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'Much Ado About Nothing' comes to Copper Culture State Park

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George Lorimer and Caroline Norton portray lovers Benedick and Beatrice, respectively, in the Summit Players Theatre production of "Much Ado About Nothing," coming June 25 to Copper Culture State Park in Oconto.

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'Much Ado About Nothing' hits state park

Copper Culture hosts Shakespearean theater troupe

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Wisconsin's state parks are known for their beauty and history, but this summer will give visitors and residents alike a chance to sit back and watch Shakespearean theater come to life.

The Summit Players Theatre, based in Milwaukee, will be performing "Much Ado About Nothing" in 23 state parks — including Copper Culture State Park in Oconto. The free performance takes place June 25, starting with a workshop on William Shakespeare and his work, followed by a 75-minute scaled-down version of one of Shakespeare's more famous comedies.

"Much Ado About Nothing," believed to be written by the bard in 1598 or 1599, revolves around two romantic pairings that come together when a group of soldiers arrives in Messina, Italy. Benedick and Beatrice are tricked into confessing their love for one another, while Claudio is tricked into believing that Hero is not a maiden (what is referred to as a virgin today).

Summit Players first started in 2015 as a senior project of sorts for a group of students at Marquette University, according to executive director A.J. Magoon. However, the group's popularity meant that the thespians needed to do something with it once college had ended for them.

"When we saw how successful and how appreciated it was, we made it into a full-fledged company," Magoon said. "We're an honest-to-God nonprofit, and we're a little more above board than we were back then."

One of the founding members of Summit Players, Hannah Klapperich-Miller, had taken a camping trip with her family prior to her senior year, according to Magoon, which is what prompted the idea of taking theater on the road to the state parks instead of performing it in a building. Besides highlighting the theater group, it draws attention to those hidden attractions in parks that some take for granted.



King Hang, center, who plays Claudio in the play "Much Ado About Nothing," is visited by George Lorimer and Maya Danks, who don masks and perpetuate deception in the comedy. CONTRIBUTED

"There was this little amphitheater in Potawatomi (State Park in Door County), and it kind of made her think, 'You know, there are a lot of these little amphitheaters and stage venues with benches,'" Magoon said. "You see them in all these state parks, but you don't see them used a whole lot."

The Summit Players selected "Much Ado About Nothing" for this summer's show because of its lightheartedness and mirth, given the seriousness being felt in the world as communities are moving past the coronavirus pandemic.

"It's a great comedy. It's a hilarious comedy," Magoon said. "I think it's fun to do. A lot of the shows we do are comedies because they tend to be the ones that are really fun for kids and families. This is not so serious — you're not doing 'Hamlet.'"

There are some messages in "Much Ado" that resonate today. Magoon noted that many of the characters lie to and deceive one another, and there are some mistaken identities that lead to wrong conclusions.

"I think there are applicable themes to the modern world," Magoon said. "Even though it's funny

and it's enjoyable, it's a play that says something about an environment that people will really recognize as similar to the one they live in."

Magoon said that the play was whittled down from its original

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: "Much Ado About Nothing"

WHO: Summit Players Theatre

WHEN: Saturday, June 25

TIME: Educational workshop at 5:30 p.m. Show at 7 p.m.

WHERE: Copper Culture State Park, 260 Copper Culture Way, Oconto

ADMISSION: Free

five acts to a show that's just over an hour by taking out some of the outdated references. He pointed out some of the metaphors and flowery language have not withstood the test of time, even though the overall theme and plots are still relevant.

"We like to say it's Shakespeare's work, but there's a lot less of it," Magoon said. "This is the kind of adaptation that's meant to be understandable to everyone."

The workshops, titled "Inside Shakespeare's Story," help to provide a little more understanding to the language used in the 16th and 17th centuries, allowing children and others who have not been exposed to Shakespeare's work to translate what the playwright was trying to say in his shows, according to Magoon.

"The purpose is to give folks an interactive sort of access point to the show," he said. "We start off playing some games, getting to know you, getting everyone to loosen up a little bit, and then we have a series of interactive exercises."

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Summit Players actors, from left, Ogunde Snelling Jr., Emma Knott, Maya Danks and King Hang perform a scene from "Much Ado About Nothing." CONTRIBUTED

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Do-it-yourself doesn't have to be at home

New DIY shop open for business in Shawano

By **NICOLE HIXSON**
Correspondent

A new store has opened in Shawano, that is sure to delight children and adults of all ages.

On June 10, Steph's DIY Design Studio, 212 E. Green Bay St., Shawano, celebrated its grand opening ceremony, and it was truly a family affair. The store's owner and namesake, Stephanie Bendschneider, was surrounded by her husband, Mike, and children, Ava, Payten and Caprice, giving tours and showing just what the store has to offer its customers.

This is truly a passion project for the family. Patrons are likely to see any one of the family members working around the store and providing instruction to their customers. When asked specifically about the do-it-yourself concept of the store, Bendschneider admitted that her love for DIY "stems back from when I was younger. My grandpa did woodworking," and being "out in the woodshop with him brings back so many good memories."

She laughs describing her love for the "smell of sawdust, paint and varnish." Bendschneider said that these memories coupled with a board and brush workshop in Green Bay a while back encouraged her and her husband to start their first business here in Shawano.

Commenting on the entertainment options in the community, Bendschneider said that "we thought it was something the town needed," describing her store as a "family friendly entertainment option with something for everyone."

The store offers just that. A large space with many rooms greets customers providing a variety of crafting and DIY activities. These include wood signs that are completely customizable, from layouts, paints, and even glitter as options.

A computer complete with sign options is even located on site to help customers choose designs, although they can also be accessed on the company's website, www.stephsdiydesignstudio.net, which is soon to be up and running. Coming soon are larger customizable items including corn-hole boards and benches.

Other activities include bubble painting, take and makes, welcome



ABOVE: Ava Bendschneider displays an unfinished wood sign board ready for customization at Steph's DIY Design Studio, located at 212 E. Green Bay St. in Shawano. **NICOLE HIXSON**



LEFT: Ava Bendschneider explains how various tools and supplies can be used in projects at Steph's DIY Design Studio in Shawano. **NICOLE HIXSON**

glass of wine or a beer while enjoying the many activities is an added benefit. A variety of soda, water and snacks are also available for purchase. There is space as well to hold private celebrations and meetings such as birthday parties, corporate events, scouting events, field trips, and more. Food can be brought in for these special events.

Bendschneider hopes to offer a loyalty program in the future with promotions offered for anyone who signs up by email.

For information, go to the studio's Facebook and Instagram pages, to find information on pricing and sign up for news on upcoming workshops, events and classes. Steph's DIY Studio is currently open for business Wednesdays through Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. After hours are available for appointment if patrons are interested in booking a private event or reserving one of the store's paint splatter rooms.

mats and for those who are not afraid to get messy, patrons can channel their inner Jackson Pollock in one of the two rooms designated for paint splattering. Protective gear such as shoe covers and goggles are provided, although patrons should be prepared

to get messy. Depending on preference, this can be done to someone's own music, and with the added option of a strobe light and black light.

Beginning July 1, Steph's DIY Design Studio will officially have its liquor license, so the option to enjoy a

Wildlife trappers move nature's pests back outdoors

Since first moving to Wisconsin in 2000, I've lived in the country and loved every minute of it.

As more city dwellers move to the country, they are drawn to the natural



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beauty and critters — until those critters move into their homes. That's where nuisance wildlife trappers come in.

When we had bats in the wall of our house, we knew who to call.

One of my best friends, Tom Walters of Bettendorf, Iowa, is not only a long-time fur trapper, but makes a nice part-time income as a nuisance trapper, too. Fur prices have plummeted from their highs in the 1970s, but when a homeowner has a few bats flying through the living room or a snake under the kitchen sink, the urgency in their voices is crystal clear in the calls to Walters' American Bat Management.

I grew up in Illinois as an avid hunter under the tutelage of my father and older brother. When fur prices shot up in my high school years, my pal Eric Borgman and I ordered a dozen No. 2 double-coil traps from Herter's mail-order catalog and started reading a few trapping magazines and books. To say we were "slob trappers" was an understatement. We didn't know what we were doing, but we did check our traps every day as the law required.

When I met Walters in the 1990s, I decided to take an Iowa Department of Natural Resources trapper ed class that he and his buddy, Ed Grillot, led. They explained trap placement, various sets, proper trap size, fur handling and much more. I'm sure Eric and I would have earned enough to keep two high schoolers happy had I had the class back then.

Walters used his vast trapping background to get rid of the "small colony" of bats in our house, using an exclusion technique. Something as simple as a short piece of plastic eve spout with a one-way swinging door is placed in the bats' tiny entranceway (found by locating tiny bat droppings) with duct tape until the bats leave at night. We only counted 44 — a small colony. After a few days, the holes are sealed and the bats can't get back inside.

Removing critters from a house is not only a relief, but has health benefits, too. Bat droppings carry many diseases and can make residents sick. The same is true of rodents like squir-



Tom Walters, of Bettendorf, Iowa, a licensed nuisance wildlife trapper in Iowa and Illinois, presents a tanned opossum fur to Kalispell Bielema, of New London. Opossums are one of the more common animals a nuisance trapper is apt to encounter, as they will eat almost anything and seem to have little fear of humans.

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rels, mice, rats and chipmunks, all of which keep Walters and other critter getters busy.

Most farmers and other country residents learn to use a .22 rifle or pellet gun to get rid of the occasional startling, garden-raiding ground squirrel or other small vermin. When a skunk wanders up to the campfire during a cookout or crawls under your deck, you'll probably want to call a nuisance wildlife trapper with the expertise and specialized equipment to handle it without a stinky mishap.

Walters, 68, began his trapping career catching pocket gophers on the farm as a boy. He switched over to the more lucrative fur trapping, starting with muskrats, mink and raccoons.

What's most interesting is how the once-profitable fur business has dropped off (Asian markets for fur remain strong, but American demand has fallen) and the nuisance trapping business continues to grow as more people move to the country and encounter more critters.

Walters began a part-time nuisance

trapping business while he was still a meat cutter at a chain grocery store in the Quad-Cities. He expanded to trapping bats after a fellow trapper suggested the idea.

Bat removal involves a technique called exclusion. After the trapper locates the entrance and exit holes (bats can crawl through a hole the size of a dime), he seals off all but one or two with expanding foam, then tapes a small piece of plastic drain pipe with a one-way hinged door at the remaining holes. After 10 days or so, when all the bats have left the dwelling, he then removes the devices and seals the remaining holes.

Trappers are clever folks, often coming up with simple critter catchers. Walters said he uses a pizza box with glue traps inside to catch snakes. He makes a couple holes in the sides of the closed box and sets it near the wall. After the snakes get stuck on the glue traps, he uses Pam cooking spray to get the glue to release. Then he releases the snakes to a distant woods.

In Wisconsin, a nuisance trapper

doesn't need any special license, other than a standard trapping license, said Mike Wilhite, a 10-year, full-time nuisance trapper and owner/publisher of The Trapper's Post trapping magazine in Scandinavia.

Wilhite has trapped bats, snakes, rodents and many other home invaders. He even helped remove four coyotes that were preying on people's pets in the city of Waupaca.

Wilhite's advice to people who want to try the business is to "trap stuff that people are scared of." Bat calls are the most profitable, but "you'd better not be afraid of heights," he added.

When it all goes wrong and a skunk sprays you, the answer is this: 1 quart of hydrogen peroxide, ¼ cup of baking soda and 1 tablespoon of dishwashing soap mixed together and applied to skin or pet fur.

Take it from a pro trapper: It works better than tomato juice.

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Common loon a symbol of the wilderness

Of all the joys I experience while spending time in the Wisconsin Northwoods, hearing the haunting cry of the common loon is one of my favorites. Whether a lone wail welcoming the first morning light or an evening chorus echoing through the star-filled sky, the call of the loon is unmistakable and ever-so hypnotic.



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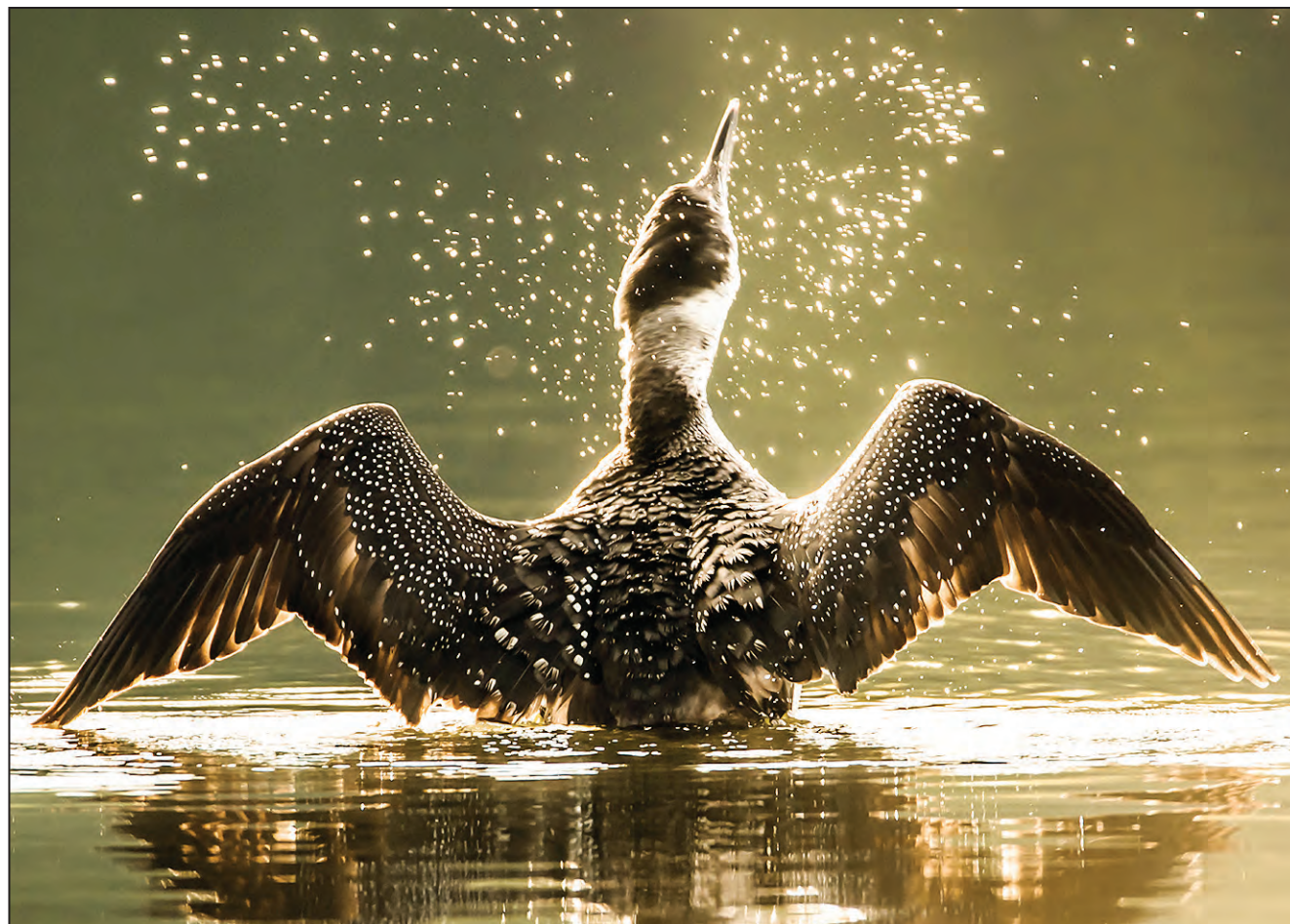
All About Birds describes four distinct loon calls. The “Tremolo” is a wavering call given when a loon is alarmed or to announce its presence. The “Yodel” is the male loon’s territorial claim. Each male has his own signature yodel. The “Wail” is the haunting call that loons give back and forth to figure out each other’s location, much like a game of “Marco Polo.” Lastly, “Hoots” are soft, short calls given to each other and can symbolize curiosity and/or happiness.

Our symbol of the wilderness, the common loon makes Wisconsin’s northern lakes its summer home. Every spring they arrive from their long flight off the Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico coasts. Males migrate here first followed by the females days to weeks later, often returning to the same lake.

Loons do not mate for life but some stay together a long time. One famous pair named ABJ and Fe have been together for 25 years. According to Audubon Magazine, Seney National Wildlife Refuge started a Common Loon banding program in 1987. They have been following ABJ and Fe’s quarter-century-old affair and are able to confirm that ABJ, Fe, and multiple generations of their family reunite at Seney every summer.

Once fall arrives, loon families separate. The female migrates south first followed by the male, leaving the juveniles on their own. A few weeks later, the juveniles somehow know to flock together to make their first migration journey. Isn’t it fascinating how nature instinctively knows what to do? I get a little melancholy when it is time for them to leave, because the juveniles remain south for three years before returning back north.

Have you ever seen a loon dive and then worry because it is not coming back up? According to the Adirondack Council, the common loon’s legs are situated far back on their bodies.



An adult loon is out for a morning dip in a pond.

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An adult loon looks around its surroundings in a pond.

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This helps propel them rapidly and move great distances while swimming underwater. Most birds have air-filled bones but loons have dense bones allowing them to dive up to 200 feet deep and to stay underwater for up to five minutes.

The loon’s leg position makes it difficult for them to maneuver on land. They only go ashore to mate and

incubate eggs. Because of their heavy bodies, loons need a long “runway,” at least 30 yards, to run across the top of the water to get enough speed to lift off. Once airborne, they are strong flyers. They have been tracked at 70 miles per hour and are able to go hundreds of miles without stopping. The U.S. Geological Survey found that a loon traveled 670 miles within a 24-hour period.

Common loons eat invertebrates like crayfish and aquatic insects like dragonflies. The environmental organization called Nature Canada shares that loons have no teeth and have to swallow their food whole or in big chunks. Small prey is swallowed underwater but larger ones are brought to the surface and eaten there. They also eat small rocks to help them break down the food in their stomach.

While scooping up small rocks to aid in digestion, loons can also ingest small lead fishing tackle such as sinkers and jig heads. According to Northland College LoonWatch, a single lead sinker will kill a loon. Twenty percent of loons necropsied (autopsied) died in Wisconsin because of lead-poisoning.

Along with not using small lead tackle, other ways to help loons

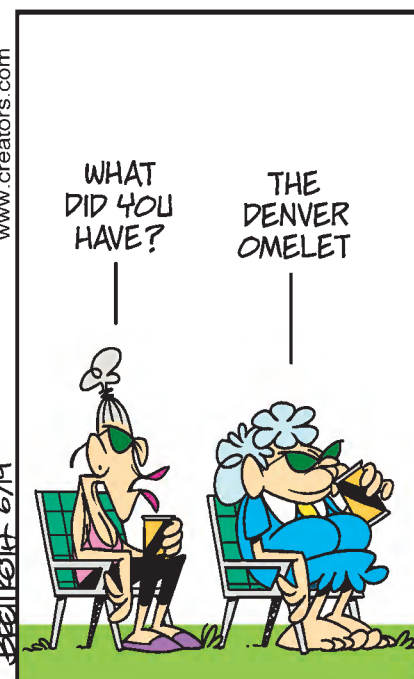
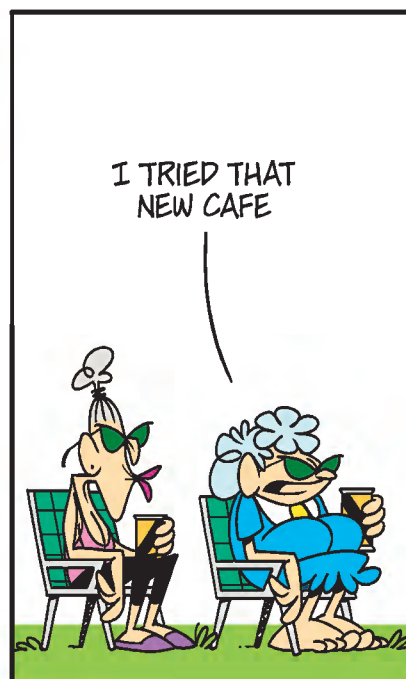
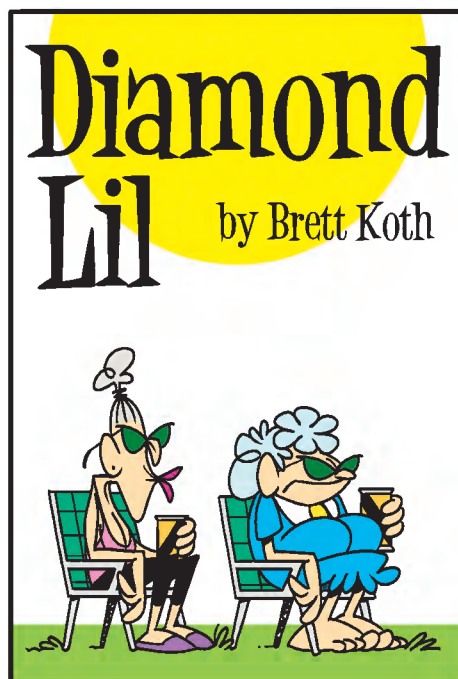
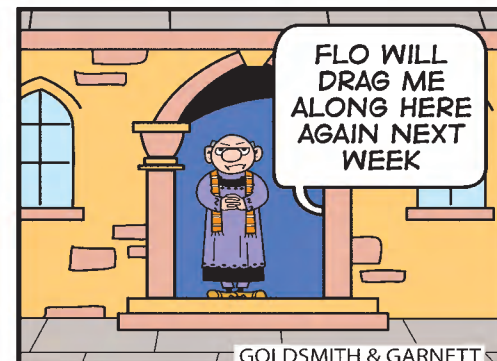
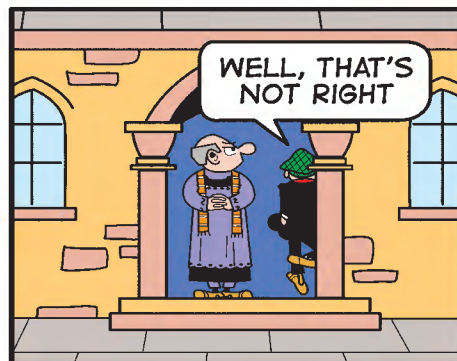
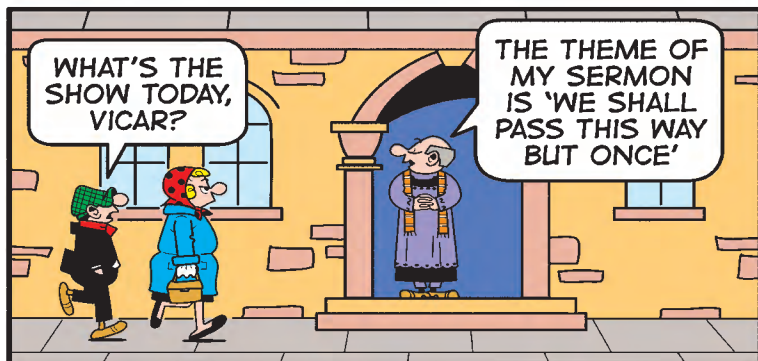
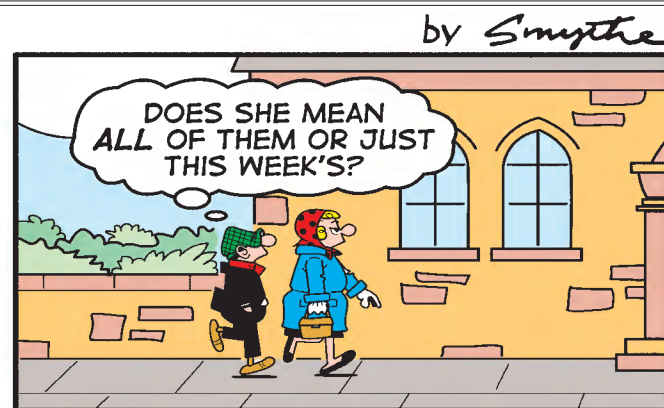
include: keeping a respectful distance of at least 200 feet, respect slow/no-wake zones and rules, don’t fish next to a loon, leave native vegetation and woody debris on the shore and in the water, use four-stroke motors or no motors at all, and consider getting involved in loon conservation by contacting the Wisconsin LoonWatch at the Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute at Northland College in Ashland.

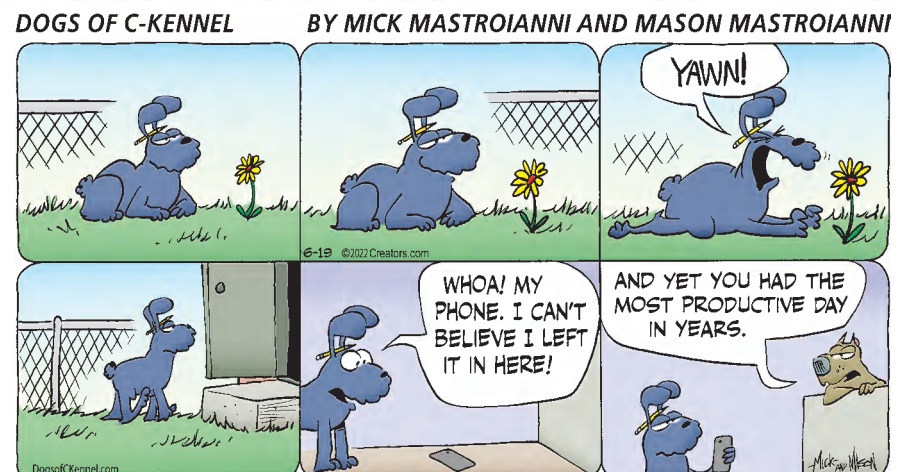
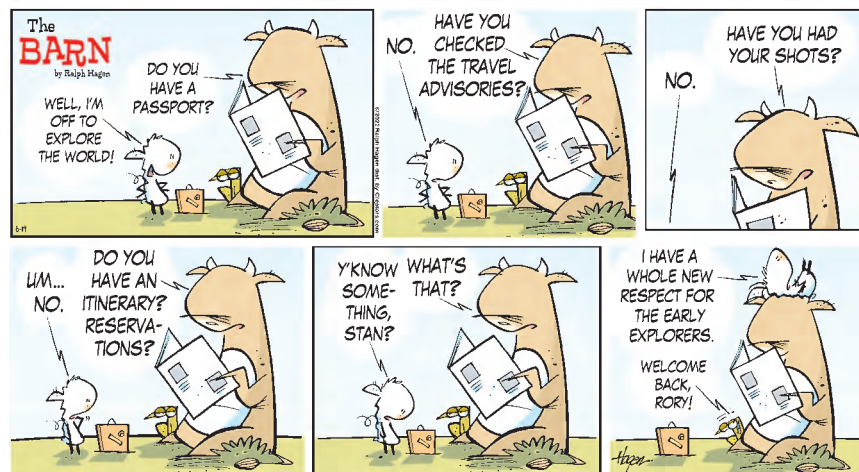
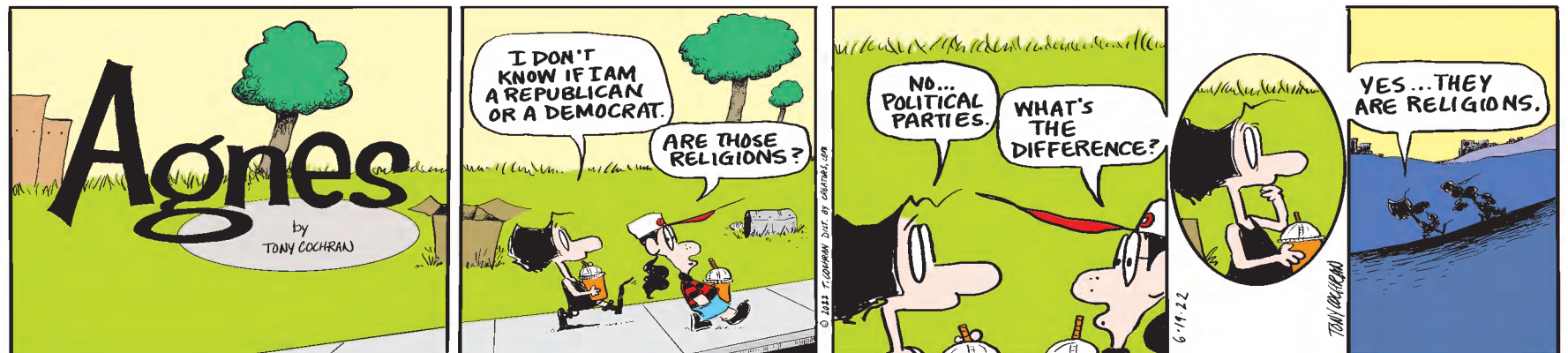
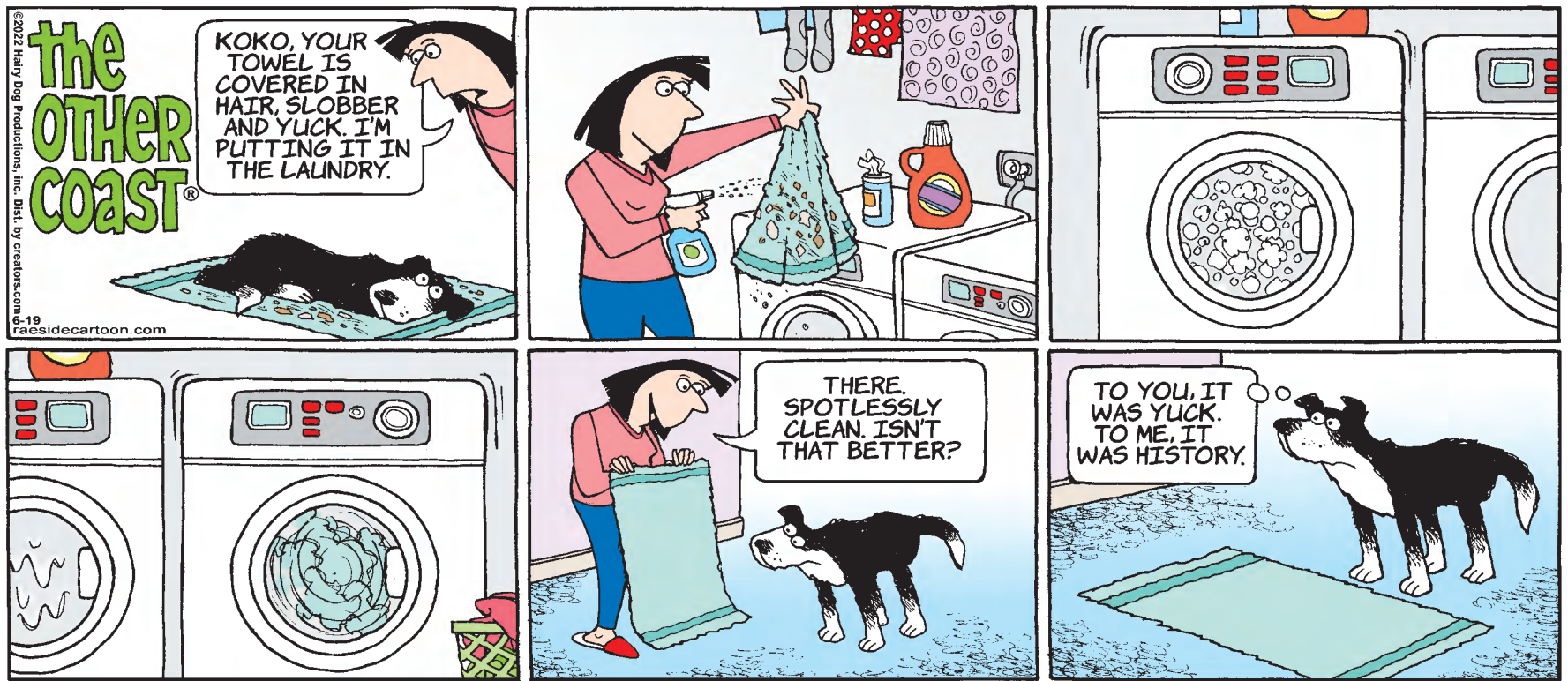
If you want to see the common loon in action, The Loon Preservation Committee has a web site, <https://loon.org/looncam>, where you can watch a live camera set up on a loon nest along with videos and highly entertaining written accounts of the nest activities.

National Geographic claims the loon got its name because of how clumsily they walk on land, perhaps because of the Old English word *luume* for awkward, or the Scandinavian word *lum* meaning clumsy. Whatever the reason, I, for one, will call them a sign of wonder as I yearn to hear their enchanting call welcoming me to the wilderness once again.

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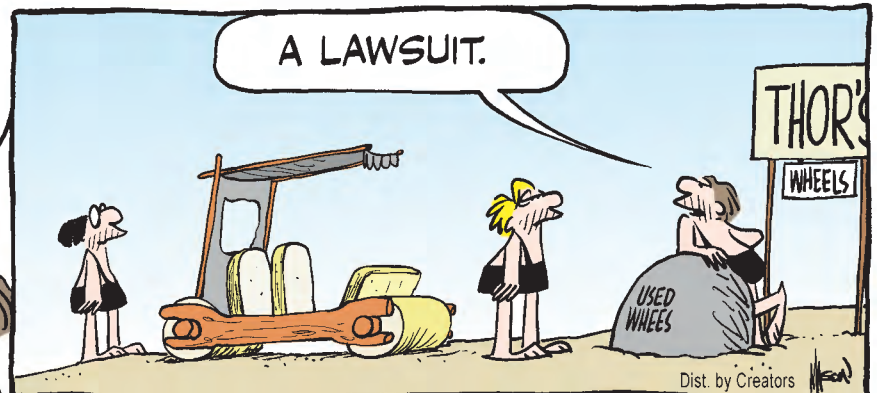
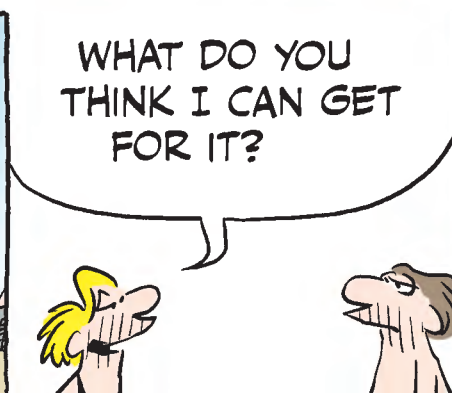
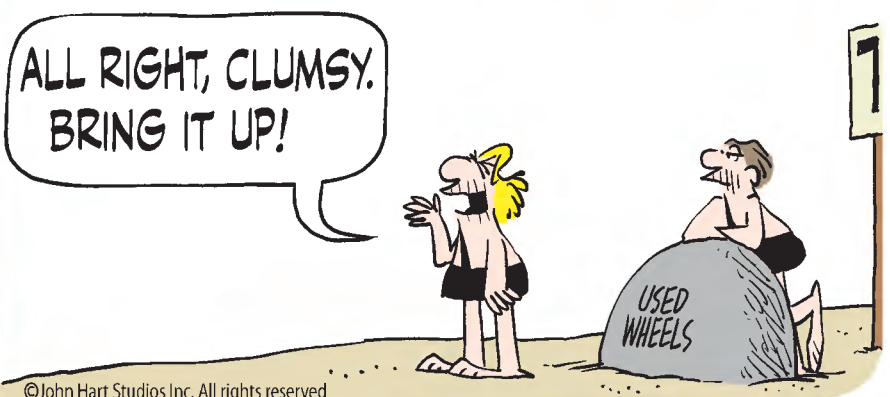
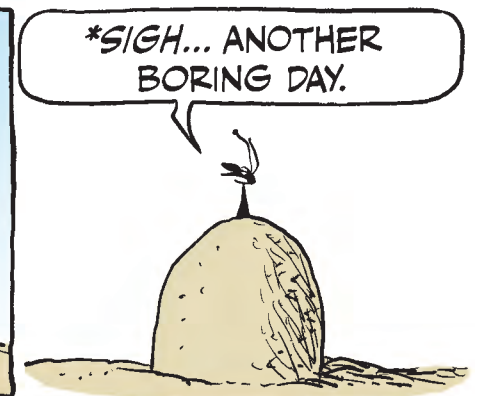
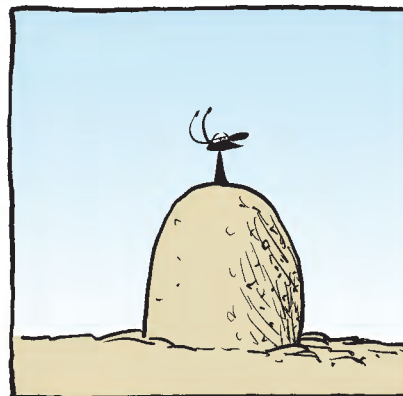
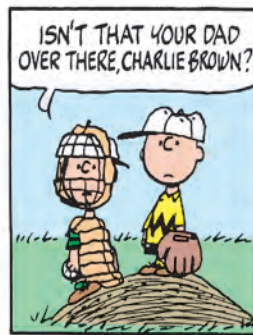
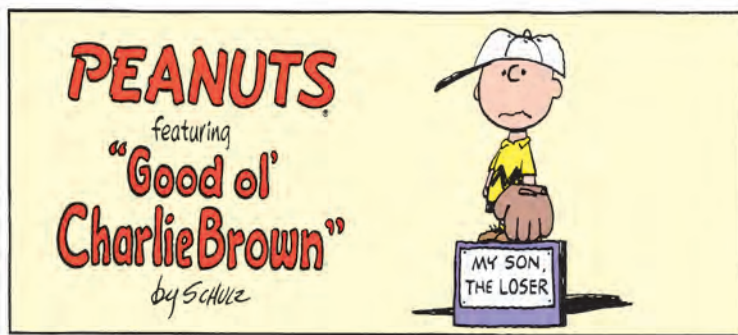


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No taking a knee for many older patients

Knee pain is one of the most common complaints of older patients that I see. More than 20 million Americans suffer from osteoarthritis of the knee, and this number is expected to double over the next two decades.

If you are among those afflicted with this disease, you know how painful every day can be. For most people with osteoarthritis of the knee, the pain worsens with activity and gets better with rest. You may feel like you are on a roller coaster with bad spells followed by periods of relative relief, and as the disease advances, the pain may become constant.

Osteoarthritis of the knee is a major cause of disability in the United States, and treatment costs billions of dollars every year. Osteoarthritis is also called degenerative arthritis or wear-and-tear arthritis. Arthritis is what hap-



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pens when the cartilage tissue that protects the bones wears away. Over a period of years, the joint slowly changes. In severe cases, when the cartilage is gone, the thickened bone ends rub against each other and wear away.

Currently, numerous therapies are used to treat osteoarthritis knee pain. The foundations of these treatments are weight loss and strengthening of the knee muscles. Evidence confirms that exercise and weight loss reduce pain and improve physical function in patients with osteoarthritis of the knee.

Being overweight can contribute to the symptoms and to the degeneration of the knee. Therefore,

low-impact aerobic exercise and weight loss are recommended. Also, exercises to strengthen the quadriceps (e.g., strengthening by flexing or extending the knee against resistance) are important for long-term improvement.

Enhanced knee stability results in better functional performance of the lower extremity. Therefore, increasing both extensor and flexor muscle strength should be an essential aim of exercise therapy in patients with knee osteoarthritis.

Researchers have found that topical non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) reduce pain. These analgesics provide considerable pain relief for those with osteoarthritis of the knee. Topical NSAIDs not only appear to provide relief from pain and joint stiffness, but also improve levels of functional disability in patients with knee osteoarthritis.

Evidence also shows that manual mobilization, acupuncture and low-level laser therapy also reduce pain from knee arthritis. However, magnets and foot orthotics do not offer pain relief compared to placebo. Additionally, injections with hyaluronic acid, steroids and platelet-rich plasma haven't shown any long-term benefit.

For those who are considering surgery for an osteoarthritic knee, the news is not good. Three high-quality randomized clinical trials have found no benefit from arthroscopic surgery compared with sham/placebo surgery. As always, ask your doctor for advice regarding your specific diagnosis and treatment.

Dr. Brian Grieves is a doctor of chiropractic with a master's in public health and a member of the Shawano Community Health Action Team. Call 715-524-8722 for more information.

CLUB NOTES

Chute Pond Snowmobile Club

Chute Pond Snowmobile Club's Memorial Day meat raffle at the Schoolhouse Bar was a huge success, resulting in funds raised to help maintain the local snowmobile trails – and also a donation of \$1,925 to Suring American Legion Post 283. CPSC is proud to help support our local community, and we thank everyone that came out to participate in our meat raffle.

Suring American Legion Post 283 serves veterans and supports the local communities of Suring and Mountain.

Chute Pond Snowmobile Club maintains over 100 miles of snowmobile trails in the area around Chute Pond, just south of Mountain. Our trails run south to Suring, east to Crooked Lake, north to Lakewood, and west to Boulder Lake. Our club owns and maintains four trail groomers to keep these trails in great condition throughout the winter season. Find out more about our club on our Facebook page or at www.chutepondsnowmobileclub.com.

Chute Pond Snowmobile Club's next meat raffle will be held on Aug. 27 at The Schoolhouse Bar in Mountain.

Chute Pond Snowmobile Club President Deb Uhlenbrauck, left, presents a \$1,925 donation recently to Suring American Legion Post 283 Commander Jeff School.

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AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Alice in Dairyland seeks host counties for future

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is accepting bids from counties to host the Alice in Dairyland Finals in 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027. Proposals are due by Aug. 15.

Each year, a different county hosts a series of Alice in Dairyland Finals events leading up to the selection of the next Alice. Local economic development organizations and promotional agriculture organizations are encouraged to consider this opportunity to welcome visitors and media professionals from around the state to their county.

The planning process begins at least a year in advance, including scheduling the current Alice in Dairyland to attend monthly events in the county to promote the finals and learn more about the impact of agriculture on that county. In mid-March, the host county holds a press conference to officially announce the top candidates for the next Alice in Dairyland.

The hosting process culminates in a three-day finals event, which includes agribusiness tours, media interviews, an impromptu question and answer session, individual interviews and candidate presentations. The impromptu question-and-answer session and finale banquet are open to the public as ticketed events and include opportunities to showcase local businesses, agritourism, and other county highlights.

For information about the Alice in Dairyland program, visit <https://www.aliceindairyland.com>.

Students honored for spelling, mathematics

The Lena Knights of Columbus presented awards for its annual knowledge contest May 27 at Lena Middle School.

Sophia Perlot won first place in the eighth-grade spelling contest, while Dominic Pagels won second. Perlot went on to win first place at the Diocesan Eighth Grade Spelling Contest held in De Pere. From there she won second place for the State Eighth Grade Spelling Contest in Wisconsin Rapids. The Knights presented Perlot with a \$50 cash award in addition to the awards the state Knights had given her.

Other winners include:



National Honor Society gets new officers

Gillett Secondary School National Honor Society recently installed its new officers. The team that will take over the organization includes, from left, Bradin Bjelland, treasurer; Bella Matczak, vice president; Alex Peterson, secretary; and Phillip Heroux, president. The NHS is also welcoming Bjelland as a new member, along with Mackenzie Piper and Cheyenne Krueger.

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- Fifth grade math: Ariann Whiting, first; Lucas Mongiat, second.
- Fifth grade spelling: Sidney Pirlet, first; Hayzel Thomson, second.
- Sixth grade math: Isaac Peterson, first; Reid Sellen, second.
- Sixth grade spelling: Sophia Lipp, first; Alia Comins, second.
- Seventh grade math: Dash Comins, first; Adrena Rabas, second.
- Seventh grade spelling: Riley Kipp, first; Dash Comins, second.
- Eighth grade math: Noah Lasley, first; Blake Behnke, second.

Local FFA chapters increase their ranks

The Pride Membership Award recognizes Wisconsin FFA chapters for increasing their membership by 10 members or more in the last year. These chapters have successfully been able to recruit and share the benefits of FFA with a variety of new students.

The following chapters have increased their membership by at least 10 members: Bowler, 17; Gillett, 32; Gresham, 14; Lena, 11; Pulaski, 29; Shawano, 30; Wittenberg-Birnawood, 26.

Customer appreciation events at Cellcom shops

Cellcom's customer appreciation celebrations are returning to Oconto County.

The first one is scheduled to take place in Suring on June 24 at C-US-4 Wireless (827 Highway 32); Oconto on June 27 at One Choice Wireless (202 Main St.) and Oconto Falls on June 30 at Pro Wireless (323 E. Highland Drive). All of the events run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The local wireless provider has hosted appreciation events that feature free food, prizes, deals and more throughout its service area for more than 30 years.

The full schedule and details on promotions can be found at www.cellcom.com/celebrate.

DNR seeks artists for annual stamp contest

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is now accepting artwork entries and encourages artists to submit their work for the 2023 Wisconsin wild turkey, pheasant and

waterfowl stamp design contests. The winning designs will appear on the 2023 collection of stamps.

Each year, local artists from around Wisconsin compete for an opportunity to have their artwork commemorated in a historic way on the wild turkey, pheasant and waterfowl stamps.

Sales of these three stamps bring in hundreds of thousands of dollars annually for species management throughout the state, including habitat management, restoration, education and research projects. Hunters are required to purchase stamps to harvest these game birds.

The contest is open to anyone 18 or older living in Wisconsin who is a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident. Artwork must meet technical requirements to be eligible, and applicants should carefully review the contest rules to ensure their entries' eligibility.

The deadline to submit stamp designs is July 15. Judging will take place in late July or early August.

Rules, entry information and reproduction rights agreements are available on the DNR website, dnr.wisconsin.gov.

Puzzles

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 65 Lord Nelson weapon
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 80 Package from a mag rep
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 87 Father ___ (Molokai missionary)
 88 Had an urge (to)
 90 Word of lament
 91 Website info page
 94 Overhead railways
 95 Oscar winner as Sophie
 96 UN observer group
 97 Ostrich cousin
 98 With adroitness
 100 Rose garden insect
 101 Dairy designation
 104 Spielberg film of '97 [NOT a theme answer]
 106 CATTLE BREEDS
 108 Seedy dwelling
 109 Of ocean motion
 110 Is significant
 111 Belittled, with "at"
 112 Wee
 113 Crime in the Constitution
 107 Down's destinations
 13 Formal wear
 14 ___ Romeo (Italian auto)
 15 Micronesian island
 16 Pampering, for short
 17 Café patron
 18 Show remorse
 19 Leniency
 24 Some French wines
 28 Pack of pennies
 31 Water near Notre-Dame
 32 "Thursday Night" game grp.
 33 Flourishes financially
 34 Pen entrance
 35 Fraction of a square mile
 36 Transistor ancestor
 38 Steed-stopping shout
 39 Exceedingly long time
 41 Word of warning
 42 Creative work
 43 Newsstand
 44 Beehive State athletes
 45 St. ___ Beach, FL
 47 Typesetter's selection
 48 Hanukkah toy
 52 Whistle sounds
 53 Prefix for national
 54 Timid feline portrayer
 55 Drain cleaner chemical
 57 Certain petroleum deposits
 58 Virtual meeting app
 60 Bonnet decoration
 61 Air rifle
 62 Seasonal bug
 63 Something required

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- 1 Wild guess
 2 Alliance acronym
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 4 Evaded, with "out of"
 5 Prohibitions
 6 Outdoor barbecue crashers
 7 Formal affirmation
 8 Korean LPGA great
 9 Expect and proceed accordingly
 64 ___ oneself on (had an ego about)
 65 Design detail
 66 VERDI OPERAS
 71 Apartment listing abbr.
 72 Pull from behind
 73 German philosopher
 74 Slopeside shelters
 75 Fey or Turner
 76 HS auxiliaries
 78 Irish actor Stephen
 80 Stevenson villain
 81 Female Argonaut
 83 Gave way
 84 Depend
 85 Clip-___ (some sunglasses)
 86 In a sarcastic way
 88 Stand in the way of
 89 Mideast capital
 91 Has qualms about
 92 Mideast capital
 93 Thoroughly
 96 Foolish talk
 98 All of the dictionary
 99 Hay bundle
 100 Nickname that sounds like two consecutive letters
 101 Snarling sound
 102 Money in Madrid
 103 Professional org.
 105 What to call a catamaran
 106 ABA member
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