in 1976.

On Nov. 28, 1989, Pam was united in marriage to James "Jim" Zahringer in Kenosha. She worked for 20 years at Abbott Laboratories in Kenosha and then went on to work for Live World Incorporation as an online moderation supervisor for 15 years. Pam and Jim lived in Kenosha until 2013 when they moved to Gresham. Pam was always known for being a happy person. She loved her cats and had numerous hobbies. Pam especially enjoyed her gnome garden in the backyard and watching the hummingbirds.

Pam is survived by her husband of 30 years, Jim; her children, Brian (Amber) Zahringer, of Shawano, Amy (fiancé Bill Johnson) Gonzalez, of Gresham, Matthew (Jaci)



Zahringer, of Antigo, and Sarah (Paul) Bostwick, of Antigo; her grandchildren, Stasia, Kenzie, Logan, Kadence, Rodrigo, Luis, Jaime, Ben, Jacob, Tim, Micah, Ian,

Adeline, Nick and Nate; her mother, Laurie (Len Benson) Reisenauer, of Holly, Michigan; and her siblings, Gary (Rachel) Reisenauer, of Racine, and Sharon (Brad Stilwell) Reisenauer, of Holly, Michigan. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her father.

A funeral service was held for Pam at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, 2019, at Swedberg Funeral Home, 810 Bartelt St., Gresham. Visitation was held Friday at the funeral home from noon until the time of service.

www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

Minnie M. Rickert

Minnie M. Rickert, 93, passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2019. Minnie was born on Feb. 5, 1926, to James and Angela (Monroe) Ross.

On Aug. 15, 1945, she was united in marriage to Melvin Rickert. Minnie lived on their farm in Bowler for over 70 years where she loved feeding the hummingbirds and watching the deer and cardinals. She worked and owned a bar for many years and later in life she was a bus driver for Lakeland services.

Minnie is survived by her children, Gloria (Jerome) Weller, Allan (Linda) Rickert and Bruce (Lorry) Rickert; nine grandchildren; Shelly, Jeffrey, Rob, Stephanie, Carrie, Shawn, Adam, Dennis and Rich, 13 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Minnie was preceded in death by



her parents; her husband; a son, Roger; five brothers; and four sisters.

A memorial service for Minnie will be held on Saturday, Dec. 14, 2019, at noon

at the Wichmann Funeral Home, Tri-County Chapel, 1592 Oneida St. Menasha. A time of visitation will be held on Saturday from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.wichmannfargo.com.

The family would like to express their sincere thanks to the staff of ThedaCare at Home Hospice and Cherry Meadows.

Ruth M. Joy

Ruth M. Joy, 87, of Clintonville, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2019, at Aster Assisted Living in Clintonville.

The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory in Clintonville is assisting the Joy family.

Theadale E. Eggleston

Theadale "Teddy" E. Eggleston, 83, of Marion, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2019, at her home, surrounded by her family.

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Recent proceedings in Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court:

- A criminal complaint was filed Dec. 9 against Brayden L. Praegitzer, 17, Shawano, for two felony counts or repeated sexual assault of a child, two felony counts of child enticement, and one felony count of physical abuse of a child -intentionally cause bodily harm. The assault charges are Class C felonies, each carrying a maximum sentence of 40 years in prison and a \$100,000 fine if convicted. The enticement charges are Class D felonies, each carrying a maximum sentence of 25 years in prison and a \$100,000 fine if convicted. The physical abuse charge is a Class H felony with a maximum prison term of six years and a \$10,000 fine if convicted. The charges, involving three boys, were alleged to have taken place at two Shawano residences from January 1, 2017 through May 21, 2019.

- Abigail Parker-Harris, 21, of Eagle River, had an initial appearance adjourned and reset for Dec. 23. She was charged Oct. 5 with felony possession of methamphetamine and a misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. If convicted she could face 3 1/2 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine on the felony count.

- A cash bond of \$500 was set Dec. 5 for Chaise Cook, 21, Shawano, for felony misappropriation of ID information to avoid a penalty with a repeater modifier, two misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer both with repeater modifiers and misdemeanor operating while revoked (revocation due to alcohol, controlled substance or refusal to comply fourth offense or greater). He could face six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted of the felony.

- Dean Ford, 27, Shawano, had an arrest warrant issued on Dec. 5 for felony counts of misappropriation of ID information to avoid penalty and possession of THC, second offense both with repeater modifiers and a misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer with a repeater modifier. The maximum penalty of the misappropriation count is six years in prison and a \$10,000; maximum penalty on the THC count is 3.5 years in prison and \$10,000.

- Christopher Doering, 43, Shawano, was charged Dec. 6 with two misdemeanor counts of bail jumping, both with a domestic abuse and a domestic abuse repeater (during 72-hour no contact period) modifier. He faces up to 30 days in jail and a \$500

fine for each of the misdemeanors. The felony domestic abuse charges have an undetermined maximum sentence.

- A \$500 cash bond was set Dec. 5 for Ayesha M. Dodge, 23, Shawano, on felony possession of methamphetamine and bail jumping, both with repeater modifiers, and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia and bail jumping, both with repeater modifiers. For the possession charge, she faces up to 3 1/2 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine and up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine for the bail jumping charge.

- A \$7,500 cash bond was set Dec. 8 for Benjamin F. Lalonde, 39, Cecil on felony charges of operating while intoxicated, fourth offense and four counts of felony bail jumping. He faces up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted of a felony.

- A \$2,000 cash bond was set Dec. 8 for Jerry B. Nahwahquaw, 27, Neopit, on five counts of felony bail jumping with repeater modifiers and a misdemeanor count of resisting/obstructing an officer. For each of the felony charges, he faces up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

- A summons was issued Dec. 9 for Brandon M. Ball, 29, Green Bay on a felony charge of retail theft with a value of \$500-\$5,000 and a felony count of bail jumping. On the theft charge, if convicted, he faces up to 3 1/2 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine and up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine for bail jumping.

- A summons was issued for Shakoka M. Wahsquonaikezhik, 35, Keshena, on a felony count of misappropriation of ID information to avoid a penalty and misdemeanor resisting/obstructing an officer. She could face six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted of the felony, up to two years in prison.

- A summons was issued Dec. 9 for Tanya J. Gilbert, 30, Shawano, on a felony charge of possession of cocaine, second offense or greater with a repeater modifier and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia with a repeater modifier. If convicted she could face 3 1/2 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine on the felony count.

- A summons was issued Dec. 9 for Jeremy M. Peters, 32, Keshena, on a felony charge of retail theft with a value of \$500-\$5,000, three felony counts of bail jumping and a misdemeanor charge of bail jumping. All the charges carry a repeater modifier. On the theft charge, if convicted, he faces up to 3 1/2 years in prison and

a \$10,000 fine and up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine for the bail jumping charge.

- A summons was issued Dec. 9 for Sheldon R. Davids, 62, Bowler, on a felony charge of theft of movable property-value of \$2,500 - \$5,000 and two misdemeanor counts of theft of movable property, value of \$2,500 or less. For the felony charge, he faces up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

- A summons was issued Dec. 9 for David J. Yaeger, 36, Wittenberg, on two felony counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of bail jumping and misdemeanor disorderly conduct. He faces up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 on the felony counts.

- A summons was issued Dec. 9 for Joseph E. Boyd, 30, Gillett, on a felony charge of forgery-uttering with a repeater modifier and a misdemeanor charge of theft by false representation, value of \$2,500 or less. Both charges have repeater modifiers. He faces up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine for the

felony charge.

- An arrest warrant was issued Dec. 10 for James N. Johnson-Long, 32, Suring, for felony failure to report to jail. He faces up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

- Todd P. Watters, 39, Shawano, posted a cash bond of \$1,500 on a felony charge of operating while intoxicated, fourth offense. He faces up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

- A \$1,500 cash bond was set Dec. 11 for Joseph S. Sazama, 57, Mattoon, on felony bail jumping with a repeater modifier. He faces up to six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

- Anthony L. Doxtator, 42, Bowler, posted a \$500 cash bond on two felony counts of bail jumping, misdemeanor batter with a domestic abuse modifier, misdemeanor disorderly conduct with a domestic abuse modifier and disorderly conduct charge. The felony charges carry a maximum of six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. The battery charge carries a maximum of two years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Fire takes Gresham Auto and Truck



Gresham Auto and Truck on South Main Street on the south edge of the village is a total loss from a fire on the morning of Dec. 10, according to Sam Boucher, Gresham Fire Department chief. A faulty heater or chimney in the shop area is suspected as the cause of this week's fire, Boucher said. The fire worked up between the ceiling and the roof, destroying the trusses, the chief noted. The building was razed to prevent injury to anyone venturing inside, Boucher said. He also appreciated the "great mutual help" from the Shawano, Keshena, Stockbridge-Munsee, Bowler, town of Pella, town of Red Springs-Herman and town of Grant fire departments.

DAVID WILHELMS



ABOVE: Ashton LaTender, 8, of Keshena, grabs a brownie for dessert to go with his meal Wednesday afternoon during an open house at Keshena Primary School for the new Boys and Girls Club. The club will be providing dinner regularly for its members and other students in the Menominee Indian School District. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

LEFT: Woodland Boys and Girls Club members, from left, Kiyrah Peters, Kyleigh Corn, Delsey Waupoose and Bailey Corn perform a hoop dance for attendees at the open house for the new Boys and Girls Club to be housed at Keshena Primary School. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

Keshena gets Boys and Girls Club

Club providing 4 hours of activities 5 days a week

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

KESHENA — The Menominee Indian School District is joining forces with the Woodland Boys and Girls Club in Neopit to provide a second Boys and Girls Club on the Menominee Reservation.

A kick-off event held Wednesday gave people a glimpse of what to expect from the organization at Keshena Primary School. The district and the Neopit club have been collaborating to develop a program for the first through fifth grades since September, according to Karl Morrin, the district's assistant superintendent.

"We were approached by the Boys and Girls Club about having another site in Keshena, because they have the one in Neopit, to see how we can help the kids and the community," Morrin said. "We want to provide a safe place for the kids to come after school."

The district already has after-school programs of its own, but they only run three days a week for about an hour. The club would operate weekdays from 2-6 p.m., with some nutritional programming taking place at the end of the school day.

"As we go past 3 o'clock, there will be some other programs that take place," Morrin said.

The next week, right before Christmas break, is expected to be a trial run for the new club, work-



Boys and Girls Club staffers Brennan Waupoose, left, and Brent Kaphishkowitz demonstrate a game called Eskimo Stick Pull to children and parents attending an open house Wednesday afternoon at Keshena Primary School.

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ing out bugs in programming and giving students the opportunity to decide which programs they want to take part in, according to Morrin.

Eleanor Wayka, the Keshena site director for the club, said the students will be able to participate in a mentoring program, called Smart Moves. The program allows students to learn positive action and social skills, get help with reading and math through Wisconsin After 3, and help prevent diabetes with an active Trail Program.

There will also be some Menominee culture programs similar to what is done in Neopit, Wayka said.

"We do sweats up in Neopit right now," Wayka said. "We have a dance troupe that does old-time

dances from way back when, and the kids are coached by our elders. We do some singing and drumming, as well."

The club will also provide dinner to its members at the end of every session. That part of the program will launch after the new year, and the club is hoping to find high school students seeking culinary careers to be interns and help the cooks prepare and provide the meals.

"This isn't going to be just for the kids in the Boys and Girls Club," Morrin said, noting that the dinner will be available to all students in the district, including the neighboring Menominee Indian High School. "They can get a meal before they go home, and it's a way we can give kids another meal, if they need it."

The Woodland Boys and Girls Club has about 500 members and serves an average of 60-75 youth every day, according to Wayka.

Morrin said there are about 85-90 students that take part in the primary school's after-school program, so it is expected that some of those students — along with others — will become part of the Boys and Girls Club.

"It's a safe place for kids to be when parents are working late," Morrin said.

Most Boys and Girls Clubs charge a nominal fee to families, but the Keshena club is offering membership free of charge, according to Morrin.

The program will be supported through a combination of tribal and school funding.

Sensory friendly movies showing at library

The Shawano County main library will be hosting two sensory friendly movies Dec. 26.

The movie schedule is:

“Toy Story 4,” rated G, will show at 10 a.m., followed by “The Peanut Butter Falcon,” rated PG-13, at 2 p.m.

For these programs, a variety of seating options will be available.

The lights will be up, the sound will be down and attendees can get up, sing, dance or move around.

Attendees will not be expected to be still or silent during the movies.

No snacks will be provided, and attendees are asked to refrain from bringing snacks due to food allergies.

“Toy Story 4” brings back Buzz Lightyear, Woody and the rest of the gang in a road trip adventure.

A new toy, Forky, debuts in this Disney Pixar film featuring Tom Hanks and Tim Allen.

“The Peanut Butter Falcon” is a story of 22-year-old Zak, a young man with Down syndrome.

This modern adventure story follows Zak as he runs away from the nursing home where he lives to follow his dream of becoming a professional wrestler.

This movie features Shia LeBeouf and Dakota Johnson.

For information, call the library at 715-526-3829.

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Shawano graduate serves in AmeriCorps program

Madeline Schultz, of Shawano, is serving with the National Civilian Community Corps, a 10-month AmeriCorps program.

Founded in 1994, AmeriCorps NCCC is a residential national service program that supports disaster relief, the environment, infrastructure improvement, energy conservation and urban and rural development. After she completed her training in Denver, Schultz started a series of six- to 12-week service projects as part of a 10- to 12-person team. Her current service project will end in mid-December, at which time teams will break for the winter holidays and begin a new project in January.

There are 28 teams composed of nearly 300 corps members and team leaders serving on projects throughout the Southwest Region, including building affordable housing in Colorado, supporting at-risk youth in Missouri and assisting with ongoing disaster recovery in Texas and Oklahoma.

Schultz, a Shawano Community High School graduate, got a degree in business and sociology from St. Norbert College earlier this year.

"I chose to do a term of national service because I believe there is a strong, close-knit community atmosphere created through these programs — both with the corps members and the associated community organizations," she said. "There is a lot of trust, honesty and vulnerability that is necessary for working in small groups and having to depend on, work with and live with one another. It will be a challenge at times, but I will also develop great connections and life skills."

Schultz is the daughter of Tim and Cherie Schultz.

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OPINION

Merry Christmas, or happy holidays?

When I am shopping at stores between Thanksgiving and Christmas, if the employees of that store wish me a happy holiday, I am offended. Should I be? Is that fair to be so thin-skinned? What do you think when you are told happy holidays?

What did you think when Gov. Tony Evers referred to the Capitol Christmas tree as a holiday tree?



RICHARD KUCKSDORF

What did you think when President Barack Obama, during his eight years in office never called the official Christmas card a Christmas card but a holiday card, and never once in eight years referenced Christmas or the birth of Christ in the card's message?

In Wisconsin, we have the Freedom From Religion Foundation (FFRF), whose purpose as stated in its bylaws, is to promote the constitutional separation of state and church, and to educate the public on matters relating to nontheism. Promoting the constitutional separation of state and church certainly sounds innocent and like a worthwhile cause.

Read the last part of that statement and specifically the last word. According to the dictionary, the word nontheism is a noun which means lack of belief in a god or gods. We are all familiar with the efforts of

this organization, because we hear of it frequently, especially during the Christmas season or if a public school has prayer, etc.

Separation of church and state is another area worth looking into. When these cases are argued in court, those words are used to justify removal of anything dealing with Christianity, because they argue that government by allowing (whatever it is) this or that is endorsing Christianity or a religion. Let me clearly state that I do not condone what the FFRF stands for or its activities, but I fought for their freedom to conduct those activities freely.

The happy holiday wishes were born out of the politically correct culture. I merely reference the FFRF as the springboard to what we have today and the PC culture. Some experts imply that our Founding Fathers were anti-Christian. Are you familiar with what our Founding Fathers said or thought of Christianity?

John Adams: "I have examined all religions, and the result is that the Bible is the best book in the world."

Congress, U.S. House Judiciary Committee, 1854: "Had the people, during the Revolution, had a suspicion of any attempt to war against Christianity, that Revolution would have been strangled in its cradle ... In this age, there can be no substitute for Christianity ... That was the religion of the founders of the republic and they expected it to remain the religion of their descendants."

Why did the founders want freedom of religion? Many who came to America in the 17th and 18th centuries came due to religious persecution in the country they left. This is why our founders stated that the government cannot mandate a religion. Our founders knew that a person's religious faith is personal and different for each person.

The phrase, separation of state and church, came to be because the Danbury Baptist Church expressed concern to President Jefferson due to the fact that the Connecticut State Constitution did not specify protection of religious liberty. Jefferson stated that the First Amendment created a wall of separation between church and state.

Benjamin Franklin: "As to Jesus of Nazareth, my opinion of whom you particularly desire, I think the system of morals and His religion as He left them to us, the best the world ever saw or is likely to see."

Patrick Henry: "Being a Christian ... is a character which I prize far above all this world has or can boast."

John Jay, author of the federalist papers: "Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is the duty as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation, to select and prefer Christians for their rulers."

Did you know that our U.S. Constitution never once mentions God? Did you know that all 50 state constitutions mention God or divine at least

once according to Pew Research?

Thomas Jefferson: "I am a real Christian — that is to say, a disciple of the doctrines of Jesus Christ."

The Declaration of Independence says that the source of our rights and duties is God. God is mentioned four times in the Declaration of Independence. The writer of the Declaration of Independence said; "Laws of nature and nature's God entitle the United States to independence." This was the statement that defined why the colonists were justified in declaring their independence from England.

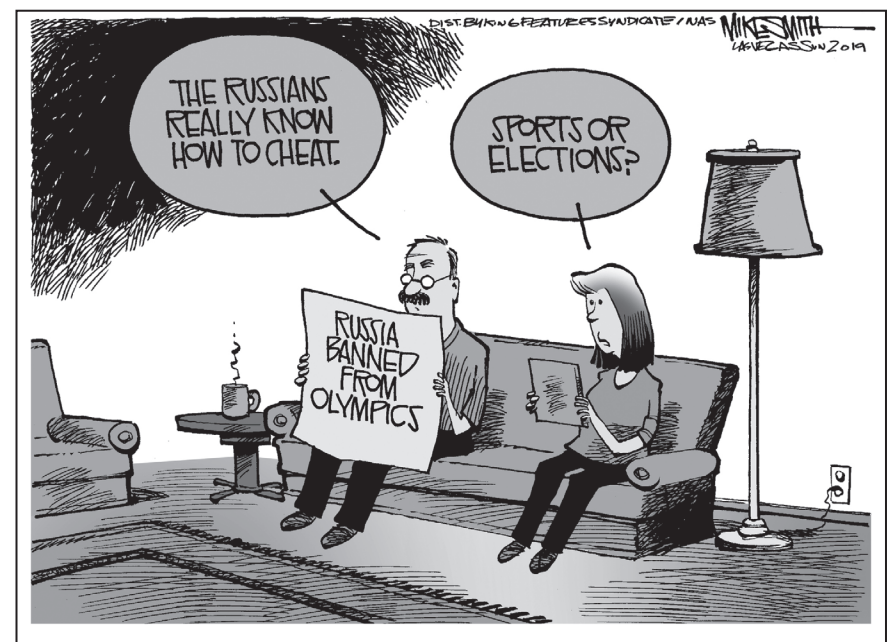
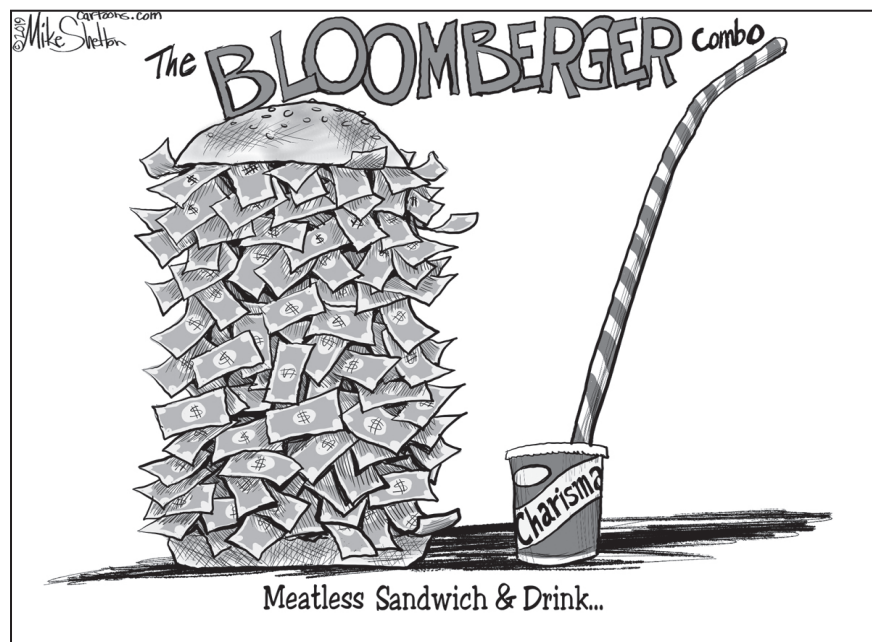
I do not dislike the person who wishes me happy holidays. How many holiday tree farms do you know of? They are Christmas tree farms, and it is a Christmas tree.

In the Bible, Luke 2:11 reads: "Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord." Matthew 2:1: "After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea," etc. The reason there is a holiday is because Christ was born, and we call the day we choose to commemorate this blessed event Christmas.

George Washington: "You do well to wish to learn our arts and ways of life, and above all, the religion of Jesus Christ. These will make you a greater and happier people than you are."

Merry Christmas to each of you.

Richard W. Kucksdorf is a retired U.S. Army colonel residing in Bonduel. Kucksdorf has other writings on his website, "Observations From Flyover Country," at rwkucksdorf.com.



NEW HOLIDAY TRADITIONS



Kayla Hokenstad, left, and Luke Brendemuehl haul their prize from the rows at Hanauer's Tree Farms Dec. 7. Other members of the Hokenstad family follow the pair. Kayla Hokenstad said cutting their own tree has long been a tradition for the family.

DAVID WILHELMS

Christmas tree cutting a unique opportunity for family

By **DAVID WILHELMS**
Correspondent

SHAWANO — A unique opportunity for area residents and visitors and a tradition among many families is cutting their own Christmas trees. Here's a listing of area cut-your-own operations. If you have a fourth grader in the family, you can even get a free tree from the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest.

Menominee tribal lands

As the tribe has a general ban on the cutting of green wood, no one can cut a Christmas tree on reservation land.

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

None of the state forests near Shawano

no or Oconto counties have Christmas tree permits available.

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest

According to the U.S. Forest Service website, "a permit costs \$5 and allows you to harvest a tree up to 20 feet tall, including trees along roads and trails as long as aesthetics and safety are considered." White cedar and hemlock trees may not be cut.

Fourth graders can get a free permit if they present a voucher from the Every Kid in a Park initiative, available at everykidoutdoors.gov. Permits are available at the Lakewood ranger station, 15085 Highway 32, Lakewood, 715-276-6333 or see fs.usda.gov/cnnf.

PLACES TO GO BY COUNTY

Brown County

• Wojcik's Christmas Tree Farm
4336 Twin Elm Drive, Pulaski
Daily 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
920-619-6921
920-829-5062
wojcikchristmastrees@gmail.com

920-660-8567
Daily 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Shawano County

• Brekke's
Robin Road, Wittenberg
Open Dec. 14
414-248-3524
715-253-2734
• Hanauer's Tree Farms
W7677 Christmas Tree Lane, Shawano
715-526-6523
715-853-5095
dan@witreeguy.com
Weekends
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 14, 15
• Spring Brook Tree Farm
Betty and Dar Zeinert
W17076 Willow Road, Tigerton
715-253-2883
sprngbrk@netnet.net
Daily 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Oconto County

• B & B Farms
4170 County Road A, Oconto
Golik's Tree Farm
958 Cross Road, Sobieski
920-822-5207
• Trudell's Tree Farm
6418 Allen Road, Sobieski
920-822-8647
beth_trudellstreefarm@yahoo.com
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NEW HOLIDAY TRADITIONS

Gloves for Vets a win-win-win

Program helps country's homeless veterans

By **DAVID WILHELMS**
Correspondent

SHAWANO — It seems like a win-win-win by buying a pair of gloves during the holidays from the Gloves for Vets program.

When someone buys a pair of the insulated deerhide gloves at American Marine or the Shawano Veterans of Foreign Wars, he or she gets an amazing pair of brown or black gloves for \$20. In addition, a homeless vet also gets a pair of gloves and the entire purchase price goes to preventing suicides among veterans, said Jeremy Buenning, American Marine's general manager.

That's the structure of the annual program, now in its ninth year, spearheaded by Every Third Saturday and the Hands Foundation — groups dedicated to helping homeless veterans.

Buenning, a 20-year veteran of the Army and National Guard, sympathized with the difficulties some veterans have faced after returning home.

"I could see it could have happened to me when I came back and I didn't have the structure I did," he said. "The human aspect is a big thing."

The outreach to homeless veterans lets them know there are alternatives, and suicide isn't one of them, Buenning added.

"Everyone wins," said Scott Marrier, who works with Every Third Saturday.

This year, Lee Christenson, head of North American Trading from Strum, Wisconsin, donated 2,222 pairs of gloves to the program, according to Marrier. The number may seem



Jeremy Buenning, general manager at American Marina, checks out the fit on a pair involved in the Gloves for Vets campaign. Purchasers of the deerhide gloves know they've purchased a high-quality product, a homeless vet gets a pair of gloves and the entire purchase price goes to preventing suicides among vets.

DAVID WILHELMS

oddly specific, but Marrier said the number reflects the average figure of 22 veterans who commit suicide every day. Eight hundred pairs had been sold through Dec. 6.

Marrier, a resident of Withee, said although the groups aid veterans primarily in Minneapolis and St. Paul, homeless veterans from Wisconsin also benefit because they tend to gravitate toward the Twin Cities due to the availability of Veterans Affairs services and facilities.

Buenning, who served two tours

in Iraq, said aid to veterans is a "boat with leaks everywhere, and you have to go where there's a really big hole," and that's the Twin Cities area.

Buenning has participated in the distribution of clothing and items to homeless vets in Minnesota.

"What you conceptualize and then see how it unfolded, you get a whole different perspective when you say 'hello' and strike up a conversation," Buenning said.

"If people saw the program like I did, they'd understand" why the

program focuses on a Minnesota urban area.

He also observed that people have reasons to be skeptical about charities after recent scandals including one prominent veterans' aid organization, but "no one gets paid. That's very important, the biggest thing."

"When I went out there, it was pretty unique, pretty challenging" and it's not just chucking clothing out of the back of a trailer, the retired sergeant said.

There is a process where the recipients are asked for their name and contact information. This is also an opportunity to assess their needs and guide them to programs, including suicide prevention. Then they are given access to clothing and even have boots, donated by Red Wing, fitted properly, Buenning said.

Buenning and Marrier said the gloves are one part of a massive effort to help homeless vets find homes and jobs as well as prevent suicides.

Buenning said helping vets is a year-round activity for him and for American Marine. He leverages contacts he's maintained with friends still in the military to help secure uniforms made surplus by the military's decision to go with a different design. His company sponsors a giveaway of a trailer at its annual February boat show. The trailer comes from Marrier's business and American Marine then "fills it to the top" with additional items, Buenning said. Anyone who brings in an item to donate to a homeless vet is entered into the drawing for the trailer.

As another example, Marrier explained the groups have handed out 50,000 handmade quilts. The quilts are a method of building trust with vets, especially those with post-traumatic stress disorder. Pine Needle Quilters, of Surging, have been a major source of quilts, Marrier said.

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- 4.) Lark Country Store
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- 5.) Pigeon River Brewing**
1103 N. Main Street #9182
Marion, WI

- 6.) Lee Ebert & Sons
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- 9.) Bolt & Stein Quilt Shop**
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- 10.) Raw Motors**
N 9705 Hwy 45
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- 11-J** Hometown Insurance
1207 E. Green Bay Street
Shawano, WI

- 12.) Sencig's Fine Home Furnishings**
1482 E. Green Bay Street
Shawano, WI

- 13.) American Marine**
830 E. Green Bay Street
Shawano, WI

- 14.) Shawano Four Seasons Resorts/
Seasons Restaurant & Lounge**
201 N. Airport Road
Shawano, WI

- 15.) Island Tropics**
126 E. Division Street
Shawano, WI

- 16.) Charlie's County Market**
521 S. Main Street
Shawano, WI

- 17.] Oconto Falls Library**
251 N. Main Street
Oconto Falls, WI

- 18.J** 147 Clips N' Styles
114 N. Main Street
Oconto Falls, WI

- 19.] Hawkeye Hearth & Home**
W6091 Hwy 22
Shawano, WI

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CALENDAR

UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, DEC. 14

SANTA STORY TIME: Shawano County Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano. 10 a.m. Singalongs, magic, reading of "The Night Before Christmas," photos with Santa, book giveaway sponsored by Lake Country Republican Women. 715-526-3829.

SANTA VISIT: American Marine and Motorsports, 830 E. Green Bay St., Shawano. 1-3 p.m. Cookies, hot chocolate and cifer. 715-526-4300.

SOUNDS OF THE SEASON: St. James Lutheran Church, 324 S. Andrews St., Shawano. 2-4 p.m. Free, but food and monetary donations accepted by the FRESH Project. Featuring St. James choir, men's choir and Belles of Praise, Peace United Church of Christ Celebration Choir, Messengers of the Way, Wolf River Harmony, It's About Time, The Westerfeld Trio.

HOLIDAY REMEMBRANCE PROGRAM: Swedberg Funeral Home, 518 W. Fifth St., Shawano. 2 p.m. Candle lighting ceremony to honor those who have died and in support of those who live. 715-526-2631. www.swedbergfuneralhome.com.

JME BAPTIST: Classic's Restaurant and Lounge, W6026 Lake Drive, Shawano. 8 p.m. 715-524-8711. www.classicsshawano.com

PASSION: Lounge, Menominee Casino Resort, N277 State Highway 47-55, Keshena. 8 p.m. Free. 715-799-3600. www.menomineecasinoresort.com.

BB SECRIST: Groove Lounge, North Star Mohican Casino Resort, W12180 County Road A, Bowler. 9 p.m. Free. 715-787-3110. www.northstarcasinoresort.com.

SPORTS EVENTS

SATURDAY, DEC. 14

WRESTLING: Clintonville/Marion at invitational, 9:15 a.m., Winnebago Lutheran Academy High School, 475 E. Merrill Ave., Fond du Lac.

WRESTLING: Shawano at invitational, 9:30 a.m., Brillion High School, W1101 County Road HR, Brillion.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Shawano at Lakeland Union, 6 p.m., Lakeland Union High School, 9573 State Highway 70, Minocqua.

MONDAY, DEC. 16

HOCKEY: Shawano co-op vs. Chequamegon, 5:45 p.m., Crawford Center, 251 S. Waukechon St., Shawano.

WRESTLING: Bonduel vs. Antigo, 7 p.m., Bonduel High School, 400 W. Green Bay St., Bonduel.

TUESDAY, DEC. 17

BOYS SWIM: Shawano at Rhinelander, 5:30 p.m., Rhinelander High School, 665 Coolidge Ave., Rhinelander.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Marion at Rosholt, 6 p.m., Rosholt High School, 346 W. Randolph St., Rosholt.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Shawano vs. Green Bay West, 7 p.m., Green Bay West High School, 966 Shawano Ave., Green Bay.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Tigerton at Elcho, 7 p.m., Elcho High School, 9630 Antigo St., Elcho.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Clintonville at Luxemburg-



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MONDAY, DEC. 16

BLOOD DRIVE: St. Paul Lutheran Church, 240 E. Green Bay St., Bonduel. Noon to 5 p.m. For appointment, call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code stpaulbonduel. Donors eligible for a \$5 Amazon gift card by email, courtesy of Suburban Propane.

TUESDAY, DEC. 17

LOVIN' COUNTRY: Casino floor, North Star Mohican Casino Resort, W12180 County Road A, Bowler. 4-7

Casco, 7 p.m., Luxemburg-Casco High School, 512 Center St., Luxemburg.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Bonduel at Crandon, 7:15 p.m., Crandon High School, 9750 U.S. Highway 8 West, Crandon.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Wittenberg-Birnamwood at Wausau East, 7:15 p.m., Wausau East High School, 2607 N. 18th St., Wausau.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Wittenberg-Birnamwood vs. Coleman, 7:15 p.m., Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School, 400 W. Grand Ave., Wittenberg.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Bowler at Gillett, 7:15 p.m., Gillett High School, 208 W. Main St., Gillett.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Bonduel vs. Gillett, 7:30 p.m., Bonduel High School, 400 W. Green Bay St., Bonduel.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Gresham vs. Port Edwards, 7:30 p.m., Gresham Community School, 501 Schabow St., Gresham.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Menominee Indian vs. Tigerton, 7:30 p.m., Menominee Indian High School, N500 State Highway 47-55, Keshena.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Marion at Rosholt, 7:30 p.m., Rosholt High School, 346 W. Randolph St., Rosholt.

THURSDAY, DEC. 19

WRESTLING: Clintonville/Marion at NEC Meet, 5 p.m., Denmark High School, 450 N. Wall St., Denmark.

BOYS SWIM: Shawano vs. Antigo, 5:30 p.m.,

p.m. Free. 715-787-3110. www.northstarcasinoresort.com.

OPEN MIC NIGHT: Glas Coffeehouse, 511 N. Main St., Shawano. 5-6:30 p.m. www.glascoffee.com

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18

MARIACHI BAND NIGHT: El Tequila, 1240 E. Green Bay St., Shawano. 5-8 p.m.

WITTENBERG FOOD PANTRY: 607 S. Webb St., Wittenberg. 5-7 p.m. 715-253-2576.

Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B, Shawano.

WRESTLING: Shawano at Green Bay United, 6:30 p.m., Green Bay West High School, 966 Shawano Ave., Green Bay.

WRESTLING: Bonduel at Tri-County, 7 p.m., Tri-County High School, 409 S. West St., Plainfield.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Menominee Indian vs. Amherst, 7 p.m., Menominee Indian High School, N500 State Highway 47-55, Keshena.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Wittenberg-Birnamwood vs. Menominee Indian, 7 p.m., Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School, 400 W. Grand Ave., Wittenberg.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Clintonville vs. Luxemburg-Casco, 7 p.m., Clintonville High School, 64 W. Green Tree Road, Clintonville.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Clintonville at Wrightstown High School, 7 p.m., 600 High St., Wrightstown.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Shawano vs. Seymour, 7:15 p.m., Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B, Shawano.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Bonduel vs. Shiocton, 7:15 p.m., Bonduel High School, 400 W. Green Bay St., Bonduel.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Gresham at Manawa, 7:15 p.m., Manawa High School, 800 Beech St., Manawa.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Wittenberg-Birnamwood at Pacelli, 7:15 p.m., Pacelli High School, 1301 Maria Drive, Stevens Point.

SUPPORT GROUPS

SATURDAY, DEC. 14

AA: 8 a.m., Red River Room, ThedaCare Medical Center-Shawano, 100 County Road B, Shawano. 715-526-8800.

AL-ANON: 8 a.m., ThedaCare Medical Center-Shawano, 100 County Road B, Shawano. 715-526-2111.

OVERCOMERS OUTREACH: 6 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano. Please use the Washington Street entrance. shawanoovercomersoutreach@gmail.com.

SUNDAY, DEC. 15

AA: 7 p.m., Peace United Church of Christ, 208 E. Maurer St., Shawano. 715-526-2916.

MONDAY, DEC. 16

AA: 11 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano. Mike, 920-606-6954, or Macca, 920-323-3643.

EMOTIONS ANONYMOUS: Noon, Shawano County Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano. 715-526-3829.

AA AND AL-ANON: 7 p.m., Holy Family-St. William Church, 106 N. Ellms St., Wittenberg. 715-253-2143.

NA: 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano.

AA: 7 p.m., 313 W. Wescott Ave., Shawano. 715-526-6758.

FRESH HOPE FOR MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT GROUP: Hope Community Church, 302 Tristan Drive, Shawano. 7 p.m. Jon, 715-853-1635.

TUESDAY, DEC. 17

AA: 11 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano. Mike, 920-606-6954, or Macca, 920-323-3643.

WOMEN'S AA: 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church (west entrance), 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano. 715-526-3329.

AA AND AL-ANON: 7 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church, 1254 S. Lincoln St., Shawano. 715-526-2017.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18

AA: 11 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano. Mike, 920-606-6954, or Macca, 920-323-3643.

AA: 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano. Mike, 920-606-6954, or Macca, 920-323-3643.

THURSDAY, DEC. 19

AA: 11 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano. Mike, 920-606-6954, or Macca, 920-323-3643.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT GROUP FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN: 6-7:30 p.m., Safe Haven, 380 Lakeland Road, Shawano. 715-526-3421.

AA: 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano. Mike, 920-606-6954, or Macca, 920-323-3643.

NA: 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano. 866-285-7830.

ONGOING COMMUNITY EVENTS

SATURDAYS

OPEN SWIM: Shawano Recreation Center, 220 E. Division St., Shawano. 1-3:45 p.m. and 6:30-8:45 p.m. \$2 adult, \$1 child, half-price with membership. 715-526-6171.

OPEN SKATING: Crawford Center, 251 S. Waukechon St., Shawano. 6-8 p.m. Admission \$3, skate rental \$2.

SUNDAYS

SHAWANO GETS REFIT: Divine Savior Lutheran Church, 102 Northridge Drive, Shawano. 4-5 p.m. Cardio workout program. \$5 per person. 715-584-3911.

OPEN SKATING: Crawford Center, 251 S. Waukechon St., Shawano. 6-8 p.m. Admission \$3, skate rental \$2.

MONDAYS

STRING THEORY: Bonduel Public Library, 125 N. Washington St., Bonduel. 10 a.m. For knitters and crocheters. 715-526-3829.

STRONG BONES: St. Paul Lutheran Church, 240 E. Green Bay St., Bonduel. 7:30 a.m.; Fellowship Hall, Zion Lutheran Church, 1254 S. Union St., Shawano, 8:30 a.m.; Total Fitness, 212 E. Green Bay St., Shawano, noon; St. Francis Solanus Catholic Church, 724 Mader St., Gresham, 4:05 p.m.; Resource Room 201, Hillcrest Primary School, 1410 S. Waukechon St., Shawano, 4:30 p.m.; Mohican Family Center, N8605 Oak St., Bowler, 5 p.m.; Peace Lutheran Church, N6315 County Road D, Tilleda, 5:15 p.m.; Holy Family Church, 202 N. Ellms St., Wittenberg, 4:30 p.m.; St. Anthony Catholic Church, 430 Swanke St., Tigerton, 4:30 p.m. Kara Skarlupka, 715-526-4863.

HAND AND FOOT CARD CLUB: Room 146, Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St., Shawano. 9-11:30 a.m. Community Education activity for ages 50+. New members welcome. Free. 715-526-2192, ext. 3102.

SENIOR CITIZEN EXERCISE CLASS: Shawano Civic Center, 225 S. Main St., Shawano. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

AQUACISE: Shawano Recreation Center, 220 E. Division St., Shawano. 9-9:50 a.m. Swim experience not needed. Marcia Wilken, 715-853-4569.

COMMUNITY HALL WALKING: Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St., Shawano. 4-8 p.m. only on days when school is in session. Free, but passes and lanyards must be obtained at Shawano Community Education office. 715-526-2102, ext. 3202.

OPEN SWIM: Shawano Recreation Center, 220 E. Division St., Shawano. 6:15-7:45 p.m. \$2 adult, \$1 child, half-price with membership. 715-526-6171.

TUESDAYS

BABY AND ME LAPSIT: Children's Department, Shawano County Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano. 10 a.m. A 20-minute lapsit program for non-walking babies and their caregivers which includes traditional rhymes, finger plays, tickles, bounces, songs, and sturdy books. Playtime follows. 715-526-3829.

COMMUNITY HALL WALKING: Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St., Shawano. 4-8 p.m. only on days when school is in session. Free, but passes and lanyards must be obtained at Shawano Community Education office. 715-526-2102, ext. 3202.

STORY TIME: Bonduel Public Library, 125 N. Washington St., Bonduel. 11 a.m. Thirty-minute programs including books, songs and a simple craft, and sometimes puppets, flannel board activities, and maybe dancing. All ages of children must be accompanied by parents/caregivers. 715-758-2267.

STRONG BONES: Fellowship Hall, Zion Lutheran Church, 1254 S. Union St., Shawano, 7:30 a.m.; Sacred Heart Parish, 321 S. Sawyer St., Shawano, 3:45 p.m. Kara Skarlupka, 715-526-4863.

STRETCH YOGA: Aquatic Center, 400 W. Grand Ave., Wittenberg. 6-7 a.m. \$8. Ashley Hegewald, 715-581-6062.

OPEN SWIM: Shawano Recreation Center, 220 E. Division St., Shawano. 6:15-7:45 p.m. \$2 adult, \$1 child, half-price with membership. 715-526-6171.

WATER AEROBICS: Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B, Shawano. 5:50-6:50 p.m. \$5 for members, \$6 for non-members. Punch cards available at Community Education office. 715-526-2192, ext. 3202.

TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY): Shawano Public Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano. Weigh-in 8-9 a.m., meeting 9 a.m. 715-799-4343.

COMPUTER/INTERNET HELP: Sponsored by AARP. Glas Coffeehouse, 511 N. Main St., Shawano. 9 a.m. 715-754-5344.

SENIOR CITIZEN SWIM: Shawano Park and Recreation Department, 220 E. Division St. 9:30-10:30 a.m. Free with membership or \$2 per day.

FRED BEYER, "THE PIANO MAN": Classic's Restaurant and Lounge, W6026 Lake Drive, Shawano. 7 p.m. 715-524-8711.

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CARD GAMES: Matsche Center, 362 Railroad St., Birnamwood. 1-4 p.m. Free. Cribbage or other card games. 715-449-0004 or 715-449-2113. through December

COMMUNITY HALL WALKING: Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St., Shawano. 4-8 p.m. only on days when school is in session. Free, but passes and lanyards must be obtained at Shawano Community Education office. 715-526-2102, ext. 3202.

STORY TIME: Children's Department, Shawano County Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano. 10 a.m. Stories, songs, finger plays, puppets, flannel board activities, dancing, and making a simple craft are included. 715-526-3829.

STORY TIME: Mattoon Public Library, 311 Slate Ave., Mattoon. 11 a.m. Books, music, crafts, and more. Thirty minutes of fun for preschoolers. Children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. 715-489-3333.

STORY TIME: Wittenberg Public Library, 302 S. Cherry St., Wittenberg. 11 a.m. Themed 25-minute program including reading books, singing songs, music, dancing and fun. 715-253-2936.

STORY TIME: Birnamwood Public Library, 337 Main St., Birnamwood. 2:30 p.m. 715-449-3120.

SHAWANO GETS REFIT: Divine Savior Lutheran Church, 102 Northridge Drive, Shawano. 4-5 p.m. Cardio workout program. \$5 per person. 715-584-3911.

STRONG BONES: Fellowship Hall, Zion Lutheran Church, 1254 S. Union St., Shawano, 8:30 a.m.; Total Fitness, 212 E. Green Bay St., Shawano, noon; Resource Room 201, Hillcrest Primary School, 1410 S. Waukechon St., Shawano, 4:30 p.m.; Mohican Family Center, N8605 Oak St., Bowler. 5 p.m. Kara Skarlupka, 715-526-4863.

SENIOR CITIZEN EXERCISE CLASS: Shawano Civic Center, 225 S. Main St., Shawano. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

AQUACISE: Shawano Recreation Center, 220 E. Division St., Shawano. 9-9:50 a.m. Swim experience not needed. Marcia Wilken, 715-853-4569.

TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY): Christ Lutheran Church, 120 N. Main St., Clintonville. 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. 715-823-6521.

THURSDAYS

STORY TIME: Children's Department, Shawano

County Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano. 10 a.m. Stories, songs, finger plays, puppets, flannel board activities, dancing, and making a simple craft are included. 715-526-3829.

FOOD PANTRY: Divine Savior Lutheran Church, 102 Northridge Drive, Shawano. 1-3 p.m.

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STRONG BONES: Fellowship Hall, Zion Lutheran Church, 1254 S. Union St., Shawano, 7:30 a.m.; Sacred Heart Parish, 321 S. Sawyer St., Shawano, 3:45 p.m.; St. Francis Solanus Catholic Church, 724 Mader St., Gresham, 4:05 p.m.; Peace Lutheran Church, N6315 County Road D, Tilleda, 5:15 p.m.; Holy Family Church, 202 N. Ellms St., Wittenberg. 4:30 p.m.; St. Anthony Catholic Church, 430 Swanke St., Tigerton. 4:30 p.m. Kara Skarlupka, 715-526-4863.

WATER AEROBICS: Pool, Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B, Shawano. 5:50-6:50 p.m. \$5 for members, \$6 for non-members. Punch cards available at Community Education office. 715-526-2192, ext. 3202.

CIVIL AIR PATROL: Civic Center, 225 S. Main St., Shawano. 7 p.m. 715-526-9311.

LATIN SPLASH: Pool, Shawano Recreation Center, 220 E. Division St., Shawano. 9-9:50 a.m. Marcia Wilken, 715-853-4569.

FRIDAYS

STRONG BONES: St. Paul Lutheran Church, 240 E. Green Bay St., Bonduel. 7:30 a.m. Kara Skarlupka, 715-526-4863.

SENIOR CITIZEN EXERCISE CLASS: Shawano Civic Center, 225 S. Main St., Shawano. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

NEEDLES R US: Knitting and crocheting. Shawano Public Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano. 9 a.m.

COMMUNITY HALL WALKING: Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St., Shawano. 4-8 p.m. only on days when school is in session. Free, but passes and lanyards must be obtained at Shawano Community Education office. 715-526-2102, ext. 3202.

GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

MONDAY, DEC. 16

SHAWANO COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD: Shawano County Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano. 1 p.m. Agenda includes approving meeting dates and review of space analysis by Library Planning Associates.

SHAWANO COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH AND VETERAN SERVICES COMMITTEE: Room 7, Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano. 4:30 p.m.

Agenda includes discussion of the county health department's financial situation and a community

health assessment update.

TUESDAY, DEC. 17

GRESHAM VILLAGE BOARD: Village Hall, 1126 Main St., Gresham. 7 p.m. Agenda includes discussion of 2018 audit and action on bill from Northeast Wisconsin Technical College for an emergency management services director.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18

BONDUEL JOINT REVIEW BOARD: Village Hall, 117 W. Green Bay St., Bonduel. 5 p.m. Annual meeting.

Agenda includes three-year extension on tax incremental district 1.

THURSDAY, DEC. 19

SHAWANO COUNTY PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING COMMITTEE: Room 7, Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano. 2 p.m. Public hearing scheduled. T.J. Miles, Wausau Homes, agent for Carlton W Dittmar Revocable Trust, owner, request conditional use permit for filling and grading in excess of 2,000 square feet on slopes of less than 12% of an area that is within 300 feet of the Ordinary High Water Mark

of Shawano Lake pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland-Wetland Zoning Ordinance 6-16, Section 8.21(3) for the purpose of razing an existing single family dwelling and construction of a new single family dwelling with a covered porch and deck.

MONDAY, DEC. 23

SHAWANO CITY-COUNTY AIRPORT COMMISSION: Airport, N5468 Airport Road, Shawano. 3:30 p.m. hearing, 4 p.m. regular meeting. Agenda includes hearing regarding a petition for future funding and use of entitlement funds for the airport's long-term plan.

SPORTS

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Bonduel boys power past Amherst

Bears win behind defensive play

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

BONDUEL — In the first two games of the regular season, the Bonduel High School boys basketball team featured a potent offense. In Tuesday's Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division battle with Amherst, it was all about the Bears' defense.

Bonduel's aggressive and physical defense surrendered just 11 points in the first half, allowing the Bears to eventually cruise to a 67-33 win.

The Bears forced a Falcon turnover on the opening possession of the game, and senior Dylan Springborn knocked down a 3-pointer to give the hosts an early advantage.

Bonduel's impressive showing on the defensive end allowed its offense to warm up after a slow start to the contest.

Trailing 6-5, Bonduel senior Cole Letter hit a 3-pointer before junior Garrett Engel hit a field goal to give the Bears a lead they would never relinquish.

The Bears allowed just four points over the final 11:27 of the half. Bonduel scored 22 points over that stretch to take complete control of the contest.

"We knew coming in that if shots weren't going to fall, we had to do something, and obviously, defense has been a point of emphasis," said Letter, who scored 22 points to lead the Bears. "Being able to come in and shut down a team to 11 points in a half makes the game a whole lot easier, especially when things aren't going our way offensively."

In just three games, Bonduel has shown it can win with strong shooting or pressure defense, giving the team reason for optimism as the season moves on.

"It's a great feeling. For example, tonight we played real great defense, the offense wasn't really as good as it could have been," said Springborn.



Bonduel's Garrett Engel, center, reaches for a loose ball as the Bonduel bench looks on during Tuesday's CWC-East win over Amherst in Bonduel.

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Bonduel's Carson Robaidek, right, drives to the basket during Tuesday's CWC-East victory over Amherst in Bonduel.

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"It's just a good feeling knowing that if we can do this without running offense really well, it's a scary thought of what will happen if we run both offense and defense in one game."

Another reason the Bears should be optimistic is because of how balanced the team's scoring was against

Amherst. Bonduel had nine players score in the game.

Springborn paced the team with nine first-half points and finished with 11 for the game. Junior Carson Robaidek scored nine of his 11 points in a 10-minute span in the second half.

Senior big man Justin Bahr tallied all six of his points in the first half, while keeping Amherst out of the paint and off the offensive glass. Letter helped the Bears pull away in the second half, tallying 15 of the team's 35 points.

"We think we're pretty deep, and we have a lot of kids that can play basketball," said Bonduel coach Duke Copp. "A lot of kids can do many different things. We have a lot of shooters. We have guys who can penetrate. We have some rebounders; we have good defenders. It's fun to play a lot of kids and for those kids to play well. The chemistry on this team is phenomenal, so that's exciting."

After trading buckets with the Falcons in the early going of the second

half, Bonduel pulled away for good with a 24-0 run.

Letter, sophomore Reece Stoltenow, junior Brett Margelofsky and senior Noah Beilfuss all hit one 3-pointer during the run. Letter and Robaidek had a three-point play each on the big run.

With a 40-plus point lead and a running clock, Bonduel was able to empty its bench and enjoy its second conference win of the year.

Bonduel led 67-23 before Amherst ended the game on a 10-0 run.

Amherst 11 22 — 33

Bonduel 32 35 — 67

Bonduel (67): Carson Robaidek 3-3 11, Brett Margelofsky 0-0 3, Garrett Engel 0-0 4, Reece Stoltenow 2-2 5, Cole Letter 5-5 22, Dylan Springborn 3-4 11, Noah Beilfuss 0-0 3, Justin Bahr 2-2 6, Brody Wussow 0-0 2.

Amherst (33): Melo Aleman 0-0 2, Max Peters 0-0 4, Cyle Zblewski 0-0 7, Lincoln Cullen 0-0 2, Matthew Glodowski 0-0 3, Mikiah McCall 1-2 1, Alex Felckowski 0-0 6, Aidan Jastromski 2-2 7, Eugene Gregorich 1-2 1.

ATHLETE PROFILE: NICK SHERMAN

Shawano senior coming up clutch in early going

SHAWANO — The Shawano Community High School boys basketball team is off to a strong start to its season, with senior Nick Sherman playing a big role in the team's success.

Sherman can score from just about any spot from the 3-point line and in, while also being able to convert amongst taller players in the paint. The senior guard can also set up his teammates and helps his team play strong defense.

"Nick is both a great basketball player and great leader for us on and off the floor," said Shawano coach David Ambrosius. "He brings a high level of focus and energy with him every day to practice and the games. That leadership and energy level has been instrumental to our early season success this year."

Shawano's season started with tight nonconference wins over Rhinelander and Clintonville, with Sherman averaging 23 points across the two games. Sherman hit the game-winning free throw against Rhinelander before knocking down the winning shot against Clintonville in overtime.

In a lopsided nonconference win over Pulaski, Sherman tallied 15 points. The senior scored 17 points in the team's Bay Conference victory over Green Bay West on Tuesday.

Q: When did your interest in basketball begin?

A: I first got into basketball around the age of 4 or 5 through my dad (Todd Sherman) when we would play on a hoop in my driveway. We would always play PIG, but he would never go easy on me. I always had to win at least one game before we went inside.

Q: What is your favorite part about the basketball season?

A: It's got to be just being around the guys. We are really close this



Shawano's Nick Sherman rises up for a shot during a nonconference win over Pulaski on Dec. 6 in Shawano.

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year, and we have a lot of fun on and off the court. During practice, we work hard, but we make sure to have fun at the same time.

Q: How did you prepare for the season?

A: This last spring and summer, I played on an AAU team out of the Fox Valley and we went to tournaments in Chicago and Milwaukee. I played against a lot of high-level competition to prepare myself for this year. I also played with our summer league team throughout the summer at the weekly games and going to open gyms.

Q: Your team is off to a strong start already this winter. What's worked well so far to allow for that start?

A: As a team, our intensity, in

general, has increased greatly from last season but especially on defense. We are creating a lot of havoc and playing the game at our own pace, which allows us to — even when down — to go on big runs.

Q: As the season moves on, what kinds of things does the team need to continue working on?

A: There is always room for improvement on defense, and I think that will be the key to us winning games. Also, we have to continue to make strides in being more efficient offensively by making the open looks we get and capitalizing on the turnovers we create.

Q: What has been your favorite memory from your time on the Shawano boys basketball

AT A GLANCE

ATHLETE: Nick Sherman

SPORT: Boys basketball

POSITION: Guard

SCHOOL: Shawano Community High School

YEAR: Senior

team?

A: When we swept Seymour my freshman year at Seymour in all levels and everyone celebrated in the locker room.

Q: What are you going to miss most about high school basketball?

A: I'll miss the guys I played with, especially the underclassmen throughout my years of playing basketball. I've made a lot of close friends and guys I would call brothers. It will be hard to walk away at the end of the season knowing that I don't get to step out there and play with all of them again and wearing Shawano across my chest.

Q: Favorite TV shows, movies and musical artists?

A: Favorite TV show has got to be "Friends" or "How I Met Your Mother." My favorite movie, got to go with "Space Jam." My favorite musical artist has to be Florida Georgia Line and Rascal Flatts.

Q: Name one thing about yourself that not many people know.

A: If I could do anything in the whole world, I would go duck hunting with my black lab Max.

Q: What's the greatest piece of advice you have ever been told?

A: Hard work and determination beats skill every day of the week.

Q: What are some things you hope to accomplish after graduating from high school?

A: I hope to go to college and play basketball while studying biomedical engineering and eventually graduating with a bachelor's degree.

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Hunter, angler recruitment gets help from state grants

Our sport's in trouble, sure, but what are you going to do about it?

Hunting's been on the decline for decades now. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service estimates there were 11.5 million hunters in the nation in 2016, or about 4 percent of the population. Hunting numbers peaked in 1982, when there were about 17 million hunters.

A major factor is that us Baby Boomers (those of us born between 1946 and 1964, when World War II GIs returned home and began making up for lost time) are getting old and abandoning the sport. Those not simply dying of old age are setting their deer rifles



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and grouse shotguns down because they just can't get around like they once did.

This is certainly one reason why crossbows are so popular here in Wisconsin and many other states. Some aging hunters can't draw a vertical bow like they could when they were younger.

Some of us may give back to the sport by simply taking our kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews or neighbor kids hunting with us. This alone is vital and is certain to keep that spark alive. It's also no secret that America's reached zero population growth. Slightly more people are dying each year than are being born, at least in those demographics that tend to make up most hunting groups.

I've taught hunter safety classes since about 1986 or so, first in Dubuque, Iowa, then in Rock Island, Illinois, for a huge, two-state effort that taught about 250 kids at a time from both Iowa and Illinois, using more than 80 instructors. Students would rotate through about a dozen different stations during the one-day class, meaning each of us instructors had to teach the same lesson 12 times.

Today, I help teach in Waupaca in a similar effort that utilizes about a dozen instructors, with students rotating through many stations. The difference is that our Wisconsin students have already taken an extensive online course, and then take the hands-on field course as the finale to see if they learned well.

Once again, our nearly 600,000 firearms deer hunters had no fatalities during the nine-day season, although there were at least five

non-fatal shooting accidents (most were self-inflicted). Mandated hunter safety classes and blaze orange (or blaze pink) clothing are credited for this incredible safety record.

We need to do much more to find and recruit hunters. Hunter safety classes are for those who already show an interest in our sport and have someone to shepherd them into its flock. What about those thousands of kids and adults who would love to try hunting, but don't know anyone who will take them?

I frequently ask co-workers and acquaintances if they hunt. Many say no, and when they do, I ask if they've ever considered it or why they don't hunt. I offer to take them hunting just to see what it's all about. I've gotten others interested in hunting, but I still don't think I'm doing nearly what I could to recruit.

I don't own my own hunting land, but do have access to a muzzleloading club that is hoping to increase its educational outreach. That's where a grant program comes in, one that's available to clubs as well as individuals.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has \$200,000 in federal Wildlife Restoration Funds from the Pittman-Robertson excise tax on firearms and ammunition for

hunter recruitment and \$75,000 in Sport Fish Restoration Funds from the Dingell-Johnson or Wallop-Breaux excise tax on fishing equipment, trolling motors and other gear for angler recruitment. The application deadline is Jan. 3.

The Hunter R3 Grant Program, previously called the Hunter Recruitment, Development, Training and Education Grant Program, seeks both proven and new ideas for recruitment, retention and "reactivation" from local clubs, organizations, communities, governments, individuals, tribes, colleges and universities. That's pretty much anyone who has an idea.

The state will reimburse up to 75% of total eligible project costs. It's not possible to get the money in advance. Preference is given to projects that seek to increase diversity in the hunting and angling populations (focusing on adults, families, women and minorities). Program coordinator Emily Iehl says novice hunters and fishermen need seasoned sportsmen to teach them.

Visit dnr.wi.gov/aid/hunterrecruit.html for more information.

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HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

BOYS BASKETBALL

Gresham 73

Marion 36

Gresham eased past Marion in a CWC-North matchup on Tuesday in Gresham.

Raven Bennett hit five 3-pointers and led Gresham with 22 points. Jake Hoffman added 17 points, while Will Jensen provided 15. Lyle Welch and Lukas Pecore scored seven points each.

Pecore led the team with six rebounds, while Bennett had five assists.

Ethan Scheef paced Marion with 10 points, while Cody Clegg had nine.

Shawano 95

Green Bay West 70

Shawano rolled to a Bay Conference win over Green Bay West on Tuesday in Shawano.

Carter Weisnicht scored 33 points to power Shawano. Nick Sherman contributed 17 points.

Kaleb Lowney scored 13 points, while Elliott Lowney had 11 for the Hawks. Jayden VanOss tallied eight points, while Ethan Schwitzer had seven to round out a balanced attack.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Wittenberg-Birnamwood 55

Iola-Scandinavia 30

Wittenberg-Birnamwood remained perfect on the season after taking down Iola-Scandinavia in a CWC-East battle on Tuesday in Wittenberg.

Emma Herb scored 20 points and grabbed 12 rebounds for Witt-Birn, while Abi Fraaza totaled 15 points, 11 rebounds and three steals.

Kaylee Schram provided eight points, while Olivia Curley tallied six points and three steals for the Chargers.

Gresham 68

Marion 25

Gresham pulled away for a CWC-North win over Marion on Tuesday in Marion.

The Wildcats held the Mustangs to

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eight points in the second half.

Destiny Reindl hit five 3-pointers and finished with 19 points for Gresham. Makayla Belongia chipped in 16 points, while Hannah Cerveney added 14. Valarie Cerveney and Chloe Bohl scored eight points each.

Kelsey Zillmer totaled eight points, eight rebounds and four blocks for Marion, while Tessa Brei had six points and 10 rebounds.

Clintonville 62

Denmark 47

Clintonville bounced back from a loss on Monday with a convincing North Eastern Conference victory over Denmark on Tuesday in Clintonville.

Selina Torrez led a balanced Clintonville attack with 13 points. Erin Vieregutz added 12 points, while Jordan Lehman had 11 and Abby King seven.

Vieregutz pulled down 13 rebounds, while Elly Arndt had eight.

Menominee Indian 63

Stockbridge 48

Menominee Indian picked up a nonconference win over Stockbridge on Tuesday in Keshena.

Mimi Beaulieu-Morgan scored 28 points for Menominee Indian, while Alyssa Corn and Mariah Fish tallied nine points each.

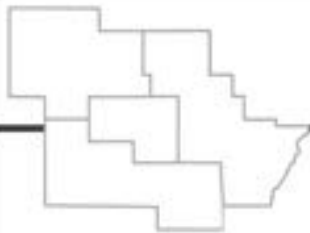
WRESTLING

Bonduel goes 1-1 at double dual

Bonduel topped Lena (66-18) but fell short against Coleman (49-16) at a double dual on Tuesday in Coleman.

Tyson Bogacz (120), Luis Lagunes (126), Jayson Toellner (132), Logan Majewski (138), Max Sokolski (145), Jakob Froemming (152), Moises Lagunes (160), Kaden Bergsbaken (170), Tristan Tomashek (182), Alex Garside (195) and Isaac Banker (220) all earned wins by pin against Lena.

Banker earned a major decision win against Coleman, while Bogacz and Luis Lagunes each won decisions. Majewski won by forfeit.



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2. The decedent, with date of birth November 25, 1961 and the date of death March 24, 2014, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N5904 Maple Ave, Shawano, WI 54166-6291.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is March 13, 2020.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room probate.

Charles Bryan Dunnam
N5904 Maple Ave
Shawano, WI 54166-6291
715-853-2500
Bar # N/A
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December 7, 14, & 21
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 19-CV-154
Our File No. 1221024
Ford Motor Credit Company LLC

Plaintiff

vs.

Anna Homontowski and Ted Homontowski
N6418 Oak Ridge Ct
Shawano, WI 54166-4056
Defendant(s).

PUBLICATION SUMMONS**TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT**

You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has
filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.

Within 40 days after December 6, 2019, you must respond
with a written demand for a copy of the complaint. The
demand must be sent or delivered to the Clerk of Circuit
Court, whose address is 311 North Main Street, Shawano,
WI 54166-2198 and to Gurstel Law Firm, P.C., whose
address is 622 N. Water Street, Suite 400, Milwaukee, WI
53202 You may have an attorney help you.

If you do not demand a copy of the complaint within 40 days,
the court may grant judgment against you for the award of
money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and
you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may
be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced
as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may
become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the
future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure
of property.

Dated: December 2, 2019
GURSTEL LAW FIRM, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff

Electronically signed by Paul H Thielhelm
State Bar No. 1061513

P.O. Address:
622 N. Water St., Suite 400
Milwaukee, WI 53202
Phone: 877-344-4002
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December 14, 21, 28
State of Wisconsin
Menominee Tribal Court
Case No. 19NC05

Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing

In The Matter Of Name Change Of:

Guadalupe Rose Cruz

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person
listed above:

From: Guadalupe Rose Cruz

To: Guadalupe Rose Corn

Birth Certificate: Guadalupe Rose Cruz

IT IS ORDERED:

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Menominee
Tribal Court

Hon, Mercedes Martin

Place: Menominee Tribal Court

W3293 Wolf River Dr, P.O. Box 429, Keshena, WI 54135

Date: January 17th, 2020

Time: 11:00 AM

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#1240

December 14, 2019
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
STATE OF WISCONSIN
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Case No. 17CV81

Capital Credit Union

Plaintiff,

vs

Robert J Krueger, JR., a/k/a
Robert J Krueger, JR., et al.,
Mortgagee Defendant.

By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above
entitled action on June 7, 2017, in the amount of \$36,676.94,
I will sell at public auction at the Shawano County
Courthouse, 311 North Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, on
the 8th day of January, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. all of the following
described premises, to-wit:

Part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE
1/4 of NW 1/4), Section Sixteen (16), Township Twenty-
seven (27) North, Range Sixteen (16) East, in the Town of
Wescott, Shawano County, Wisconsin, described as follows:
Commencing at the intersection of the West boundary of
County Trunk H with the South boundary of the Town
Highway running East and West along the north boundary of
the Northeast ? of the Northwest ? of Section 16, Township
27 North, Range 16 East, in the Town of Wescott, Shawano
County, Wisconsin; and thence West along the South
boundary of said Town Highway 440 feet and there is place
of beginning; thence Southwesterly parallel with the West
boundary of County Trunk H, 200 feet; thence West, parallel
with the South boundary of Town Highway to West boundary
of said forty; thence North along said West boundary of the
South boundary of Town Highway; and thence East along
South boundary of Town Highway to the place of beginning.
EXCEPTING therefrom the West 100 feet thereof.

Also EXCEPTING the East 20 feet of the West 120 feet of
the following described property:

Commencing at the Intersection of the West boundary of
County Trunk H with the South boundary of the Town
Highway running East and West along the North boundary of
the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 16,
Township 27 North, Range 16 East, in the Town of Wescott,
Shawano County, Wisconsin; thence West along the South
boundary of said Town Highway 440 feet and there is the
place of beginning; thence Southwesterly, parallel with the
West boundary of County Trunk H, 200 feet; thence West,
parallel with South boundary of Town Highway, to West
boundary of said forty; thence North along said West
boundary to the South boundary of Town Highway and
thence East along South boundary of Town Highway to the
place of beginning.

Parcel ID No. 048-16210-0060

Property Address:
W6389 Old Lake Lane, Shawano, WI

TERMS OF SALE:

1. 10% down in cash or money order at the time of sale;
balance due within ten (10) days of confirmation of sale;
failure to pay balance due will result in forfeit of deposit to
Plaintiff;
2. Sold ☐ as is ☐ and subject to all legal liens and
encumbrances;
3. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer
Tax from the proceeds of the sale.

Dated at Shawano, Wisconsin, this 2nd day of December,
2019.

Adam Bieber, Sheriff

Shawano County, Wisconsin

The above property is located at W6389 Old Lake Lane,
Shawano, Wisconsin.

Attorney John R Petitjean

125 S. Jefferson St., Ste. 101

Ph (920) 432-7716

Fax: (920) 432-4446

jpetitjean@hspwlaw.com

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#1241

December 14, 2019
WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Small Claims Publication
Summons And Notice
Case No. 2019SC577

Plaintiff:

Wright Weber Management LLC

W229N1433 Westwood Drive

Suite 204

Waukesha, WI 53186

-vs-

Defendant(s):

David Kaufman

P.O. Box 64

Keshena, WI 54135

Jeri Wilber

1360 Lieg Ave #3

Shawano, WI 54166

(Last Known)

TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):

You are being sued by the person(s) named above as

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Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your
address as stated in the caption above.

The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court:
Shawano County Courthouse

Court Room 1

Telephone Number of the Clerk of Court: 715-526-9347

311 N. Main Street

Shawano, WI 54166

on the following date and time:

Date: December 23, 2019

Time: 1:00 PM

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a
judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing
you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your
address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be
enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money
may become a lien against any real estate you own now or
in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or
seizure of property.

You may have the option to Answer without appearing in
court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the
clerk of court before the court date. You must send a copy of
your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address.
You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number
above to determine if there are other methods to answer a
Small Claims complaint in that county.

J. Edison Woods Jr.

Bar No: 1013125

12/2/2019

Aschenbrener, Woods, Lamia, Schmid, Chereskin & Sloma,
S.C.

208 W. Green Bay Street

Shawano, WI 54166

Telephone: 715-526-3191

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December 14, 21, & 28, 2019
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 19PR98

Notice to Creditors

(Informal Administration)

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Phyllis A. Gipp

DOD: 09/26/2019

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 11/05/1932 and date of
death 09/26/2019 was domiciled in Shawano County, State
of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of:
N8032 Elder Lane, Wittenberg, WI 54499
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against
the decedent's estate is March 23, 2020.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano
County Courthouse, 311 N Main Street, Shawano,
Wisconsin, Room: Probate

Electronically signed by Darlene Hoffman,

Probate Registrar

12/05/2019

Form completed by:

Attorney Chris Hueneke

4377 W Loomis Road

Greenfield, WI 53220

414-281-4529

Bar Number: 1049898

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