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School officials concerned about the impact of AI

Gillett School Board briefed on capabilities of ChatGPT, Google Bard

By **WARREN BLUHM**

News Editor

Gillett School District officials gave the school board a primer on artificial intelligence June 15 to alert them how AI is going to revolutionize teaching and learning, for better or for worse.

"It isn't something we can avoid," interim Superintendent Wayne Johnson told the board. "It's here and there's nothing we can do about it, so we can either use it and capitalize on it or we can run and hide, and I don't think that's really an option."

Johnson said "it's absolutely mind-boggling" how quickly tasks can be done using AI, and done well for the most part.

"The thing that we really, as a school district, need to be prepared for is how this is going to impact teaching and learning and what it means," he said. "It's something we have to be prepared for really quick, because it's here, it's not going away, and it's evolving by the day."

Theoretically a student could go on an artificial intelligence site, like ChatGPT or Google Bard, and finish their homework in three seconds, Johnson said, but although AI can churn out a factual essay within seconds, it cannot form opinions.

"If you ask (AI) to write a theme about a personal matter or something that just happened in the news, it doesn't work," Johnson said. "If you're asking about dinosaurs, this is going to give you a 500-word theme that's going to blow your socks off, because there's all sorts of knowledge out

there about dinosaurs."

Teachers will need to craft assignments that require the student to provide that personal input, he said.

Chad Steinmetz, instructional technology coach, said that inability to form opinions is key.

"It'll list facts for days, but it'll not actually tell you that the student likes something, if it can relate to something," Steinmetz said. "This is a robot in some room, somewhere. That personal communication or that personal reflection in that story is just not there."

"It's something we have to be prepared for really quick, because it's here, it's not going away, and it's evolving by the day."

— WAYNE JOHNSON, interim Gillett superintendent

ChatGPT launched in November 2022 and Google Bard on March 2023, and students tested its abilities almost immediately, he said.

"We had academic dishonesty within the first month, and I had to block it for kids. It was absolutely in this building," Steinmetz said.

The district "got lucky" with that first attempt at using AI to cheat, he said. "They were middle schoolers, and the piece that they produced was well above their writing level, so it stuck out like a sore thumb. We were able to take care of it right away."

Steinmetz gave the board a demonstration of Google Bard's abilities, asking it to describe the Statue of Liberty for a blind person and getting several paragraphs of information within seconds.

Then he asked the same question, adding, "please write that at a third grade level." In less than five seconds, the AI replied, "The

Statue of Liberty is a big statue of a woman holding a torch. It stands on an island in New York Harbor. She's a symbol of freedom and hope for people all over the world."

On the plus side, Steinmetz said AI can be a time-saving tool. He prompted it to develop a quiz featuring "four questions with four multiple choice answers on the subject of Wisconsin" and craft an email summarizing the minutes of a recent school board meeting.

"It's unbelievable how smart these things are," he said. "It's very, very cool."

Johnson said he experimented with having the AI draft letter of recommendation for a teacher, giving it only that the person had

been teaching a specific subject for nine years.

"I got a six-paragraph letter of recommendation that would blow your socks off, with that minimal amount of information," Johnson said.

Teachers will need to be aware that some students will try to utilize AI rather than learn how to do the work themselves.

"You as a teacher realize that some kids are going to do this, so how do you write an assignment that you know the student actually did and actually read the story?" he said.

As the presentation wrapped up, elementary principal Curt Angeli said: "How long before SkyNet becomes self-aware?" His reference to the villainous artificial intelligence in the Terminator films drew nervous chuckles all around.

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Gillett needs school bus drivers

Lamers must replace its entire Gillett School District work force

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

Lamers Bus Lines has no drivers to serve the Gillett School District for the 2023-24 school year, after all of the drivers took full-time jobs elsewhere or retired, interim Superintendent Wayne Johnson told the school board June 15.

"Can you imagine not knowing about this until Aug. 15 and trying to start school on Sept. 5? I can't," Johnson said.

The situation reflects an on-going general school bus driver shortage. The Oconto Falls School District, which runs its own school bus operation, has struggled for years to find and keep drivers and last year was forced to stop picking up students within a mile of school buildings.

As it is, Johnson said Lamers was only able to provide enough drivers for five bus routes during the school year that just ended.

"We're paying for eight routes, and they only could find drivers to run five," Johnson said. "That includes running double-runs within the city of Gillett."

The district paid \$450,000 for the bus service, not including the costs of fuel, field trips, or athletic event transportation, he said.

"Having fewer routes requires

"I don't like any of them. We'd have 200 screaming parents if we did some of these."

— WAYNE JOHNSON, interim Gillett superintendent,
on the options for solving bus driver shortage

longer rides for students, and full buses certainly add to discipline issues, especially when you put three kids to a seat," Johnson said.

Lamers pays its part-time drivers \$33 per hour plus a \$240 monthly bonus. The company is considering adding to the bonus but not the hourly rate, he said.

Local superintendents recently met with the bus manager who oversees Gillett, Suring and Lena to discuss the situation. Johnson also shared the district's bus contract with an attorney.

"We potentially could get out of our current contract, but where would we go?" he said. "Every bus company is having the same problem."

The district has taken several actions to spotlight the issue and help Lamers find more drivers, including sending the company's recruiting mailer to all households with the latest district newsletter.

Among efforts to deal with the problem, Johnson said Gillett has begun sharing a bus with Lena and

Suring sports teams during tournaments.

"If we have a tournament going north, we pick up the Suring kids, we pick up the Lena kids, and we go to the tournament. When we're going south, a Lena bus picks up the Suring kids, picks up the Gillett kids, and goes to the tournament," he said. "We've never had to do that before."

The district has several options to address the issue, and Johnson said, "I don't like any of them. We'd have 200 screaming parents if we did some of these."

They could further reduce the number of bus routes, eliminate pickup points in the city, have staff get bus endorsement on their CDL licenses — which Johnson said would take them away from their regular work three hours a day — assist Lamers in recruiting, spend money for new, more fuel-efficient buses.

"Every bus contract I've had in 29 years said the bus can only have this many miles on it or can

only be (two to four years) old," he said. "In talking to the local bus manger ... the newer buses get substantially better mileage for fuel. She said that would have been a huge savings if that had been in our contract. It's not. So guess who ends up with the old buses that guzzle fuel?"

Johnson said maintaining student safety needs to come first, and he told the board he needs their support and any ideas.

"There's no magic way to resolve busing issues," he said. "Any dramatic changes such as double routes or eliminating in-town busing would result in significant unrest among our parents and community."

Board member Robin Banaszynski suggested parents be included to help find a solution, and she mentioned that she had a call in to WE Energies, the Gillett area electric utility.

"There's a lot of grant money out there for some electric buses for districts just like ours," Banaszynski said.

Board member Jamie Heroux encouraged Johnson talk to drivers who left and get more information about why they moved on.

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Public hearings set for ordinance changes

Oconto Falls proposals cover downtown design, chickens, teen sexting and out buildings

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

Public hearings have been scheduled July 11 for four proposed amendments to Oconto Falls city ordinances, covering everything from raising chickens to teen sexting.

Meeting before the June 13 council meeting, the Ordinance Committee scheduled public hearings for the ordinances for 6 p.m. July 11 in the council chambers at Oconto Falls City Hall, 500 N. Chestnut Ave., City Administrator Peter

Wills said.

The Main Street revitalization effort would get a boost from a zoning change that establishes a Downtown Design Review for remodeling or any construction on downtown buildings.

"The Design Review Guidelines are to assist in preserving the historic look and materials of downtown buildings to retain the character of the downtown," Wills said.

The proposed amendment to the ordinance regulating chickens in the city would set a \$10 license for up to six chickens inside city limits,

he said. Only hens are permitted, and homeowners cannot sell the eggs or meat.

Chickens must be kept in a coop and not free range, Wills said. The license must be renewed annually and reviewed if concerns have been raised about the property and chickens.

The proposed sexting ordinance amendment would address sexting by minors as a municipal ordinance violation. Inappropriate texting by adults (18 and over) would still be applicable to state penalties, Wills said.

A fourth ordinance change would stipulate that a city lot cannot have a garage or accessory building without first having a primary structure (house).

"This code is common among many municipalities to ensure residential lots are used for homes, in order to have as many lots available to homes, not just used for extra garages," Wills said. "Additionally the code is being amended to permit chicken coops not to exceed 50 square feet."

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OCOntonO COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Proceedings of June 16

• Benjamin D.J. Zirbel, 34, Crystal Falls, Michigan, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred May 9. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for Aug. 17.

Proceedings of June 15

• Reuben C. Magiary, 50, an Oconto man serving time at New Lisbon Correctional Institution, pleaded guilty to false imprisonment, strangulation and suffocation, and misdemeanor battery in connection with an incident that occurred March 1, 2021. Judge Michael T. Judge scheduled sentencing for Aug. 18 and ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

• Matthew J. Slye, 33, Oconto, pleaded not guilty to possession of narcotic drugs, possession of methamphetamine, three counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred May 8. A status conference was scheduled for July 5. Slye is also awaiting trial on two counts of possession of narcotic drugs, possession of methamphetamine, and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred May 24, 2022; charges of bail jumping and

possession of methamphetamine, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Aug. 18, 2022; and possession of methamphetamine with misdemeanor counts of carrying a concealed weapon and possession of methamphetamine, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred May 10, 2022.

• A Nov. 28 jury trial was scheduled for Keilon Allon Snipes-Reed, 18, a White Lake man serving time at Green Bay Correctional Institution, on three counts of armed robbery, two counts of first-degree reckless endangerment, two counts bail jumping, burglary, and theft, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred June 4, 2021. A final pre-trial conference was scheduled for Nov. 13.

• A Dec. 5 jury trial was scheduled for Cindy M. Earley, 55, Oconto, on a felony charge of child abuse intentionally causing harm and misdemeanor counts of bail jumping and disorderly conduct, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred June 23. A final pre-trial conference was scheduled for Nov. 20.

• An Oct. 13-14 jury trial was scheduled for Andre Nathaniel Jackson, 33, Green Bay, on charges of strangulation and suffocation, taking and driving a vehicle without the owner's consent, and misdemeanor counts of intentionally mistreating

animals and disorderly conduct, along with two counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, in connection with incidents that allegedly occurred May 17 and 18, 2022. A final pre-trial conference was scheduled for Sept. 18.

• An Oct. 11 jury trial was scheduled for Paige N. Klivickis, 30, Oconto, on charges of possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor counts of possession of THC and possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 20, 2022. A final pre-trial conference was scheduled for Sept. 25.

• A Dec. 15 jury trial was scheduled for Autumn Fawn Gernon, 44, Madison, on charges of possession of narcotic drugs, possession of methamphetamine, and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred June 6, 2022. A final pre-trial conference was scheduled for Nov. 20.

• Michael A. Holtger, 31, Oconto, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to charges of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Oct. 14. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for July 13.

• Joshua Joe Bacon, 18, Oconto, pleaded not guilty to charges of

strangulation and suffocation, three counts of felony bail jumping, two counts of misdemeanor battery, three counts of disorderly conduct, and criminal damage to property, in connection with incidents that allegedly occurred Feb. 1, Feb. 17, and Feb. 18. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for July 13.

Proceedings of June 14

• Jordan Beverly Clark, 23, Oconto Falls, pleaded no contest to resisting an officer causing great bodily harm in connection with an incident that occurred July 12, 2021; misdemeanor criminal trespass to a building, in connection with an incident that occurred July 19, 2021; and two counts of felony bail jumping, in connection with an incident that occurred July 28, 2021; Several other charges were dismissed but read into the record. Judge Jay N. Conley scheduled sentencing for Aug. 15 and ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

Proceedings of June 13

• Kristi L. Meverden, 32, Coleman, pleaded guilty to felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (second offense) and disorderly conduct, in connection with an incident that occurred Jan. 20. Judge Michael T. Judge imposed and stayed a nine-month jail sentence, then placed Meverden on probation for two years.

OCOntonO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

June 6

Deputies responded to 75 incidents, including suspicious activity near Coral Berry and Timberline roads in the Town of Abrams, a disturbance on Mueller Hill Road in the Town of Gillett, sexual assault in Suring, a jail incident on Arbutus Avenue in Oconto, harassment on West Shore Drive in the Town of Mountain, assault on Lee Lake Road in the Town of Brazeau, threatening on Tower Court in the Town of Riverview, internet fraud on Oak Orchard Road in the Town of Abrams, automobile theft on Ridge Road in Oconto Falls, six traffic stops, four traffic hazards, one traffic offense, one citizen assist, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, three welfare checks; three 911 hangups and six open lines; two ambulance calls; three crashes, two involving deer.

June 5

Deputies responded to 71 incidents, including fire on state Highway 32-64 in the Town of Mountain, illegal burning on Business 41 in the Town of Oconto, theft on County Road I in the Town of Stiles, drugs in the Town of Bagley, trespassing on County Road E in the Town of Morgan, an unwanted party on County Road E in the Town of Morgan, burglary on County Road W in the Town of Mountain, suspicious activity near

U.S. Highway 141 and Chicken Shack Road in the Town of Stiles, a death investigation in the Town of Townsend, a K-9 deployment on North Farm Road in Oconto Falls, a drug investigation at an undisclosed location, a disturbance on West Crooked Lake Lane in the Town of Riverview, suspicious activity on County Road E in the Town of Morgan, seven traffic stops, four traffic hazards, five traffic offenses, one citizen assist, four miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; four 911 hangups and eight open lines; four crashes, three involving deer.

June 4

Deputies responded to 65 incidents, including a noise disturbance on Sampson Road in the Town of Abrams, a disturbance on South Birch Avenue in Gillett, suspicious activity on County Road J in the Town of Oconto, a probation violation on Michigan Avenue in Oconto, kidnapping near state Highway 22 and Old 22 Road in the Town of Gillett, property damage on Bell Bridge Road in the Town of Pensaukee, 10 traffic stops, one traffic hazard, nine traffic offenses, five citizen assists, one miscellaneous traffic incident, four welfare checks; five 911 hangups and seven open lines; six crashes, one involving deer and one involving a bear.

June 3

Deputies responded to 75 incidents, including suspicious activity on Mapleridge Circle in the Town of Chase, suspicious activity on Main Street in Oconto, a noise disturbance on Oak Orchard Road in the Town of Abrams, a noise disturbance on West Shore Drive in the Town of Mountain, a disturbance on Brookside Road in the Town of Pensaukee, animal neglect on Belgian Road in the Town of Lena, suspicious activity on North Branch Road in the Town of Breed, suspicious activity on North Krueger Street in Suring, eight traffic stops, one traffic hazard, four traffic offenses, two citizen assists, six miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; six 911 hangups and 12 open lines; five ambulance calls; four crashes.

June 2

Deputies responded to 79 incidents, including suspicious activity on Sherrie Lane in the Town of Underhill, suspicious activity near County Road S and Superior Avenue in the Town of Little River, theft on Spring Hill Road in the Town of Gillett, fraud on West Frontier Road in the Town of Little Suamico, criminal damage on Landing Lane in the Town of Stiles, child abuse in the Town of Pensaukee, suspicious activity on County Road I in the Town of Stiles, a death investigation

in the Town of Lena, a disturbance on South White Potato Lake Road in the Town of Brazeau, a weapon offense on Crawford Road in the Town of Stiles, suspicious activity on Pine Ridge Trail in the Town of Abrams, suspicious activity on Klatt Road in the Town of Underhill, nine traffic stops, 10 traffic offenses, two citizen assists, five miscellaneous traffic incidents, six welfare checks; nine 911 hangups and 14 open lines; one ambulance call; two crashes, one involving deer.

June 1

Deputies responded to 91 incidents, including suspicious activity on County Road A in the Town of Lena, property damage on South Waschbisch Road in the Town of Oconto Falls, drugs in Oconto Falls, a death investigation in the Town of Bagley, suspicious activity on Helen Lane in the Town of Mountain, fire on Races Lane in the Town of Little Suamico, sexual assault in the Town of Abrams, a disturbance on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto, animal neglect on Eagle Drive in the Town of Little Suamico, 22 traffic stops, five traffic hazards, eight traffic offenses, two citizen assists, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, six 911 hangups and 13 open lines; one ambulance call; seven crashes, one involving a turkey, four involving deer.

Revised fire station budget approved

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Oconto Falls City Council voted June 13 to amend the budget for the new fire station to reflect higher than anticipated costs.

The city last year obtained a \$7

million Neighborhood Investment Grant from the state Department of Administration to build the new station using federal funds, but bids this spring came back about 10% higher than expected.

A planned groundbreaking ceremo-

ny was postponed while construction manager Zeise Construction, city, fire department and architect worked on ways to reduce the total project costs, City Administrator Peter Wills said.

About \$200,000 in savings were found, and the City Council ap-

proved an amended \$7.5 million budget, Wills said.

"Zeise Construction will begin preparing to begin construction, and we will be setting a new groundbreaking for the station in the next few weeks," he said.

OBITUARIES

William Kokko Jr.

William "Bill" Kokko Jr., 84, of Oconto Falls, died Thursday afternoon, June 15, 2023 at Meadowbrook Health Care Center. Proud of his heritage, he was born 100% Finnish to William and Wilma (Wertanen) Kokko Sr. on May 9, 1939, in Negaunee, Michigan. Lovingly called "Billy the Finn" by his close family, he lived his life in the Finnish spirit of "SISU" which is the embodiment of extraordinary endurance, being brave in the face of adversity, and doing "right" at any cost.

Bill grew up in the Upper Peninsula where he attended Negaunee High School where his SISU, grit and determination, allowed him to excel in basketball, bringing home the state championship with his class of 1957. Following graduation, he attended Northern Michigan University and sailed the Great Lakes on ore boats. Bill then served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany as a medic. Following his honorable discharge from the military, he returned to the UP where he worked as a lineman for the city of Negaunee.

Bill and Peggy's love story began when a high school aged Peggy got his autograph while he was an extra for the filming of a movie in her hometown. Little did they know that a few years later fate would have them working at the same hospital where they began their courtship.

On July 30, 1965, he married Peggy Hale in Marquette, Michigan. The couple lived in Negaunee until moving to Oconto Falls in 1969. Bill was employed by the City of Oconto Falls Water and Light Commission as utility superintendent for most of his working life. He attended the Oconto Falls United Methodist Church and volunteered on the Oconto Falls Fire Department and Ambulance for many years. His compassion for others was shown in his knowledge of the community and being able to assist people in need, always doing the right thing.

Bill enjoyed spending time with family and close friends. His love of fishing was instilled in his daughters and grandchildren, so much so that



when they would have a good "catch," they would share a photo with him. He enjoyed hanging out with all the brothers-in-law and nephews at camp and requested to have some

of his ashes spread in the wild where he enjoyed the camaraderie. Many memories were made on the shore of Lake Michigan with a large, loving extended family.

Sometimes referred to as "Bungee Bill," there wasn't much the Finlander didn't try to fix with an assortment of colorful tape and bungee cords. He believed permanent markers to be his friends to help leave lasting advice on little notes he kept and distributed, or even on brand new cars. Bill's indomitable spirit will survive within all of the lives he touched.

Bill's SISU continued to push him through this past year with the help of the loving staff at Unity Hospice allowing him to live at home and eventually at Meadowbrook where he received compassionate and respectful care.

Survivors are his loving and devoted wife of 58 years, Peggy Kokko, Oconto Falls; their two daughters, Kelly (Lon) Ludemann, Oconto Falls, and Karen (Gary) Scholie, Hancock, Michigan; six grandchildren, Jacob, Noah, Alec and Hannah Ludemann, and Emilie and Sydnie Scholie; one sister, Diane Hine, Chicago, Illinois; many nieces, nephews and special cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents and special brother-in-law, William Hatch.

Visitation with the urn present will take place after 9 a.m. Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at the Oconto Falls United Methodist Church until the time of service. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the church with his friend Pastor Jerry Cho officiating. Burial will take place on the family plot at a later date in Lakeview Cemetery in the UP.

Carol A. Schmidt

Carol A. Schmidt, 83, Lee Lake, died Saturday morning, June 3, 2023 at Washington Square in Marinette. She was born Jan. 7, 1940, in Milwaukee to Armin and Madeline (Lentz) Ott. Carol grew up in Milwaukee where she graduated high school.

On Aug. 18, 1962, she married Gerald Schmidt in Milwaukee. Because of her husband's military obligations, the couple lived in Kansas for two years following their marriage until returning to Milwaukee following his discharge. In the late 1970s, the family moved to Lee Lake where Carol was a devoted wife and mother. A devout Catholic, she played violin and sang in four different parishes in areas where they lived and also played the violin in local nursing homes with her good friend, Carol.

She was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church in Oconto Falls. Known as the "Flower Lady of Lee Lake" and having a soft heart for all animals, she enjoyed flower and vegetable gardening, cooking for her family, feeding the squirrels and birds and shopping.

Survivors are her husband of 61 years, Jerry Schmidt Sr., Lee Lake; children, Liz (Joe) Johnson, Menominee, Michigan, Cathy (Matt) Steffens, Oconto Falls, Mary (Mike) Yashinsky, Spruce; eight grandchildren, Madelen (Cory) Jorgensen, Alison (Dylan) Caikowski, Lilly (fiancé Alex Cormia) Johnson, Matthew (Chelsey) Steffens, Emily (Thad) Marcheske, Isaac



(Sierra) Steffens, Abigail (Tom) Ebenhoe and Alexis (Brad) Faucette; eight great-grandchildren; two brothers, Armin (Carol) Ott, Mequon, and Dan (Sharon) Ott, New Berlin; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Jerry Jr.; one brother, Otto Ott; and one sister, Gloria Warczak.

Visitation with

the urn present was held after 10 a.m. Friday, June 16, 2023, at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Oconto Falls until the time of service. Mass of Christian Burial was held at noon at the church with the Rev. Walter Stumpf officiating. Burial will take place at a later date in St. Wencelaus Cemetery, Klondike.

Jones Funeral Service in Oconto Falls is serving the Schmidt family.

The Schmidt family would like to thank Brazeau Rescue Squad, Unity Hospice, the Bellin Group, Washington Square and the neighbors and friends at Lee Lake for all their care and concern shown Carol and her family during their time together.

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Food box program gets \$1.5M infusion of cash

Distribution effort helps elders in Menominee, other tribes, is expected to surpass 32K boxes

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin put Gov. Tony Evers to work June 15 as he helped to load tribal elder food boxes into the back of Menominee vehicles for the bi-weekly food pickup.

Before that, he announced that there would be \$1.5 million in the biennial state budget specifically to help tribal food programs like the Patricia B. Goodson Food Distribution Center operating in Keshena. Evers said he had asked for \$2 million, but the legislature's joint finance committee opted for a lower amount.

The funding will help the Great Lakes Intertribal Food Consortium's efforts to get food boxes to elders and others in need for all 11 federally recognized tribes in Wisconsin.

"We understand that it's impor-

tant to work together," said Legislator Gary Besaw, who also heads the tribe's department of agriculture.

The food consortium's work has grown in leaps and bounds. Besaw noted that in 2021, the first year for the elder food box program, three tribes were involved and 900 boxes went out monthly, resulting in 10,800 boxes being distributed. The next year, 24,000 boxes went out total, with all 11 Wisconsin tribes taking part.

Besaw estimated the total boxes for 2023 will surpass 32,000.

"Yes, that helps our elders, most definitely," Besaw said, noting that the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection helped provide the initial funding for the food box program. "We know, in working with Feeding America, they've directed funds to us, too. We have a lot of partners to be thankful for."

Patti Habeck, chief executive officer for Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin, noted that programs like the elder food boxes are vital to her organization's mission, noting that the Menominee have specific food needs that differ from other ethnicities and nationalities.

"This was something that we really wanted to help and be a part of," Habeck said. "We're collaborators at our core, so we worked directly with tribal leaders to make sure that each box reflects the diet of people, and that piece is very critical. Buying the food from the tribal producers remains a priority. We only procure foods that are perishable like frozen

white fish, frozen beef, produce and minimally processed or traditional foods like maple syrup, maple sugar, wild rice, and we have a heavy emphasis on organic foods."

Habeck said it was "remarkable" how the food box program has grown in the last few years, and it's something she's proud to be a part of.

"We've worked with the partners at the table from the very start of the idea to the early execution and the continuous improvement," Habeck said. "We want to see this continue. We want to see this grow."

The program not only helps elderly tribal members, but it helps form a network of food producers, many of them tribal, to ensure the food that goes out is for the benefit of those elders. Bryan Bainbridge, CEO for the Great Lakes Intertribal Council, works on Lake Superior as a fisherman to provide some of the food that goes in the boxes.

"Every single tribal nation believes in taking care of our elders and making sure they have what they need to live, survive and be healthy," Bainbridge said. "We're too often forgotten and not looked at as part of the solution, but having this exposure in our communities and people in our sovereign nations is truly gratifying and important."

Evers touted the state's good intergovernmental relationships with the tribes and said it's important to address the fact that



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hunger is everywhere, but it especially impacts the elderly and Native American tribes.

"It's because of this partnership that we have this good news to share with everybody today," Evers said. "We know hunger affects every community in our state, but especially aging and older adults and especially tribal members. Even before the pandemic and the challenges of the past few years, one in four Native Americans struggled with hunger, more than twice the rate of white people."

The money from the state budget will come from tribal gaming revenue, according to Evers.

"Like many parts of the budget, we didn't get everything we wanted," he said. "Negotiations are still ongoing, but I'm happy to say that, as I stand here today, the joint finance committee has allocated \$1.5 million for this program."

As Native American tribes have dealt with higher instances of diabetes and other health issues related to the food they eat, programs have been working to bring tribal members back to the foods they used to grow and raise themselves. Evers praised the Menominee tribe for its work to do that.

"We know that food is medicine, and I'm happy that this program will continue in the next biennium so we'll make sure that tribal elders have access to healthy, nutritious, Indigenous food," Evers said. "Together, we're building a healthier, more sustainable state for everyone, and I look forward to more good work going forward."

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City seeks 28% increase in water rates

Rate request is Shawano's first since 2015

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

City of Shawano water users can expect their water rates to go up for the first time since 2015 after the Shawano Common Council gave the green light June 14 to city officials to send the matter to the Wisconsin Public Services Commission.

The council approved an increase averaging 28% going to the PSC for review. The review is expected to last six to eight months, but the city is hoping the increase will take effect Jan. 1, 2024. The average residential water bill is expected to go up from \$23.71 per month to \$29.31, while a multifamily residential home with a one-inch meter can expect to see a \$53.40 bill jump to \$67.10 next year.

A commercial customer with a one-inch meter can expect the average bill of \$61.15 go up to \$77.35, and an industrial customer with the same meter is likely to go from \$167 to \$220.10.

According to City Administrator Eddie Sheppard, the increase will also include the public fire protection fee. The city is hopeful that once this long-overdue increase takes effect, the city will be able to review its rates annually and seek smaller increases of 2-3%, if it's deemed necessary.

BY THE NUMBERS

Anticipated increase in city of Shawano water rates (Final numbers will be decided by Wisconsin Public Service Commission):

Customer type	Current rate	2024 rate	Percent increase
Small Residential	\$19.89	\$23.91	20%
Average Residential	\$23.71	\$29.31	24%
Large Residential	\$27.53	\$34.71	26%
Multifamily Residential 1"	\$53.40	\$67.10	26%
Multifamily Residential 1 1/2"	\$100.01	\$124.59	25%
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Commercial 2"	\$162.84	\$203.39	25%
Industrial 1"	\$167	\$220.10	32%
Industrial 2"	\$1,036.64	\$1,499.39	45%
Industrial 6"	\$1,702.77	\$2,370.85	39%
Public Authority 3/4"	\$58.42	\$76.26	31%
Public Authority 1"	\$108	\$140.10	30%
Public Authority 2"	\$204.14	\$259.39	27%

Source: City of Shawano

With the current rates, the city expects to bring in a little over \$1.6 million in 2024, but the city is anticipating expenses that exceed \$2.1 million with a number of road reconstruction projects that usually include upgrading water lines. Finance director Greg Davis said the increase is necessary to keep up on city infrastructure and pay off on some debt that has been incurred from previous projects.

"We've been working a number of months with Rueckert Mielke, and they gave us a preliminary cost increase," Davis said. "That equates to about \$80 per year maximum for our average residential user."

Davis noted in his report to the council that the PSC has the final say on the increase, so it could possibly be less. The final decision is expected around the end of 2023.

Sheppard said that the report includes what the city anticipates the operational demands and capital work will be for the next five years.

"With a lot of rising costs like in construction and other projects that we have ... that's going to require more capital expenditure," Sheppard said.

The reason the city didn't seek a rate increase sooner is because of the labor intensive process required.

According to Sheppard, it was a strain on city staff before Shawano created its own finance department. Now that there is one, the city anticipates conducting yearly studies on water rates and seeking smaller hikes.

"If you do rate increases of 2-3%, it's much less (of an impact)," Sheppard said. "We haven't done a rate case since 2015, so the rates for water haven't changed since 2015."

The PSC, in the course of its evaluation, is expected to hold a hearing where Shawano residents will be able to speak about the proposed rate increase, but it's not known when that will be.

Sheppard noted that the numbers presented to the council will certainly not be the numbers that factor into the PSC's final decision.

"They'll never just accept that," he said. "They're going to review it, and they're going to change it."

Road projects for a year are determined by how much the water department has in its fund each year, according to Sheppard, and with the current funds, the number of roads to be upgraded are fewer.

"We know that if we're going to a street, and the street part is say \$200,000, but the water part's going to cost more than we have, then we can't do that street," Sheppard said. "It's all tied together."

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Larock preliminary hearing pushed to August

Arresting officer's absence in court prompts defense attorney to ask for delay

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The preliminary hearing for attempted homicide suspect Royce Larock, 21, of Shawano, was pushed back more than a month after the arresting officer was unavailable for the scheduled hearing June 16.

Shawano-Menominee County District Attorney Greg Parker had planned for another officer to serve as a reader during the hearing to describe what had happened the night of April 25, when a man was stabbed in Shawano. That drew objections from

defense attorney Carly Jo Foor, who wanted to be able to cross-examine the arrest officer directly.

"Given the actual seriousness of this case, I would like to be able to reschedule this for when the actual officer can be here," Foor said.

Due to a booked court calendar over the next few months, it took more than five minutes for the attorneys to be able to settle on a mutual date, but 1 p.m. on Aug. 3 was decided, as at least an hour was needed for the hearing. Parker said that the arresting officer's schedule allowed him to be available on that date.

Larock is being charged with one count of attempted first-degree intentional homicide, one count of aggravated battery, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer and one misdemeanor count

of disorderly conduct.

According to the criminal complaint, Shawano police officers were dispatched to Acorn Street for a reported stabbing. When officers arrived a victim was allegedly laying at a neighbor's front step with a stab wound to the stomach area, with intestinal protrusion from a stab wound. The victim allegedly stated that Larock was the person who had stabbed him.

Law enforcement located Larock about 30 minutes later on Richmond Street, where he allegedly told officers that he did not recall fighting with the victim, but admitted to drinking alcohol beforehand. The knife of the alleged crime was found in the front yard of the residence.

When searching the scene, law enforcement allegedly saw blood in the kitchen, on the inside of a screen

door, on the driveway and also saw a trail of blood leading to the neighbor's residence.

When interviewing Larock, he allegedly had cuts and scrapes on his body that were consistent with running through the woods and being scraped by branches and bushes. Larock allegedly told law enforcement that nothing had happened and that he was dropping the victim off at the residence and left. Larock allegedly told law enforcement that he had anger issues, but stated that he did not have a fight with the victim.

If convicted, Larock faces 60 years in prison for attempted first-degree intentional homicide, \$50,000 in fines and 15 years for aggravated battery, \$10,000 and nine months for resisting or obstructing an officer, and \$1,000 and 90 days for disorderly conduct.



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I read. A lot. Newspapers, of course. Magazines. Books, lots of books. Fiction and nonfiction. Print or digital. Whatever is handy.

Now and then, I've written about a particularly interesting reading experience, and so I will again today. At the end, I'll attach a brief recommended reading list. The intent is to suggest, for those who believe we're in an unprecedented time of divisiveness and hate, that maybe we've been here before and managed, with great effort, to find a better way.

Today's featured book: "A Fever in the Heartland," by Timothy Egan. Subtitle: "The Ku Klux Klan's Plot to Take Over America, and the Woman Who Stopped Them."

As kids in school, most of us learned the Civil War was fought to free slaves in southern states. After Northern victory, the Klan briefly rose in a spasm of racial violence. Federal troops hounded the Klan out of existence. The march of progress, slowly at times, moved ahead.

Not exactly. The North won. Slavery was abolished. With Lincoln's assassination, his scoundrel vice president, Andrew Johnson, succeeded him and looked the other way as former confederates rebuilt racial barriers by any means necessary. The Ku Klux Klan rose as night riders, terrorizing the Black population. The violence continued and rights were crushed until Ulysses Grant became president and sent in troops.

When Grant left the White House, Rutherford B. Hayes succeeded him, in a contested election, which



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deals with the revival of the Klan in the 1920s. Following World War I, an era of change occurred. Prohibition played a role. Suddenly millions of people were breaking the law with bootleg booze at speakeasies. Women were dancing and wearing bobbed hairstyles and short skirts. Blacks were moving north to seek opportunities in industry. Heightened immigration brought in new populations. Many of them worshiped differently — Catholics, Jews.

The Klan rose again, touting a message that White Protestant morals were under attack. The old hate of Blacks was front and center, but the new Klan left plenty of room to hate the Irish, the Italians, Asians, Jews, Catholics and others.

I was fascinated to read "Fever in the Heartland" because it's largely based in southern and central Indiana, which became Ground Zero for the new Klan. Much of the action takes place in or around Indianapolis, including places like Terre Haute. I grew up 90 miles from Indy and 30 miles from Terre Haute. As a kid, I heard stories of how the Klan took

involved cutting a deal to remove troops — essentially ending reconstruction and ushering in the rule of Jim Crow laws that locked in second class status based on race.

Egan's book

root throughout the region in the 1920s, how thousands of young men in the largely rural population joined. It also was said that just as quickly as the joining took place, it ended for reasons left unclear.

"Fever in the Heartland" answers a lot of those questions. Indiana became corrupted with the Klan controlling local and state government. But when Klan leaders were shown to be what they were — grifters, moral degenerates, liars and cheats — the fever broke, and followers retired their robes. I won't spoil the rest of the story, of a woman wronged by Indiana's Klan boss speaking truth from the grave.

The point: Hate is always there. Its mortal enemy is truth and, often belatedly, the goodness in decent people's hearts. Americans have beat hate before. They can beat it again.

As promised, a brief reading list on similar topics:

- "Killers of the Flower Moon," by David Grann. When oil was discovered on what was believed to be useless land occupied by the Osage, members of the tribe stood to become fabulously wealthy. Instead, they were targeted for exploitation while authorities looked the other way. Murder was the most efficient tool. The case marked the emergence of the fledgling FBI, to bring at least some justice for the victims.

- "1491," by Charles Mann. The date in the title suggests the content to follow, because it's one year before the arrival of Christopher Columbus to "discover" the Ameri-

cas. Mann's purpose is to report on a land that was not empty, but rather populated by millions of people now referred to as Native Americans. The result of "discovery," as one might surmise, did not turn out well for those who were already here.

- "Blood and Thunder, the Epic Story of Kit Carson and the Conquest of the American West," by Hampton Sides. The story fairly presents the widely differing versions of history surrounding western expansion. The incredible persistence and heroism of people like Carson, the most famous and accomplished mountain man and guide through the wilderness. The sad and violent displacement of Native people who were in the way. The taking of Mexican territory that was the culmination of a vision of America's manifest destiny to become a continental nation.

- "The Man Who Saved the Union, Ulysses Grant in War and Peace," by H.W. Brands. Warts and all, a presentation of Grant's career as the determined general who bled the South into submission and later brought the same will to the effort to win the peace.

History is a guide, if we're willing to see it. Hate is not new, but rather an ever-present challenge to overcome.

To learn more, read.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Censorship serves to erode American freedoms

To the editor:

Reading is among our greatest freedoms. The First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution gives us the freedom to hear all sides of issues and make our own judgments. This is not the case in many authoritarian countries (think Nazi Germany). Silencing of diverse ideas diminishes the toughness and resilience of our society, leaving it less able to deal with controversy and difference.

Americans do not need others to do their thinking for them. No

government or group has the right to take the law into its own hands, or impose its personal concepts of morality or politics on others. Censorship suppresses ideas and is fatal to a democratic society.

Parents and teachers have a responsibility to prepare the young to meet the diversity and challenges in life by teaching them how to think critically for themselves. People should have the freedom to read and consider a broader range of ideas than those that may be held by any single person or group. Nazi Germany controlled what parents and children were made aware of. Even now, Vladimir Putin has limited what is told to adults in Russia

and taught in schools.

Beware of politicians who stoke fear and intimidation in the name of "freedom." Censoring books about history, race, sexual orientation or gender denies individuals the choice to decide for ourselves. Books are portals for us to develop empathy, be it about health, grief, death, well being, families or violence.

We need to be able to scrutinize our world from different angles we are exposed to in order to make wise decisions. True freedom should allow Americans to make their own decisions about what they read and believe.

Shirley Hinze, Shawano

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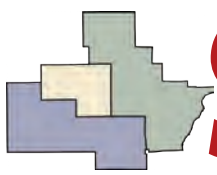
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AUTO RACING

Speedway raises over \$20,000 at annual event

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Shawano Speedway held its annual Racing for a Reason night on June 17, raising over about \$25,000 for childhood cancer.

A check of at least \$22,260 will be made out to Child Life Services of St. Vincent in Green Bay.

Racing for a Reason started 13 years ago when Shawano Speedway's promotions and operations manager Brad Luepke's son Reed was diagnosed with leukemia. Since that time, roughly \$280,000 has been raised.

More information on Racing for a Reason can be found on the Shawano Speedway Facebook page at www.facebook.com/shawanospeedway.

On the racetrack, the IMCA Stock Car class was racing with a \$4,000 to win prize on the line. Luke Lemmens prevailed in the feature race after winning a heat race earlier in the night.

Travis VanStraten placed second in the feature race, while Clint Forstner claimed third. Trent Nolan and Jared Siefert rounded out the top five.

Wyatt Block earned the win in the IMCA Modified class. He also won a heat race earlier in the night.

Jason Czarapata placed second behind Block, while Konnor Wilinski grabbed third. Jerry Wilinski took fourth and Johnny Whitman placed fifth.

Tyler Sobiesczyk picked up the win in the IMCA Sport Mod feature race. Sobiesczyk got past seven cars on his



Race fans and community members look over some of the items available at the Shawano Speedway's Racing for a Reason event on June 17 in Shawano.

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way to first.

Max Oreskovich and Andy Klosterman each worked past four drivers to claim second and third place, respectively. Dustin Wudstrack took fourth, while Cory Kemkes was fifth.

Lukas Postl earned the top finish in

the Late Model class.

Ron Berna, Troy Springborn, Jayden Schmidt and Justin Schmidt rounded out the top five.

Tanner Westphal was the top finisher in the Mighty 4 class, working past five drivers from his starting spot.

Nathan Lisowe finished second, while Brad Wedde worked past 10 cars to grab third. Dalton Nelson came in fourth, while Kasey Gross took fifth.

Racing from Shawano Speedway continues on June 24, with \$1,000 on the line for the IMCA Modified class.

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK

Bowler's Kietlinski places 2nd in high jump at nationals

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Recent Bowler High School graduate Emmitt Kietlinski placed second in the high jump at the Nike Outdoor Nationals on June 17 at Hayward Field at the University of Oregon.

Kietlinski cleared 6 feet, 9 inches to earn the second-place finish.

"My goal going into the meet was to hit a PR (personal record) at 6-9 and then hope it was good enough to get into the top six and be named a Nike All-American. Accomplishing that

second-place finish on such a huge stage was surreal," said Kietlinski.

"I worked extra hard for three days leading up to the national, then, due to travel, took several days off from jumping. I think hard training and rest combined for a great result."

Riyon Rankin of Brunswick High School in Georgia won the event after also clearing 6-9. Rankin cleared the height on the first try, while Kietlinski made it on the third attempt.

Kietlinski, who competed for the

Gresham/Bowler co-op team in high school, was named an All-American for his strong finish. The height set a new school record in the process.

Kietlinski competed in the triple jump at the national meet on June 18, placing 23rd.

He earned that finish after a top leap of 42-2¼. He posted his top mark on his first of three attempts in the first flight of competition. The top nine advanced to the finals.

To qualify for the Nike Outdoor

Nationals, Kietlinski had to meet certain standards in each event. The high jump standard was 6-4, while the triple jump mark was 44-6.

"Competing in the national was the biggest meet of my career," said Kietlinski. "I'd seen Hayward Field meets on television, so it was extra special to compete on that track. There were jumpers who were state champions from all over the U.S. and it was neat to talk to and compete with guys from all over the country."

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Shawano's Henning makes Bay 1st team

Four other Hawks on second team

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Five players from the Shawano baseball team earned spots on Bay Conference teams following the completion of the spring season.

Senior Ashton Henning made the all-conference first team unanimously for the Hawks' top honor. Seniors Bryce Popp and Michael Metcalf-Grassman and sophomores Jerzy Broucker and Crew Weisnicht all made the second team, while no Shawano players were honorable mentions.

Henning was honored as an infielder, making the first team for the third straight year. His freshman season was wiped out by the pandemic.

The senior hit for a .345 average in conference play after collecting 20 hits, eight of which went for extra bases. Henning walked 15 times while striking out just seven times.

Henning led the team in runs scored (23) and stolen bases (7), while also driving in 14 runs.

He was the team's most-used pitcher in conference play, covering 33 innings across eight appearances. Henning struck out 49 batters, won two games and posted a 2.33 earned run average.

"It means a lot to me, especially with how my season started. I had high expectations going into the season and the start of the season was really rough for me. Being able to work through that and perform like I wanted to was pretty special," said Henning.

Henning will play on Team North at the Wisconsin Baseball Coaches Association All-Star Classic in Oshkosh on June 30 and July 1.

Broucker made the second team as an outfielder.

The sophomore hit for a .440 average, with 22 hits across 16 Bay games. Broucker drove in 11 runs and scored 14 times.

Broucker also did a little pitching, working 2 2/3 innings over two appearances. He surrendered just one run.

Popp was listed as a pitcher on the second team.

The senior also appeared in eight contests for the Hawks, working 31 1/3 innings. He struck out 36 batters and



Shawano's Ashton Henning makes a throw to first base during a nonconference game against Luxemburg-Casco on May 4 in Shawano. Henning made the all-conference first team in his senior season.

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won four games while sporting a 2.46 ERA.

At the plate, Popp had 22 hits and finished with a .349 average. He drove in a team-leading 16 runs and scored 13 times.

"While I'm appreciative of being awarded the second team spot, I'm disappointed in myself for not achieving first team," said Popp. "With it being my senior season, I really would have liked to go further but I'm still glad with what I was able to accomplish."

Weisnicht was a second teamer as an infielder.

He posted a .388 average after recording 19 hits in 17 conference games. The sophomore also drew 12 walks. Weisnicht scored 10 runs and drove in six for the Hawks.

Metcalf-Grassman got his all-conference nod as an outfielder.

The senior hit .328 in Bay action, recording 21 hits. Metcalf-Grassman walked nine times while striking out on just eight occasions. He swiped six bases, drove in 14 runs and scored 12 times.

MMG also pitched in seven games, working 13 innings. He struck out 16

batters and picked up three wins.

"It was really cool," said Metcalf-Grassman of the honor. "It was a goal of mine to be all-conference in every sport my senior year, and I was grateful to be selected to second team all-conference."

Shawano finished fourth in the conference standings with an 11-7 record. The Hawks were a No. 6 seed for the postseason and topped No. 11 Sturgeon Bay before falling to No. 3 Little Chute in a regional semifinal contest.

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Three Panthers recognized by NEC

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Three Oconto Falls High School baseball players earned recognition from the North Eastern Conference after the spring season wrapped up.

Sophomore Cole Bozile earned the Panthers' top honor after making the second team. Senior Braden Vander-moss and sophomore Jack Adler landed on the honorable mention list.

Bozile made the second team as a utility player and finding success at the plate and on the mound.

The sophomore hit for a .362 average in NEC play after collecting 17 hits across 18 games. Bozile drew four walks and scored seven runs, while leading the team with 14 stolen bases.

Bozile pitched in nine of the team's conference games, covering 9 2/3 innings. He struck out eight batters.

"Making second team all-conference this year has been nothing but positive," said Bozile. "My teammates and family have been great this spring season and I can't wait for next year."

"It motivates me to work harder for next baseball season and possibly find a first team spot. I think this also carries momentum going into my future sports seasons. I can't thank enough the seniors though that I have played with, it has been awesome!"

Adler was honored as a pitcher, but also had some success as a hitter.



Oconto Falls' Cole Bozile makes a throw during the team's doubleheader against Freedom on April 18 in Oconto Falls. Bozile made the NEC second team this spring.

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The sophomore pitched in eight conference games and worked 41 total innings. He picked up both of the team's conference wins and struck out 29 batters. Adler turned in a 2.90 earned run average in NEC action.

Adler hit for a .250 batting average at the plate, tallying 12 hits. He drove in a team-leading nine runs and scored nine times.

"It makes me feel great about how the season went, and only as a

sophomore, I still have two seasons for growth within the game," said Adler. "What motivates me is that there's still two all-conference teams ahead of me."

Vander-moss was one of the team's senior leaders, and was recognized as an infielder on the all-conference list.

He accumulated a .245 batting average after recording 12 hits in conference play. He finished with as many walks and strikeouts (four) and scored

four runs.

Vander-moss also did a little pitching for the Panthers, covering 10 innings across three games. He struck out 19 batters.

"I am extremely grateful that my hard work over the years has continued to pay off," said Vander-moss. "I know towards the end of the season, things didn't go as smoothly as I had hoped and I wasn't able to perform to the level that I know I'm capable of. However, I am extremely happy that I was still able to help my team in any way that I could. We put together a fun season with a couple awesome wins and really built up some confidence in the younger group on the team."

"I'm excited to see how the team does in the coming years. They have great potential and I hope that I have made a positive impact on them throughout the season. Again, I am honored to be recognized as an all-conference player, but I'm also happy that I was able to end my baseball career on a high note with a fun season with great teammates."

Oconto Falls finished 2-16 in NEC games, placing ninth in the conference standings. The Panthers earned a No. 12 seed for the postseason and nearly upset No. 5 Wrightstown, instead falling 1-0 in the regional quarterfinal.

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DAIRYLAND LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

Pulaski 7

Navarino 6 (10 inn.)

Pulaski earned a walk-off win over Navarino on June 16 in Pulaski. Hunter Larson drove in Sam Brodhagen for the game-winning run.

Joel Vandehei picked up the win after coming on in relief of Nick Dagneau, who tossed the first 7 2/3 innings.

Bonduel 6

Hortonville 5

Bonduel knocked off Hortonville in a June 18 contest in Bonduel to earn its 1,000th win in team history.

Luke Kostreva delivered the game-winning run on a walk-off fielder's choice. Adam Frost posted four hits for Bonduel, while Kostreva, Chase Reinke and Wyatt Reinke all had two hits. Jack Reinke got the win in relief of

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Chase Reinke, who pitched into the ninth inning.

Hortonville's Kole Ellenbecker hit a three-run homer in the ninth to tie the game. Eli Kramer added three hits, while Connor Roesler also homered. Mason Thiel took the loss on the hill, while Colan Trembl started and went six innings.

Hortonville 15

Cecil 3

Hortonville rolled to a win over Cecil on June 16 in Cecil.

Connor Roesler posted four hits to lead Hortonville at the plate. Will Salaman drove in five runs on three hits.

Chris Atwood got the win on the mound after striking out 11 batters over

five innings.

Jordan Boldt was dealt the loss on the hill. Jake Sager posted two hits for Cecil.

Nichols 5

Shawano 3

Nichols topped Shawano in a June 18 contest in Shawano.

No other statistics were available at press time.

Hofa Park 8

Pulaski 2

Hofa Park earned a road win over Pulaski on June 18.

Robert Schuettelpelz earned the win on the mound after striking out four batters over nine innings. He posted two hits, including a home run, at the plate.

Brinton Anderson drove in three runs for Hofa Park, while Hayden Groff plated a pair. Marcus Hornacek

and Nick Volz chipped in two hits each.

Waupaca 5

Cecil 2 (10 inn.)

Waupaca got past Cecil in extra innings during a June 18 battle in Cecil. The hosts led 2-0 after an inning before Waupaca tied it in the fifth and then won it with a three-run 10th.

Walker Smith drove in two runs on two hits for Waupaca, while Jason Ellie posted two hits and scored twice. Jack Eagan picked up the win after tossing four scoreless innings in relief of Cam Seidl.

Grant Bouche and Isaac Boldt scored Cecil's runs in the first frame. Andrew Schroeder took the loss after working 2 1/3 innings. Tucker Bouche pitched the first seven frames, with both runs he allowed being unearned, and Noah Beilfuss got the final out in the 10th.

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Marion's Stuhr crowned CWC-North's top player again

Three other area schools with players recognized

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Marion High School's Jaden Stuhr was named the Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division's top player for a third straight spring after a dominant senior baseball season.

Stuhr played all over the diamond for the Mustangs and played at an elite level at every spot.

"To be named Conference Player of the Year during my senior season means a lot, but not as great as having the opportunity of winning it in each of my high school seasons," said Stuhr. "There has been tons of work that's been put into building off each year to become better, along with many challenges to face and overcome as well.

"Life threw a curveball at me before my senior season, and it feels amazing to say that I've been able to not let it affect me but instead knock it out of the park by playing what I believe to be the best baseball that I've played throughout high school."

Stuhr, who dealt with an autoimmune disease before the season, finished his senior season with a .500 batting average. He tallied 19 extra-base hits, drove in 42 runs, walked 27 times, stole 35 bases and scored 33 runs.

As a pitcher, he owned a 10-1 record, striking out 103 batters over 47 innings. He allowed just two earned runs to record a 0.30 earned run average.

Stuhr was one of eight Marion players to earn an all-conference nod. Senior Nick Malueg and juniors Jay Brei and Ryan Malueg joined Stuhr on the first team. Senior Jack VanKooy and junior Jackson Krohn were both second teamers, while senior Andy Faehling and sophomore Braxton Gen-skow were honorable mentions.

Joe Stuhr was tabbed the CWC-North Coach of the Year after the



Marion's Jaden Stuhr looks on after hitting the ball during the team's regional title game against Iola-Scandinavia on May 31 in Marion. Stuhr was named the CWC-North Player of the Year for the third straight year.

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Mustangs went 10-0 in conference play, outscoring teams 141-21 along the way.

Tigerton seniors Asher Michaelis and Colby Wanta both landed on the first team. Senior Ryder Graham, sophomore Joey Zimdars and freshman Caleb Dahlstrom made the second team, while junior Loghan Wanta was an honorable mention.

Bowler senior Marcus Malone and junior Danian Schultz both made the all-conference first team. Senior

Beau Brunner and junior Gavin Klose earned second team honors, with juniors Karter Kolpack and Tully Kroening receiving honorable mention nods.

Sophomore Kale James was the lone Gresham player to make an all-conference team, making the second team.

Nick Malueg hit for a .434 average for Marion, delivering six extra-base hits and 12 RBIs. He walked 23 times, stole 34 bases and scored 40 runs.

On the hill, the senior struck out 12



Marion's Nick Malueg heads toward home plate during a CWC-North game against Tigerton on April 10 in Marion. Malueg made the all-conference first team as a senior.

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batters over 9 1/3 innings.

"It's an amazing feeling to be a part of the first team all-conference group again," said Nick Malueg. "My team was awesome, and I was glad to be a part of something so special for Marion High School..."

Ryan Malueg hit for a .453 average and tallied nine extra-base hits, 27 RBIs, 34 stolen bases, 11 walks and 35 runs scored.

The junior earned six wins on the mound, covering 37 2/3 innings and striking out 42 batters.

"It means a lot to mean since I now only have one season left and it motivates me to try and get conference Player of the Year next year," said Ryan Malueg.

Brei, the Mustangs' primary catcher, had a .385 batting average while collecting seven extra-base hits. He also drew 12 walks, drove in 31 runs, stole seven bases and scored 12 runs.

Brei covered 17 1/3 innings on the mound, striking out 28 batters and earning two wins.

"It definitely was cool being named first team all-conference after working hard all offseason," said Brei. "I won't really celebrate too much over it. I just go out there and play my game and what others think is what others think,



Tigerton's Asher Michaelis looks on after hitting the ball during a CWC-North game against Marion on April 10 in Marion. Michaelis made the CWC-North first team in his senior season.

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I'm not out there to impress, I'm just out there to do my job."

Tigerton's Michaelis collected 14 hits in conference play, including five extra-base hits, to earn his spot on the first team. The third baseman drove in 20 runs and scored 15 times.

Michaelis also did some pitching for the Tigers, earning one win.

"I'm very appreciative to have gotten first team my senior year — not only was it special to get it my senior year but it was even more special to have gotten it two years in a row," said Michaelis. "I'm glad I ended my high school career with a bang and (hope to) bring that success to sports I plan to play outside of high school."

Colby Wanta tallied 12 hits to land on the first team. Six of the hits went for extra bases, and the shortstop also drove in 10 runs, scored 19 times and stole 21 bases. The senior also did some pitching for Tigerton.

"Being named all-conference first team for my last year of high school baseball truly means a lot to me," said Colby Wanta. "I feel like I deserve every bit of this award. With me receiving second team my last two years it was my goal to get this award and have a winning season along with it. Both of these happened and I couldn't be any happier on how high school baseball had ended."

Schultz made the all-conference

first team for Bowler mostly for his work on the mound. He picked up three wins and a save while covering 24 2/3 innings over seven appearances. Schultz struck out 29 batters along the way.

At the plate, Schultz drove in four runs on four hits, while scoring 12 runs. He walked 10 times and stole 10 bases.

Malone recorded 13 hits in conference play. He drove in six runs and scored 16 times. Malone drew seven walks and swiped 19 bases.

The senior also did some pitching, earning a save while working 2 1/3 innings.

"It meant the world to me," said Malone of the conference honor. "I started baseball my junior year because of COVID."

"Last year I wanted to make first team really bad, but my coach said it was because it was my first year. So going into my senior season that was my main goal. I'm glad that I earned this achievement and it's nice way to go out on my senior season."

Brunner earned his conference nod despite missing four conference contests. At the plate, he tallied 10 hits, eight RBIs, six stolen bases and scored four runs.

He pitched in four games, earning a win and a save while covering 13 2/3 innings.

Klose finished the conference



Bowler's Marcus Malone makes a throw to first base during a CWC-North contest against Gresham on April 13 in Gresham. Malone landed on the all-conference first team this spring.

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portion of the season with 12 hits. He scored 10 runs and drove in six.

Graham, Tigerton's catcher, earned his spot on the second team after tallying 13 hits in conference play. He drove in 11 runs and scored 13 times.

Zimdars collected 12 hits in CWC-North play and made the list as a center fielder. He drove in 12 runs, scored 12 times and swiped seven bases.

Dahlstrom posted 13 hits to be recognized in his freshman season. The utility player scored 13 runs and drove in 11. He also earned two wins on the mound.

Marion's Krohn earned his second team spot after hitting for a .316 average across the full season. He also recorded 22 runs, 18 RBIs, 18 stolen bases and 17 walks.

VanKooy hit .351 this spring, with seven RBIs, eight stolen bases and 14 runs scored.

Gresham's James landed on the second team after collecting eight hits in conference play, half of which went for extra bases. He drove in three runs and scored five times.

"(It's) Pretty special to me personally because I strive to play baseball and always find chances to play," said James. "It will motivate me to keep pushing through the toughest obstacles that come my way and to overcome them."

Tigerton's Logan Wanta made

the honorable mention list after tying Dahlstrom with two wins on the hill in conference play. At the plate, he recorded 10 hits, 10 RBIs, nine stolen bases and six runs scored. He played left field when he wasn't on the hill.

Marion's Faehling received recognition after hitting .254 this spring. He also had 16 walks, 15 RBIs and 14 runs scored. Faehling also pitched, striking out 17 batters over 8 2/3 innings.

Genskow hit for a .317 average to get recognized. He tallied 17 walks, 10 stolen bases, 16 RBIs and scored 20 times.

Bowler's Kolpack drove in five runs on seven hits and scored 11 runs in conference play to make the honorable mention list. He walked seven times and stole six bases.

Kolpack also pitched 17 innings across seven games, earning a win and two saves. He struck out 16 batters.

Kroening collected 14 hits in conference play, driving in nine runs to lead the team's all-conference players. He also led the group in runs scored (16). He walked eight times and swiped nine bases.

Behind Marion's 10-0 finish and conference title, Tigerton came in second in the CWC-North with a 7-3 record. Bowler tied for third at 5-5, while Gresham took fifth at 3-7.

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LEGION BASEBALL

Bonduel shuts out Shawano behind pitching trio

Grizzlies take advantage of Patriots' errors

By **DUSTIN RIESE**
Correspondent

Despite the high school baseball season coming to a close, the American Legion season is in full swing as the Bonduel Grizzlies traveled to Shawano to take on the Patriots on June 14.

With Shawano looking to improve its early season record to 2-0, the Grizzlies had other plans as Mason Bohm, Cade Johnson and Charlie Tauchen combined to throw a three-hit shutout as Bonduel rolled 11-0.

"We had a great pitching performance tonight from Mason, Cade and Charlie," Bonduel coach Jeremy Reinke said. "Those three haven't thrown a lot the last few weeks so to see them come out and take care of business is a positive sign for us going forward."

"Tonight was not one of our better games and the final score indicates that," Shawano coach Dustin Beyer

said. "Any time you are held to three hits and commit seven errors in the field you make things very difficult for yourself. We didn't do ourselves any favors out there and gave Bonduel way too many chances. Credit them for capitalizing on those chances as they made us pay for those mistakes."

Although the score was one-sided in Bonduel's favor, Shawano didn't do itself any favors as it committed seven errors in the loss which led to eight unearned runs. Dylan Hodkiewicz took the loss and suffered the most from those errors as he allowed seven runs in three innings, but only one of those runs were earned. Reinke felt like that was one of the biggest keys in the win.

"Shawano made some uncharacteristic mistakes, and we were able to capitalize on those mistakes," Reinke said. "There were several instances where our kids showed great baserunning and that helped set things up for the offense throughout."

It didn't take Bonduel long to grab the lead with Noah Weier picking up a sacrifice fly four batters in to make things 1-0. However, it was the

next three innings that did the most damage as the Grizzlies scored nine times, with three runs coming in each inning. Bohm opened the scoring in the second with an RBI triple while an error and a Easton Reinke single made things 4-0.

Bonduel kept the pressure on in the third inning, but Shawano also helped its case as two more errors paved the way for two runs to score, with the lead getting stretched to 6-0. Johnson capped off another three-run frame with an RBI single as the Grizzlies were rolling 7-0.

Needing some sort of a jump start, Parker Beyer picked up a one-out single in the third for the second of three hits, but nothing more came from that single. Things only continued to get worse for Shawano in the fourth as three walks and a catcher's interference led to another run coming home, while an error and the Adam Beilfuss sacrifice fly put Bonduel in front 10-0. Bonduel would go on to add their final run in the fifth on the Carson Stoss single before finishing things off in the bottom of the fifth.

Despite several great performanc-

es across the board for the Grizzlies, including Easton Reinke and his two hits, Jeremy Reinke isn't satisfied as he knows there is plenty of work that still needs to be done.

"We played well, but we still have a ton of work to do at the plate," he said. "Having 11 hits in a game is great, but with Ashwaubenon and Hortonville coming up next we have to be better."

Along with the hit from Parker Beyer, Warner Beyer and Kody Popelka picked up the other two hits as they were responsible for the three Shawano hits. This is a loss that will sting, but with a week off until facing Wittenberg, Dustin Beyer knows his team will use this as motivation to improve as a group.

"We are still learning how to play as a group," Dustin Beyer said. "This is just the second time we have been on the field this summer and mistakes are going to happen early in the season. Hopefully we can use this game as an example of how crucial the little things in baseball can be. I expect us to learn from this game and to get better from here on out."

BABA HIGHLIGHTS

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

East-West Division

Gresham 10

Tigerton 0

Gresham blanked Tigerton in a June 16 clash in Tigerton.

Gresham had 14 hits in the contest, with Joe Ejnik leading the team with three knocks. Crew Weisnicht and Chase Quinney had two hits each, with one of Weisnicht's hits being a homer.

Paul Murphy picked up the win on the mound for Gresham. Paul Sellner was dealt the loss for Tigerton, which was limited to two hits.

Leopolis 5

Marion 4

Leopolis edged Marion in a June 18 battle in Leopolis.

Trae Moede and Ryan Malueg both collected three hits for Leopolis, with Malueg also earning the win on the mound. Ezra Spencer added two hits.

Joe Weyenberg was the losing pitcher. Jaden Stuhr, Mitch Elandt and Blake Weatherwax all tallied two hits for Marion, while Ryan Mortenson homered.

Tilleda 4

Caroline 1

Tilleda knocked off Caroline on June 18 in Tilleda.

Zach Fehrman pitched a complete game to power Tilleda. He struck out 14 batters along the way.

Steven Reinke led Tilleda with three hits, while Hunter Ellenbecker added two.

Jack Yeager took the loss for Caroline. Klay Finger homered to lead the team at the plate.

Little Falls 12

Clintonville 5

Little Falls earned a home win over Clintonville on June 18.

Little Falls accumulated 15 hits in the contest, with Hunter Gruenwald and Kyle Finger tallying three hits each. Gruenwald also drove in three runs. Chris Dunn homered among his two hits and drove in three runs, while Drew Radies also tallied two knocks.

Carter Kurki was the winning pitcher, while Brock Smejkal took the loss.

Turner Doornink drove in two runs on two hits for Clintonville. Matthew Morse also finished with a pair of hits.

Neopit 23

Shawano 4

Neopit topped Shawano in a June 18 contest in Shawano.

Wendell Waukau Jr. homered three times for Neopit, while George Bruette and Ray White also chipped in three hits each. Ray Lemieux and Donald Waukechon had two hits each. Lemieux was also the winning pitcher.

Akrin Verhein took the loss for Shawano.

Northern Division

Birnamwood 1

Hatley 0

Birnamwood edged Hatley in a June 16 clash in Birnamwood.

Ethan Oelke earned the win on the hill after striking out eight batters over eight innings. Logan Thiex picked up the save and led the team at the plate with two hits.

John Breske took the tough loss for Hatley, which had just three hits.

Eland 10

Aniwa 4

Eland took down Aniwa in a June 18 matchup in Aniwa.

The visitors racked up 16 hits, with

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Blade Niewandomski homering among his four knocks to lead the team. Tyler Nelson added three hits, while Kyle Groshek, Jeremy Jensen and Ryan Richter posted two hits each. Groshek and Charlie Woida also homered for Eland.

Nelson picked up the win on the hill.

Kody Szews took the loss, but posted three hits for Aniwa. Nolan Hoppe also had three hits, while Ryan Govek added two.

Antigo/Polar 18

Wittenberg 0

Antigo/Polar eased past Wittenberg in a June 18 game in Wittenberg.

Isaac Bixby earned the win on the mound and also posted two hits at the plate. Nick Marshall led Antigo/Polar with a four-hit game, including two homers. Jed Weix added three hits, while AJ Kirsch had two.

Nathan Waupekenay and Zach Urquhart had two hits for Wittenberg. Simon Stewart was the losing pitcher.

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Panthers' Danielczak makes NEC 1st team

Four other Panthers also honored

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Five members of the Oconto Falls softball team earned North Eastern Conference recognition after the spring season concluded.

Freshman Amelia Danielczak earned the team's top honor, landing on the first team. Senior Lily Kurek made the second team, while junior Keira Cole and sophomores Madeline Maloney and Randi Metzler were all honorable mentions.

Statistics provided include 15 of the 18 Oconto Falls' conference contests. The missing three games were not reported to the conference.

Danielczak made the all-conference list as an outfielder. In 15 games, she held a .353 batting average after tallying 18 hits, seven of which went for extra bases.

Danielczak drove in six runs and scored 16 times for the Panthers.

"It has been an honor to me to make first team as a freshman. It was a big goal of mine to make all-conference and am so glad that I did," said Danielczak. "I have always pushed myself to do my best in softball and had no idea the outcome it would give me."

Kurek made the second team as a pitcher.

Kurek pitched in nine of the team's 15 reported games, covering 55 1/3 innings and striking out 49 batters. She walked just 13 batters and earned six of the team's conference wins. Kurek had a 2.02 earned run average.

The senior had six hits across the team's reported games, driving in five runs. Kurek also scored six runs.

"It was a great way to end my

senior year, especially with all my friends," said Kurek of the conference honor. "I've been playing with them for the past 10 years and it felt great to end the season with them on such a high note."

Cole did the catching for the Panthers and also was a strong contributor at the plate with the bat.

Cole hit for a .412 average, collecting 14 hits, five of which were extra-base knocks. She drove in 12 runs and scored six times.

Maloney was the Panthers' top run producer in NEC action, driving in 15 runs. She held a .365 average after tallying 19 hits, which included six extra-base hits. Maloney scored 12 times.

Maloney also pitched for the Panthers, covering 11 1/3 innings across three reported games. She earned a win and held a 1.85 ERA.

Metzler also did some pitching, but made the conference list as an outfielder.

She hit .420 in conference action, leading the team with 21 hits. She drove in 10 runs, walked more times (3) than she struck out (2) and scored 10 times.

Metzler covered 35 1/3 innings in the circle across seven reported contests. She earned four wins and held a 2.97 ERA while striking out 30 batters.

Oconto Falls tied for third in the conference standings with a 12-6 record. Luxemburg-Casco (17-1) won the title, while Freedom (16-2) took second.

The Panthers earned a No. 5 seed and a bye for the postseason before being topped 1-0 in a regional semi-final against No. 4 Marinette.

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Oconto Falls' Amelia Danielczak nears first base during an NEC game against Wrightstown on April 18 in Oconto Falls. Danielczak made the all-conference first team as a freshman. MORGAN RODE | NEW MEDIA

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN ADOPTED BUDGET GILLETTS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 65.90(5) (a), that the Gillett School District, on June 15, 2023, adopted the following changes to previously approved budgeted 2022-23 amounts:

GENERAL FUND			
LINE ITEM	PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Anticipated Revenue:			
Transfers-In (Source 100)	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Local Sources (Source 200)	1,525,004.00	1,529,778.00	4,774.00
Inter-district Payments (Source 300 + 400)	442,401.00	422,916.00	(19,485.00)
Intermediate Sources (Source 500)	16,445.00	17,073.50	628.50
State Sources (Source 600)	5,202,139.64	5,198,132.64	(6,007.00)
Federal Sources (Source 700)	801,475.00	811,570.00	10,095.00
All Other Sources (Source 800 + 900)	28,500.00	28,500.00	0.00
Total Anticipated Revenue	8,017,964.64	8,007,970.14	(9,994.50)
Expenditure Appropriations:			
Instruction (Function 100 000)	3,110,836.00	3,048,107.00	(62,729.00)
Support Services (Function 200 000)	3,123,910.74	3,089,323.24	(34,587.50)
Non-Program Transactions (Function 400 000)	1,891,132.38	1,893,844.38	2,712.00
Total Expenditure Appropriations	8,125,879.12	8,031,274.62	(94,604.50)
Beginning Fund Balance	1,733,454.81	1,733,454.81	0.00
Projected Ending Fund Balance	1,625,540.33	1,710,150.33	84,610.00

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND			
	PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Beginning Fund Balance	538,835.33	538,835.33	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	670,435.33	550,340.33	(120,095.00)
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	1,923,858.38	1,852,052.38	(71,806.00)
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	1,792,258.38	1,840,547.38	48,289.00

FOOD SERVICE FUND			
	PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Beginning Fund Balance	197,254.19	197,254.19	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	134,122.19	244,664.19	110,542.00
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	310,274.00	387,854.00	77,580.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	373,406.00	340,444.00	(32,962.00)

COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND			
	PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Beginning Fund Balance	48,706.82	48,706.82	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	45,075.84	49,771.84	4,696.00
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	46,875.00	51,571.00	4,696.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	50,505.98	50,505.98	0.00

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN ADOPTED BUDGET 2022-23 OCONTO FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 65.90(5)(a), that the School Board of Oconto Falls, on June 12, 2023, adopted the following changes to previously approved budgeted 2022 - 23 amounts. The following presents only adopted budget line items with changes. Unchanged line items are not presented.

GENERAL FUND, FUND 10				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Anticipated Revenue:				
Taxes	210	8,416,642	8,423,734	7,092
Interest on Investments	280	24,000	135,000	111,000
Other Revenue, Local Sources	290	114,675	113,769	(906)
Payments for Services	340	1,110,400	1,112,750	2,350
Transit of Aids	510	12,200	30,558	18,358
State Aid - Categorical	610	233,282	254,972	21,690
DPI Special Project Grants, State	630	40,202	40,522	320
Other State Revenue through Local Units	660	15,115	12,304	(2,811)
Other Revenue, State Sources	690	1,322,434	1,323,176	742
DPI Special Project Grants, Federal	730	784,183	1,006,935	222,752
Other Federal Revenue Through State	780	233,812	233,838	26
Other Federal Revenue Direct	790	0	213,964	213,964
Compensation of Fixed Assets	980	19,890	18,248	(1,642)
Adjustments	990	24,642	7,770	(16,872)
Refund of Disbursements	970	28,160	33,913	5,753
Miscellaneous	990	9,000	17,625	8,625
Total Anticipated Revenue		25,793,895	26,484,334	690,439
Expenditure Appropriations:				
Undifferentiated Curriculum	110 000	3,521,173	3,820,629	299,456
Regular Curriculum	120 000	5,881,126	5,463,252	(417,874)
Vocational Curriculum	130 000	624,730	711,844	87,114
Physical Curriculum	140 000	7,255	13,176	5,921
Co-Curricular Activities	160 000	370,315	381,060	10,745
Other Special Needs	170 000	6,970	4,028	(2,941)
Pupil Services	210 000	644,963	646,308	1,343
Instructional Staff Services	220 000	1,007,415	1,132,988	125,573
General Administration	230 000	749,054	778,530	29,476
School Building Administration	240 000	1,159,468	1,141,481	(17,987)
Business Administration	250 000	4,856,441	4,922,188	65,747
Central Services	260 000	92,665	85,175	(7,490)
Insurance & Judgements	270 000	191,188	191,408	220
Other Support Services	290 000	1,311,452	1,373,976	62,524
Inter-fund Transfers	410 000	2,862,058	3,052,348	190,290
Instructional Service Payments	430 000	2,317,346	2,339,020	21,672
Other Non-Program Transactions	490 000	65,000	80,990	15,990
Total Expenditure Appropriations		25,793,895	26,263,654	469,759
Projected Ending Fund Balance:				
Projected Ending Fund Balance		2,856,745	3,079,425	220,680

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND, FUND 21				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Anticipated Revenue:		421,950	571,950	150,000
Expenditure Appropriations:		370,251	520,251	150,000
Projected Ending Fund Balance:		423,982	423,982	0

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND, FUND 27				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Anticipated Revenue:				
Transfers-In	100	2,662,058	2,562,348	(109,710)
State Aid - Categorical	610	900,000	944,355	44,355
DPI Special Project Grants, Federal	730	485,170	470,134	(15,036)
Total Anticipated Revenue		4,291,080	4,210,689	(80,391)
Expenditure Appropriations:				
Special Education Curriculum	150 000	3,148,578	3,071,379	(77,199)
Pupil Services	210 000	583,667	584,647	980
Instructional Staff Services	220 000	206,300	213,732	7,432
Business Administration	250 000	59,245	54,136	(5,109)
Instructional Services Payments	430 000	285,790	279,295	(6,495)
Total Expenditure Appropriations		4,291,080	4,210,689	(80,391)

DEB SERVICE FUND, FUND 38, 39				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Total Anticipated Revenue		4,009,550	38,432,021	34,422,471
Total Expenditure Appropriations		4,009,050	38,330,675	34,321,625
Projected Ending Fund Balance:		62,974	163,820	100,846

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, FUND 41, 46				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Total Anticipated Revenue		222,500	522,500	300,000
Projected Ending Fund Balance:		3,318,252	3,618,252	300,000

FOODSERVICE FUND, FUND 60				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Total Anticipated Revenue		800,640	913,161	112,521
Total Expenditure Appropriations		910,757	978,918	68,161
Projected Ending Fund Balance:		281,690	326,060	44,360

COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND, FUND 80				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Total Anticipated Revenue		190,000	234,043	44,043
Total Expenditure Appropriations		190,000	200,506	10,506
Projected Ending Fund Balance:		136,028	169,565	33,537

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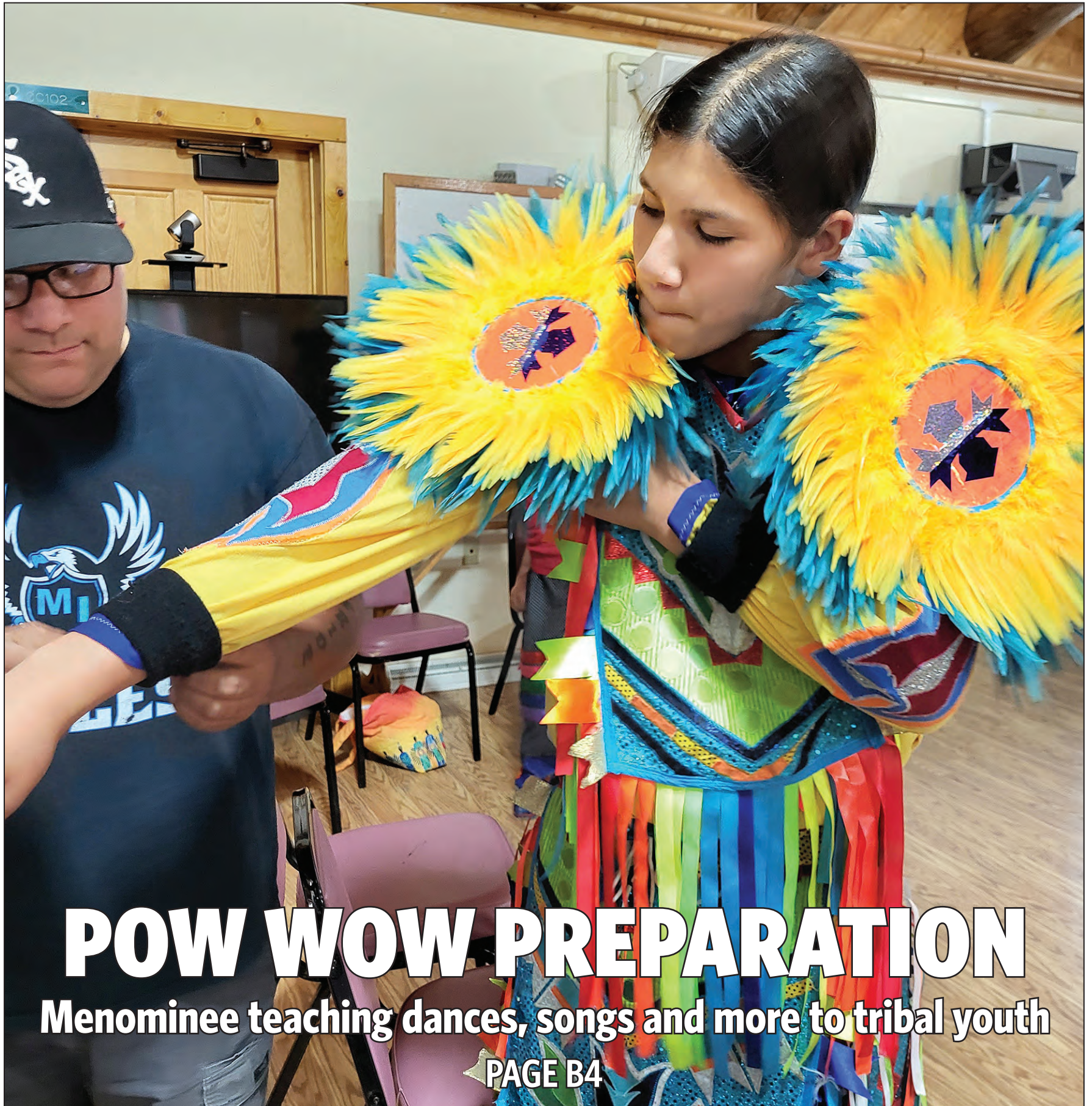
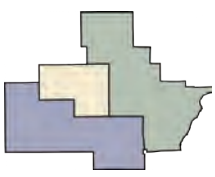
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Menominee teaching dances, songs and more to tribal youth

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Several local youth keep the beat going on a drum June 14 at the College of Menominee Nation Cultural Learning Center while others learn how to dance a variety of powwow dances.



Terri Webster, Menominee Nation elder, helps her great-niece, Olivia, with the traditional dance regalia June 14 at the College of the Menominee Nation Cultural Center in Keshena.

Menominee youth learn about powwow dancing

UW-Extension program helps tribal children to embrace culture, traditions in a fun setting

Encouraging Indigenous children to embrace their culture and heritage is vital to the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin.

So, when the Menominee 4-H Club children themselves requested a chance to learn the traditional dancing and singing of the Menominee, Sofie Cloud got the ball rolling.

Cloud, the UW-Extension Menominee County/Nation 4-H youth development educator, started powwow singing and dancing practice nights on four consecutive Wednesdays in June.

"We're really trying to promote youth voice," Cloud said, "and let the kids guide and decide what we do in 4-H now."

The sounds of laughter and camaraderie, Native drums, traditional Indigenous singing and dancing fill the College of the Menominee Nation Cultural Learning Center weekly during each of the powwow singing and dancing practices this month.

"These sessions are like a laid-back practice, very casual," Cloud said.

"Sometimes when you're trying to learn to dance, it may be intimidating to learn at a big powwow. This is smaller and the sessions are hands-on with teachers. We have it opened up to everyone to come and learn about their culture."

Children ages 3-18 came with family members to the second session on June

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14. From the smiles on their faces, it appeared that they enjoyed learning how to dance and to follow the steps of the teachers.

Past and present Menominee royalty have significant parts in the four sessions. Individual performances and group dancing help the kids to learn how to dance in a supportive and fun atmosphere. A drum group provides the background for the dancing and assists those wanting to learn how to drum and/or sing. Everything during the practice sessions is oriented toward the Menominee culture.

Robert Kaquatosh came to the June 14 session with his son. He said that he encouraged his son, Pershing, 13, to dance. His daughter, Selena, is also involved in dancing.

"I danced as a kid and I always went with my friends and family," he said.

Pershing Kaquatosh, the reigning Boys and Girls Club Royalty Brave, said that he was at the session to help other kids learn. He is an accomplished dancer and has participated in powwows outside of the county.

"I've danced here in Menominee, in Carter, Wisconsin, Marquette, Michigan, and in Morris, Minnesota. Dancing makes me feel good. My favorite is the fancy dance," he said. "I've been dancing a long time and think I know everything, besides dancing to new songs."

His solo performance was lively and intricate, urged on by the beat of the tribal drums group. He wore full Indigenous dancing regalia, including a feathered headdress.

Lilly Asaehnew, 15, Miss Menominee Nation, performed a solo dance, and led other attendees in a Menominee Fancy dance. Her regalia included an intricate headdress and feathery shawl. Many of the young girls who came to practice wore shawls and did their best to follow Asaehnew's lead.

Aaliyah Webster, 18, also performed and led the group in dance at the June 14 session.

"I'm here as a volunteer to teach these kids to dance", she said. "I'm not wearing my actual regalia today, but it's similar. I've been dancing since I could walk. I went to my first powwow when I was 2 weeks old."

"Once, before she could even walk, she crawled over to my footwear and grabbed it," Terri Webster, Aaliyah's great-aunt, said with pride. "She put it right on her leg, like she knew."

Aaliyah Webster was recently Veterans of the Menominee Nation Princess but recently passed her title on at the Gathering of Warriors Powwow in Keshena.



Sofie Cloud, right, joins a group learning how to dance at the June 14 powwow singing and dancing practice night in Keshena. Cloud, the UW-Extension Menominee County/Nation 4-H youth development educator, set up the practices at the request of Menominee County 4-H members. "We have opened it up to everyone to come and learn about their culture," she said.



Lilly Asaehnew, 15, and Pershing Kaquatosh, 13, lead children learning traditional Menominee Tribal dancing June 14 at the College of the Menominee Nation Cultural Center in Keshena. Lilly is the current Miss Menominee Nation and Pershing is the Boys and Girls Club Royal Brave.

"When I was in middle school, my dad signed me up for the Boys and Girls Club Princess," she said. "It's just something I fell in love with, being an advocate for youth and my peers. Being able to inspire young ones to dance and to be a part of this training."

More than half of the 66 participants attending the first session were 18 and under, according to Cloud.

"It's open to the community, but we also had 4-H registration forms

available if someone wanted to join the club. We had 10 families register," she said. "A lot of the kids here are in 4-H, but there's some who aren't. They came to see what we do, and how to get involved."

Cloud herself is a singer and dancer.

"I started as a little kid, probably kindergarten," she said. "My dad took me to powwows all over. I met a lot of caring adults who would teach and show me things."

For the Menominee tribe, dancing is a deep-rooted part of their culture and society. There are several powwows on the reservation each year, including the sturgeon feast powwow in April and veterans powwow in May.

"The big powwow is in August, at the Woodland Bowl," Cloud said. "That's our annual contest powwow."

Terri Webster also brought great-niece Olivia and great-nephew Jacob Webster to the June 14 session. Although not a requirement for participating in the practice nights, both Olivia and Jacob wore Indigenous dancing regalia.

Terri Webster also dances and has attended many powwows over the years, both local and distant.

"Dancing keeps me young, good exercise, meeting other people, travelling, bonding with the little ones, as we travel to powwows," Webster said.

Olivia and Jacob moved in with her about four years ago. Webster told them: "This is what Auntie does. We dance and we go to ceremonies. I had them dancing in their first month with me."

The final powwow singing and dancing practice nights is June 28 from 6-8 p.m. at the CMN Cultural Learning Center, N172 State Highway 47-55, Keshena. Contact Sofie Cloud for information at 715-799-6226, ext. 3234.

Dairy has mission to educate consumers

Hosting Brunch on the Farm only one way Synergy Family Dairy gets word out to urban residents

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Heather Jauquet vowed when she finished with high school that she would never do dairy farming again.

Things changed, though, and she and her husband, Jay, along with their three sons, milk 650 cows and own 565 acres of land in the Town of Maple Grove, just a stone's throw from Pulaski.

The Synergy Family Dairy will be hosting the annual Shawano County Brunch on the Farm on June 25, and thousands of people are expected to flock to the farm to enjoy scrambled eggs, sausage, ice cream sundaes and more in honor of June Dairy Month, which shines the spotlight on Wisconsin's dairy industry.

Farm tours are planned, along with a 5K run, live music, an early-morning polka church service, a petting zoo and other activities. Visitors will also likely see, in addition to the mature cows, some calves that were recently born on the farm.

Jauquet, like many farmers, believes it's important to showcase farms, especially dairy farms, as most of the people who consume their products are unaware of where they come from.

"As you drive around the countryside, it's pretty obvious that the dairy industry is changing," Jauquet said. "Farms are getting bigger. There's getting to be less of them. The average consumer is four generations removed from the farm, I believe, so most people don't have a direct link. They have a question in what they see, and they don't even have a resource person in their circle they can ask about it."

Being able to host Brunch on the Farm means that Jauquet and her family can help to dissipate the disconnect between urban people and the farm folks who prepare much of what they eat and drink.

"It's our responsibility to be that resource, to be that link," Jauquet said. "We talk about it often. We do tours when it's not always convenient, but it's really important."

This isn't the first time that Synergy has hosted a big event. In May, the dairy hosted the Breeders' Bash, a dairy genetics sale highlighting their genetics and the genetics of neighbors and friends. Also, Synergy gets visitors from area schools and daycares and is a host for the Adopt-a-Cow program, which is conducted in 900 classrooms



A newborn calf gets cleaned up by its mother on June 14 at Synergy Family Dairy in the Town of Maple Grove. Brunch on the Farm attendees will get to see cows young and old when Synergy Dairy hosts on June 25.

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throughout Wisconsin.

"That is a great program," Jauquet said. "I am a huge advocate for it."

With the program, three of Synergy's calves — named Lulu, Sweet Caroline and Elizabeth — were adopted by the classrooms and got regular updates from Jauquet on how they were doing, as well as some information about dairy farming in general.

"It's not a ton of work on our part," Jauquet said. "Obviously, we're taking pictures and collecting information, spending time doing that, but the distribution is done through the program.

They have an online portal where the kids and teachers could ask questions directly to me, and I probably responded to 300-400 of those during the school year. The connection the kids feel with their calf is beyond what you think imaginable how attached they get."

The adopted calves will be in a tent during the brunch, according to Jauquet, so local children can see them and learn more about the farm. There are four different breeds at Synergy, so there will be information on each of them.

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: Shawano County Brunch on the Farm

WHEN: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. June 25 for brunch.

The Dairy Dash and Stroll 5K run begins at 7 a.m., and the polka church service begins at 7:30 a.m.

WHERE: W2285 County Road S, Pulaski

ADMISSION: \$10 ages 12 and up, \$5 ages 4-11, free ages 3 and under. Tickets are available onsite (cash only) or can be purchased in advance online at www.shawanofarmbureau.com or on the Shawano County Farm Bureau's Facebook event page.

MENU: Scrambled eggs with diced ham, breakfast sausage, hashbrowns, cinnamon bread, cheese, yogurt, and milk. Ice cream sundaes also available through farm bureau.

While working with cows is something that Jauquet is committed to all day, every day, she didn't always feel that way.

"When I graduated from high school, I was 100% sure that I would never be a dairy farmer," Jauquet said. "I grew up on a dairy farm, and I had had enough of it at that point, honestly. Over the years, things have changed. For me, a lot of it is the purpose of what we do every day. There's a lot of variety in what we do, which is nice, too, but I think, more than anything, it's the sense of purpose as we go about our mission — taking care of the animals, taking care of the land and make this a sustainable farm that's going to continue for generations."

Jauquet works with the Shawano County Farm Bureau, which coordinates the brunch this year, and as she talked about the menu, one of the highlights for her is the cinnamon bread that's served.

"Three hundred loaves — I found that out at one of our meetings," Jauquet said.

Brunch on the Farm usually draws 4,000 to 5,000 people each year, but with Synergy's close proximity to Green Bay and Appleton, Jauquet anticipates residents from those two cities might increase the totals.

"For us, our target audience is a very urban population," Jauquet said. "That's why we're doing this. It's really nice to have our friends and neighbors and family and other farmers come out, but the real reason we're doing this is that we want that urban audience here."



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Lemonade sales benefit humane society

Jaden Zittlow spends summers helping out animals, purchasing items for them

By **NICOLE HIXSON**
Correspondent

Shawano youth Jaden Zittlow set up a stand and sold lemonade from his house to raise money and awareness for the Shawano County Humane Society.

The day's lemonade stand was very successful, bringing in well over \$400. According to his family, this brings the total amount raised this year to \$550 so far.

With a table and a homemade sign set up in front of his house, Zittlow sold lemonade and a special flavored beverage such as watermelon or blue razz for \$1. He also sold homemade bracelets for \$2 to raise funds.

Typically, once consumers learned that the money is benefitting the humane society, they contribute more than what is being asked.

"I really like animals," Zittlow said, when asked why he chose the humane society to be the recipient of the funds. "We have two boxers, a cat and a guinea pig, and we're gonna get a puppy, too."

Some customers were able to see the family's two boxers keeping an eye out for him through the front window of the family's home. Reportedly, they enjoyed watching the people stop by.

Zittlow has been raising funds through his lemonade stands since last year. This is actually the fifth stand he has held to benefit the humane society. He also plans to hold more throughout the summer, although he has no set schedule.

Typically, Zittlow has given 50% of the money raised to the humane society, but has recently decided that with this stand 100% of the funds raised will go to the humane society.

In the fall, Zittlow plans to go with his family to purchase items such as animal feed for the dogs and cats at the shelter. After raising funds over the course of the summer, Zittlow plans to donate all of the items in one visit to the humane society.

Zittlow has already discussed volunteering directly with the humane society, too.

"I haven't volunteered before, but I want to," Zittlow said. "They said I could walk the dogs, play with the dogs and feed the dogs."

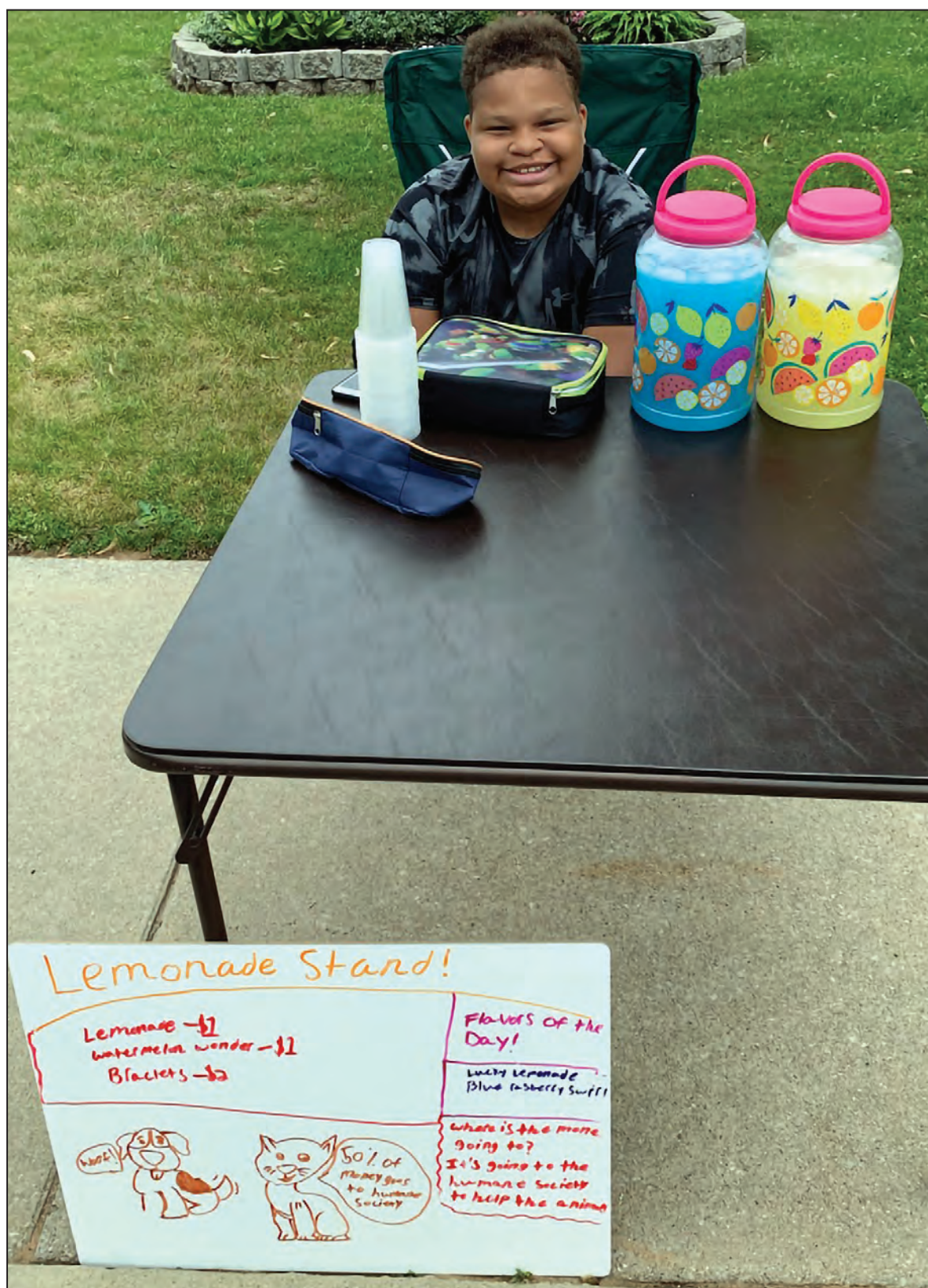
When not holding lemonade stands, Zittlow's main focus is on his education and enjoying his summer vacation.

"I go to St. James (Lutheran School)," Zittlow said. "I just finished sixth grade and am going into seventh."

Zittlow enjoys outdoor activities such as baseball, tubing, fishing and more.

The humane society was excited to learn of Zittlow and wanted to support him in his efforts.

"Jaden's dedication and generosity are truly remarkable," said Pam Nowak, executive director. "He is not only raising much needed funds, but also spreading awareness about the importance of caring and protecting animals in need. He is helping to provide much needed resources for Shawano County Humane Society and fostering a sense of compassion and empathy



Jaden Zittlow sits behind his lemonade stand in front of his home on Lincoln Street in Shawano. The 12-year-old boy earned \$400 in one day recently and plans to sell lemonade intermittently throughout the summer.

NICOLE HIXSON

among those who encounter his lemonade stand. His efforts are not only supporting the animals directly, but they are also helping to educate and inspire others to get involved and make a positive impact."

If you happen to be driving through Shawano, you can take a detour onto Lincoln Street and see if Zittlow is out with his lemonade stand. You might be able to meet Zittlow, enjoy some lemonade and contribute to the humane society.

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ABC 9 WAOW 8 WBAY	Good Morning America (N)		9 Good Morning America (N) 2 Action 2 News: This Morning (N)		9 Wildlife 2 Good Morn. 9 oh baby! (N)		9 Hearts of 2 Wildlife 9 Vets-Pets 2 oh baby! (N)		9 Sports 2 Pitch It 9 Paid- Prog. 2 Hom..		9 Listen (N) 2 Paid Program		9 Sports 2 Paid Program 2 Inside Edition Weekend (N)		UFC Fight Night: Emmett vs. Topuria (N) (Live)								9 Paid Prog. 2 Inside Ed. (N)		ABC World News (N)																					
CBS 6 WFRV 7 WSAW	6 Mission 7 (6:00) CBS Sat		6 Hope in the Wild (N)		6 CBS Sat (N) 7 Lucky Dog (N)		7 Innova- tion (N)		7 Mis- sion Unstop- pable (N)		7 Hope in the Wild (N)		Lucky Dog		Did I Mention Inven- tion?		9 Out- doors 7 Paid ..		Paid Program- ing		6 TBA 7 Paid Program		7 Paid Program- ing		Course Record (N)		PGA Tour Special (N)		PGA Tour Golf Travelers Championship, Third Round From TPC River Highlands in Cromwell, Conn. (N) (Live)								Paid Program- ing		CBS Weekend News (N)							
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK	55 Planet 11 (6:00) News (N)		55 Xplo- ration Outer Space		55 Life 2.0		55 Sci Q		55 Paid Program 11 Life 2.0		55 Paid Program- ing 11 Sci Q		Paid Program- ing		Paid Program- ing		MLB Pregame Show (N) (Live)								MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs vs. St. Louis Cardinals From London Stadi- um in London. (N) (Live)								Cubs vs. St. Louis Cardinals From London Stadi- um in London. (N) (Live)		55 Raw Travel 11 Walk- Fit!		55 Invest. 11 Big Deal		55 Big Bang 11 King		55 Big Bang 11 Sports		55 Shel- don 11 Jeop- ar..		55 Shel- don 11 Wheel	
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW	Harlem Globetrot- ters (N)		26 One Team (N) 12 906		Horse Racing Royal Ascot From Ascot Racecourse in Berkshire, England. (N) (Live)																Track and Field USA1F NYC Grand Prix From Icahn Stadium in New York. (N) (Live)								2023 KPMG Women's PGA Championship Third Round From Baltusrol Golf Club in Springfield, N.J. (N) (Live)								Paid Program- ing		NBC Nightly News (N)							
PBS 29 WHRM 55 WLEF 53 WPNE	Wild Kratts "Cheetah Racer"		Curious "In Search of Space Monkeys"		Work It "Brother Day; Cafe Chaos"		Daniel Tiger's Neighbor- hood		Sewing "Fearless Quilting Finishes, Part 3"		Love of Quilting "Remem- bered"		Garden Smart		The American Wood- shop		Essential Pépin "Cattle Call"		Dooky Chase "Humble Begin- nings"		Project Fire "Raichlen's Rules"		Cook's Country		Ameri- ca's Test Kitchen "Seafood Feast"		Milk Street "Mexican Favorites"		Sara's "Suns Out, Buns Out"		Mexican "In Search of La Mix- teca"		This Old House		Ask This Old House "Sawmill, Bar Top"		Rick Steves' Europe		Weekends "New England Icons"		The Lawrence Welk Show "Country and Western"					
62 WACY 45 WTPX	Hearts of Bones		oh baby!		Building		Makeov..		PaidPro..		Outdoo..		PaidPro..		Bensin..		World's		World's		SOS		SailKin..		Saltwat..		SaltWat..		Fishing		Heartland		ModFam		ModFam		Goldbe..		Goldbe..							
CW 14 WCWF 54 WYOW	14 Out- door 54 Pop- star!		14 Paid Prog. 54 MyP- illow		Jack Han- na's Into the Wild		Jack Han- na's Into the Wild		Jack Han- na's Into the Wild		Jack Han- na's Into the Wild		Pet Vet Dream Team		Tails of Valor		14 Sci- ence 54 Live Life		14 Paid Prog. 54 MyP- illow		14 Paid Prog. 54 Res- cue		14 Cook Like 54 Paid Program		14 Boundless Charlie Ramsay Round: Scotland 54 ★½ Superstar		14 WOW - Women Of Wrestling Newcom- ers (N)		14 Sports 54 High- way		14 Great- est Sports (N)		14 Paid- Prog. 54 Blo..		14 Paid Program- ing		14 Last Man 54 Burg- ers		14 Last Man 54 Burg- ers							

SATURDAY				EVENING								JUNE 24	
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	
ABC 9 WAOW 2 WBAY	9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at Six (N)	Paid Programming	America's Funniest Home Videos Sibling rivalries; the ongoing battle of humans vs. rodents.		America's Funniest Home Videos Nine of the season's top winners compete for a prize.		America's Funniest Home Videos The two biggest prize winners compete for the grand prize.		9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	9 (:35) Weird Earth 2 (:35) Investigate TV	2 (:05) The Song "3 Doors Down" Guests 3 Doors Down	9 (:35) Storm of 2 (:35) Opry (N)	
CBS 6 WFRV 7 WSAW	6 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	6 Friends "Pilot" 7 Inside Edition Weekend (N)	NCIS: Hawai'i "Stolen Valor" A fatal car crash involving an imposter Navy officer.		Blue Bloods "Fake It Till You Make It" Jamie infiltrates a high-tech car smuggling ring.		48 Hours		6 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	6 (:35) Paid Prog. 7 (:35) Small Town Big Deal "Talking Heads"	6 (:05) Friends 7 (:05) The Song 3 Doors Down	6 (:35) Friends 7 (:35) Opry	
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK	55 MLB Baseball 11 MLB Baseball (N) (Live)	Minnesota Twins at Detroit Tigers From Comerica Park in Detroit. (N) (Live)					55 Big Bang "The Maternal Conclusion" 11 News (N)	55 Big Bang 11 Seinfeld	Special Forces: World's Toughest Test "Pressure" The recruits face a skyscraping tactical repel.		55 S.W.A.T. "Never Again" 11 Seinfeld "The Conversion"	11 The King of Queens "Queensbro Bridge"	
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW	26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 12 Elite Money Market Update	26 Paid Programming 12 Wheel of Fortune	USFL Football Semifinal: Teams TBA Football action from around the United States Football League. (N) (Live)						26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 (N)	Saturday Night Live Megan Thee Stallion Megan Thee Stallion hosts and performs.			
PBS 29 WHRM 55 WLEF 53 WPNE	The Carol Burnett Show "Maggie Smith" Guest: Maggie Smith.		Frankie Drake Mysteries "A Most Foiled Assault" Fierce competition and sexism stymie the gal's murder investigation at a female fencing trial.		Miss Scarlet and the Duke on Masterpiece "The Proposal" While Eliza and the Duke struggle around the edges of their relationship, Nash is shot.		The Fall "Night Darkens the Street" Gibson realizes her mistakes have put witness Rose Stagg's life in danger.		Midsomer Murders "The Miniature Murders: Part 1"		(40) Midsomer Murders "The Miniature Murders: Part 2" Alexander Beauvoisin is murdered in front of a crowd at a museum exhibit launch.	Mr. Bean "Mr. Bean Goes to Town"	
62 WACY 45 WTPX	Family Feud Law & Order: SVU "Facing Demons"	Two Men	Chicago Fire "All Hard Parts"		Chicago P.D. "Climbing Into Bed"		Housewife	Housewife	The Simpsons	Family Guy	Family Guy	S.W.A.T.	
CW 14 WCWF 54 WYOW	14 Big Bang 54 Good Dr	14 Baseball Lansing Lugnuts at Wisconsin Timber Rattlers	64 Masters of Illusion Lucy Darling, Xavier Mortimer	64 Masters of Illusion	64 Totally Weird and Funny (N)	64 Totally Weird and Funny (N) (SF)	64 The Liquidator	14 Masters of Illusion 54 Wild Things	14 Masters of Illusion	14 Totally Weird and Funny (N)	14 Totally Weird and Funny (N) (SF)	14 Big Bang 54 Rescue	

SUNDAY			MORNING / AFTERNOON																		JUNE 25	
	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
ABC 9 WAOW 8 WBAY	Good Morning Amer- ica (N)		9 This Week (N) 2 Action 2 News: This Morning (N)		9 Capitol 2 This Week	9 Up- Front	9 Finan- cial 2 Up- Front	9 Paid Program- ing 2 Hear..	9 Cold- well 2 Vets- Pets "A ..	9 Paid Prog. 2 Free Ent.	WNBA Basketball Washington Mystics at New York Liberty From Barclays Center in Brooklyn, N.Y. (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball Dallas Wings at Los Angeles Sparks From Crypto.com Arena in Los Angeles. (N) (Live)			WNBA Basketball Dallas Wings at Los Angeles Sparks From Crypto.com Arena in Los Angeles. (N) (Live)			9 Out- doors.. 2 Paid ..	Paid Program- ing	ABC World News (N)	9 News 9 (N) 2 News (N)	
CBS 6 WFRV 7 WSAW	6 (5:30) News (N) 7 Sunrise	6 News- maker Sunday	CBS News Sunday Morning News, features, weather and com- mentary. (N)			Face the Nation (N)		6 Mass 7 Retirement	Paid Program- ing	Big3 Pre- game (N) (Live)	BIG3 Basketball Week 1 From the United Cen- ter in Chicago. (N) (Live)			PGA Tour Golf Travelers Championship, Final Round From TPC River Highlands in Cromwell, Conn. (N) (Live)					CBS Weekend News (N)	6 Retire 7 News- Channel 7		
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK	55 Paid Prog. 11 (6:00) News (N)	55 Moun- tain Faith Living	55 FOX News Sunday (N)	11 Sharyl Attkisson	55 Invest. 11 Fox News (N)	55 Paid Program- ing	55 Paid- Prog. 11 GO..	Paid Program- ing	Paid Program- ing	Paid Program- ing	55 HBCU Battle of the Bands 11 ★ ★ ★ Yours, Mine and Ours	55 James Brown: The Man, the Music & the Message	55 Salute 11 Heroes	Prostate Health	NHRA Drag Racing Summit Racing Equipment Nationals, Finals From Summit Racing Equipment Motorsports Park in Norwalk, Ohio. (N) (Live)							
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW	Sunday Today With Willie Geist (N)		26 Meet Press 12 Ath- lete	12 Home Remod- eler	26 Know 12 Meet Press	26 Ideal Prostate	26 Wis- consin 12 Pai..	26 Re- modeler 12 Pai..	26 Paid Prog. 12 One Team (N)	26 Paid Prog. 12 Earth Ody. (N)	26 Paid Prog. 12 Voy- ager	26 Paid Prog. 12 Earth Ody.	2023 KPMG Women's PGA Championship Final Round From Baltusrol Golf Club in Springfield, N.J. (N) (Live)					26 News (N) 12 Paid Program	NBC Nightly News (N)			
PBS 29 WHRM 55 WLEF 53 WPNE	Wild Kratts "Box Tur- tled In!"	Curious "Fly Paper; Fix-It Mon- key"	Work It "Me Time; Zadie and the ..	Tiger "Qui- et Time at School; Naptime..	Washing- ton Week	Firing Line With Margaret Hoover	Here and Now	Market to Market	Midsomer "The Miniature Murders: Part 1"	(40) Midsomer Mur- ders: The Miniature Murders: Part 2"	Mr. Bean "Mr. Bean Goes to Town"	Frankie Drake Mys- teries "A Most Foiled Assault"	Miss Scarlet and the Duke on Masterpiece "The Proposal"	Art21: Art in the Twen- ty-First Century "Bod- ies of Knowledge"	The Great American Recipe			Wisconsin Foodie	John McGive "Winona, Minne- sota"			
62 WACY	Pets.TV	Wonder..	PaidPro..	Jeffress	Outback	Wildlife	Rock-P..	Ocean..	Midwes..	Know	The List	Broadw..	Kickin It: Byron	The Good Doctor		The Good Doctor	ModFam	ModFam	FamFe..	FamFe..		
45 WTPX	Bones		Bones		NCIS "Ephemera"		NCIS "In a Nutshell"		NCIS "Schooled"		NCIS "Blarney"		NCIS "The Arizona"		NCIS			NCIS	NCIS "Sunburn"			
CW 14 WCWF 54 WYOW	14 Wor- ship 54 To- morr..	14 Daily 30 In Touch (N)	14 Catho- lic Mass	14 Sha- lom 54 Key of David	14 Out- door 54 Cath. Mass	14 Mt. Faith 54 Perry Stone	14 Paid Program 54 Mad Dog & M	Paid Program- ing	14 Polka 54 Paid Program	14 Insp Ministries	14 Paid Prog. 54 Salute	14 Paid Program- ing	14 Minor League Baseball Lansing Lugnuts at Wisconsin Timber Rattlers (N) (Live) 54 ★ ★ Yours, Mine & Ours "05"			54 Highway Thru Hell		14 Driver 54 WOW	14 Paid Program- ing	14 Shel- don 54 Fam- ily ..	14 Shel- don 54 Fam- ily ..	

WEEKDAY					MORNING / AFTERNOON														JUNE 26 TO JUNE 30							
		7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30			
ABC	9 WAOV	Good Morning America					Live with Kelly and Mark		The View		News 9 Barry-more		GMA3: What You Need to Know		General Hospital		Tamron Hall		Dr. Phil		News 9 WAOW at 4PM		News 9 World News			
	8 WBAY	Good Morning America					Action 2 News 25 Words		The View		Inside Edition Pawn Stars		Action 2 News Paid Pro-gram		General Hospital		GMA3: What You Need to Know		Dr. Phil		Action 2 News Action 2 News		Action 2 News World News			
	9 WFRV	CBS Mornings					Local 5 Live		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		News Bold/ Beautiful		The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		Friends Friends		News News		News CBS News			
	7 WSAW	CBS Mornings					25 Words Paid Program		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		News-Channel 7 Bold/ Beautiful		The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		The Kelly Clarkson Show		Judge Judy Judge Judy		News CBS News			
FOX	55 WZAW	Business		AgDay		Dateline		Rachael Ray		The Jennifer Hudson Show		Family Feud Family Feud		Blast Blast		Judge Mathis		Hot Bench Hot Bench		Judge Judy Judge Judy		News Family Feud		Young Sheldon Young Sheldon		
	11 WLUK	(4:30) Good Day Wisconsin					Live with Kelly and Mark		Fox 11 Living With Amy		Rachael Ray		Various Judge Judy/ Pai..		The Jennifer Hudson Show		Barry-more Barry-more		The People's Court		Judge Judy Judge Judy		Fox 11 News at Five			
	26 WGBA	Today					Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		M Tu Scripps/W-F Newsy Live		NBC News Daily		Dateline		Tamron Hall		The Kelly Clarkson Show		Family Feud Family Feud		News NBC News			
	12 WJFW	Today					Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		Neighbor Neighbor		NBC News Daily		You Bet Pictionary		Pictionary Funny You		Jeopardy TMZ		Up North at 4 Jeopardy!		News NBC News			
PBS	20 WHRM	Wild Kratts		Curious George		Daniel Tiger Rosie's Rules		Sesame Street Work It		Donkey Hodie Pinkali-cious		Elinor Nature Cat		Eleme-ntary Xavier Riddle		Old House Test Kitchen		Queen Elizabeth's Secret Agents		Various		Odd Squad Arthur		Nature Cat America		
	36 WLEF	Wild Kratts		Curious George		Daniel Tiger Rosie's Rules		Sesame Street Work It		Donkey Hodie Pinkali-cious		Elinor Nature Cat		Eleme-ntary Xavier Riddle		Old House Test Kitchen		Queen Elizabeth's Secret Agents		Various		Odd Squad Arthur		Nature Cat America		
	38 WPNE	Wild Kratts		Curious George		Daniel Tiger Rosie's Rules		Sesame Street Work It		Donkey Hodie Pinkali-cious		Elinor Nature Cat		Eleme-ntary Xavier Riddle		Old House Test Kitchen		Queen Elizabeth's Secret Agents		Various		Odd Squad Arthur		Nature Cat America		
	52 WACY	Judge		Relative		Divorce Divorce		A.Wom... Midwes..		iCRIME iCRIME		The First 48		Dateline		Chicago Fire		Sherri		TMZ Live		ModFam ModFam		Goldbe.. Goldbe..		
CW	46 WTPX	Various		Xplorati..		Various F Planet		Various		Various		Various		Various		Various		Various		Various		Various				
	18 WCWF	The National Desk			National West		Paid Program		Couples Court Couples Court		Hot Bench Hot Bench		Paternity Court Paternity Court		Law & Order: SVU		Judge Jerry		Judge Mathis		Pictionary You Bet		Jeopardy Funny You		You Bet Young Sheldon	
	34 WYOW	Divorce Court		Providence		Maury		The Steve Wilkos Show		Karamo		Maury		Extra Holly-wood		Sherri		Judge Jerry		Karamo		The Steve Wilkos Show		Judge Lake Judge Lake		

MONDAY				EVENING										JUNE 26															
		6 PM		6:30		7 PM		7:30		8 PM		8:30		9 PM		9:30		10 PM		10:30		11 PM		11:30					
ABC		ⓐ News 9 (N)		Entertainment Tonight (N)		Claim to Fame "Megastars and Meltdowns" Kevin and Franklin Jonas introduce the celebrity relatives. (N) (SP)				The Bachelorette Twenty-five men travel across the country hoping to find love with bachelorette Charity Lawson. (N) (SP)				ⓐ News 9 (N)		ⓐ Action 2 News at 10 (N)		(:(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!				(:(35) Nightline (N)							
ⓐ WAOW ⓐ WBAY																													
CBS		ⓐ Local 5 News at 6:00 (N)		ⓐ Local 5 News at 6:30 (N)		The Neighborhood "Welcome to the Getaway"		Bob Hearts Abishola "Idle Nigerians"		NCIS "Butterfly Effect" The NCIS team investigates a potential bioterror attack.		NCIS: Hawai'i "Silent Invasion" The team brings in a former team member to help.		ⓐ Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)		ⓐ NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)		(:(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert				(:(35) The Late Late Show With James Corden							
WFRV WSAW		ⓐ NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)		ⓐ Inside Edition (N)																									
FOX		ⓐⓐ Big Bang "The Cognition Regeneration"		ⓐⓐ Big Bang 11 Wheel		Stars on Mars "Life on Mars?" A mission tests the contestants' perseverance. (N)				Crime Scene Kitchen "Classically-Trained: Going Plum Crazy" Teams must bake a seasonal dessert of Yolanda's choosing. (N)		ⓐⓐ NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)		ⓐⓐ Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		ⓐⓐ Seinfeld "The Stall"		ⓐⓐ Seinfeld "The Pothole"		ⓐⓐ Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)		ⓐⓐ Last Man 11 (:(35) Seinfeld		ⓐⓐ Last Man Standing "House Rules"		ⓐⓐ King "Cl.."		ⓐⓐ Goldbergs "Eracism"	
WZAW WLUK		11 Jeopardy! (N)																						11 (:(35) King "Bun Dummy"					
NBC		ⓐⓐ NBC26 News at 6pm (N)		ⓐⓐ Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune "California Coast"		American Ninja Warrior Qualifiers 5 The qualifying rounds continue as ninjas face new obstacles. (N)				The Wall "David and Chris" David and his godbrother Chris face the wall. (N)		Weakest Link "I Feel Like You're Trolling Me!" Contestants play trivia and vote each other off one by one.		ⓐⓐ NBC26 News at 10pm (N)		ⓐⓐ Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)		ⓐⓐ (:(35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (N)		ⓐⓐ (:(35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		(:(35) Late Night With Seth Meyers							
WGWA WJFW																													
PBS		PBS NewsHour Anna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)				Antiques Roadshow "Tucson Hour 2" A Jackie Robinson archive circa 1938; 1960 GMT Master model Rolex; diamond and onyx jewelry.				The Great American Recipe Challenges include a best-in-a-pinch recipe and a noodle dish representing their heritage. (N)		POV "After Sherman" Filmmaker Jon-Sesrie Goff explores Black inheritance, trauma, and generational wisdom. (N) (SP)		Endeavour on Masterpiece "Uniform" A crime wave takes hold of Oxford as a gang of entitled college students wreak havoc.															
WHRM WLEF WPNE																													
ⓐⓐ WACY		Family Feud		Two Men		Dateline "Prairie Confidential"				Chicago P.D.		My News at 9 (N)		Tonight (N)		Two Men		Housewife		Housewife		Housewife		Mom					
ⓐⓐ WTPX		FBI "Scar Tissue"				FBI "Protective Details"				FBI "One Night Stand"		FBI "Fear Nothing"				FBI "Face Off"				FBI "Ghost From the Past"									
CW		ⓐⓐ Big Bang		ⓐⓐ Big Bang		The Rising "Episode 5" Neve must gain Alex's trust; a darker force haunts her. (N)				Barons "The Dream Factory" Dani struggles to get a loan for the surf shop. (N)		ⓐⓐ Last Man "Good Cop, Bad Cop"		ⓐⓐ Seinfeld		ⓐⓐ The National Desk (N) (Live)		ⓐⓐ The National Desk (N) (Live)		ⓐⓐ Last Man "House Rules"		ⓐⓐ Sheldon							
WCWF WYOW		ⓐⓐ Divorce		ⓐⓐ Divorce								ⓐⓐ Liquidator		ⓐⓐ Chicago				ⓐⓐ black-ish "Toys-Rn'tUs"		ⓐⓐ black-ish "Man-ternity"		ⓐⓐ Family Guy							

TUESDAY				EVENING								JUNE 27											
6 PM		6:30		7 PM		7:30		8 PM		8:30		9 PM		9:30		10 PM		10:30		11 PM		11:30	
ABC 9 WAOW 8 WBAY		9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at Six (N)		Entertainment Tonight (N)		Celebrity Wheel of Fortune "Francia Raisa, Joel Madden, Jenifer Lewis" Francia Raisa, Joel Madden and Jenifer Lewis. Guests Francia Raisa		Celebrity Jeopardy! "Semifinal #2: John Michael Higgins, Wil Wheaton and Joel Kim Booster" John Michael Higgins, Wil Wheaton		Claim to Fame "Megastars and Meltdowns" Kevin and Franklin Jonas introduce the celebrity relatives.		9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)		(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!		(35) Nightline (N)							
CBS 6 WFRV 7 WSAW		5 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)		5 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 7 Inside Edition (N)		FBI: International "Imminent Threat -- Part One" An American architect is abducted in Rome.		FBI "Imminent Threat -- Part Two" Remy aids Scola in the search for terrorists.		FBI: Most Wanted "Imminent Threat -- Part Three" The teams unite to hunt down fugitive terrorists.		5 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)		(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert		(35) The Late Late Show With James Corden							
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK		55 Big Bang "The Gyroscopic Collapse" 11 Jeopardy! (N)		55 Big Bang 11 Wheel		Daughter of the Bride (23) Halston Sage, Andrew Richardson, Marcia Gay Harden. A daughter tries to sabotage her mother's wedding while navigating her own love life and career. (P)		55 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		55 Seinfeld "The Marine Biologist"		55 Seinfeld "The English Patient" 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)		55 Last Man 11 (35) Seinfeld		55 Last Man 11 (:05) King		55 Goldbergs 11 (:35) King					
NBC 25 WGBA 12 WJFW		25 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)		25 Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune "California Coast"		America's Got Talent "Auditions 5" The auditions continue as a variety of acts audition for the chance to win the \$1 million prize. (N)		Hot Wheels: Ultimate Challenge "Need for Speed vs. Fight Car" Superfans transform vehicles into Hot Wheels™ showstop-pers. (N)		25 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)		(35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		(35) Late Night With Seth Meyers									
PBS 25 WHRM 55 WLEF 58 WPNE		PBS NewsHour Anna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)		Finding Your Roots "On Broadway" Broadway veterans Audra McDonald and Mandy Patinkin investigate their family histories. Guests Audra McDonald, Mandy Patinkin		American Experience "Casa Susanna" Transgender women and cross-dressing men find refuge during the 1950s and 1960s. (N)		Help! We Bought a Village The owners of a village in Limousin are in roof repair despair.		NOVA "Back to the Moon" Engineers, scientists and entrepreneurs work on new discoveries to make life on the moon a reality.													
62 WACY		Family Feud		Two Men		Dateline "Noises in the Night"		Chicago P.D.		My News at 9 (N) Tonight (N)		Two Men		Housewife		Housewife		Mom					
45 WTPX		Chicago Fire "I'm Not Leaving You"		Chicago Fire "Sacred Ground"		Chi. Fire "A Real Shot in the Arm"		Chicago Fire "Badlands"		Chicago Fire "Buckle Up"		Chicago Fire "What Went Wrong"											
CW 14 WCWF 54 WYOW		14 Big Bang 54 Divorce		14 Big Bang 54 Divorce		Superman & Lois "What Kills You Only Makes You Stronger" All of Smallville comes together to view a meteor shower. (N) (SF)		Gotham Knights "Night of the Owls" The Gotham Knights face their most dangerous rescue yet. (N) (SF)		14 Last Man "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" 58 Liquidator		14 Seinfeld 54 Chicago		14 The National Desk (N) (Live) 58 black-ish "Richard Youngsta"		14 Last Man 54 black-ish		14 Sheldon 54 Family Guy					

WEDNESDAY				EVENING						JUNE 28			
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	
ABC 9 WAOW 8 WBAY	9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at Six (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Judge Steve Harvey "You Ain't Slicker Than the Slick" (N)		The Wonder Years "Blockbusting" (N)	Abbott Elementary "Teacher Conference"	The \$100,000 Pyramid "Rob Riggle vs. Joe Tessitore and Mark Duplass vs. Ali Larter" Rob Riggle, Joe Tessitore		9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!		(:35) Nightline (N)	
CBS 6 WFRV 7 WSAW	5 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	5 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 7 Inside Edition (N)	The Price Is Right at Night		The Price Is Right at Night		CSI: Vegas "Shell Game" An investigative reporter is found dead at a peanut factory.		5 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert		(:35) The Late Late Show With James Corden	
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK	55 Big Bang 11 Jeopardy! (N)	55 Big Bang 11 Wheel	MasterChef "Regional Auditions -- The Northeast" Chefs from the Northeast prepare their signature dishes.		Gordon Ramsay's Food Stars "You've Got Wine" The two teams must each create and pitch a wine blend.		55 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	55 Seinfeld "The Pie"	55 Seinfeld "The Nap" 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	55 Last Man "Odd Couple Out" 11 (:35) Seinfeld "The Pie"	55 Last Man Standing "Moon Over Kenya" 11 (:05) King "T.."	55 Goldbergs "Bevy's Big Murder Mystery Party" ..	
NBC 25 WGBA 12 WJFW	25 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)	25 Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune "America's Game"	LA Fire & Rescue "Three Alarm" Inglewood Station 172 tackles an industrial warehouse fire. (N)		Chicago Fire "Run Like Hell" An annoying floater takes a romantic interest in Violet.		Chicago P.D. "Blood and Honor" The team investigates when a family is poisoned.		25 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		(:35) Late Night With Seth Meyers	
PBS 25 WHRM 55 WLEF 58 WPNE	PBS NewsHour Anna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)		Nature's Great Events "The Great Salmon Run" The survival of North American grizzly bears depends on the annual return of millions of salmon.		NOVA "Ice Age Footprints" What prehistoric footprints in New Mexico's White Sands National Park might say about the Americas.		NOVA "Emperor's Ghost Army" Experiments and 3-D technology provide insight into how China's terracotta army was made.		UNIDAD: Gay & Lesbian Latinos Unidos		Finding Your Roots "On Broadway" Broadway veterans Audra McDonald and Mandy Patinkin investigate their family histories. Guests Audra McDonald, Mandy Patinkin		
62 WACY	Family Feud	Two Men	Dateline "Before the Storm"		Chicago P.D. "Forget My Name"		My News at 9 (N)	Tonight (N)	Two Men	Housewife	Housewife	Mom	
45 WTPX	Blue Bloods "Privilege"		Blue Bloods "Officer Down"		Blue Bloods "What You See"		Blue Bloods "Smack Attack"		Blue Bloods "Brothers"		Blue Bloods "Chinatown"		
CW 14 WCWF 54 WYOW	14 Big Bang 54 Divorce	14 Big Bang 54 Divorce	Nancy Drew "The Oracle of the Whispering Remains" The crew discovers a clue in an unexpected place. (N)		Riverdale "Chapter One Thirty: The Crucible" Mrs. Thornton is accused of being a communist. (N)		14 Last Man "Odd Couple Out" 58 The Liquidator	14 Seinfeld "The Nap" 54 Chicago P.D. "Forget My Name"	14 The National Desk (N) (Live)	14 The National Desk (N) (Live) 58 black-ish "Sister, Sister"	14 Last Man 58 black-ish	14 Young Sheldon 54 Family Guy "Take a Letter"	

THURSDAY				EVENING				JUNE 29				
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
ABC 9 WAOW 8 WBAY	9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at Six (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Generation Gap "Bernie Mac and Cheese" (N) (SP)		The Chase "Moderately Cloudy; High Chance of Whoopings" (N)		Press Your Luck "4th of July Spectacular" Contestants from New York and California.		9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!		(35) Nightline (N)
CBS 6 WFRV 7 WSAW	5 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	5 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 7 Inside Edition (N)	Sheldon "A Frat Party, a Sleepover and the Mother of All Blisters"		Ghosts "Woodstone's Hottest Couple"		So Help Me Todd "Gloom and Boom" A stranger with a bomb comes to the firm and makes demands.		CSI: Vegas "Dying Words" Investigating a case that hits close to home for Folsom.		5 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (35) The Late Late Show With James Corden
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK	55 Big Bang "The Proposal Proposal" 11 Jeopardy! (N)	55 Big Bang 11 Wheel	Alert: Missing Persons Unit "Tim and Amy" Jason and Mike search the mountains for a missing couple.		Stars on Mars "Water Crisis" The remaining celebrities must replenish their water supply.		55 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	55 Seinfeld "The Stand-In"	55 Seinfeld "The Yada Yada" 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	55 Last Man 11 (35) Seinfeld	55 Last Man Standing "Tree of Strife" 11 (05) King "D.."	55 The Goldbergs "Cocoon" 11 (35) King "T.."
NBC 25 WGBA 12 WJFW	25 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)	25 Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune "California Coast"	The Blacklist "Room 417" The task force uncovers a government security breach. (N)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Dutch Tears" A recently released convict looks for Fin, who arrested him.		Magnum P.I. "Welcome to Paradise, Now Die!" Magnum recruits Katsumoto to help find a missing tourist.		25 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		(35) Late Night With Seth Meyers
PBS 25 WHRM 55 WLEF 58 WPNE	PBS NewsHour Anna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)		Help! We Bought a Village The owners of a French village host the local council at their restaurant.		Midsomer Murders "The Sting of Death: Part 1"		(40) Midsomer Murders "The Sting of Death: Part 2" The owners of a thriving bee company will stop at nothing to ensure their success.	Mr. Bean "The Trouble With Mr. Bean"	Wisconsin Pride "Hidden Histories" The film brings hidden LGBTQ+ stories forward, and reconsiders our state's history in that light.			
62 WACY 45 WTPX	Family Feud Chicago "Big Friends Big Enemies"	Two Men	Dateline "The Alibi" Chicago P.D. "A War Zone"		Chicago "Never Forget I Love You" Chicago P.D. "Some Friend"		My News at 9 (N) Chicago P.D. "300,000 Likes"	Tonight (N)	Two Men Chicago P.D.	Housewife	Housewife	Mom Chicago P.D. "Don't Read the News"
CW 14 WCWF 54 WYOW	14 Big Bang 54 Divorce	14 Big Bang 54 Divorce	Walker "False Flag (Part Two)" The Walkers must contend with Grey Flag's plans.		Penn & Teller: Fool Us "Teller and the Big Dummy" Apollo Riego; Rachel Wax; Kolos; Peter Wood.		14 Last Man "Take Your Daughter to Work" 58 Liquidator	14 Seinfeld 54 Chicago	14 The National Desk (N) (Live) 58 black-ish "Liberal Arts"	14 The National Desk (N) (Live) 58 black-ish "Liberal Arts"	14 Last Man "Tree of Strife" 54 black-ish "Sprinkles"	14 Sheldon 54 Family Guy

HONOR ROLLS

SHAWANO COMMUNITY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Second semester HIGHEST HONORS

Eighth grade: Trentyn L. Bartz, Braxon L. Beyersdorf, Brezeis I. Breaker, Elliot J. Clark, Claire A. Dudek, Drew J. Hagedorn, Kierstyn D. Halstead, Christopher N. Hammen Jung, Maxwell J. Huntington, Camden J. Kern, Hajun J. Kim, Josiah D. Kuehl, Tristan A. Lawe, Jaden J. Leslie, Miles A. Miller, Brenna B. Moede, Grace E. Pensis, Arica J. Preston, Olivia M. Pyawasay, Harper L. Rettke, Lauren J. Seehafer, Julia L. Stuber, Lilien R. Tonn, Claire M. Wegner, Kyera L. Williams, McKenna R. Yeager

Seventh grade: Tessa R. Bahr, Fionna R. Bouwma, Noah Gretzinger, Keegan L. Kroenke, Kevin Kroenke, Evelyn D. Kuehl, Kian E. Morstad, Jocelin G. Naumann, Ruby R. Onesti, Cora F. Pieper, Mikelah K. Powers, Evan G. Rogers, Claire M. Schroeder

Sixth grade: Jessica J. Barforth,
Maddalynn D. Bennett, Kinlie K. Beyersdorf,
Kobe J. Bistoff, London J. Bowman, Ryan
L. Dickmann, Brayden L. Fish, Benjamin
F. Gartner, Allora S. Haberland, Molly L.
Hanson, Beckett W. Hendricks, Mechaela
E. Jaros, Isaac B. Johnson, Sophia J. Koehler,
Allison M. Krause, Cadence A. Kuczer,
Clara M. Kuczer, Meryl B. Miller, Amiyah
R. O'Kimosh, Isabella A. Race, Aralyn R.
Schwamer, Toyt T. Sisavath, Kendra L.
Stichman

HIGHER HONORS

Eighth grade: Ethan A. Alkula, Mia G. Aumann, Caiden P. Cappaert, Jacey L. Cowden, Teagon A. Gerrits, Gabrielle M. Gumieny, Hailey M. Hawkinson, Alliyah C. Haws, Kenley P. Kelliher, Kendall J. Knope, Brayden D. Mead, Jackson T. Nordin, Grayson J. Swedberg, Olivia L. Winslow

Seventh grade: Amelia M. Belter,
Cole A. Beyer, Madison R. Brandt, Bailey

L. Hanley, Jaelyn J. Hietpas, Dominick J. Thorson

Sixth grade: Noah Boucher, Peyton E. Boucher, Lucia P. Burr, Jack A. Crawford, Hazel E. Kary, Sawyer H. Keuschel, IzaBella J. Kuhn, Jameson M. Leaman, Christian J. Pyawasay, Brynlee A. Ray, Ainsley M. Schmidt, Blake R. Stickney, Tiara H. Summers, Cooper J. Tomas, Gabriel P. Tonn, Breeana M. Wagner, Nora R. Weiland, Ethan H. Wendt, Chloe C. Wyrobeck

HIGH HONORS

Eighth grade: Jai A. Bisterfeldt, Brayen T. Boivin, Cody R. Boivin, David W. Brock IV, Jady N. Brown, Brayden J. Carpenter, Matthew M. Davids, Chloe K. Gilling, Christina M. Kaczmarek, Eli D. Malchow, Andrew A. Onesti, Zachary D. Schultz, Alyssa A. Singer, Austin J. Stickney, William M. Verkuilen

Seventh grade: Peyton N. Adams,
Avalon J. Anker, Samuel J. Davel, Olivia
M. Dove, Nekah T. Escalante, Morgan J.
Gebert, Liam L. Laude, Charles O. Mailahn,
Collin M. Piper, Kiernan N. Sheldon, Zoe
T. Sipple, Morgan H. Strebel, Izabella K.
Tupper

Sixth grade: Hadyn W. Braatz, Bristol
R. Carpenter, Rylan M. Dart, Myla L.
DeLorme, Rylea F. Ewert, Kendra L.
Goldsberry, Analyse R. Gregerson, Neeya
M. Gueths, Benjamin D. Hixson Jr., Collin
J. Olson, Samantha J. Otradovec, Sage
L. Roubideaux, Liam S. Silk, Payton E.
Skalitzky, Nina K. Tucker

HONORS

Eighth grade: Kaylissa M. Barr, Paige M. Bedroske, Braden A. Behnke, Gracelyn H. Behnke, Makayla A. Behnke, Danielle L. Carroll, Emma L. Effenberger, Austin J. Heling, Kodiak M. Hill, Jack A. Naumann, Callie L. Otto, Aden H. Paque, Cyrus E. Rekow, Gavann Rigsby, Erin E. Roe, Brody W. Schutt, Owen Sorley, Lily G. Splitzgerber, Maverick W. Theis, Isabella S. Theys, Zack R. Van Westenberg, BradLee J. Watson,

Noah A. Wendorff, Hillary A. White
Seventh grade: Austin L. Arrowood,
Jozlyn P. Brocker, Vivian C. Castro,
Nathaniel P. Frank, Kavion L. Franklin,
Alex J. Gomm, Charlie L. Grieves, Aubree
V. Harrison, Aubree H. Heath, Lillian R.
Hidde, Jordan M. Johnson Jr., Layla G.
Kazik, Kasten C. Kegel, Trace T. Mason,
Madeline R. Merckes-Lobermeier, Camden
A. Parsons, Kinleigh M. Pigott, Milton J.
Ruiz Vanegas, Brock B. Sperberg, Kylee A.
Stangel, Freydy J. Vanegas Rivera, Chase A.
Waupoose

Sixth grade: Robert C. Blanke, Cooper L. Clark, Gracie M. Curtin, Khaos Danielson, Anahleiya M. Davids, Jaxon J. Decremer, Stephanie Gibson, Ryder J. Herm, Tien Huynh, Kalliste I. Krueger, BriLee A. Malone, Braylon C. Nacotee, Jacqueline R. Reyes, Lucas J. Rusch, Wyatt A. Tomow, Chassidy L. Vandenbusch, Josielynn E. Villiard, Phillip W. Waukau, Bailey L. Wolfe

SURING HIGH SCHOOL

Fourth quarter HIGHEST HONORS

Seniors: Moriah Baldwin, Trinity Remic,
Emilee Tachick, Hailey Thomson

Juniors: Lillie Taylor, Hailey VanRens
HIGH HONORS

Seniors: Mackenzie Bailey, McKenzie

Chesterfield, Caleb DeKeyser, Ashtyn Edwards, Mason Ferrell, Maxwell Fisher-Yancy, Jacob Granados, Lily Hakes, Ethan Lally, Kaylee Otradovec, Keegan Rattin, Macie Reed, Christine Sleeter, Isaiah Suring, Charles Winkler

Juniors: Birdee Cramer, Braden Denowski, Georgia Gerndt, Claire Pommerich, Joshua Reinke, Alyssa Schowalter, Samantha Seibert, Bailey Stuart, Quinn Thomson, Carter Whisman

Sophmores: Bunny Cramer, Autumn DeGrave, Morgan Dryja, Contessa Losurdo, Allison Napier, Michael Pecanas JR, MaShya Seefeldt

Freshman: Ginger Gerndt, Karissa

Hischke, HaileyBo Pecanas, Logan
Schowalter, Chloe Schroeder, Tia
Schwartzkopf, Morgan Suring

HONORS

Seniors: Colton Peters

Juniors: Autumn Dryja, Gracelyn

Fuchs, Brenna Garrett, Hailey Huguet,
Claire Madison, Precilla Otradovec, Trent
Thomson, Trent Van Den Elzen, Parker
Zahn

Sophomores: Michael Bailey, Bradly Bayer, Madelynne Hatfield, Kaleb Kempka, Emma Kristof, Morgan Laabs, Emily Peterson, Kendra Rattin, Chase Schindel, Ava School, Cody Schrank, Madison Tachick, Riley VanDenBusch-Denowski
Freshmen: Jacob Cornell, Angel Ermis, Parker Haak, Allvson Seibert

**SURING JUNIOR
HIGH SCHOOL**

Fourth quarter HIGH HONOR ROLL

Eighth grade: Taylor Booth-Stoffregen, Aleena Broetzman, Taylor Brown, Britta Burrack, Dayne Ermis, Colin Frank, Jayden Frank, Abbey Moericke, Paige Pommerich, Lexis Remic, Maleigha Seefeldt, Grant Thomson, Erin Wichman

Seventh grade: Lucas Bailey, Lacey Brenneman, Gracie Christensen, Blake De-Grave, Addison Frank, Kyler Kempka, Cole Krueger, Grace Lally, Alexa Nicola, William Seibert, Ellayna Skarban, Randi Tachick, Avery Whisman

Sixth grade: Emery Hull, Zaiya Martin, Scarlett Olson, Walker School, Bella Westphal, Ruby Wichman

HONOR ROLL

Eighth grade: Bryce Fuchs, Hailey Keller-Mather, Kroix Kempka, Liam Matelski, Abigail McCourt, Catherine Otradovec, Hannah Ponton, Garrett School

Seventh grade: Skylar Bristol, Autumn Buck, Rylee Floyd, Riley Thomson

Sixth grade: William Cloud, Ella Lutzerne, Logan Missall, Kianna Valek

FRIDAY			EVENING										JUNE 30								
			6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30							
ABC	9	News 9 (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Will Trent "Don't Let It Happen Again" The death of a security guard perplexes Angie.	20/20					9	News 9 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!		(:35) Nightline (N)							
9	WAOW	2								Action 2 News at 10 (N)											
2	WBAY																				
CBS	6	Local 5 News at 6:00 (N)	6	Local 5 News at 6:30 (N)	S.W.A.T. "Checkmate" Luca grows concerned about changes in Hicks' behavior.	Fire Country "A Cry for Help" An internal investigator suspects Jake of being an arsonist.	Blue Bloods "Lost Ones" Danny and Baez investigate the death of a chess hustler.			6	Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert		(:35) The Late Late Show With James Corden							
7	WFRV	7	NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	7	Inside Edition (N)					7	NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)										
WSAW																					
FOX	65	Big Bang "The Retraction Reaction" (N)	65	Big Bang 11 Wheel	WWE Friday Night SmackDown The Superstars of World Wrestling Entertainment do battle in elaborate, long-running rivalries. (N) (Live)					65	NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)	65	Seinfeld "The Fire"	65	Seinfeld "The Millennium"	65	Last Man "Adrenaline" (N) (Live)	65	Last Man "House of Spirits" (N) (Live)	65	The Goldbergs "Geoff's New Hat" (N) (Live)
55	WZAW	11	Jeopardy! (N)							11	Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		11	Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	11	(:35) Seinfeld "The Fire"	11	(:05) King "King Pong"	11	(:35) King "V.."	
11	WLUK																				
NBC	26	NBC26 News at 6pm (N)	26	Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune "California Coast"	Hot Wheels: Ultimate Challenge "Need for Speed vs. Fight Car" Superfans transform vehicles into Hot Wheels™ showstoppers.	Dateline NBC (N)					26	NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	(:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		(:35) Late Night With Seth Meyers						
26	WGBA	12	Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)		12						Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)										
12	WJFW																				
PBS	20	PBS NewsHour Amna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)	Washington Week (N) (SP)	Here and Now (N)	Halifax: Retribution Daniel takes control of the police minister's car; Jane learns a corrupt cop is behind Ben's murder.	Bancroft Evidence around the Connors' murders builds; Elizabeth is forced to choose her loyalties.	POV "After Sherman" Filmmaker Jon-Sesrie Goff explores Black inheritance, trauma, and generational wisdom. (SP)	Songs at the Center "Todd Sharp"													
20	WHRM																				
38	WLEF																				
38	WPNE																				
62	WACY	Family Feud	Two Men	Dateline "What Lies Beneath"		Chicago P.D. "Now I'm God"		My News at 9 (N)	Tonight (N)	Two Men	Housewife	Housewife	Mom								
46	WTPX	Hawaii Five-0		WNBA Basketball Los Angeles Sparks at Chicago Sky (N) (Live)		Hawaii Five-0				Hawaii "O 'Oe, a 'Owau, Nalo Ia Mea"	Hawaii "Ka I Ka 'Ino, No Ka 'Ino"										
CW	14	Big Bang 84 Divorce	14	Big Bang 83 Divorce	Penn & Teller: Fool Us "Alyson's Smart Ass" Donny Osmond; Dani Daortiz; Ben Train; Jason Fields.	Whose Line Is It Anyway? "Kearran Giovanni 2"	The Great American Joke Off Joe List, Luke Mones	14	Last Man "Adrenaline"	14	Seinfeld "The Millennium"	14	The National Desk (N) (Live)	14	The National Desk (N) (Live)	14	Last Man "House of Spirits"	14	Sheldon 84 Family Guy		
14	WCWF							84	The Liquidator	84	Chicago P.D. "Now I'm God"	84	black-ish "Mother Nature"	84	black-ish "Elder. Scam."						
84	WYOW																				

Oh, to live like a Karner blue butterfly

While I was out working in the yard yesterday, I saw a Karner blue butterfly. What a thrill. The last one I saw was in 2016 as I hiked



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near Glockie Lake, a challenging six-mile segment of the “Hundred Miles for a Hundred Years” Townsend Centennial Walk. I remember stopping to watch this remark-

able creature hover and flutter its delicate one-inch powder blue wings right in front of me. I was so entranced I almost got hit by a passing pickup truck.

I saw three more Karner blues two days later on the next segment, seven even more remote and intimidating miles on Gluckie Lake Trail. Wow, I had never seen a Karner blue, and now four in one week. That was some kind of wonderful. I figured I would probably never see another in my lifetime. Sadly, butterfly populations are declining dramatically, and these blue beauties have been on the endangered species list since 1992.

The Karner blue’s scientific name is *Lycæides melissa samuelis*. (I’m guessing the scientist who named it had a daughter named Melissa and a son named Samuel). Canada lists the Karner blue as extinct, but they can still be found in the Great Lakes states and small areas of New Jersey, New Hampshire and New York. Wisconsin’s Necedah National Wildlife Refuge is home to the world’s largest population due to its vast area of savannah and extensive fields of lupine.

I said hello to my unexpected visitor, taking the time to enjoy the encounter with this rare, enchanting creature. I congratulated myself on planting wildflowers in my garden a few years ago. One of them was blue lupine, happily growing near a thriving stand of milkweed, the only weed given permission to freely grow in my garden. That’s because monarchs, another endangered species, cannot exist without milkweed, and I am doing what I can to help the monarch population rebound.

Now Karner blues won’t touch milkweed, but they cannot live



A male Karner blue butterfly is seen at the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge. Karner blues are on the endangered species list, with the rare butterflies all but gone from Canada.

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without blue lupine, a lovely wildflower that blooms in late May. Blue lupine is the sole larval food source of the Karner blue. In one of those fascinating symbiotic relationships of the natural world, when Karner blue larvae feed on lupine leaves, the resulting damage actually helps the plant to thrive.

Monarch butterflies can have several generations each year, but Karner blues have just two. The first flight occurs sometime between mid-May and mid-June. First flight females lay their eggs on the lupine; then the eggs develop into the adults of the second flight, which generally occurs in July and August. It’s a marvelous stroke of luck I even saw a Karner in my yard, probably because the weather didn’t warm up this year until late May.

I’m fairly confident that all the Karner butterflies I saw were adult males. Not only do the male and female butterflies differ in appearance, adult males like sunny open areas whereas juveniles and females prefer shade. When I saw

the butterflies in 2016, they were on a sunlit gravel road winding through an open area covered with wildflowers. The one yesterday was near my flower bed, an open area baking in the sun during our drought-like conditions.

When you have a very limited lifespan, you need to get your priorities straight. These butterflies spend their three to five days of life gorging at their own version of an all-you-can-eat buffet. During one Necedah study, adult Karner blues were observed feeding on the nectar of over 40 different flowering plants.

When they’re not eating, they’re mating. Once that mission is accomplished, the males go back to their outdoor feasting and leave the females to the hard work of producing the next generation. I mentioned that to my husband, Jon. “That sounds like a helluva life if a guy could expand it to say, 90 years.” I smiled sweetly and reminded him it was his turn to make dinner.

I know it doesn’t seem possible,

but Karner blues and I have a lot in common. We both love wildflowers. We hate hot, humid weather and thrive when the thermometer reads 75-80 degrees. We love blackberries, except they like the flowers while I like the fruit. We hate wasps, flies, spiders and other biting insects. One major difference: they hate dragonflies and white tail deer; I love both. Then, dragonflies wouldn’t devour my young and deer wouldn’t consume my children’s sole source of food.

Still, all in all, doesn’t living like a Karner blue sound like fun? After all, humans also enjoy feasting and mating. I decided to put the question to Jon. He pondered it for a moment and then suggested we go out to dinner and come home to snuggle. Like the Karner blue, the man definitely has his priorities straight.

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Sharks, mackerel provide Carolinas fishing action

I was waiting all morning to use the classic line from "Jaws": "We're gonna need a bigger boat."

When I finally started reeling in my first Atlantic sharp nose shark, I used it, although I'm not sure the 18-year-old first mate on board the Fish Hook I got the connection.

Although Fish Hook Charters is based in North Myrtle Beach, we were actually fishing off the shore of North Carolina near Sunset Beach. Our 45-foot custom boat was big enough for our fishing group of four, plus Capt. Brandon Johnson and first mate Holden Boulter. It was plenty big enough for the Atlantic sharp nose sharks, which seldom get more than 3 feet long.

They fought like they were mini great whites, providing plenty of action on our five-hour adventure.

We started out the morning trolling for Spanish mackerel and bluefish. The waves of the Atlantic Ocean were larger than those on the Gulf of Mexico in Florida that I'm used to when deep-sea fishing, but this boat (smaller than those 30- or 40-angler "cattle boats" I normally fish from) seemed to handle the waves well.

Trolling is more exciting than fishing off the bottom as is mostly done on Florida charter boats. You basically fish straight down for grouper,



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waves, adding to the drama. You'll also get more of a workout with trolling, as I soon found out when I caught my first few bluefish and Spanish mackerel.

My line to start was the thick 100-pound test monofilament used for shark fishing, and I was on the starboard side of the stern, so I was catching fish hundreds of feet from the boat, while the others had considerably less reeling to do. The heavy line was causing fits for Boulter, who struggled to untangle at least two spider webs before switching me over to the bright green 20-pound mono used for the mackerel.

There were many times when I had to stop and rest when reeling in one of four mackerel and two bluefish I caught by mid-morning. The smaller mackerel seemed to fight harder than the big ones.

amberjack and red snappers in Florida, but you don't really see the fish until they are close to the surface. With trolling, you often see the fish jumping as they fight against the line and the

One of my early fish felt like a dead weight, initially pulling hard and then going limp. I actually thought he'd flipped the hook, but then I felt him on the line again.

Boulter started getting excited when the fish got close to the boat, yelling at Johnson to get the gaff. Up to that point, our mackerel were about a foot (the minimum) to 16 inches or so long. Since I had never caught or even seen one of them prior to this trip, I didn't know what a big one looked like.

They gaffed the fish quickly and pulled it aboard. After measuring its length (26 1/2 inches), Boulter dragged an old, rusty scale out of storage and determined it was "between 3 and 4 pounds." I called it "just under 4 pounds," as any self-respecting fisherman would. They told me it was the biggest one caught by the charter so far this season. I called it lunch.

"That one fought less than the little ones," I said to the captain.

"He heard about your reputation and just gave up," he said with a grin.

They are beautiful fish, with a bluish cast on the edges and gold dots scattered across the skin.

We switched over to shark fishing with cut bluefish about 20 feet down in 40 feet of water. Multiple lines were put out and when one rod

started twitching.

The real battle was when Boulter broke out the heavy tackle, baited up the hooks with some chunks of bluefish and cast out to the starboard side (we were all facing the stern). I caught my first Atlantic sharp nose shark just after 10 a.m., and it fought like a blue marlin for a few minutes. Boulter gaffed it and showed me how to hold it (some parts of a shark's skin are smooth and slippery, while others are rough) and tried to get it to open its mouth, but it refused.

Soon we had our limit of four (one per angler) and they were all about 3 feet long. Johnson assured us that that's about as big as they get.

Someone on one of the Fish Hook Charters' other boats (they have three total) caught a larger shark, but it was a different species. I'd guess it to be about 5 feet long and perhaps 50 pounds. When cleaning the big one, there were no license plates or other junk like the one from "Jaws," but the lucky angler did keep the jaws for a great souvenir.

For more information on Fish Hook Charters, go to www.fishhookcharters.com.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

OCONTO FALLS: Summer Sunset Concert Series, 6-9 p.m., East Side Beach, Main Street. Music by the River with Bad Mother Truckers. Food and refreshments available for purchase; no carry-ins. Bring a lawn chair.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. More than 45 local food and craft vendors.

TILLEDA: Tilleda and Town of Seneca Fun Dayz, Town Hall, W13104 County Road D. Vendors 1 p.m.; music, food and raffles at Pavilion 5-9 p.m.

SHAWANO: The Naberhood Block Party, 1:30-3 p.m., The Naberhood, 214 S. Main St. Music by Cardboard Honey.

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

SHAWANO: Zurko Outdoor Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$2.

PULASKI: Shawano County Brunch on the Farm, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Synergy Family Farm located at W2285 County Road S. Scrambled eggs and ham break-

fast, Dairy Dash 5k run/walk 7 a.m., polka Mass 7:30 a.m., wagon rides, farm tours, kids games, music, petting zoo. Meal \$10, ages 4-11 \$5, 3 and under free.

TILLEDA: Tilleda and Town of Seneca Fun Dayz, Town Hall, W13104 County Road D. Vendors 11 a.m.; parade at noon, music, food and raffles at Pavilion 2-6 p.m., kids games, bounce house, alpaca petting zoo.

SHAWANO: Summer of Music, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Arlington Park, 300 N. Humphrey Circle. Music by Good Neighbors Band. Bring a lawn chair.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto County Farmers Market, 4-8 p.m., Highland Plaza, 323 E. Highland Drive. Produce and homemade product vendors, food trucks, community programs, live music. Tuesdays through Aug. 29.

SHAWANO: The Naberhood Block Party, 5:30-6:30 p.m., The Naberhood, 214 S. Main St. Arts in the Park.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

BOWLER: Friends of the Mountain Bay Trail Ride, 5:30-7:30 p.m., meet at snowmobile shelter off County Road A. 22-mile trail ride, Bowler to Eland.

BONDUEL: Casual summer Bible study, 6 p.m., Zion United Methodist Church, 134 E Green Bay St. Bring a lawn chair and your own sandwich or snack and beverage. Group will meet indoors in case of rain.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

SHAWANO: Thursdayz at Franklin, 6-8:30 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Music by Cherry Pie.

SATURDAY, JULY 1

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. More than 45 local food and craft vendors.

LAKEWOOD: Ride for Veterans — ATVs, UTVs, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Paul Bunyan Ski Hill, 15360 Ski Hill Lane. Colors presented and ride begins 10 a.m., returning around 1 p.m. Food available 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., kids bounce house noon to 5 p.m., music by John Welch Band 1-5 p.m., Jeep mud run course 2-5 p.m., hill hunt for kids, raffles.

MOUNTAIN: Fire Department Independence Day Celebration, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., Bill Lazansky Community Center, 13412 State Highway 32. Bouncy house,

slide, games, horseshoes, food, beverages, raffles, craft vendors and fireworks at dusk. Proceeds go to equipment and costs for Mountain Fire Department.

OCONTO: Summer Vendors Market, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 516 Brazeau Ave. Local creators and crafters, food available. First and third Saturdays in June through August, first and second Saturdays in September.

GRESHAM: Fourth of July Celebration, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Veterans Park. Parade at 11 a.m., Baseball, food vendors, raffles, free bike raffle, fireworks at dusk.

CRIVITZ: Crooked Lake Sportsman's Club Annual Picnic, noon to 5 p.m., 15526 County Road W. Music by Thunder Country, food, raffles, kids games and activities.

SHAWANO: The Naberhood Block Party, 1:30-3 p.m., The Naberhood, 214 S. Main St. Music by Central Standard.

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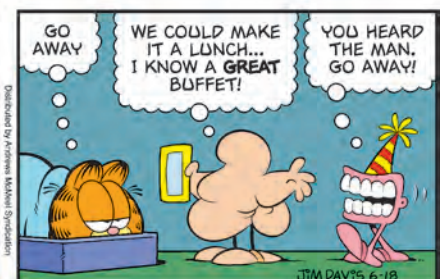
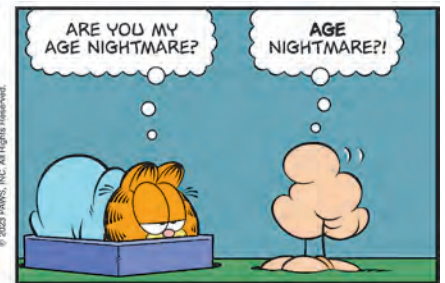
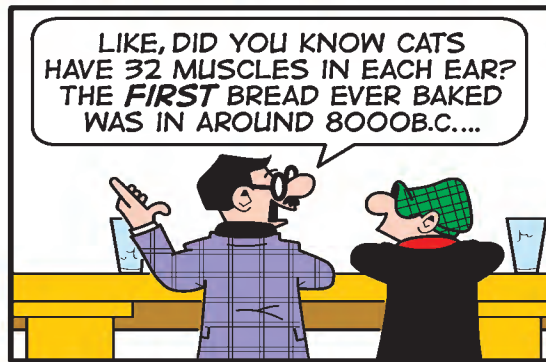
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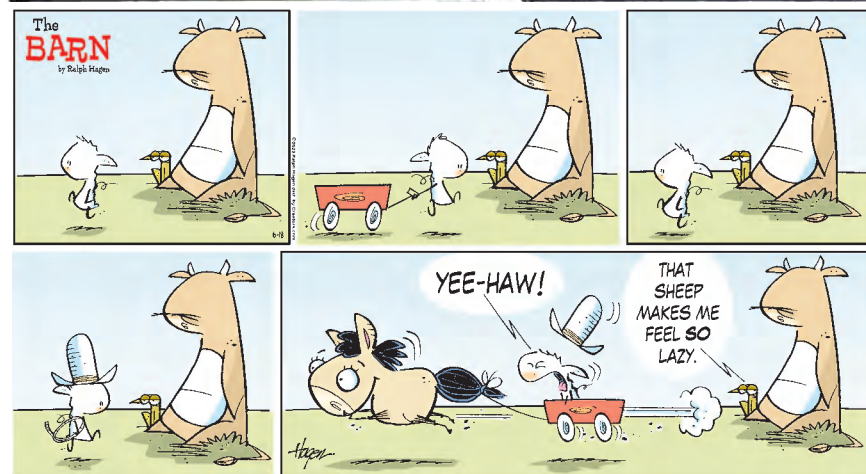
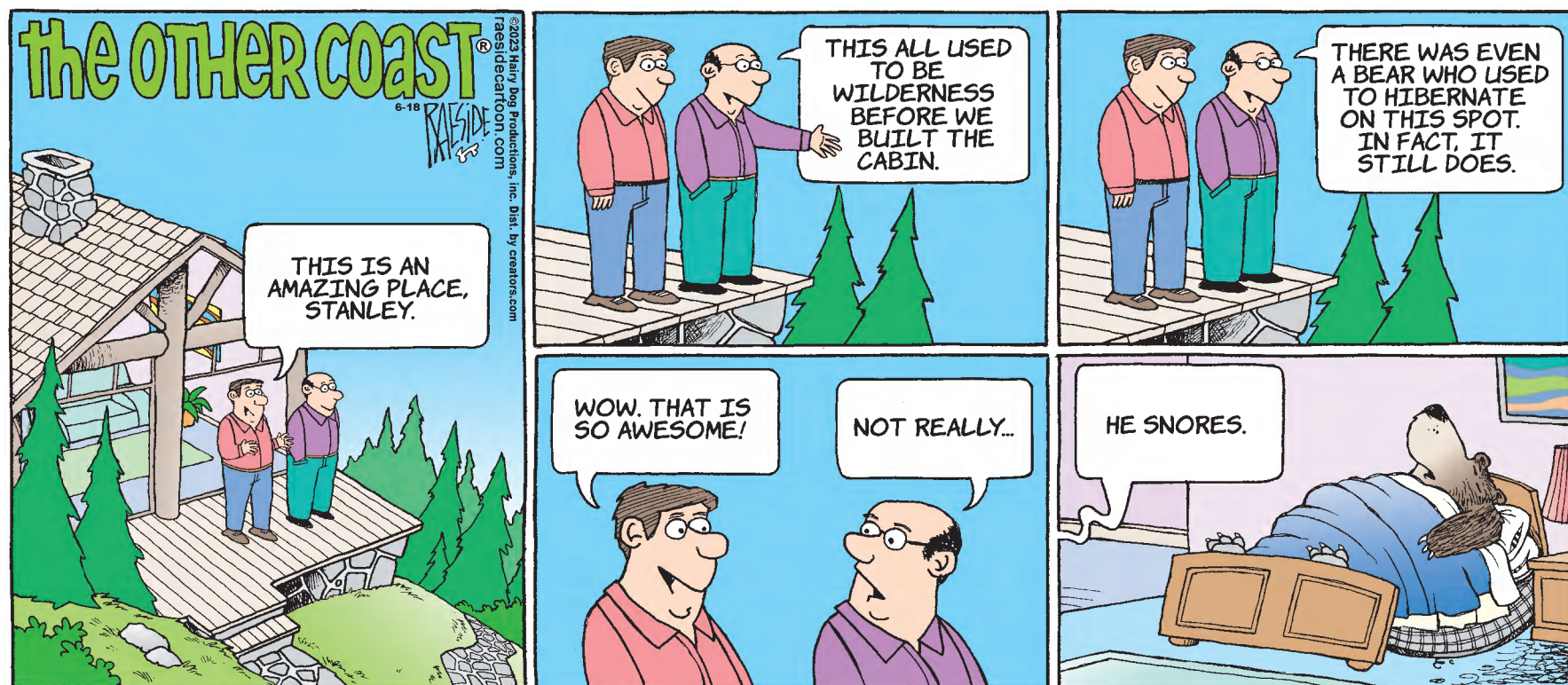


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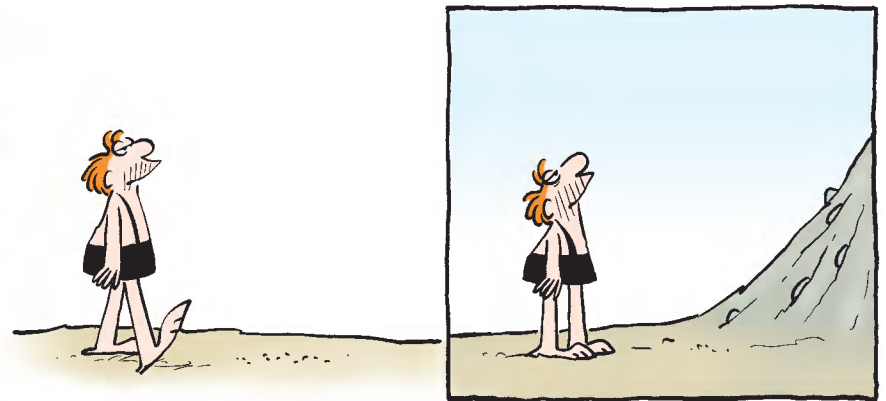


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AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Tournament of Roses leaders visiting Pulaski

An invitation to the world-renowned Rose Parade is quite an honor for any music program, particularly from a small rural community such as Pulaski.

As a part of the experience, the Pulaski community will host the 2024 Pasadena Tournament of Roses president and leading lady, Alex and Paula Aghajanian, as well as the executive vice president and spouse, Ed and Lisa Morales. They will come to town to get to know the students, families, community and culture, as well as to help the school to fundraise for its big trip to Pasadena, California.

On June 27, the guests will arrive at Austin Straubel International Airport in Green Bay and greeted by the Pulaski High School music program.

The Pulaski Music Boosters will hold a very special event, the "Polka with the President from Pasadena," from 6-10 p.m. June 28 at The Barn at Sunset Acres, 451 N. St. Augustine St., Pulaski. The night includes music, food and some special guests. A limited number of dinner tickets are available now for \$17. General admission tickets are \$10 to come and enjoy the fun. Tickets are available at <https://pulaskimusicboosters.ludus.com/200436245>.

PHS will have its annual "Sounds of Saputo" Concert at 7 p.m. June 29. This event will include some words from the Tournament of Roses guests, and will feature performances by the Red Raider Marching Band and Red Raider Choir.

The Tournament of Roses guests will be joining the band and choir on the parade route for the 65th Annual Midwestern Rodeo Parade at 10 a.m. July 1 in Manawa.

UW-Extension offering tractor certification

Tractor and machinery safety certification is required for any youth between the ages of 12 and 15 (or until they receive their driver's license) to be able to drive farm machinery in Wisconsin.

The UW-Madison Division of Extension is offering two courses for youth to become certified this July. There are four days of instruction that will allow students to



The Pulaski High School marching band, shown during a community performance in July 2022 at Saputo Stadium, will be joining the school's choir in welcoming leaders from the Tournament of Roses with two events later in June.

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attend the mandated 24 hours of training.

The first training will occur July 13-14 and July 20-21 at the Pound Town Hall, W8484 County Road B, Coleman. The second training is July 17-18 and July 24-25 at the Matsche Community Center, 362 Railroad Ave., Birnamwood. Each day's events begin at 9 a.m. and last until 3:15 p.m. Participants can attend instruction at both sites, if their schedule requires, and there is some flexibility with self-study or other makeup options. However, all participants must attend one of the two testing dates.

Successful completion of the course allows 12- and 13-year-olds to work on their families' farms and operate machinery over public roads between the farm and fields. Successful completion allows 14- and 15-year olds to work for family farms and other farms. The course fee is \$45 with participants bringing their own lunches.

The course will allow for both skill and knowledge development, with assistance from local emergency response personnel, local farms, equipment retailers, and others. Participants will be analyzing machinery for safety aspects, learning to conduct on-farm safety assess-

ments, and lots of other activities, along with videos and course material review.

Contact Scott Reuss, regional crops/soils educator, for information or registration at 715-732-7510, 715-701-0966, or scott.reuss@wisc.edu.

Shawano writer publishes short story in Rosebud

Rosebud Magazine has published "The Blue Dog," a story by Shawano resident John J. Mutter Jr., in the 70th issue of the magazine.

Rosebud has been publishing poetry, prose and artwork for 30 years, and is a highly respected literary magazine. Getting a byline in Rosebud isn't a piece of cake, as Mutter has been submitting a variety of material to the



JOHN MUTTER JR.

magazine for 25 years before they accepted "The Blue Dog." Once accepted, it was almost two years before it appeared in the magazine.

Mutter has been writing seriously for 40 years. He has published

four books and won 10 writing awards. His most recent book is "The Oddball," which chronicles the years of George Putz Jr.

Swing to honor girl comes to Bonduel park

The village of Bonduel will honor a young girl who passed away too soon, Megan Madonna-Jo Kelley, with a swing dedication ceremony to be held at 1 p.m. June 24 at Village Park, 214 Park St., Bonduel.

Donated by the Kelley family, the swing ensures Megan will never be forgotten. Megan's mother, Tammy Kelley, had a vision of creating a beautiful swing for Village Park in remembrance of her daughter. With the gracious help of several members of the community the swing became a reality.

The swing is inscribed with Megan's name and is placed in an area adjacent to the play area and pavilion at Village Park, where she loved spending time.

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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BASEBALL

Mustangs' Stuhr earns top honor

Witt-Birn, Marion split top team honor

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Area high school baseball teams enjoyed strong results this spring, with several teams winning conference titles or being in the title hunt all season and several individual players finding great success at the plate or on the mound.

Marion's baseball team had a memorable spring and was one of the top-ranked teams in Division 4 all season. Jaden Stuhr was the driving force that powered the Mustangs, and his dominant overall season earned him the NEW Media Inc. Player of the Year honor. It's the second straight season Stuhr has earned the honor.

Stuhr is headed to UW-Stevens Point, where he plans on pitching. This spring, he was just about lights out every time he stepped on the hill.

The senior covered 47 innings this spring, striking out a whopping 103 batters over that span and walking just 14. He surrendered just 21 hits, and only two of the 14 runs he allowed were earned for a sparkling 0.30 earned run average.

Stuhr won 10 games and was dealt just one loss.

"Off the mound this year I became pretty dominant, mostly by mixing my pitches when I needed to and locating them where I needed to," said Stuhr. "I worked the corners of the plate and zone and hit my spots while mixing in the off speed to keep hitters off balance...."

While his numbers on the mound were elite, Stuhr's statistics at the plate also stood out.

Stuhr hit for a .500 average and posted 19 extra-base hits, with 10 triples, eight doubles and a homer. The senior walked 27 times and stole 35 bases. He drove in 42 runs and scored 33 times.

"This year was by far my best year at the plate and I changed my stance a touch to really engage my lower half even more," said Stuhr. "Just putting the ball in play and spraying it all over the field helped bring success as well."

Stuhr's standout season almost was wiped out before it began after the senior dealt with some health issues during the school year.

He had to overcome reactive arthritis syndrome, an auto-immune disease that took away his vision, along with his ability to walk because of swollen joints.

"Hearing that I may not restore my vision on top of numerous other things really brought me a sense of reality," said Stuhr. "It made me realize that everything that I have is a gift, whether I believe it to be something big or small in my life, and hearing that really drove me to want to succeed greater than the season before."

"Pushing through the mental and physical challenges that came with by working out and getting reps in as much as possible — even though some was a little sooner than I should've — really helped get back to as close as I was the previous season. Everything happens for a reason and everything that is put into our lives God knows we can overcome, and that positive go get it attitude really was the key to it all. Using it as fuel and wanting to prove myself."

Stuhr was able to accomplish everything he hoped to individually and more, which helped him earn the Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division Player of the Year honor for the third straight season.

He will play on Team North at the Wisconsin Baseball Coaches Association All-Star Classic in Oshkosh on June 30 and July 1.

Honorable mentions

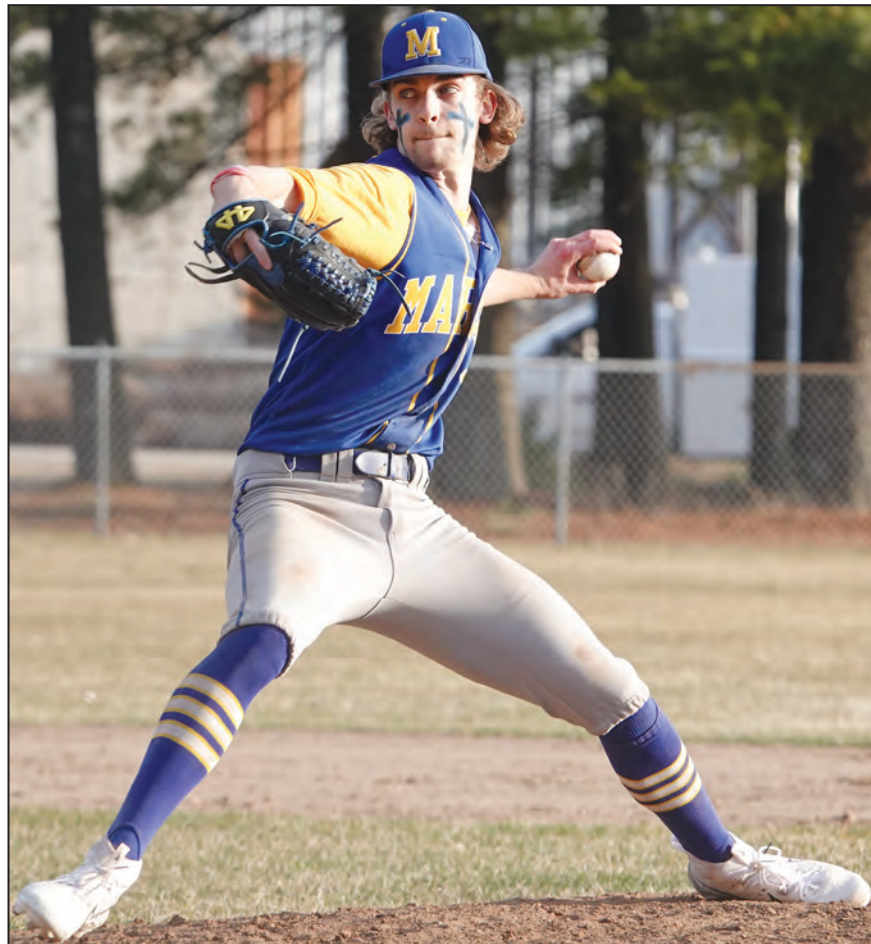
There was no shortage of individual talent in the area, as demonstrated by the many all-conference first team players. A few players stood out this spring.

Shawano's Ashton Henning overcame a slow start to the season and landed on the Bay Conference first team unanimously for a third straight spring. He was a threat at both the plate and on the mound.

Lena's Josh Kristof made the Marinette & Oconto Conference first team in his senior season, starring primarily at the plate.

Pulaski's Kyle Olson earned double all-conference honors in the Fox River Classic Conference. He hit for a strong average and was the team's most-used pitcher.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Mason Meverden helped lead his team this spring, earning a CWC-East first team honor for his work at the plate and on the hill.



Marion's Jaden Stuhr pitches during the team's CWC-North win over Tigerton on April 10 in Marion.

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Noah Weier was a two-way star for Bonduel on his way to a CWC-East first team recognition.

Ryan Malueg also had a big season for Marion, both at the plate and on the mound, on his way to an all-conference first team nod.

Team of the Year

Marion and Witt-Birn share the Team of the Year honor after produc-

ing similar seasons.

Marion won the CWC-North outright with a perfect record, while Witt-Birn won a share of the CWC-East crown with an 11-3 record. Eight Mustangs earned all-conference nods, while six Chargers were honored.

Both teams advanced to regional title games before falling in tight contests.

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GIRLS SOCCER

Pulaski's Gianna Logue named top player

Red Raiders also earn team honor

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Only Pulaski and Shawano serve as the area's girls soccer teams, but there was still some standout individual and team play that happened this spring.

Pulaski's Gianna Logue was classified as a defender, but had an impact all over the field and was named the NEW Media Inc. Girls Soccer Player of the Year for her efforts.

"I enjoyed the spring season for many many reasons, one being able to play with my sister (Isabella) and playing under my mom (Kelly)," said Logue.

"There's a lot of hard work that goes into it in the preseason. Whether that be in the weight room, on grass fields, on turf, just getting touches at all truly makes a big difference and makes the season enjoyable. I love playing with some of my best friends and seeing them daily."

Despite playing defense primarily, Logue still scored nine goals this spring.

That goal number likely would have been a lot higher had she played forward or even midfield, but she was more than happy to help keep opposing teams from scoring goals.

"Playing both sides of the ball, offense and defense, adds a whole new perspective to the game," said Logue. "Winning a game isn't just about scoring goals, it's also not letting the other team score. Even from a young age, I never thought it was a true sacrifice playing defense, because I was always taught defense wins championships."

When Logue scored, good things happened for the Red Raiders, with the team winning all six matches she scored in.

Logue scored once in the team's 2-1 win over Kaukauna on April 4, then scored twice a week later against Wrightstown.

Her next goal came a month later against Manitowoc Lincoln. She netted a hat trick in a victory over Ashwaubenon on May 16.



Pulaski's Gianna Logue controls the ball during the team's playoff match against Beaver Dam on May 30 in Pulaski.

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The senior's final two goals came in postseason play. She scored once against Beaver Dam and once against Slinger to help Pulaski claim a regional title.

"In the beginning of the season, I was told when I would play offense or forward, it had to count," said Logue. "Though I love playing both

positions, I knew I had to execute my role — in that instance, it was putting the ball in the back of the net. I knew I didn't have a lot of time when I was put up there, so I had to take the opportunity and use it to the fullest."

What propelled Pulaski to its successful season was a stout defense.

While it's difficult to show how Logue and her team shut down opposing teams with a bunch of sta-

tistics, the team's goal differential tells all you need to know.

Pulaski played a total of 24 matches this spring, scoring 71 goals.

While that number is enough to win a handful of games, only allowing 18 goals like the Red Raiders did is what helped the team reach 15 wins and their regional title.

Logue's favorite memory from this spring was a defensive battle against Bay Port in a conference battle on May 4. Veronica Decker scored in the 78th minute to help the Red Raiders prevail for a huge FRCC win.

"That game was a huge team win and a motivation shift in the middle of the season, which will be one of my favorite memories from high school soccer," said Logue.

Honorable mention

Speaking of Decker, she was one of the other area individual players that stood out this spring. Decker led the Red Raiders with 24 goals and also assisted on nine scores.

Isabella Logue, Josie Steeno and Laci Lemke also made solid contributions for Pulaski, both on defense and offense.

Steen scored four goals and had eight assists, while Logue had six goals and two assists. Lemke scored once and assisted on four other goals.

Trinity Popelka powered Shawano all spring. She scored 28 goals and was credited with three assists. She also served as the goalie in two contests, stopping 19 shots.

Brynlie Boyles was Shawano's main goalie, making 147 saves.

Kyla Dove, Adison Moesch and Jenna Ainsworth all helped slow opposing players before they got to Boyles.

Moesch also scored five goals and had three assists, Dove tallied two goals and three assists and Ainsworth had an assist.

Team of the Year

Pulaski earns the Team of the Year honor after its strong season and regional title.

The Red Raiders went 15-4-5 overall and finished 5-2-2 in the tough FRCC to place fifth.

Pulaski was the only conference team to not lose to De Pere, instead tying 0-0.

BOYS GOLF

Lena's McVane tabbed the area's top golfer

Wildcats also top team after state appearance

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Several area boys golf teams enjoyed successful spring seasons, but it was Lena that stole the headlines toward the end of the season after qualifying for state.

Braden McVane led the Wildcats on the course throughout the season and earned the NEW Media Inc. Golfer of the Year honor for his standout efforts.

"This season was a ton of fun, every person on the team including my two coaches made this a season to remember," said McVane. "There was never a dull moment throughout the whole season with the guys on the team and the coaches. Also another big thing that helped me play well this season was the fact that I never stopped golfing through the offseason. I was always either going to a heated driving range, going to simulators, or putting in my basement."

McVane played as Lena's No. 1 golfer and turned in the team's top rounds more often than not during the season.

The junior finished as the top golfer in the Marinette & Oconto Conference, while helping the team to a conference title.

When the calendar flipped to post-season action, McVane continued to excel for the Wildcats. The golfer attributed his success to his mental state.

"Coming into this season one of my main goals was to be positive no matter the situation, even when I got into a shaky position, I always kept my head high," said McVane. "This was probably the biggest key factor that helped me get them low rounds. All I thought about when I hit a bad shot is that I am out golfing and playing the sport I love — there is no reason I shouldn't be enjoying myself."

McVane turned in a strong round of 83 at the Bonduel Regional to help the team win a regional title. At the Crivitz Sectional, McVane led the team with a round of 82 to help the team place second and qualify for state.

Even on the state's biggest stage, McVane didn't let the pressure get to



Lena's Braden McVane looks on after taking a shot during the first round of the WIAA State Boys Golf Tournament on June 5 at Blackwolf Run - Meadows Course in Kohler.

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him at all.

The junior fired a round of 86 in the first state round to sit in a tie for 14th. McVane carded a round of 79 on the second day of competition, propelling him to a seventh-place finish as an individual.

"I would say the highlight of the season was definitely being at state and being able to spend a few days with just the team and my coaches," said McVane.

Honorable mentions

The area had no shortage of strong individual golfers, with pretty much every team having a player or two that excelled.

Bonduel had a strong year as a team, winning the Central Wisconsin Conference crown and then narrowly missing out on qualifying for state as a team. Reed Luepke and Jake Dreyer led the Bears most of the season and

earned all-conference first team spots for their efforts. Colin Margelofsky and Jaxon Bogacz were second teamers.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood placed second in the CWC and qualified for sectionals as a team. The Chargers were led by Dylan Resch and August Barke, who were first-team selections. Joey Seegmiller was an honorable mention.

Marion's Sam Gueths was the lone individual golfer to qualify for sectionals.

Kadyn Riel and Caden Leonhardt led Oconto Falls this spring, making the second team and honorable mention list, respectively, in the North Eastern Conference. The Panthers also made sectionals as a team.

Shawano's Luke Guenther was an honorable mention golfer in the Bay Conference, while Pulaski's Brady Hayward and Colin Schultz were honorable mentions in the Fox River Clas-

sic Conference. Pulaski also reached sectionals as a team.

Team of the Year

Lena also earns the area Team of the Year honor after its conference and regional titles and state appearance.

The state appearance was the first in school history for Lena. Mason Belongia, Mason Spice, Drake Dionne and Evan VanderZanden joined McVane on the state team.

All five members of the team place inside the top 10 golfers in the M&O. McVane, Belongia and Dionne were all on the first team, while Spice and VanderZanden made the second team.

What's most impressive with Lena's memorable spring is that the starting lineup was comprised of all sophomores and juniors, meaning the entire team will return next spring with eyes on a state title.

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GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD

Rogowski named top girls athlete again

Suring repeats as top area team after 2 titles

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

This spring season was another special one for area high school girls track and field athletes and teams, with several individuals making it to the state meet in La Crosse to cap the year.

After another dominant season and a state showing highlighted by four top-10 finishes, Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Reese Rogowski was tabbed the NEW Media Inc. Girls Athlete of the Year. This is the second straight spring Rogowski has earned the honor.

"The coaching, training and staying active during the off-season, like competing in other sports, helped me to enjoy the spring season I had," said Rogowski.

After a regular season full of top finishes and some of the state's top marks, Rogowski continued to impress as the season winded down.

At the Central Wisconsin Conference-Large Division Meet, Rogowski won the 100-, 200- and 400-meter dashes and long jump.

The top finishes became the norm for Rogowski during her high school career, but it was the fashion in which she won that stuck out.

She was 0.27 seconds faster than the second-place finisher in the 100, 0.94 seconds faster in the 200 and 3.13 seconds better in the 400. Rogowski won the long jump by a full foot.

Those finishes were even tighter than some of the ones she had earlier in the season, but Rogowski kept a couple things in mind to keep her eyes on the end goal of performing well at state.

"I tried to meet interval benchmarks while running throughout each meet to continue to improve throughout the season," said Rogowski.

"I kept in mind each meet that it could be my last meet, and to give everything I had to give in that moment."

Even with increased competition in the postseason, the top finishes kept piling up.

Rogowski won regional titles in the 100, 200, 400 and long jump and sectional titles in the 100, 200 and 400. She placed third in the long jump at sectionals to make it to state in all four of her events.

Rogowski competed in her three sprints on the first day of state competition and did enough to qualify for the finals in all three events.

She competed in the finals in the three sprints and in long jump on a hot second day of state.

Ironically, it was Rogowski's lowest finishing-event at sectionals that she turned in her best finish at state. She placed second in the long jump after a top leap of 18 feet, 2 inches.

Rogowski also made the state podium in the 400 (56.45) and 200 (24.94), placing third and sixth, respectively. The senior took 10th in the 100 (12.65).

"I'm proud to look back at the state meet now that I've let things sink in, because it was a goal of mine to finish top 10 in all my events," said Rogowski.

Rogowski is headed to Division 1 North Dakota



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Reese Rogowski takes off from the starting block during the Division 2 400-meter dash prelims on June 2 in La Crosse.

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State University to continue her track and field career.

Honorable mentions

As mentioned before, several individual girls ended their seasons competing at state.

Rogowski wasn't the only Witt-Birn girl to excel in La Crosse. Sophomore Faith Resch made it to state in the 300 hurdles and ended up placing third overall.

Suring's Christine Sleeter also made the state podium after tying for fourth in the high jump and pole vault.

Shawano's 4x800 relay team of Adalyn Barkley, Bailey Hendricks, Lily Guenther and Grace Chelberg made it to La Crosse, with Barkley, Chelberg and Guenther also making it in individual events.

Pulaski's Olivia Sprangers was a state qualifier in

the 200 in her freshman season.

Bonduel's 4x800 relay team of Kendra Troxel, Cierra Schnell, Ashlyn Kurey and Mariah Wondra were state qualifiers, with Wondra also making it individually.

Lena's Eva Brooks made it to state in the high jump as just a sophomore.

Team of the Year

Suring takes the Team of the Year honor for a second straight spring after winning the Marinette & Oconto Conference title.

The Eagles won the M&O title with 200½ points, 64½ points better than the second-place finisher.

Suring went on to claim a regional title as well, placing first at the Suring Regional, claiming the top spot by 36 points.

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BOYS TRACK AND FIELD

Kietlinski the top athlete after monster spring

Lena/STAA takes team honor

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Area high school boys track and field teams and individual athletes enjoyed a productive spring season, with plenty of top finishes along the way.

Bowler's Emmitt Kietlinski separated himself from other individuals as the season went along and picked up a pair of top-two finishes at the state meet on his way to being named the NEW Media Inc. Boys Athlete of the Year.

"I trained hard to prepare for a great spring," said Kietlinski. "Being a three-sport athlete certainly helped as well."

"I put extra time into the weight room, adding a few new exercises for leg strength, and I worked on my core a lot at home. On weekends, I would often get in some extra jumping work at a sand volleyball court in Phlox."

Kietlinski, who was a part of the Bowler/Gresham co-op, competed in the high jump, triple jump and long jump to start this spring, and was earning top finishes in each event as soon as the season kicked off.

Kietlinski placed first in each event during the Central Wisconsin Conference-Small Division Meet on April 18.

By that point in the season, the senior owned some of the top marks in his events, not only in the state, but the entire country.

Despite the buzz starting to build around him, Kietlinski didn't let it affect him in a negative way by keeping things simple.

"I know it sounds simple, but I focused every day on doing something to get me to jump higher or farther," said Kietlinski.

The top finishes continued to pile up for the senior, including top finishes in all three events at the CWC-Small Meet on May 12.

When the postseason began, Kietlinski dropped the long jump and powered on while focusing on the high jump and triple jump.

Despite the competition improving, it didn't stop Kietlinski from winning.



Gresham/Bowler's Emmitt Kietlinski competes in the Division 3 boys triple jump competition during the state championships on June 3 in La Crosse.

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He was the top finisher in both events at the regional meet and then won the sectional high jump title, while placing second in the triple jump.

"In sports I never get nervous during games or meets. I actually tend to do better during big moments," said Kietlinski. "I certainly enjoyed competing in front of large crowds and I tended to feed off the pressure situations. I would remind myself to just do what I've done all year and everything would turn out fine."

Kietlinski delivered again during the state meet in La Crosse, winning the high jump and placing second in the triple jump.

The senior cleared 6 feet, 6 inches in the high jump. He was leading the triple jump with a leap of 44-9/4 before the final jump of the competition bumped him back to second.

"My goal all season was to be a state champion, so finishing state champion and state runner-up is something I will cherish forever. It

was a great way to end my senior year," said Kietlinski. "Being just the third state champion in Bowler school history is really special."

"In fact, a few hours after I won the high jump, I received a phone call from Tim Hanke, Bowler's first ever state champion (1987 in the triple jump). He had been watching the live results online from his home in South Carolina, tracked down a way to contact me, and called. His first words were, 'Welcome to the club!' His call meant a lot to me."

Shortly after graduating, Kietlinski made a trip to the University of Oregon to compete in the high jump and triple jump at the Nike Outdoor Nationals.

Kietlinski placed second in the high jump after clearing 6-9, and was 23rd in the triple jump after a top mark of 42-2/4.

Honorable mentions

There was no shortage of talented individuals on track and field teams this spring, with a few get-

ting to state.

Gillett's Alex Peterson made it to state in three events, placing fourth in the 1,600, fifth in the 3,200 and fifth on the team's 4x800 relay team.

Pulaski's Jack Marsh qualified for state in the discus, placing eighth in a loaded field of competitors.

Bonduel's Ryan Westrich and Karter Schroeder were individual state qualifiers in the shot put and high jump, placing eighth and ninth, respectively in La Crosse.

Lena's Anthony Seefeldt also made it to state in the shot put, placing seventh.

Team of the Year

The Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy co-op is the top area boys team this spring after winning the Marinette & Oconto Conference and a regional title.

The team scored 163 points to win the conference crown, 25 points better than Coleman.

Lena/STAA won the Suring Regional title after scoring 111 points.

BOYS TENNIS

Buerman, Sheldon named top players

Shawano takes top team honor as well

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Boys tennis is a sport for just two area high schools, but there were still some strong seasons put together this spring.

The best season was produced by Shawano's No. 1 doubles team of George Buerman and Tristan Sheldon, who were named the NEW Media Inc. Players of the Year.

Buerman and Sheldon enjoyed a strong regular season and then went on to qualify for state. At state, the Hawk duo won a match.

"One thing that helped me with this season was staying in a tennis mindset and continually playing tennis this offseason," said Buerman. "Just playing with Tristan really gave us a good head start in not having to take two weeks to get back into tennis."

Sheldon also mentioned a "consistent offseason," as well as receiving motivation from teammates as to reasons why the duo was able to be so successful this year.

After earning several wins during the regular season, Buerman and Sheldon got into the post-season swing with a second-place finish at the Bay Conference Tournament. The duo rallied from a set down to secure a spot in the first-place match while there.

Gritty wins like that typified the season as a whole for the No. 1 doubles team.

After a 6-3, 6-0 win at subsectionals got them into sectionals, Buerman and Sheldon claimed a 6-2, 1-6, 11-9 victory over Kimberly to punch their ticket to state.

The upset win was each player's favorite individual moment from this spring season.

"George and I relied on each other all season to help calm emotions during big moments," said Sheldon. "No matter how big of a match we had, I knew I could count on George to keep me in a good mindset."

"One way that Tristan and I stayed composed in big matches was always talking to each other, and not letting ourselves get in our own heads," said Buerman. "Also, the constant support from coaching and family/friends motivated us to perform well. I'm not saying we weren't nervous, because I was shaking nervous before our big matches."

While the duo dropped their final two matches at sectionals, the only thing that mattered to Buerman and Sheldon was making it to state in Madison.

Buerman and Sheldon had one more gritty win in them at state, prevailing 6-2, 2-6, 13-11 in their first state match. It was a unforgettable moment for the pair, and they added it will give them something to build on going into their senior seasons next spring.

The duo dropped their second state match, ending their season with a 15-7 overall record.



Shawano's Tristan Sheldon, left, and George Buerman congratulate each other during a triangular on May 20 in Shawano.

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"A top reason that we were successful was staying in points and being patient, waiting for them to make a mistake," said Buerman. "Also our motivation and energy we brought to each other after each point fueled us."

Buerman's favorite team moment from the season came in a loss against Menasha, but the setback was a confidence booster with each flight playing tight matches.

Sheldon's favorite moment was the team's senior night.

"My favorite team moment was senior night because of how much they contributed to our success," said Sheldon. "We cannot do what we do without them and they will all be very missed next year. Next year we will have a very large group of seniors so we hope to be good role models for the rest of the team."

Honorable mentions

Pulaski's No. 1 doubles team of Eric Sperduto and Jacob Ebent also made it to sectionals this spring after a win at subsectionals.

Justin Freadrich (No. 2) and Donovan Holderness (No. 4) earned singles wins at subsectionals for Pulaski.

Shawano's No. 2 doubles team of Isaac Weland and Tristan Tetting and the No. 3 doubles team of Andrew Vandenheuvel and Seth Williams also picked up a subsectional win this spring.

Team of the Year

Shawano is this spring's Team of the Year after a fifth-place finish in the Bay Conference.

All three doubles teams finished in the top three at the conference tournament before a win each at the subsectional.

SOFTBALL

Vertz, Thompson split top player honor

Pulaski, Bonduel the top teams

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Area high school softball teams enjoyed plenty of success during the spring season, with a few teams and several individuals standing out.

It was Pulaski junior Morgan Vertz and Bonduel junior Hailee Thompson who were the top performers throughout the season, and were named the NEW Media Inc. Players of the Year for their efforts.

Both players were named Co-Players of the Year in their respective conferences and landed on all-state second teams.

“My success definitely doesn’t just come overnight, the hours I put in during the offseason is what made me so successful this year,” said Vertz. “The training I do at Velocity Training is truly where I saw my skills advance.”

Thompson noted several things for her success, including her teammates, the Fear Softball Program and her strength coach.

“Lastly, I feel as though my faith has helped me become the player I am along with helping me have a great high school career so far,” said Thompson. “I put all faith and trust in God to help guide me throughout my journey as a softball player.”

Vertz was the Co-Player of the Year in the Fox River Classic Conference after a big season at the plate and in the circle.

In conference play alone, she pitched 100 1/3 innings, with 153 punchouts and only 19 walks. She allowed just 24 runs across the 18 games she pitched and helped her team win 14 games.

“Repetition. Pitching is such a detailed skill to have. One inch or second could make the difference between a ball or strike or determine where the ball is going,” said Vertz on her pitching success. “So this offseason, I worked on all the small things to go into the season at my best.”

As if her stats in the circle weren’t enough, Vertz hit for a .474 average in FRCC play.



Pulaski’s Morgan Vertz pitches during the team’s playoff win over Green Bay West/East on May 23 in Pulaski.

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Eleven of the junior’s 27 hits went for extra bases, including four long balls. She drove in 27 runs and

scored 14 times. Vertz walked 10 times and was a strikeout victim just four times.

“Growing up, the love for the game was found on the mound, but coming into this year, I had a goal

for myself that I wanted to be a threat at the plate,” said Vertz. “I put in many hours this offseason and after practices to get more swings in. After putting in the work, I saw it all pay off during the season.”

Vertz top individual moment from the season came when she pitched 12 innings and struck out 21 batters against De Pere.

“As a team my favorite moment was our grit to see the game into the very last out, so my favorite moment would be all our walk-off hits and celebrating with the team,” said Vertz.

Thompson starred at the plate for Bonduel, while playing providing great defense from her short-stop position.

She finished the season with a .533 batting average, posting 40 hits across 24 games.

Thompson popped 11 home runs to go along with nine doubles. She drove in 40 runs and scored 43 times.

Thompson walked 11 times and struck out just twice. She stole 15 bases.

“I knew my team would need a lot of people to step up this year if we wanted a long postseason run, or even just a good regular season in general,” said Thompson. “I decided to step into that role and try my hardest to be the teammate my team needed both on and off the field.”

Some of Thompson’s best games came late in the regular season when the team was chasing a Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division title, and then carried over into the postseason.

Five of her home runs came in the final three regular season games and the team’s first postseason contest. She drove in 13 runs between those four games and the second postseason contest.

“Me personally, I love pressure, I feel as though I perform better under pressure and I just continue to strive to be that person my teammates count on to deliver on the field,” said Thompson. “I prefer to be down in the count during my at-bats, it helps me to focus in and just put the ball in play to advance my teammates on the bases.”

The junior’s top individual moment from this season was breaking the school’s home run record, an accolade she’s been after since she was a freshman.

“My favorite team memories would have to be all the bus rides with loud music, our victory over Amherst at home, and just the countless hours I got to spend with this amazing team,” said Thompson.



Bonduel's Hailee Thompson follows through on a swing during a CWC-East game against Witt-Birn on May 15 in Bonduel.

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Honorable mentions

Vertz and Thompson weren't the only area players to earn Player of the Year honors in conference play.

Tigerton's Abby Swartz and Bowler/Gresham's Emma May split the top honor in the CWC-North after great seasons at the plate. Emma Kristof starred for the Gillett/Suring co-op and was the top player in the Marinette & Oconto Conference.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Rory Salvesen and Oconto Falls' Ame-

lia Danielczak both produced big freshman seasons as hitters to earn all-conference first team nods. Salvesen also made the all-state second team.

Pulaski's Molly Molthen also excelled as a freshman, making the all-conference first team and all-state honorable mention team.

Team of the Year

Thompson and Vertz not only had great individual seasons, but were part of some strong teams. Bonduel and Pulaski were tabbed

the area's top teams after memorable springs.

Bonduel earned a share of the CWC-East title after matching Amherst with an 11-3 record. The Bears won a regional title before being eliminated by eventual state champion Iola-Scandinavia. Bonduel went 18-6 overall.

Pulaski came in second in the tough FRCC, going 15-3 and finishing just one game behind Green Bay Preble. The Red Raiders won a regional title on a walk-off wild pitch. Pulaski went 17-6 on the season.

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