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gets Earthguard award for 2022

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The Grow With Us Garden might not be very green as winter approaches and the crops have been harvested, but the garden behind Bonduel Elementary School is entangled with more aspects of the school than founder Noreen Christianson could have realized.

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Garden grows into accolades for founder

Christianson gets state environmental award for work put into Grow With Us Garden

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The dream of having a school garden was something that Noreen Christianson had ever since she started with the Bonduel School District 25 years ago, and that dream finally became a reality in 2019.

Her goal was simply to teach students about where their food comes from, she said. That effort, however, has had far-reaching effects as Christianson was the recipient of the 2022 Earthguard Award from the Wisconsin Association for Environmental Education.

"There was a teacher that came in and broke the news to me, and I started crying," Christianson said. "I was just humbled. I had no idea that I was nominated."

Several teachers pushed for Christianson to get the award, noting that her work has included thousands of volunteer hours — including several summers teaching students about various fruits, vegetables and other growable crops. However, Christianson is the first one to say that others deserve much of the credit, including the students who regularly help with the garden, the administration that gave the project its blessing and the staff members who helped her to form a garden committee to plan what should go into it.

"I wanted this garden for our students for a long time," Christianson said. "I proceeded to do a lot of grant writing, and I went to several local meetings of organizations and told them about our vision."

The garden project seems like a perfect extension for what Christianson does, which is working as a cook for the district's schools. Christianson also has a degree in horticulture, and it's only the lack of a teaching license that keeps her from educating young minds on her own full time.

Between the grants and the donations, more than \$12,000 has been raised for the Grow With Us Garden, located behind Bonduel Elementary School.

"This does not cost the district anything," Christianson said. "This is just solely with donations, volunteer time and grant money. We will be self-sufficient forever."

Even though much of the education is going toward the younger students, the upperclassmen have



Noreen Christianson stands in the Grow With Us Garden behind Bonduel Elementary School, holding up the Earthguard award she received from the Wisconsin Association of Environmental Education earlier in November. Christianson was the driving force behind the garden project and has volunteered thousands of hours to make it a reality.

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made their mark on Grow With Us, as well, according to Christianson. The middle school students created metal flowers to decorate the garden through their welding class, while high school students in the technical education department built a garden shed, eight raised beds that are 32 square feet in size, picnic tables for the younger kids to sit on when they do their journaling and other projects.

High school agriculture students have also helped out with composting and fertilizing the garden beds, Christianson said. They also helped to set up the fencing so that deer and other animals could not easily get in and gobble all the students' hard work.

"Everybody at the schools feels like they're part of this project," Christianson said.

With the garden came a summer school program where students get to learn about growing things. Christianson said she has an average of 50 students taking classes.

"The summer school class is just

phenomenal," she said. "The kids have so much fun, and we do a lot of hands-on experiments, and we did some field trips and even a walking trip to three of the community members and get them aware that we have this green and growing space, too."

Christianson said she expected some positive response when she kicked off the garden project, but even she is overwhelmed at how much the students and staff have embraced it. She works in the kitchen during the day, and at 2 p.m. steps away to speak with students about gardening until school lets out an hour later. "The response has just been amazing," Christianson said. "There was a group of second graders that went out with me, and we dug potatoes. They said, 'This is better than a treasure hunt.'"

Teachers also utilize the garden when teaching math and science, according to Christianson, bringing real-life relevance to the lessons they teach.

"There's a lot of math that goes into planning our garden," she said.

Students who are caught up on school work get to come out and help tend to the garden. Christianson described it as a "reward" for being good students.

"They have a sense of teamwork, perseverance. They have to have patience, and they're discovering that, for them to plant that carrot seed and get a carrot in the fall, that's a long span of time," Christianson said. "They're learning where their food comes from. They're learning how to be a little more appreciative of their food."

That appreciation extends to when they come into the cafeteria for breakfast or lunch. Much of the produce harvested helps to offset the district's food costs as Christianson incorporates it into meals.

"We'll put up a sign that says: 'This is from your garden, and this is what you've grown,'" she said. "They are just asking, when can we come out again? A lot of the kids, they eat right out of the garden."

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Sam Timm based his painting of a pair of bufflehead ducks on a duck hunt on Wisconsin's Lake Puckaway. CONTRIBUTED



Judges named Sam Timm's painting of a pair of ring-necked pheasants as the winning entry in the state Department of Natural Resources' annual pheasant stamp design contest. CONTRIBUTED



Early-morning sightings of wild turkey at his rural Wautoma home and farm inspired artist Sam Timm's entry in the state Department of Natural Resources' turkey stamp design contest. CONTRIBUTED

Shawano-born artist sweeps stamp contests

Retired minister's work
has been featured on
many stamps

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

Sam Timm is used to winning awards for his art.

The retired minister, who was born in Shawano and now lives near Wautoma, has painted wildlife scenes for almost 50 years and his handiwork had been featured on several of Wisconsin's trout, salmon, turkey, pheasant and waterfowl stamps from 1985 to 2007.

Three of Timm's latest creations caught the eye of judges of the state Department of Natural Resources' annual turkey, pheasant and waterfowl stamp design contests. Hunters, conservationists and collectors purchase the stamps, which help fund habitat management and restoration around the state.

He placed first in all three contests, which the DNR holds each year to give artists an opportunity to submit entries to be featured on the next renditions of each stamp.

"I was quite shocked, actually," Timm said. "I didn't find out until several days after the contest. I thought I didn't even place because nobody had called. I thought, 'Well, there must have been some really good entries.'"

Artists submitted 34 works for this year's contests, which were judged Aug. 27 at the Wisconsin Waterfowl Expo in Oshkosh.

"Winning stamp contests was a way to get your name out," Timm said. "That's why I started enter-



Sam Timm stands next to a print of wood ducks in his rural Wautoma home. Timm's paintings recently placed first in the state Department of Natural Resources' wild turkey, pheasant and waterfowl stamp design contests. GREG SEUBERT

ing these stamp competitions that the state had. I was a youth pastor living in Green Bay. I entered some of those competitions and in 1984, I won the two trout stamp (contests) and was the first one in the state to win both of them, the inland trout and the Great Lakes salmon and trout."

After moving from Shawano, Timm grew up in the Madison and Mount Horeb areas.

"I've always loved wildlife," he said. "My dad was not a hunter, but my grandpa was a hunter and a trapper. He totally lived outdoors and was a very successful trapper. I was always enamored by the hides in his attic. That was the first place I went as a kid."

Timm attended North Central University in Minneapolis, Minnesota, which led to him picking up a paint brush for the first time.

"My first painting was in 1975 as a senior in college," he said. "I saw some art on the wall in one of the offices. It was your typical outdoor scene: two trees, a mountain and a stream."

"I looked at the painting and in 30 seconds, I decided I want to try that," he said. "I went to a Target store and bought a black, white and burnt sienna tube of paint. My first painting was pheasants. I didn't even take high school art, so I was self-taught. It sort of progressed from there."

Timm's winning inland trout and Great Lakes salmon and trout entries

were featured on stamps in 1985. He followed that up with the 1988 and 1996 waterfowl stamps; the 1989-90 and 2007 turkey stamps; the 1993 pheasant stamp; the 1994 and 2003 inland trout stamps; and the 2000 and 2006 Great Lakes salmon and trout stamps.

"I've made it a study of what it takes to win these competitions and produce some quality images," Timm said. "It's up to the judges. You have no control and in some years, it's very frustrating. I've placed second numerous times. You do your best, you have good entries and hope for the best."

Timm decided for the first time to enter all three of Wisconsin's bird contests this year.

"I've been so busy for a whole bunch of years and haven't entered," he said. "I've now been retired for two years. About a year ago, I said, 'I'm going to enter the duck stamp, turkey stamp and pheasant stamp (contests) and see if I can do any good.'"

Timm has painted hundreds of scenes over the years and most of them include wildlife.

"I go in and draw a lot of designs and I will show it to my daughter and wife," he said. "We will have our own judging competition. My wife Jan and daughter Stephanie both have artistic eyes. My wife's an interior decorator and my daughter has a very sharp eye for art."

Timm has no plans to quit painting.

"I'm not just some guy in the city trying to paint a duck, but I'm far from the top of the heap," he said. "There are many great artists out there. When I look at other artists' art, I continually realize how good I'm not."



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A dark-eyed slate-colored Junco is a common bird at people's feeders from fall through winter.

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Dark-eyed juncos herald in Wisconsin winter

The dark-eyed juncos seemingly arrived early this year. We are more used to seeing these birds against a backdrop of snow, not working our yet-green lawn dotted with the reds, yellows, and brown of fallen leaves searching for seeds. They are a welcome sight and a harbinger of winter to come.

According to the Cornell Lab All About Birds (AAB) website, there are 15 described races of the dark-eyed junco reflecting their regional variation. Our junco, the "slate-colored" junco which occurs in the eastern U.S., is one of the two widespread forms of the species; the other is the "Oregon" junco found across much of the western U.S.

The dark-eyed slate-colored junco is just that, mostly gray in coloring on the head, back and wings with a contrasting white belly and coal black eyes. The edges of their long tail feathers are white and easily seen when the bird takes flight. Their short, stout, light pink bill is made for seed eating. Winter's backdrop of white sets off the beauty of the bird's simple black and white



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patterning and their constant presence is good company.

Dark-eyed juncos frequently announce their arrival in our yard with a high short "chip" call repeated in rapid succession. The males, when moved to do so, according to AAB, also sing a musical trill seven to 23 notes in length and lasting up to a couple seconds.

Dark-eyed juncos are energetic sparrows, constantly on the move. Watch them and you will observe their hop-hop, peck-peck foraging behavior at work as they hunt for seeds. According to AAB, juncos prefer millet seeds but seem happy eating the sunflowers seeds we put out as well. They also eat weed and grass seeds such as buckwheat, sorrel, and lamb's quarters. During the breeding season, insects (beetles, ants, wasps, caterpillars, flies, etc.)

are included in their diet and fed to their young.

When you see one junco, you generally see more as they move about in large flocks sometimes with other birds; we often see them at our feeders with cardinals, finches and chickadees. We've noticed that some juncos are more aggressive when feeding, chasing off other birds. According to the AAB, this reflects a flock's hierarchy or pecking order where those arriving first to feed tend to rank higher than those arriving after them and are not shy in demonstrating their "I got here first," attitude.

AAB describes dark-eyed juncos as resident to medium distant migrants. Most migrate to our northern climes (Alaska and Canada) to breed, others breed in the northeast U.S., along the southern Great Lakes region (including northern Wisconsin) and in the western U.S. Their breeding habitat includes coniferous and mixed coniferous forests.

The birds are ground nesters laying three to six eggs per clutch and raising up to three broods of young

during the breeding season. Most of the birds spend winter in a greater variety of habitats including open woodlands, fields, roadsides, parks, and gardens across the U.S.

According to the North American Breeding Bird Survey reports, while dark-eyed junco populations have declined about 31% between 1966 and 2019, their global numbers are still high (over 200 million) and therefore of low conservation concern compared to other species of declining birds.

The dark-eyed slate-colored juncos are some of the most common birds visiting feeders fall through spring, bringing their energy and simple beauty to our everyday lives. Scuff through the fall leaves or the coming snows to fill your feeders and watch for the juncos, they will come.

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Hunting more enjoyable when it's kept safe

Another historic Wisconsin gun-deer season is now about halfway through, and many lasting memories have been made afield as about 550,000 hunters pursue America's premier big game animal in the state with the most record-book bucks.

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Wisconsin's mandated hunter safety education program, combined with mandated blaze orange or blaze pink upper-body clothing during the firearms deer seasons, have dramatically reduced hunting accidents and fatalities. The last hunting fatality occurred in 2021.

Firearms safety is a huge part of the equation, and is a major lesson in every hunter safety class. Instructors stress TAB-K:

- Treat every firearm as if it were loaded.
- Always point the muzzle in a safety direction.
- Be certain of your target and what's beyond.
- Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.

If every hunter followed TAB-K, accidental shootings would disappear. Fortunately, they are already rare, and hunting remains one of the safest sports. In fact, hunting is statistically safer than golf, basketball, soccer and even walking, according to a study by Families Afield.

Hunters get injured or killed in two ways not officially classified as hunting accidents — falls from tree stands and heart attacks associated with dragging deer out of the woods.

As a hunter safety instructor in Waupaca, I've spent at least two recent Saturdays demonstrating the safe way to climb and descend a tree stand. Since I once ran into a hunter on public land whose climbing tree stand had fallen about 10 feet, stopping just short of the ground, I've never been a fan of climbers. Use a metal ladder stand well strapped to a tree or a permanent "pill box" type elevated stand that is checked annually for rotten wood and rusty anchors.

The most important piece of equipment for a tree stand hunter is a quality harness made for the person's



Sean Bradley, left, of Menasha, and his son, Alex, 16, share a special moment after Alex shot a doe during the 2021 gun deer season south of New London on Fox Valley Muzzle Loader Club property, using a muzzleloading rifle. The mandated use of blaze orange and blaze pink clothing for firearms deer hunters, as well as mandatory hunter education, have dramatically reduced the number of hunting accidents.

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weight. It's designed with a tether strap with multiple loops of stitching that slowly tear in the event of a fall, slowing the person's descent. Be sure to use a locking carabiner to attach the harness to a lifeline: A rope tied from above the stand to the ground. A sliding Prusik knot that links the lifeline to the harness allows the hunter to climb up or down while secure in the event of a fall.

Make sure to use three points of contact when climbing up or down. This means that two hands and one foot or two feet and one hand are in contact with the ladder at all times.

Always use a haul line to bring your unloaded firearm, bow, quiver of arrows, crossbow or other weapon up and down the stand. This is a separate rope used only for this task. Never climb a stand while carrying any of these items.

I avoid tree stands in favor of ground blinds. When I fall asleep while hunting, I can never fall more than a foot or so out of my chair. I've had deer within a few feet of my blind, so deer definitely get used to them.

One advantage of a tree stand is that the shot is going down and into the ground, reducing chances of a ricochet. It's usually easier to see a greater distance from a tree, too, but the comfort of a ground blind, with a rain-resistant roof and walls, sure beats an open tree stand on a rainy or snowy morning.

Many deer hunters only get some serious exercise a few weeks a year when pursuing deer. The long walk to and from our stands is one thing, but dragging out a 150-pound deer by ourselves is a sure recipe for stressing the heart. With a little common sense, you can avoid a heart attack.

Many hunters use ATVs or UTVs to not only make the trip to the stand a fun ride, but also makes dragging or hauling a deer out of the woods a snap. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources stresses ATV safety for hunters, encouraging that every rider wear a helmet and a seat belt, if so equipped (UTVs typically are and ATVs aren't). Long guns must be unloaded, bows can't have an arrow nocked, and crossbows can't be cocked and loaded on these vehicles.

Use your head when hauling deer. A plastic sled works great for dragging, even if there's no snow on the ground. A wheeled deer cart or lawn cart also work well. Get a buddy or two to help, especially if you are older or out of shape. Make frequent stops if no help is available.

Drinking alcohol while hunting or otherwise handling a firearm will increase your chances of an accident. It's also illegal to be impaired by alcohol or controlled substances while in possession of a firearm. It's a myth that alcohol warms the body; it actually has the opposite effect.

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Is your house clean for Thanksgiving?

When I was a teenager, deep cleaning our farmhouse was an annual ritual. Every spring and fall, my mother would announce that it was time to “house-clean.” I would argue and complain. “Why must we do this again? We clean the house every Saturday.” Her terse response: “That is top-cleaning; this is house-cleaning.” Oh. Yeah. That’s why it took several Saturdays of hard work to get the house ready for relatives and guests who came at Easter time and then again from Thanksgiving to Three Kings Day (Epiphany) on Jan. 6.

OK. Houses today can get cluttered and messy and dirty, but nothing like farmhouses in what some people fondly and foolishly call the “good old days.” What people forget is that those were the days of wood- and coal-fired furnaces belching out heated air that coated plastered walls with a gray glaze. During the summer, cooking, baking and outdoor air coaxed through open windows by box fans added another layer of grime. It was a major challenge to get a house clean, especially when the leader of the pack (Mom) set very high standards.

Not one to break tradition, Mom gave us our marching orders. I fetched



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stomach turn.

Using Sani-Flush for cleaning the toilet was a fearsome task. Sani-Flush came in crystals containing sodium bisulfate. When mixed with water, sodium bisulfate produces a highly corrosive acidic solution that dissolves iron, magnesium and calcium from the bowl. It can also badly burn human skin and was discontinued in 2013 due to environmental concerns, but it’s all we had back then. So cleaning the commode was exclusively Mom’s job. I didn’t complain about that.

While Mom attended to the toilet, my older sister, Marge, replaced the bag in the Kirby vacuum cleaner. My younger sister, Mary Beth, got out the Kirby attachments and threatened us with the “snake” (accessory tool

the rags, buckets, sponges, mops, dust cloths and enough cleaning agents to turn Lake Winnebago into a toxic dump. I especially hated the smell of Pine Sol, which to this day makes my

hose), giggling as she waved it around in our faces until Mom emerged from the bathroom and got us back to the business at hand.

Ready. Set. Go. Armed with our world-class cleaning arsenal, the four of us attacked one room at a time. Mom’s sole motivator was to let us fire up our 45 RPM record player. As we worked, we were either bickering about who had the hardest job or singing along to Buddy Holly, Elvis, Johnny Cash and, my personal favorite, Ricky Nelson.

I was the one who complained the most, so I had to do the ceiling. This meant wrenching my neck to wash overhead while dangling from a wooden stepladder while Mom took down, cleaned and replaced the ceiling light globes that contained a disgusting collection of dead bugs. My sisters were each assigned a wall, washing from bottom to top to prevent the cleaning water from dripping down and creating “tracks.” Mom did the surfaces they couldn’t reach.

We scoured doors, trim and baseboards. We flipped mattresses, got out the winter quilts and opened the floor registers so we would have a bit of heat in the upstairs bedrooms.

My younger sister polished the wood tables; my older sister vacuumed the upholstery. Mom and I took the throw rugs outside, shook them hard several times until all the dirt and dust that had been trapped in them rained down on us. When she was satisfied that they were as clean as they were going to get, we draped them over the porch railing to “air out.”

Right on cue, my sisters always managed to disappear while we were outside. You’d think I’d learn, but no. I whined so long and loud that I had to scrub and wax the linoleum floors on my hands and knees while Mom ironed and hung the freshly washed curtains.

At last we were ready for company which came in a steady stream. Unfortunately, this included boy cousins who would track in mud and snow, leave handprints on the walls and spill soda all over the furniture and rugs. It’s a good thing I had my Ricky Nelson records, or things might have gotten really ugly.

Kathleen Marsh is a lifelong educator, writer and community advocate. She has published eight books, four on the history of Townsend, where she and husband Jon are happily retired on the beautiful Townsend Flowage.

Bonduel, Gillett United Methodist churches get new pastor

Jeremiah Cottrell-Duebner was recently appointed to be the pastor of Bonduel Zion and Gillett Tabor United Methodist churches.

“It is truly my honor to serve not only one but two churches within the beautiful Shawano and Oconto counties of Wisconsin,” Cottrell-Duebner said. “I am a third-generation pastor in my family. My parents were and are still very active with my home church, Oneida UMC. My mother has been the pianist for Oneida for over 46 years, and she re-



JEREMIAH
COTTRELL-DUEBNER

from Seymour High School. He has

recently joined the staff at Bonduel Zion as their pianist. My father is a talented guitarist, and he is also the groundskeeper for Oneida UMC.”

Cottrell-Duebner was raised in Seymour, graduating

always lived in the area because family is everything to him. After attending UW-Green Bay, Cottrell-Duebner worked in retail management for 15 years.

Cottrell-Duebner currently resides in De Pere with his spouse of five years, Benjamin Duebner, who until recently was the finance treasurer at Oneida UMC.

Prior to being licensed, Cottrell-Duebner served as Oneida United Methodist Church’s staff parish relations committee chairman and

lay speaker.

“Having served in two different roles within the church for over seven years made me want to seek more in Christ’s name,” Cottrell-Duebner. “With the help of former pastors, family, and friends, I took my leap of faith into bigger waters, and I attended licensing school where I eventually became a licensed local pastor.”

Next spring, Cottrell-Duebner will continue his theological education by attending seminary school.

COLLEGE NOTES

Biola University

Anayo Kwazema was named to Biola University’s dean’s list for academic excellence.

Kwazema, of Gillett, was one of approximately 1,600 students who were named to the dean’s list in spring 2022. Biola students are placed on the dean’s list to honor those with a grade-point average of 3.6 or higher while enrolled in 12 or more credits and whose cumulative

GPA is at least 3.2.

University of Minnesota-Duluth

The University of Minnesota-Duluth has announced its dean’s list for spring semester 2022.

- Sobieski: Lauren Dixon
- Leopolis: Levi Schick

Students on the dean’s list have achieved a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher while earning a minimum of 12 letter-graded credits.

Palmer College of Chiropractic

Issabella Stueck, of Clintonville, has been named to the summer 2022 trimester dean’s list at Palmer College of Chiropractic’s Main Campus in Davenport, Iowa.

St. Norbert College

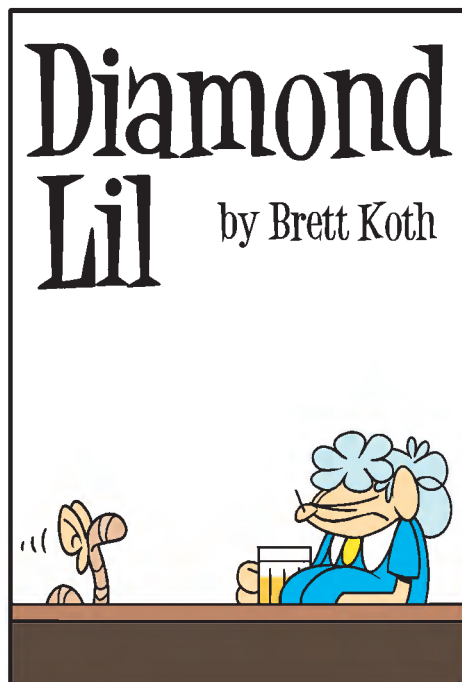
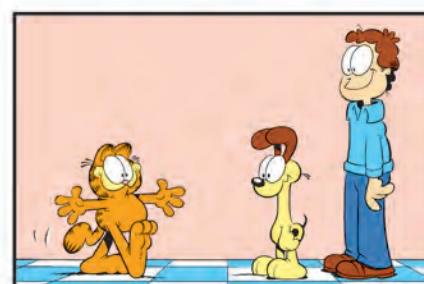
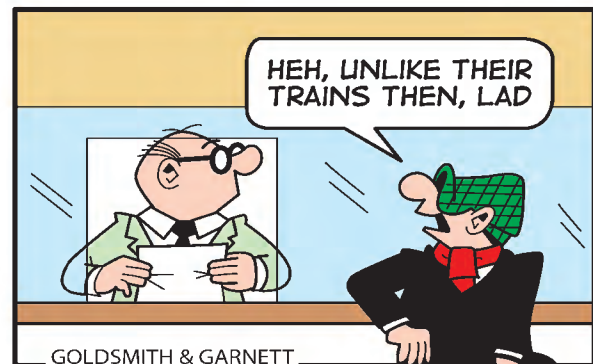
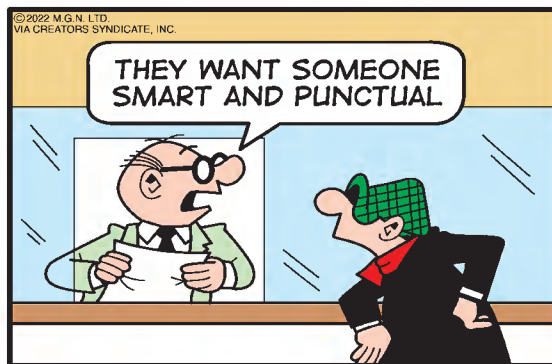
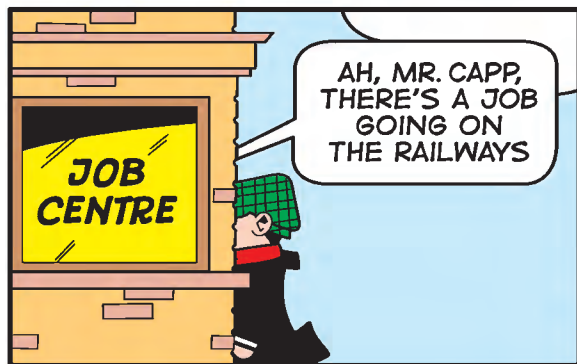
Andrea Waschbisch, a native of Oconto Falls, was recently initiated into the St. Norbert College Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, the National

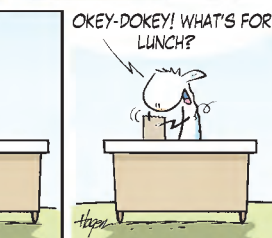
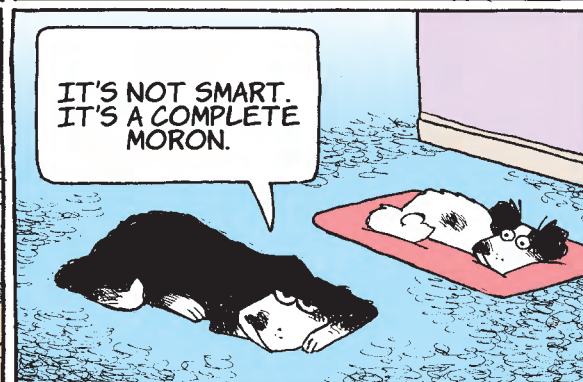
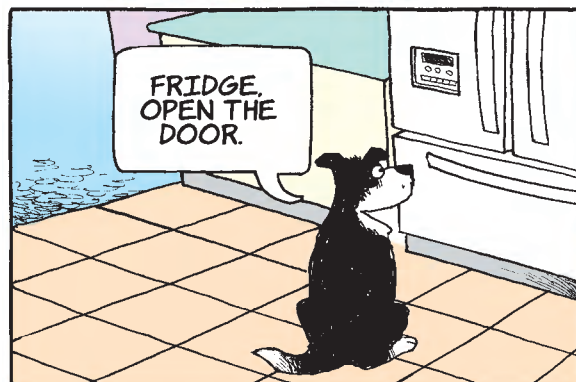
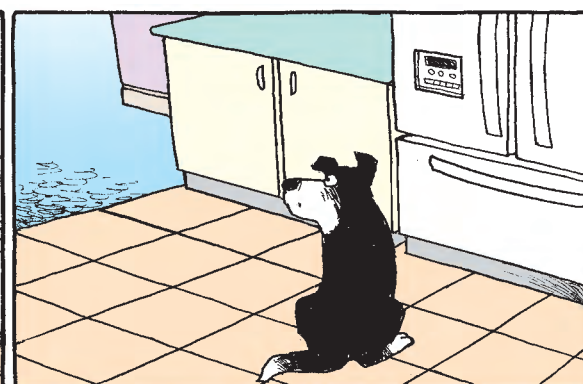
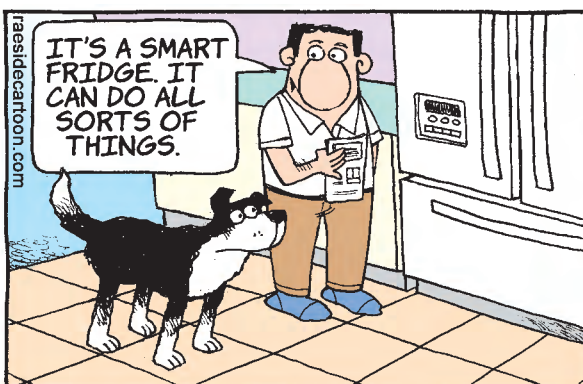
Leadership Honor Society. The society welcomed 235 new initiates from 11 universities during October 2022.

Students initiated into the society must be sophomores, juniors, seniors, or graduate/professional students in the top 35% of their class, demonstrate leadership experience in at least one of the five pillars, and embrace the ODK ideals. Fewer than 5% of students on a campus are invited to join each year.

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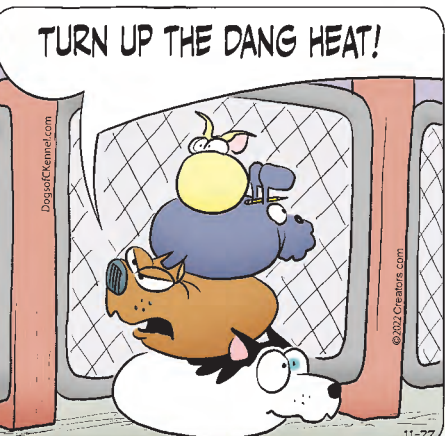
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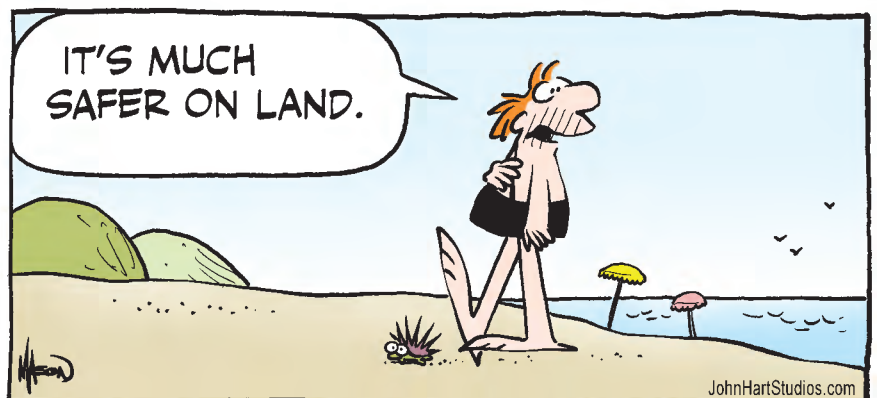
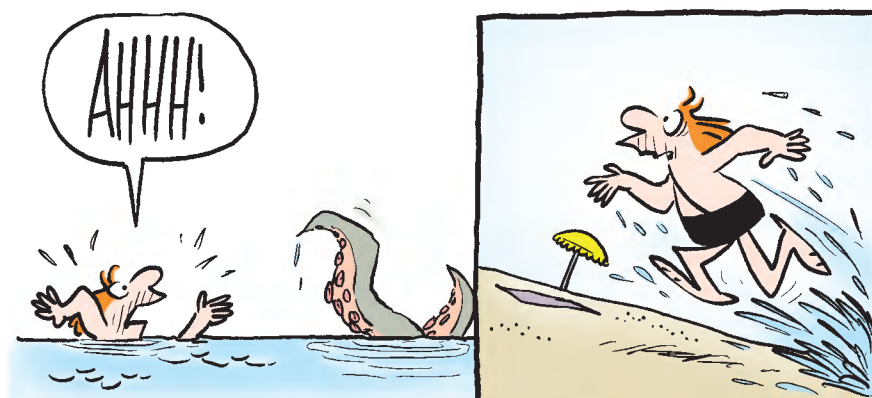
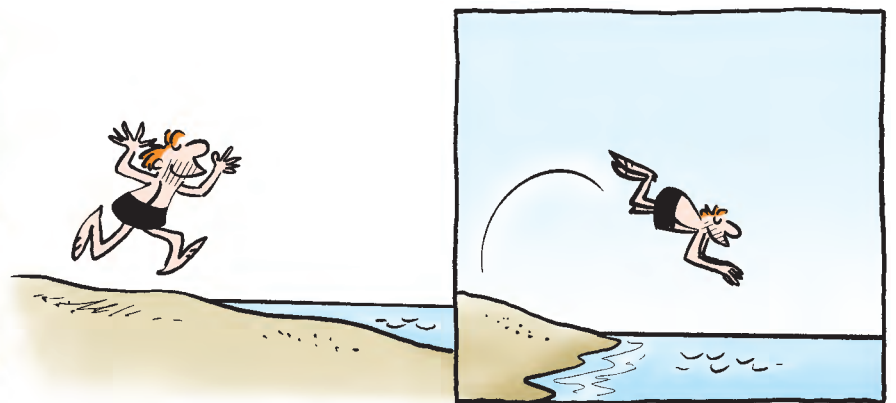
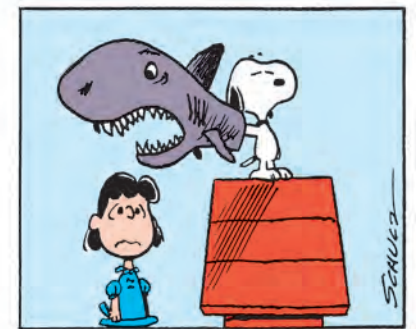
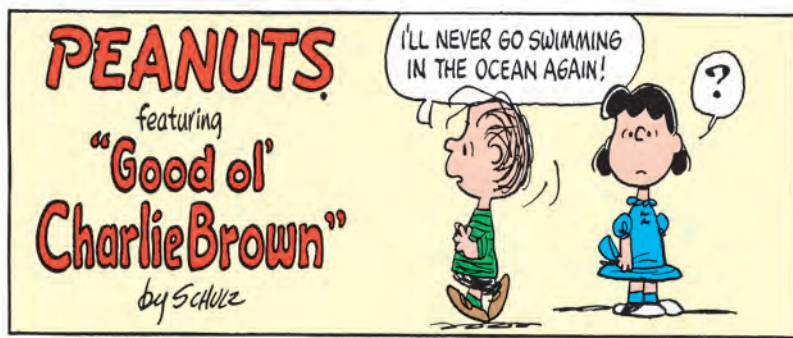


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A woodsy performance



Dressed like a lumberjack, Kathleen Marsh, Holt and Balcom Logging Camp Museum director, shared northern Oconto County's logging heritage as a story time guest reader on Oct. 10 at Lakes Country Public Library children's area. Her appearance was part of the library's special tribute to Northwoods logging heritage, planned after an announcement by Sen. Tammy Baldwin that she and Maine Sen. Susan Collins had introduced a bipartisan resolution recognizing Oct. 12 as National Loggers Day.

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SURING HIGH SCHOOL

First quarter HIGHEST HONORS

Seniors: Caleb DeKeyser, Ashtyn Edwards, Ethan Lally, Olivia Noack, Keegan Rattin, Macie Reed, Emilee Tachick, Hailey Thomson

Juniors: Samantha Seibert, Bailey Stuart, Hailey VanRens

Sophomores: Bunny Cramer

HIGH HONORS

Seniors: Mackenzie Bailey, McKenzie Chesterfield, Mason Ferrell, River Flynn, Jacob Granados, Kaylee Otradovec, Christine SleeterIsaiah Suring

Juniors: Birdee Cramer, Georgia Gerndt, Shylah Hisey, Hailey Huguet, Claire Pommerich, Lillie Taylor, Quinn Thomson, Trent Thomson, Carter Whisman

Sophomores: Autumn DeGrave, Morgan Dryja, Emma Kristof, Contessa Losurdo, Allison Napier, Michael Pecanas Jr., Emily Peterson, Chase Schindel, Ava School, MaShya Seefeldt

Freshmen: Ginger Gerndt, Karissa Hischke, Gwendalin Konop, HaileyBo Pecanas, Chloe Schroeder, Tia Schwartzkopf, Allyson Seibert, Morgan Suring

HONORS

Seniors: Moriah Baldwin, Maxwell Fisher-Yancy, Lily Hakes, Trinity Remic,

Charles Winkler

Juniors: Braden Denowski, Autumn Dryja, Gracelyn Fuchs, Rebecca Peeters, Joshua Reinke, Alyssa Schowalter, Madilynn Strege, Trent Van Den Elzen, Parker Zahn

Sophomores: Morgan Laabs, Kendra Rattin, Kaley Thompson

Freshmen: Parker Haak, Cassius Matelski, Garret Peters, Logan Schowalter

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First quarter HIGH HONOR ROLL

Eighth grade: Alivia Acker, Taylor Beversdorf, Fernanda Moz Cruz, Gabby Passehl

Seventh grade: Mason Fosheim, Teagan Harkey, Nya Huntington, Nolan Kleinschmidt, Grady Krone, Riley Krueger

Sixth grade: Ivy DuQuaine, Wyatt Ritchie, Addison Schwartz, Kadence White

HONOR ROLL

Eighth grade: Grady Bartz, Mallory Braun, Lukas Herzog, Sofia Koenig, Wyatt Schroeder, Gage Westphal, Cambren Zeuske

Seventh grade: Collin Dieck, Quin Harkey

Sixth grade: Rayna Beversdorf, Amelia DuChesne, Emmalee Herrmann, Jack Koenig, Mimikwaew Penfold, Brody Smith, Grayson Wood, Jaden Zittlow

Better Business Bureau, Amazon team up to deal with holiday scams

The Better Business Bureau is partnering with Amazon to drive an education campaign aimed at helping consumers spot impersonation scams during this holiday season (BBB.org/ImpersonationScams).

This scam tactic occurs when a scammer pretends to be a trustworthy organization or individual to steal a person's money or personal information. This co-branded campaign will run through the holiday season, when there is typically an increase in scam attempts with more people seeking to make purchases.

The campaign follows new research published by the BBB Institute for Marketplace Trust on Oct. 5. The new report, Start With Trust Online, the 2022 BBB Online Scams report, highlighted new scam tactics, particularly scams perpetrated online, including online purchase scams that impersonate the brands of well-known businesses.

"Fifty-four percent of survey respondents said the scammer claimed to be from a legitimate organization, according to our latest research," said Melissa Lanning Trumppower, executive director of the BBB Institute for Marketplace Trust. "Of those who said they were targeted by an impersonation scam, 50% said they were targeted by scammers pretending to be a trustworthy business. Our partnership with Amazon will help us reach more consumers with important information about how to spot and avoid losing money to these scams."

Data for the campaign and the BBB Institute research report were provided through BBB Scam Tracker, an online reporting and prevention tool that enables people to report and search scam reports. A new-and-improved version of BBB Scam Tracker will be launched in November in partnership with Amazon and Capital One.

"Amazon is committed to protecting consumers from impersonation scams and helping them protect themselves," said Kathy Sheehan, vice president and associate general counsel at Amazon. "We're grateful to partner with consumer advocates like the Better

Business Bureau to educate consumers."

BBB and Amazon recommend the following tips for shopping online:

- Stay calm. If you receive a suspicious phone call, resist the urge to act immediately, no matter how dramatic the story is or how threatening or intimidating the caller sounds.

- Don't reply directly. Instead, visit the company's website or app to use their customer service channel and verify the message or phone call you received.

- Go to the source or get help. When in doubt, call a friend, loved one, or your local BBB to ask for a second opinion. Regardless of what is said in the phone conversation, tell someone.

- Never feel pressured to give personal information (Social Security number, account numbers/passwords, license number, etc.) over the phone, especially if the call is unexpected. Scammers may try to use calls, texts, and emails to impersonate a company's customer service. If you are unsure, end the call/chat and reach out directly to the company's customer service phone number or website.

- Never pay over the phone, especially if the call was unsolicited. If you need to make a payment, go directly to the organization's website or app.

- Never allow remote access to your computer if somebody offers tech support. Shut down your computer immediately and seek support directly from your service provider.

- Search BBB Scam Tracker. If you're suspicious about the situation, search BBB Scam Tracker to see if anyone else has reported a similar situation. The new BBB Scam Tracker enables you to search by email, URL, phone number, and more. You can also report suspicious communications that mention Amazon directly to the company.

- Check that email address or URL more closely. Scammers use similar website addresses or emails to appear legitimate, but if you look closely, you may find one letter or number that is off.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Sacred Heart hosts 50 veterans at ceremony

Sacred Heart Catholic School welcomed nearly 50 veterans during its Veterans Day program Nov. 11.

The day started with a special breakfast prepared by food services manager Tanya Myerchin and her mother, Melea Norton, prior to the ceremony, which featured a packed gymnasium.

The ceremony began with the AmVets Post 10 posting the colors, followed by the singing of the National Anthem and the Pledge of Allegiance led by our School Choir. Each veteran stepped forward to introduce themselves and share their rank/post and then Lori Mathwich and Autumnne Gee handed a blessed cross and flag pin to each veteran.

Wisconsin National Guard Chief Warrant Officer Jed Meidam, school parent, gave a presentation. Gee then surprised Mathwich with a patriotic floral arrangement and recognition for her work on the Veterans Day program, 21 years of service in the U.S. Army, and her work at Sacred Heart.

Deacon Jim Lonick shared a closing prayer and blessed the veterans, and then the AmVets held the 21-gun salute with "Taps," before retiring the colors. The veterans gathered around the gym so students and staff could pass out special gifts and cards they had made.

Bahrke program director for leadership group

The Leadership Oconto County Board of Directors recently announced the appointment of Ashley Bahrke to the position of program director.

Bahrke is a 2019 graduate of Leadership Oconto County and has been involved with the organization in various roles over the last four years.

"We are excited to have Ashley in this capacity as we move forward in growing the Leadership Oconto County program," said board president Greg Gauthier. "The board and I are looking forward to the energy and experience she brings to the role."



ASHLEY BAHRKE



Members of AmVets Post 10 join a packed gymnasium in saluting the American flag during Sacred Heart Catholic School's Veterans Day ceremony on Nov. 11.

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Leadership Oconto County is a 501(c)(3) organization with the mission of identifying and developing leaders who live or work in Oconto County. The program highlights issues, concerns, and needs throughout the County and creates an avenue for participants to embark on or expand their leadership roles in their communities.

To find out more about the program, visit www.leadershipoc.com or email leadershipocontocounty@gmail.com.

Gillett preps for its Christmas in the Park

Gillett is holding its annual Christmas in the Park on Dec. 3.

Activities will start at 10 a.m. with Santa's workshop filled with crafts and vendor goods through 2:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 101 W. Main St., Gillett. There will be bucket raffles.

Santa Claus is coming to the Expo Hall in Zippel Park, 150 N. McKenzie St., Gillett, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Each kid will receive a free goodie bag. There will also be photos with Santa for a minimal fee. Other kids activities include make-

and-take crafts, face painting, balloon animals, reindeer games, Little Seedings 4-H cake walk, cookies and hot chocolate.

Horse drawn sleigh and wagon rides through Zippel Park will be part of the festivities. Visitors will be able to view lighted Christmas displays by local families, businesses, and organizations at 5 p.m.

There will be caroling at the park at 4:45 p.m. and fireworks to finish off the day.

Food and refreshments will be available for purchase at both the park and the church.

For information, contact Betty Jane Behling at 920-376-1706 or email lilyyoda9@yahoo.com.

Entries open for invasive species poster contest

The 2023 Northwoods Invasive Species Poster Contest is in its 12th year and reaches school districts within 18 Northwoods counties, including Menominee, Oconto and Shawano.

Poster entries are due by 4 p.m. on April 26, 2023. Posters and poster entry forms may be mailed in or dropped off at one of 16 drop-off lo-

cations. A new brochure with complete instructions, drop-off locations and fillable entry forms, is located at <https://www.oclw.org/2023-northwoods-invasive-species-poster-contest.html>. For information, call 715-369-7835.

Community center to host cookie crawl, Santa

Gillett Public Library will host a holiday cookie crawl from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 10 at the Gillett Community Center, 204 E. Main St., Gillett.

The library is seeking donations of cookies for the event. Cookies can be brought to the center starting at 9 a.m. Bakers must bring an ingredient list with your cookies to alert anyone as to allergens such as nuts, eggs or dairy.

The Friends of the Library will have containers available for \$5. Any funds collected will be used to support the library's programs.

Santa is also scheduled to visit.

Around the Community is a roundup on local events, honors, awards and more. Organizations interested in sending news about what they're involved with can contact NEW Media at news@newmedia-wi.com. Items with a specific date like an event should be sent at least two weeks before it takes place.

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