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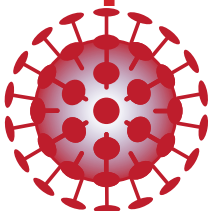
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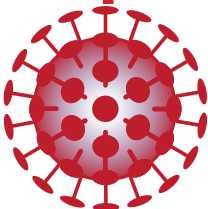
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3 Shawano County supervisors voted out in spring election

Results delayed after deadline for absentee ballots extended

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

A liberal-leaning state Supreme Court candidate pulled off an upset win over a conservative incumbent backed by Donald Trump when the votes were counted Monday from last week's spring election and presidential primary.

Three Shawano County Board supervisors were voted out, including two representing the city of Shawano.

Votes were finally tallied Monday after a coronavirus-induced delay of the deadline for absentee ballots.

The April 7 election went ahead as scheduled in spite of stay-at-home orders from the state aimed at curbing the spread of the pandemic.

An 11th hour attempt to postpone the election by Gov. Tony Evers was turned back in court after the Republican-controlled Legislature filed suit to force the election to be held as planned.

However, the court allowed absentee ballots to continue to be received until 4 p.m. Monday.

Former Vice President Joe Biden easily won the state's Democratic nomination for president against Bernie Sanders, who has dropped out of the race.

In a hotly-contested state Supreme Court race, Jill Karofsky defeated incumbent Daniel Kelly, a Scott Walker appointee, though Kelly carried Shawano County, 5,564-3,880.

Among contested Shawano County Board races, one new supervisor was elected in District 1, representing Wards 1 and 2 of the city of Shawano, to fill a vacant seat and three incumbents were voted out of office.

Results will be certified by the Board of Canvass on Wednesday.

Contested County Board races were as follows:

- Mike Wizner won 187 votes against 78 for challenger Daniel Poels. Nancy Cramer, who registered as a write-in candidate for that race, logged 25 votes. That seat had previously been held by Deb Noffke, who moved to the town of Hartland.

- In District 3, representing Wards 5 and 6 of the city of Shawano, incumbent supervisor Milt Marquardt turned back a challenge from Kevin Barkow, by a vote of 121-102.

- In District 4, representing Wards 7 and 8 of the city of Shawano, incumbent supervisor Michael McClelland lost his seat to challenger Kimberly Leffel, 132-102.

- In District 5, incumbent Supervisor Steve Borroughs lost his seat to former supervisor and Shawano Alderwoman Sandy Steinke, who was looking to retake the seat she gave up in 2016 when she chose not to run for reelection. Steinke won 173 votes to 129 for Borroughs. The district includes Wards 9 and 10 in the city of Shawano.

- In District 23, incumbent Supervisor Ray Faehling was ousted by challenger Aaron Damrau by a vote of 302 to 130. The district includes the town of Fairbanks, village of Tigerton and Ward 2 of the town of Germania.

John Mocadlo won the election for Shawano-Bonduel Municipal Court judge over Starlyn Miller, 1,134-675.

Shawano Corporation Counsel Tony Kordus won the race for Shawano-Menominee Circuit Court judge, even though he has dropped out of the race.

There were two registered write-ins for the Branch 1 circuit court seat, Elisabeth Stockbridge and Jeffrey Hasse.

Kordus won 7,205 votes to 207 for Haase and 97 for Stockbridge.

Kordus bowing out means the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge James Habeck will have to be filled by the governor.

Results of municipal and school board races around the county included the following:

- In the village of Eland, three candidates — Chet Matz, Harvey Johnson and Faye Slaney — were vying for two trustee seats. There was also a registered write-in candidate, Kyle Resch. Matz and Johnson were the two top vote-getters, with 54 votes and 49 votes, respectively. Resch garnered 48 votes and Slaney 34.

- In the village of Mattoon, five candidates were seeking three trustee seats. The candidates were Brian Owen, Jeff Steig, Corey Zarda, Lee Parmer and Chaz Reuter. Steig, with 63 votes, Parmer, 52, and Owen, 51, were elected to the village board. Zarda finished with 36 votes and Reuter 26.

- In the village of Tigerton, there were four candidates for three trustee



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seats. James Gauthier, with 163 votes, Shawn Much, with 148 and Jeff Kopeke, 136, were elected to the board. Cary Robbins logged 96 votes.

- In the Bowler School District, Betsy Rosenow won out over Anna Smith, representing the town of Morris, 332-316; Joe Miller defeated Chenoa Martin to represent the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, 285-183.

- In the Gresham School District, Marge Ward Eberhard, with 232 votes, and James Hoffman, with 209 votes, won member-at-large seats on the school board over Jeffrey Hoffman, with 194 votes.

- In the Tigerton School District, Rachael Hoffman defeated Brian Gleason for the school board seat representing the towns of Fairbanks and Wyoming, 369-154.

Voters in the town of Wescott overwhelmingly supported a referendum stating that people should have more of a say in government than money.

Voters backed the referendum by a margin of 722 in favor to 117 opposed.

The referendum asked whether voters agree that "Only human beings are endowed with constitutional rights — not corporations, unions, nonprofits or other artificial entities," and that "Money is not speech, and therefore limiting political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting speech."

There has been a nationwide grassroots campaign over the last several years to get that question on ballots across the country.

The campaign is a response to the Supreme Court's 5-4 Citizen's United decision in 2010 ruling that the government cannot restrict corporations, unions and other associations from the same Constitutional rights of free speech that apply to citizens during election campaigns.

The ruling gave corporations the right to unlimited political expenditures under the First Amendment.

The village of Wittenberg was the first municipality in Shawano County to approve of a similar referendum, supporting it in the April 2018 election by a vote of 86-17.



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Voters file suit as election results due

By **SCOTT BAUER**
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The Associated Press

MADISON — Municipal clerks across Wisconsin on Monday were set to start tallying votes from last week's chaotic presidential primary, a count that was delayed for several days by the legal struggle over whether to postpone the election due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Hours before counting began, 14 Milwaukee-area voters filed a federal lawsuit seeking to force a partial revote to protect the "thousands" of voters they argue were disenfranchised by the turbulent election. The lawsuit named Republican legislative leaders who refused to postpone the election or shift it to all-mail.

Thousands of voters congregated for hours in long lines April 7, defying social-distancing guidelines that led to the postponement of primaries in several other states. The U.S. Supreme Court decided on the eve of the election that absentee ballots, requested in record numbers, had to be postmarked by midnight April 7. That overturned a judge's ruling that had granted a one-week extension, forcing many residents to weigh safety concerns against exercising their right to vote.

Gov. Tony Evers, a Democrat, said Monday before votes were tabulated that the election was "a mess that could have been avoided."

With a lawsuit filed Monday related to the election and more expected, Evers said, "At the end of the day, this will be resolved in court and then we can move on."

The election, while unprecedented for Wisconsin, isn't a factor in deciding the Democratic nominee for the White House. Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders dropped out of the race the day after Wisconsin's election, all but assuring former Vice President Joe Biden will lead the party ticket in November. Sanders endorsed Biden on Monday.

However, also at stake in Tuesday's election were hundreds of local offices and a critical state Supreme Court contest that fueled the fight between Democrats and



Jen Burkhardt waits in line to cast her vote outside of Shawano City Hall on April 7, wearing a protective Harry Potter mask made by a friend. Voters could not enter the building and voted in a tent in the parking lot. Polling places used a variety of techniques to encourage social distancing, from use of masks and gloves to plastic sheets to moving the voting out of public buildings.

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Republicans on whether the election should be held. Democrats accused Republicans of wanting to stick to the election date in part to suppress voter turnout in liberal Milwaukee and Dane counties, improving the conservative candidate's chances in the court race.

The Wisconsin election crystallized what's expected to be a high-stakes, state-by-state legal fight over how citizens can safely cast their ballots if the coronavirus outbreak persists into the November election. Democrats are arguing for states to be ready to shift to much greater use of absentee and mailed ballots, while Republicans are raising the specter that such elections could lead to increased fraud.

Many voters complained that they had requested absentee ballots that

never arrived, forcing them to choose between sitting out the election or risking infection by voting in person. City officials in Milwaukee, as well as Wisconsin's two U.S. senators, called on the U.S. Postal Service to investigate the complaints.

The Milwaukee-area voters who filed suit Monday said they could not vote because they had health concerns, problems with the absentee process or submitted an absentee ballot that didn't meet the April 7 deadline. Their lawsuit seeks class-action status and a court order to count the votes for others like them.

Separately, Milwaukee's election commission voted Monday to count at least 390 absentee ballots that arrived without a postmark, had an illegible postmark or had a postmark

with no date, the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reported. Election clerks around the state were wrestling with the same problem, with lawsuits expected to resolve the question. Wisconsin election law had no postmark requirement prior to the Supreme Court ruling injecting one for this election.

Ahead of Monday's returns, Democrats called on the Republican-controlled Legislature to move Wisconsin's May 12 special congressional election to an all-mail affair. That's unlikely, given the Legislature's unwillingness to shift last week's election, but Evers has said he is considering moving the date which he's already postponed once prior to the COVID-19 outbreak. Rep. Sean Duffy, a Republican, vacated the seat by retirement last year.

Coronavirus seeps into big dreams of local biz

Stubborn Brothers struggling to keep head above water during pandemic

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor



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SHAWANO — The opening of the Stubborn Brothers Brewery has been a much-anticipated event in Shawano, as the new beer and entertainment venue was touted to replace the former Crescent Theater.

With word first swirling around the city in 2016, it appeared the new facility would be up and running in a year. However, additional work and planning pushed back the opening again and again, until owners Aaron and Erik Gilling announced the brewery's ribbon cutting would take place March 18.

Before the ribbon could be cut, however, guidelines for social distancing were established — first with events having no more than 50 people by Gov. Tony Evers, followed by President Donald Trump trimming that to 10 people.

As a result, the opening is on hold once again, and if the new brewery remains closed for too much longer, the big dreams of the Gillings could be the next casualty of COVID-19. So far, millions of dollars have been put into renovating the facility, hiring staff and preparing beer and other special products, according to Aaron Gilling.

Gilling said in a phone interview that he believes the brewery will remain fine as is through the middle of May — the end of the month at the latest. After that, he said decisions will need to be made to keep the business from becoming something else.

"We would be a completely different business model," Gilling said. "That's what we're nervous about. We'd have to go from a brewery that serves its beer in house with a high-end dining experience to being a packaged brewery. That's not bad; we love packaged breweries. But our goal is to be a brewery where you can come and enjoy the product and have an amazing experience in an incredible atmosphere."

The brewery had just hired 20 people to be the staff for the business before the pandemic hit full force, but not being able to be open to the public required laying them all off, according to Gilling. He said it was a rough decision to make, considering most of them had quit

jobs at other places to join the Stubborn Brothers team.

"Everyone was very excited. We had an amazing soft opening and were getting the kinks really worked out, but suddenly, their lives were put on hold," Gilling said. "They can't get unemployment because the unemployment line is so huge. They're calling me, and I'm saying, 'If there's anything we can do to help, we will,' but we're all in this boat together."

The brewery had already starting booking performances for the entertainment side of the venue, including Ike Arumba and the Infidels, but those plans were also derailed by the pandemic.

"The artists are saying, 'When can we come and play?' Because initially, everybody thought this was going to blow over in a week," Gilling said. "Well, three weeks later, we're all in the same boat."

Despite not being up and running, the brewery is managing to stay afloat. Closing to the public hasn't kept Stubborn Brothers from brewing beer, and the business has sold that beer to locals via curbside pickup.

"We've built the brewery from the ground up, and we've got a good bank through CoVantage Credit Union that's had our backs to an extent," Gilling said. "We've had a couple of growler sales, but we're not really where we were aiming to be at this time. Honestly, we're trying to keep our head above water and don't have much money coming in."

Both times the Stubborn Brothers held the growler sales, they were sold out, according to Gilling. However, it is not something that can be done regularly during the interim due to the limited availability of glass.

"We can't get glass bottles from our supplier for weeks," Gilling said. "When we sell out, we sell out. It's not that we don't have beer we want to sell you, it's simply that we don't have the package product, the



A sign indicating where to pick up growlers of Stubborn Brothers beer stands behind the newly renovated business. Originally scheduled to open March 18, the highly anticipated downtown facility has been in a holding pattern since the coronavirus pandemic prompted the closure of many businesses.

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bottles to put it in."

He noted that many glass companies have switched focus to preparing hand sanitizer and tending to the needs of hospitals because they are a higher priority.

"We're kind of the least important people in the world at this time to those companies," Gilling said.

While other restaurants in the area converted to being pickup and delivery food sources, Stubborn Brothers has not followed suit. Gilling said the food Stubborn Brothers

had planned to serve, including certain types of flatbread and sundried tomatoes, was "high end" and not the kind of thing that easily can be prepared and shipped out.

"Yes, you can put it outside your door, but you're going to impact your reputation," Gilling said. "We're not willing to risk our reputation by putting out food that is good but is not to the level we expect it to be."

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Your guide to information and services in Shawano, Menominee and Oconto County

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Health resources

Public health departments

Shawano, Menominee and Oconto counties have created COVID-19 pages on their websites to provide public health information about symptoms of COVID-19 and how to get treatment, as well as links to local actions and advisories.

Shawano - <https://www.co.shawano.wi.us>, then click on the red bar under the top banner.

Menominee - <https://www.co.menominee.wi.us>, then click "Read More" in the red bar.

Oconto - <https://www.co.oconto.wi.us>, then click COVID-19 under "Quick Links."

Phone numbers for public health departments: Shawano and Menominee counties 715-526-4808, Oconto County 920-834-7000

Hotline

ThedaCare has launched a new COVID-19 hotline. Community members can call 920-830-6877 to speak with resource representatives and nurses who will answer medically-related COVID-19 questions or direct patients to the appropriate locations for care.

State government

Gov. Tony Evers' office prepared a nine-page list of frequently-asked questions about his Safer at Home Order that took effect March 25. Link - https://evers.wi.gov/Documents/COVID19/English_SaferatHomeFAQ.pdf

The essential business list can be found at <https://wedc.org/essentialbusiness>

Business resources

Small Business Administration

The U.S. Small Business Administration has federal disaster loans available for businesses, private nonprofits, homeowner, renters.

Link - <https://covid19relief.sba.gov/#>

Oconto County Economic Development

The Oconto County Economic Development Corp. has created a website page to anchor important information for businesses amid quickly changing conditions and unprecedented measures put into place during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Link - <https://www.ocontocounty.org/grow-here/covid-19-relief>

Shawano County Economic Development, Inc.

SCEPI has set up a web page with links to COVID-19 business resources including SBA Disaster Relief Loans, financial advice, tax relief, changes to unemployment benefits and more.

Link - <http://www.shawanoecondev.org/reference/covid-19-business-resources>

Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce

The chamber has a COVID-19 Small Businesses Resources web page that also offers links to the governor's Safer-at-Home executive order, financial assistance and small business resources.

<https://www.shawanocountry.com/covid-19-resources-for-businesses>

Agriculture

Wisconsin Farm Center

Wisconsin Farm Center offers

financial and business consultation, succession planning, legal and financial mediation, counseling vouchers and production challenges. Contact a consultant by phone at 800-942-2474.

For more information, go to: https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Growing_WI/FarmCenterOverview.aspx

Unemployment compensation

The state Department of Workforce Development has a page of information about filing for unemployment compensation during the COVID-19 pandemic. Applications are made online; they ask that people seeking information do NOT call unless instructed to during the application process.

Link - <https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/covid19/public/ui.htm>

Restaurants

The Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce lists restaurants offering a takeout menu. <https://www.shawanocountry.com/restaurants-offering-takeout>

Food pantries

- Shawano Area Food Pantry and Resource Center, 218 E. Richmond St., Shawano, 9-11 a.m. Monday-Friday. 715-524-5863

- Kingdom Come Food Pantry, 520 Locust Ave., Oconto Falls, is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays as a drive-thru only. See their Facebook page for details. 920-604-7229

- The Divine Savior Food Pantry is closed but will reopen May 7, 1-3 p.m. with drive-through service in the Divine Savior Lutheran Church parking lot, 102 Northridge Drive, Shawano.

Libraries offer online options

SHAWANO — The Shawano County Library application and renewal process enables individuals to access digital library services without leaving the comfort and safety of their homes — even while the library is closed.

Individuals who don't have a library card with InfoSoup can sign up for one online, and library staff will contact them with a temporary card number and PIN that will allow access to all the InfoSoup digital resources. To register for a card, simply complete an online application at www.infosoup.org/selfreg.

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patrons access to digital resources for all ages such as ebooks, audiobooks, digitized magazines, newspaper archives and genealogy research. All resources are absolutely free with a library card. Learn more at www.infosoup.info/digital

Shawano County Library also offers a variety of virtual programs. Virtual programs can be accessed through the library's Facebook page and include weekday storytimes at 10 a.m., do-it-yourself crafts at 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and children's science experiments at 1 p.m. on Fridays.

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Outdoors

State parks and trails

Fees are waived for all Wisconsin state parks and trails that continue to remain open to the public.

All state trails are open at this time, with several state parks closed in the southern portion of the state.

To view a list of the closed state parks, visit https://dnr.wi.gov/covid-19/documents/ClosureMap_41320.pdf.

Property buildings closed

All state park offices, visitor centers and non-essential buildings are closed for the duration of the public health emergency.

The DNR closed the following state buildings to the public: park headquarters, offices, visitor centers, nature centers, research stations, ranger stations, shooting ranges, fish hatcheries, shelters, showers, concessions and indoor group camp buildings on all DNR-owned properties open to the public.

Boating and camping

Boat launches at state parks will remain open.

All state campsites (individual, group and indoor) are closed through April 30.

Hunting and fishing

Wisconsin's waters are open. You can fish if you have a license. Normal season regulations apply.

All current regulations apply for hunting, trapping and fishing seasons.

Turkey hunting

All properties already designated as public hunting grounds will remain open to turkey hunters, according to a directive from Gov. Evers on April 10.

State parks are open, as usual, for

turkey hunting in accordance with established hunting seasons, for the first three periods of the regular season (April 15 to May 5).

Other public hunting grounds included in the directive are open for the full turkey season. Visit <https://dnr.wi.gov/news/releases/article/?id=5083> for more details.

Farm Center offers ag resources

MADISON — With Wisconsin farmers facing an unprecedented series of challenges brought on by low commodity prices, unfavorable weather patterns, uncertain global markets and now, challenges posed by COVID-19, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) reminds farmers that support, information and resources are available through the Wisconsin Farm Center.

Farmers and agribusiness owners can contact the farm center by phone at 800-942-2474. For information, go to https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Growing_WI/FarmCenterOverview.aspx.

Since the mid-1980s, thousands of farm families have turned to the center, which provides an extensive array of services to farmers, often in cooperation with the university, gov-

ernmental or private sector. Those services include, among others, financial and business consultation, farm succession planning, farm ownership transition planning, conflict mediation, production and herd-health challenges, legal and financial mediation and counseling vouchers.

These services are provided at no cost to farmers, and all information provided to the center is confidential.

"Each year brings its own unique set of challenges to farmers," said DATCP interim Secretary Randy Romanski. "After the difficult circumstances of the past several years, no one could have predicted COVID-19. Farming is a complicated and demanding business, and it's always helpful to have someone there providing support, suggestions and encouragement."



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**VILLAGE OF BONDUEL
NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSES**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following have applied for alcohol beverage licenses in the Village of Bonduel. The application will be acted upon at the April 21, 2020, meeting of the Bonduel Village Board at the Village Hall, 117 W. Green Bay Street, Bonduel, Wisconsin, at 6:00 p.m.

Name and address of the applicants are:

Class "B" Beer – 6-Month License effective May 1, 2020 through October 31, 2020
John J. Reinke, Agent – Bonduel Bronco Baseball Club, Inc., Village Park, 300 E. Park Street;

Michelle Maroszek
Clerk

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Gresham School District

FREE Student Breakfast and Lunch Program while school is closed. For any families with children age 18 and younger residing in the Gresham School District who would like FREE bagged breakfast and lunch during the school closure dates, we are asking that you please contact the School Office at 715-787-3211 to arrange pickup or delivery. You can sign up using this web address: bit.ly/GreshamLunchAndBreakfastForm. Meals will be delivered to your house or they can be picked up at the school. Both bagged breakfast and lunch will be available at the same time. The program began on Monday March 23, 2020. Bagged breakfast and lunch will be delivered between 9:00-11:00 am, Monday through Friday. For questions regarding this program, please contact Denise Guex via email at guexd@gresham.k12.wi.us.

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**TOWN OF LESSOR - SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice that the Assessment Roll is open for Examination and
Open Book**

Pursuant to s.70.45, Wis. Stats. The assessment roll for the Year 2020 assessment will be open for examination starting on the 14th day of April, 2020 by appointment in the clerks office.

Additionally, the assessor shall be available on the 22 day of April, 2020 by phone at 715-250-2471 from Noon until 2:00pm.

Instructional material will be provided at the open book to persons who wish to object to valuations under s.70.47, Wis.Stats.

Notice of Board of Review Meeting

The Board of Review will meet on the 20th day of May, 2020 at 6 p.m. until 8:00pm at the Town of Lessor Town Hall for the purpose of calling the Board of Review into session during the thirty day period beginning on the 2nd Monday of May, pursuant to s. 70.47(1), Wis.Stats.

Pursuant to s.70.47(2), Wis. Stats.:

*No person shall be allowed to appear before the board of review, to testify to the board by telephone or to contest the amount of any assessment of real or personal property if the person has refused a reasonable written request by certified mail of the assessor to enter onto property to conduct an exterior view of such property being assessed.

After the first meeting of the board of review and before the board's final adjournment, no person who is scheduled to appear before the board of review may contact, or provide information to, a member of the board about that person's objection except at a session of the board.

No person may appear before the board of review, testify to the board by telephone or contest the amount of any assessment unless, at least 48 hours before the first meeting of the board or at least 48 hours before the objection is heard if the objection is allowed under sec.70.47(3)(a), that person provides to the clerk of the board of review notice as to whether the person will ask for removal under sec.70.47(6m)(a) and if so which member will be removed and the person's reasonable estimate of the length of time that the hearing will take.

When appearing before the board, the person shall specify, in writing, the person's estimate of the value of the land and of the improvements that are the subject of the person's objection and specify the information that the person used to arrive at that estimate.

No person may appear before the board of review, testify to the board by telephone or object to a valuation; if that valuation was made by the assessor or the objector using the income method; unless the person supplies to the assessor all of the information about income and expenses, as specified in the manual under s.73.03(2a), that the assessor requests. The municipality or county shall provide by ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the assessor under this paragraph and shall provide exceptions for persons using the information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or of the duties of their office by order of a court. The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determines that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under s.19.35(1).

Notice is hereby given this 7th day of April, 2020 by:
Katie Sprangers, Clerk

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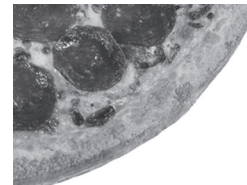
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Town of Navarino

Shawano County

Pursuant to s. 70.45, Wis. stats., the Town of Navarino assessment roll for the year 2020 assessment will be open for examination on the 22nd day of April from 9 a.m. to 11a.m. Due to the extraordinary circumstances the Assessor will be conducting the open book via phone or email. Instructional material about the assessment, how to file an objection, and board of review procedures under Wisconsin law will be available at that time.

Assessor - Kelly Zillmer - 715-250-2471 – kzillmer@frontier.com

Notice is hereby given this 30th day of March, 2020

Judy Krull Town of Navarino Clerk

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COURT NEWS

Recent proceedings in Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court:

- Heather M. Barth, 33, of Denmark, was charged April 14 with a felony count of possession of methamphetamine and six felony counts of bail jumping. She could face a maximum six years in prison and \$10,000 fine on each of the bail jumping counts if convicted and 3½ years and a \$10,000 fine on the drug charge. Barth was ordered held on a \$1,000 cash bond set by Judge William Kussel Jr. and was scheduled for an adjourned initial court appearance on May 4.

- Maxwell J. Drum, 23, of Cecil, was charged April 13 with felony counts of possession of methamphetamine and second or subsequent possession of marijuana and four felony counts of bail jumping. He could face a maximum six years in prison and \$10,000 fine on each of the bail jumping counts if convicted and 3½ years and a \$10,000 fine on each of the drug charges. Drum was scheduled for an initial June 1 court appearance.

- Rebecca S. Kohel, 28, of Clintonville, was charged April 13 with a felony count of forgery. She could face a maximum six years in prison and \$10,000 fine if

convicted. Kohel was scheduled for an initial court appearance on June 15.

- Bonifacio Dominguez Valdivia, 38, of Pulaski, was charged April 13 with a felony count of substantial battery with intent to cause bodily harm. He could face a maximum 3½ years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted. He was scheduled for an initial court appearance on June 15.

- Shane M. Boyd, 38, of Gillett, was charged April 13 with a felony count of second or subsequent possession of marijuana. He could face a maximum 3½ years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted. He was scheduled for an initial June 1 court appearance.

- Peter R. Ploskee, 54, of Neenah, was charged April 13 with a felony count of second or subsequent possession of marijuana. He could face a maximum 3½ years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted. He was scheduled for an initial court appearance on June 1.

- Barry M. Van Straten, 47, of Shiocton, was charged April 13 with a felony count of child abuse-intentionally causing harm and misdemeanor counts of neglecting a child and disorderly conduct. He could face a

maximum six years in prison and \$10,000 fine if convicted on the felony charge. Van Straten was scheduled for an initial court appearance on June 15.

- Kyle J. Phelps, 18, of Shawano, was charged April 13 with a felony count of child abuse-intentionally causing harm. He could face a maximum six years in prison and \$10,000 fine if convicted. Phelps was scheduled for an initial court appearance on June 15.

- Anthony C. Azzolina, 43, of Bowler, was charged April 13 with two felony counts of second-degree recklessly endangering safety and a felony count of aggravated battery. He could face a maximum 10 years in prison and a \$25,000 fine on each of the reckless endangerment counts if found guilty and six years and a \$10,000 fine if convicted of aggravated battery. He is due in court for an initial appearance on June 15.

- Roy R. House, 29, of Keshena, was sentenced by Judge James Habeck on April 9 to 12 months in jail on a felony count of possession of narcotic drugs. House had pleaded no contest to the charge.

- Joshua J. Kitchenakow, 29, of Kaukauna, was sentenced by Judge James Habeck on April 9 to six months in jail on

a felony count of second or subsequent possession of marijuana. Kitchenakow pleaded no contest to the charge.

- Cici B. Antone, 32, of Wittenberg, was charged April 8 with a felony count of misappropriating ID to obtain money and misdemeanor counts of theft and bail jumping. She could face a maximum six years in prison and \$10,000 fine if convicted on the felony count. Antone is scheduled for an initial court appearance on June 1.

- Raphael J. Boivin, 34, was charged April 8 with a felony count of strangulation and suffocation and misdemeanor counts of criminal damage to property and disorderly conduct. He could face a maximum six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted on the felony charge. Boivin is scheduled for an initial court appearance on June 1.

- William A. Kruse, 28, of Shawano, was charged April 8 with felony counts of second-degree sexual assault of a child and exposing a child to harmful material. He could face a maximum 40 years in prison and a \$100,000 fine if convicted of the sexual assault charge. Kruse is scheduled for an initial court appearance on June 1.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

April 13

Police logged 12 incidents, including the following:

Vandalism — The Shawano Recreation Center, 220 E. Division St., reported a rock had been thrown through a window.

Theft — A credit card was reported stolen in the 200 block of Waukechon Street.

Disturbance — Police responded to a disturbance in the 200 block of South Andrews Street.

April 12

Police logged 20 incidents, including the following:

Disturbance — Police responded to disturbances in the 300 block of West Picnic Street and 200 block of Waukechon Street.

Harassment — Harassment was reported in the 300 block of South Washington Street.

Shoplifting — Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St., reported a shoplifting incident.

April 11

Police logged 17 incidents, including the following:

Fleeing — A male subject fled on foot from a traffic stop at Alpine Court and Northridge Drive. Officers were unable to locate the driver. There were three passengers in the vehicle, and two were taken into custody. A 33-year-old Denmark woman was arrested for possession of methamphetamine,

possession of drug paraphernalia, obstructing an officer and bail jumping. A 30-year-old Embarrass man was arrested for obstructing an officer. The investigation regarding the occupant who fled continues.

Assault — Police investigated an assault complaint in the 200 block of South Washington Street.

April 10

Police logged 16 incidents, including the following:

Vandalism — A vehicle was reported vandalized in the 300 block of South Washington Street.

Theft — Outdoor furniture was reported stolen in the 1100 block of South Union Street.

Shoplifting — Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St., reported a shoplifting incident.

April 9

Police logged 13 incidents, including the following:

Suspicious — A suspicious person was reported in the 1500 block of East Lieg Avenue. A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 400 block of Humphrey Circle.

Weapon Offense — Police investigated a complaint of a subject pointing a gun at Woodlawn Drive and East Green Bay Street.

April 8

Police logged 23 incidents, including the following:

Disorderly — Disorderly conduct was reported in the 800 block of East Richmond Street and at Seward and Hamlin streets.

Assault — A sexual assault complaint was under investigation.

April 7

Police logged 23 incidents, including the following:

Hit and Run — Police investigated a property damage hit-and-run at County Road B and Airport Drive.

Accident — A vehicle vs. deer crash was reported at Airport and Engel drives.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

April 13

Deputies logged 26 incidents, including the following:

Shoplifting — Shoplifting was reported at the Ho-Chunk convenience store, N7214 U.S. Highway 45 in the town of Wittenberg.

Accidents — Deputies logged nine accidents and one deer-related crash.

April 12

Deputies logged 18 incidents, including the following:

Disturbances — Authorities responded to a disturbance on Gollnow Road in the town of Grant and on state Highway 22 in the town of Belle Plaine.

Accidents — Authorities responded to an injury accident on state Highway 29 in the town of Herman and logged six minor accidents.

April 11

Deputies logged 35 incidents, including the following:

Disturbances — Authorities responded to a disturbance on Lake Drive in the

town of Washington and on High Street in Birnamwood.

Burglary — An attempted burglary was reported on Cecil Street in Bonduel.

April 10

Deputies logged 33 incidents, including the following:

Theft — A food card was reported stolen on Rollman Street in Bowler.

Drug Offense — Authorities investigated a drug complaint on Woods Road in the town of Wescott.

April 9

Deputies logged 27 incidents, including the following:

Disturbance — Authorities responded to a disturbance on Cloverleaf Lake Road in the town of Belle Plaine.

Fraud — Authorities investigated a fraud complaint on Maple View Road in the town of Lessor.

April 8

Deputies logged 32 incidents, including the following:

Harassment — Harassment was reported on Cedar Street in Tigerton.

Theft — Authorities responded to a property theft complaint on Wood Avenue in Wittenberg.

April 7

Deputies logged 22 incidents, including the following:

Burglary — An attempted burglary was reported on Kelsee Court in Bonduel.

Assault — Authorities investigated a reported assault on County Road BE in the town of Wescott.

OBITUARIES

Donald Arthur Schmidt went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on April 7, 2020, in his home with his family by his side.

Don was born on May 9, 1943, in Wittenberg, son of the late Edwin and Adelyne (Koepeke) Schmidt. He was baptized and confirmed in the Christian faith at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wittenberg. Don married his high school sweetheart, Eileen Johnson at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Wittenberg.

He graduated from Madison Business College (MBC) with a degree in accounting/business administration and was employed with School Stationers Corp. (paper converting) in Neenah and Oshkosh as general manager, resigning after 27 years. He was then with Paul L. Jansen and Co. Inc (piano manufacturer and sales) until his retirement 18 years later on June 10, 2010, the same date as his wife retired from the Neenah Joint School District.

Hugo Dean Mielke Jr., a Dupont Cheese salesman, lifelong farmer and resident of the Marion area, passed away as the result of an unexpected medical emergency on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, at the age of 64 at St. Mary's Hospital in Green Bay.

Hugo was born in Clintonville on Oct. 25, 1955, to Hugo and Meta Mielke. He graduated from Marion High School and was a passionate farmer and livestock vitamin salesperson for many years. He then managed Prime Time Bar and Grill in Marion, where his story and joke telling was in its prime. Most recently, Hugo was an unforgettable salesman for Dupont Cheese since 2007.

Although his given name was Hugo, many friends called him Otto, and his family affectionately knew him as Junior. Junior was an amazing goodwill

Phyllis D. Watermolen, 82, of Suring (formerly of Green Bay), passed away Sunday, April 5, 2020. Phyllis was born Oct. 30, 1937, to the late Anthony and Stella (Pawlak) Hendricks. In December 1958, Phyllis married David Watermolen Sr. Over her life, Phyllis worked at many places including Kaap's Restaurant, H.C. Prange Company and Oneida Bingo and Casino. Phyllis greatly enjoyed shopping, completing word puzzles, watching the birds, eating chocolate-covered cherries and especially spending time with grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Phyllis wanted to make sure her



member and usher. He loved his church family.

Don played sports in his youth, basketball, baseball and fast-pitch softball with college and church. Camping was always part of the family summer vacations. He loved watching and/or attending all sports activities, especially the Packers, Badgers, Bucks and Milwaukee Braves (now the Brewers).

Don enjoyed bowling for many years on the Wednesday night men's league at Lakewood Lanes and couples league at Fox Valley Lanes. He was

Donald Arthur Schmidt

Don was very active in church activities. He was treasurer with Trinity Lutheran Church in Menasha, and then with Peace Lutheran Church in Neenah as elder, choir

the secretary and treasurer of both leagues. Don bowled in the Milwaukee Pro-Am with a 289 qualifying game. Golf was the most cherished past-time with his wife. Cruising in their 1966 Mustang convertible on those quiet summer evenings was always an end to a perfect day.

Don traveled many miles over the years, touching ground in all 50 states as well as numerous foreign countries. Road trips were a big highlight during retirement. He also kept a daily journal from 1971 to the present, sharing many wonderful moments with his family, something he was very proud of.

Being with his four children and 10 grandchildren were his most treasured moments, attending most of their activities, be it sports, programs or school activities. Chasing the grandkids around the yard with "the claw" was always a beloved parting gesture. Don always had a smile on his face

and a place in his heart for all. Now he will be with someone who can match his wit and laugh at his humor. God is good.

In addition to his wife, Eileen, Don is survived by his children, Linda Buckli and her children, Nikole Moody and Tyler Moody; Sue (Randy) Tews, and their children, Ethan and Alaina; Joe (Sarah) Schmidt, and their children, Katelyn, Mason and Finley; Jared (Tiffany) Schmidt, and their children, Lydia, Clara and Miles. He is also survived by his brothers, Edward (Carol) Schmidt and Jerry (Pat) Schmidt.

The family of Don Schmidt wish to send a special thank you and appreciation to the ThedaCare At-Home Hospice caregivers for providing such love, care and comfort.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date at Peace Lutheran Church in Neenah. He sleeps.

For online condolences, please visit www.kesslerfh.com.



ambassador for the Marion community. His heart and personality was as big as his sense of humor.

Junior was a devoted uncle and a favorite to so many of his nieces and nephews, whose lives he touched in so many ways. Whether you had the opportunity to meet him during his farming days, a visit to Prime Time, or were lucky enough to meet him during a cheese demo, we are sure he had a lasting impression on you. Maybe you knew Junior from the poker or sheepshead tables, ball diamonds, bowling alley, dart ball, or enjoyed a game of guts Frisbee with him back in the day. No doubt your

interaction with him was entertaining and left you smiling. That is the kind of guy who Junior was.

Junior was a spiritual man and had a personal relationship with Jesus. Please help us carry on Hugo's memory by paying forward his big heart, goodwill, and most of all his great stories and jokes. I know we speak for all who knew him when we say thank you, Junior, for having such a positive impact in so many people's lives. You will sincerely be missed.

Hugo is survived by brothers, Kenneth, Dennis and Donald Mielke; and sister, Karen (Mielke) Moderson (brother-in-law is Mark Moderson); as well as many dear nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, coworkers and cheese lovers everywhere.

Hugo was preceded in death by his father, Hugo Mielke Sr.; and

mother, Meta (Watters) Mielke; two siblings in infancy; Danny Lee and Carol; and his sister-in-law, Shirley (Patri) Mielke.

There was a vehicle procession to honor Hugo on Saturday, April 11, 2020, at 1 p.m. At 1:30, a procession began, consisting of the hearse, a Dupont Cheese vehicle and family members' vehicles. At 2 p.m., a small memorial service was conducted in the funeral home parking lot, reserved for immediate family.

A community gathering to celebrate Hugo's life is planned for a later date.

The family wishes to sincerely thank the staff at HSHS St. Mary's Hospital Medical Center in Green Bay and everyone in the community for the outpouring of support they received.

An online guestbook can be signed at www.eberhardtstevenson.com.

Phyllis D. Watermolen



years."

Phyllis is survived by her three sons, Kevin (Jane) Watermolen of Bonduel, David (Donna) Watermolen Jr. of Krakow, and Dreux Watermolen of Madison; a daughter, Judee Bjorn of

grandchildren and family knew how much she loved them. She would often say, "Don't miss me when I'm gone, but think about everything I was able to enjoy with you over the

Park Rapids, Minnesota; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren and one expected; two brothers, Jerry Hendricks of Gresham and Richard (Teri) Hendricks of Wittenberg; two sisters, Sharon Hendricks and Jeannie Lupe, both of Shawano. She is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, David; parents; son-in-law, Ken Bjorn; sister, Yvonne.

The service dates cannot be selected at this time. In the future, a celebration of life will be held at Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring. Gruetzmacher

Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.

The family would like to thank Unity Hospice and its staff for the care and compassion offered to Phyllis in her time of need.



Doris J. Steichen

Doris J. Steichen, 89, of Shawano, passed away on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, at Evergreen Nursing Home in Shawano, while surrounded by her family. Doris was born in Streator, Illinois, on January 6, 1931, to the late Clarence and Hazel (Scudder) Kline.

After attending Dwight township schools and graduating in 1949, she was united in marriage to William Steichen on Oct. 7, 1950, at the Steichen family farm in Round Grove township, Livingston County, Illinois. They made their home in Dwight, raising their first of five children, until 1960 when her husband's job took the family to Shawano.

After her fifth child was born, she decided to enter into a new phase of her life, becoming a Fuller Brush salesperson. Although this was a very interesting part of her life, she was asked to become head of housekeeping at the new Evergreen Nursing



Home in Shawano. She was in charge of all of housekeeping duties, ordering supplies for the facility, as well as all nursing supplies. Some of her practices and policies are still in place today. She spent nearly 25 years as an employee at Evergreen, and her final 1½ years as a resident, often telling the staff "how we used to do things."

Doris was an avid Green Bay Packers, Milwaukee Brewers, Milwaukee Bucks and golf fan. While vacationing on her many trips to Florida with her husband, the couple attended several PGA golf events. Among her other interests, she enjoyed attending auctions, especially Amish quilts auctions, collecting antiques, and snow-

mobiling. She and Bill were at the start of the Lunds Snowbirds Snowmobile Club — numerous miles were driven, and many trips were taken, with several of their dear friends.

At the center of her life was family — with many family get-togethers, fish fries, or get-togethers just to share a story or two over a couple of brandy old-fashioned, which only took a couple of phone calls to spread the word. All of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren meant the world to her, and Doris was extremely proud of each one.

Doris is survived by her children, Bob (Geri) Steichen, of Cecil, Barbara Wawrzyn, of Green Bay, Brent (special friend Jan Raddant) Steichen, of Shawano, and Brian Steichen, of Shawano; 12 grandchildren, Rob and Brad Steichen, Ann Jacobson, Amy Erickson, Jason, Jennifer, Jeff, Amber, Cassie, and Jamie Stei-

chen, Stacy Hooyman and Steffany Villalbos; 10 great-grandchildren, Sophia, Tyler, Drew, Zach, J.J., Maccee, Danny, Aiden, Lily and Jayce; her brother-in-law, Richard (Beverly) Steichen, of Sun City, Arizona, and her sister-in-law, Martha (Joe) Polito of Joliet, Illinois.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Bill; her son, Alan; son-in-law, Mark T. Wawrzyn; her parents, Clarence and Hazel; and her father- and mother-in-law, William and Nina Steichen.

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, private family services will be held.

A special thank you to the staff at Evergreen, for the exceptional care offered to our mother, as well as thank you to ThedaCare at Home Hospice.

You were a caring daughter, mother, grandmother and friend. You will not be forgotten.

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Glenn C. Knox

Glenn C. Knox, 86, Oconto Falls, died early Wednesday morning, April 8, 2020, at Meadowbrook Nursing Home following health complications. The youngest of two boys born to John and Vernal (Leininger) Knox began life on earth Jan. 24, 1934, in the Town of Osborn. He attended North Osborn grade school, graduating from Seymour High School with the class of 1952.

On July 9, 1955, he married Doris Ganzel at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Seymour. Following their marriage the couple lived in the Valley area where eventually he went to work for Integrity Insurance Co. In 1975, he and his family moved to Oconto Falls where they owned and operated Knox Insurance Agency, focusing on customer service, until retiring in 1998. Glenn never forgot a



face and had the gift of gab while always being loyal, caring and hardworking. He was a longtime member of Grace Lutheran Church in Oconto Falls, and his Christian

faith was very important to him. As a man of many skills, he did electrical, woodworking and gardening for himself, his family and countless others. Along with his wife Doris, they enjoyed square dancing, camping and fishing together as well as socializing with their many friends. He also took up golf later in life and enjoyed many rounds at River Island Golf Course. For many years they were involved in Oconto County's Breakfast on

the Farm and Fair activities. Glenn served on the Oconto Falls Water & Light Commission and volunteered for Home Respite Care. Glenn will be lovingly remembered as a good husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend.

Survivors are his wife of 64 years, Doris Knox, Oconto Falls; their four children, Carl (Nancy) Meiers- Knox, Appleton; Karen (Scott) Arves, Prior Lake, Minnesota; Connie (Ryan) Rosandich, Duluth, Minnesota; Ken (Amy) Knox, Bayside; seven grandchildren, Kayla (Justin) Riley, Melissa (Curtis) Weisse and Mitchell Arves; Sarah (Phil) Johnson and Ben (Caitlin) Heggstad; Calvin and Jacob Knox; eight great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews. He is further survived by in-laws Geraldine Ganzel, Phyllis Toonen, Robert and Carol

Ganzel, Sharon Ganzel, Mavis and Thomas Brownson, Richard & Mary Ganzel.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother and sister-in-law Robert (Marion) Knox, and brothers-in-law Robert Toonen and Kenneth Ganzel.

Private family services were scheduled Good Friday, April 10, 2020, at Jones Funeral Service in Oconto Falls with Pastor Gary Olson officiating. Because of Safer at Home restrictions, a celebration of Glenn's life will eventually take place at Grace Lutheran Church.

In lieu of other expressions of sympathy, memorials may be made to Grace Lutheran Church. The Knox family would like to thank the nurses and staff of Meadowbrook Nursing Home.

Donald J. Smith

Donald J. Smith was welcomed into the arms of our Lord on April 10, 2020 after a long fight with cancer. Donald was born on March 3, 1936, the son of the late James and Dorothy (Schmidt) Smith in Milwaukee. He was united in marriage to Margaret Beyer, who passed away in 1983. Together they had two sons, Scott (Jennifer) Smith, of Grafton, and Chris Smith, of West Bend.

He was united in marriage on Oct. 11, 1991, to Patricia A. Brzezinski and they took up residence on Legend Lake in Keshena. Don was a member of the ROMEOS (real old men eating out) of Legend Lake, where



he enjoyed the company of all of the members.

Don was always willing to help friends and neighbors. He was a great and excitable fan of the Green Bay

Packers, Wisconsin Badgers and Milwaukee Brewers. His favorite time was when he was with his grandchildren whom he loved dearly and was very proud of them all. He was also an avid reader.

He was employed by F. Dohman

Company of Germantown for over 40 years as a pharmaceutical sales consultant.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia; children, Scott (Jennifer) Smith, of Grafton, and Chris Smith, of West Bend, Perry Brzezinski, of Lewistown, Montana, Julie (Steve) Nelson, of Rothschild, Kay Lynne Trembley, of Cummings, Georgia, and Paul (Jennifer) Brzezinski of Lombard, Illinois; and 13 grandchildren.

He is also survived by his sisters, Delores (John) Cassidy, of Waukesha, and Donna Au, of Jefferson; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Bruce Merten, of Milwaukee, John

and Karen Meurett, of Wausau, Dennis and Barbara Dietmeyer, of Ringle, Michael Meurett, of Port Washington, Gertrude Meurett, of Mosinee, and Jerry Jacoby of Gilbert, Arizona.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Margaret; his parents; his sisters, Dorothy Brown and Diane Smith; his brothers-in-law, John Cassidy, James Brown, Albert Beyer and Thomas Meurett; his sisters-in-law, Mary Merten and Carol Jacoby; and a nephew, William Somrude.

A memorial service is being planned for a later date.

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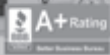
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OBITUARIES

Paul J. Wasmund

Paul J. Wasmund, 61, of Suring, passed away Saturday, April 11, 2020. Paul was born May 11, 1958, to Odile (Lanser) and the late Robert Wasmund in Milwaukee. He graduated from Suring High School with the Class of 1977. Paul was a master plumber for many years. He greatly enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and walking his dog, Max. Every year, Paul looked forward to camping with friends during Memorial Day weekend.

Paul is survived by his mother, Odile; two sisters, Laure Christensen and Robin (Jay) Gilligan; three brothers, Wayne Wasmund, Todd (Michelle) Wasmund and Kyle Wasmund; nieces and nephews, Crystal (Scott) Bragg, Ryker (Janel) Wasmund, Caleb Wasmund, Carly Christensen, Joey Christensen, Dylon Gilligan and Emma Gilligan; beloved dog, Max. He is further survived by many aunts, uncles, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert; brother-in-law, Al Chris-



tensen; nephew, Cory Christensen.

A private memorial service will be held for Paul. Gruetzmacher Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.

The family would like to thank the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital for the care and compassion offered to Paul during his time of need.



Perry L. Heise

Perry L. Heise, 63, of Oconto (formerly of Suring), passed away on Tuesday, April 7, 2020. Perry was born on Jan. 11, 1957, to the late Elroy Sr. and Joyce (Wescott) Heise. For over 30 years, Perry worked at Tousey Manufacturing. He later worked at Suring Community Dairy and was presently employed at New View Industries until the time of his passing. Perry liked to drive around the neighborhood and enjoy the scenery outdoors.

Perry is survived by his three brothers, Elroy Jr. (Jeanice) Heise, John Heise, and Wayne Heise, all of Suring. He is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents, William and Eveyln Heise; sister, Lynn Heise.

The service date cannot be select-



ed at this time. In the future, a celebration of life will be held for Perry. Gruetzmacher Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.



Marjorie A. Wegner

Marjorie Ann Wegner (Williams), 81, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, passed away peacefully on April 6, 2020.

Preceded in death by parents, Russell & Viola Williams; son, Michael Wegner; and daughter, Marcie Wegner.

Survived by her loving and devoted husband of 61 years, Donald Wegner; children, Mark Wegner (wife Kristine) and Michelle Pietrzak-Wegner (husband Chris); grandchildren, Brittani Wegner, Brandon Wegner (wife Shannon), Jacob Wegner, Nathan Wegner and Colin Wegner;



great-grandchildren, Avery Wegner, Nolan Wegner, Moses Wegner, Ashtyn Wegner and Faith Wegner. Marge will be laid to rest aside her parents and daughter in her hometown of Green Valley in a private family gathering at a later date.

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Roderick H. 'Butch' Davids Sr.

Roderick Hudson "Butch" Davids Sr., 74, of Bowler, passed away on Sunday, April 5, 2020, at his home on the Stockbridge-Munsee Indian Reservation. Roderick was born Aug. 31, 1945. He was the fifth child of Kenneth and Minerva (Miller) Davids.

Roderick grew up with his family near headquarters on the Stockbridge reservation. When he was about 11 years old, the family moved to Milwaukee. Roderick attended school at Bethany Lutheran Elementary, Wells Junior High and West Division High School in Milwaukee. In December 1963, Roderick married Crystal Neal and had three children. They divorced in 1980.

Roderick worked as a machinist at Falk Corporation from 1963 until he retired in 2006. After retiring, he returned to the reservation. Roderick was an intelligent, strong and independent person. He was a lifelong fan of the Packers and the Brewers. He loved to read and watch movies. He enjoyed talking with family and friends and playing games like



scrabble or cribbage. Roderick especially loved his dogs, Obie, Pretty Girl, and Wapo.

Roderick is survived by his daughter, Daun Davids; his sons,

Roderick (Jennifer) Davids Jr. and Joseph (Rachel) Davids; his grandchildren, Katelan and Kenneth Davids, and Alexander and Briana Marrs. He is further survived by nieces, nephews, and numerous family and friends, especially on the reservation.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Marilyn Boivin; his brothers, Kermit "Doodle," Ronald "Son," Rodney "Chum," and Shayne Davids.

A memorial service is being planned for a later date. Upon request, the family asks that no memorial donations or gifts be sent at this time.

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Lorna Saffran

Lorna Saffran, 86, Oconto Falls, died Sunday morning, March 29, 2020, at Meadowbrook with family present. The 10th child in her family of 11, she was born Sept. 6, 1933, in Oconto Falls to Harry and Ethel (Wegehaupt) Fuller. She attended Oconto Falls schools and graduated high school, living in the area her entire life.

On June 9, 1956, she married Walter Saffran at the Oconto Falls United Methodist Church. Lorna worked at many different jobs including the Falls Restaurant, Oconto Electric Coop, Times Herald office and for the Oconto Falls Water & Light Department office. In later years, she worked part-time at the Extension Office and Tax Listing at the courthouse in Oconto, Hall Abstract in Oconto and also with assessing. Lorna served on the Water & Light Commission in Oconto Falls as well as the library board. Lorna was a lifelong member of the Oconto Falls United Methodist Church where she was very active. She also belonged and was active with the Extension Homemakers for many years, Friends of the



Library, local Boy Scouts and the Machickanee Ski Club. Lorna and Wally enjoyed traveling to every state in the US as well as to Canada, Mexico and many countries in

Europe. They enjoyed snowmobiling for many years, riding bicycle trails around WI and playing cards, especially Bridge and Sheephead.

Survivors are her two sons, Dave and Tim (Sue) Saffran; two granddaughters, Lauren (William) Whims and Sarah (fiancé Alan Salazar) Saffran; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Wally on Jan. 3, 2020, and her 10 siblings.

Private family services were held at Jones Funeral Service in Oconto Falls with her nephew Pastor Tony Fuller officiating. Burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Oconto Falls is also private due to Safer at Home restrictions.

Joyce A. Pingel

Joyce A. Pingel, 92, of Clintonville, passed away April 10, 2020, at Greentree Health and Rehabilitation Center in Clintonville.

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

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OBITUARIES

Dolores M. Ohlfs, 91, of Mountain, passed away on Tuesday, March 24, 2020. Dolly was born on Jan. 5, 1929, to the late George and Sophia (Frehr) Teiber in Chicago. She was raised in the Crivitz area and married Henry "Hank" Ohlfs on Oct. 22, 1949. The couple moved to the Mountain area where they owned and operated their logging and saw mill business until retiring in 1977. For 15 years, Dolly also worked as a mail carrier for the Mountain Post Office. Dolly and Hank started raising horses in 1962, building quite a herd at their home in Mountain that the whole family enjoyed. They traveled with their family, friends and horses out west for trail rides for many years.

Dolly and Hank also owned homes in Guffey and Divide, Colorado, for over 25 years enjoying the scenery of the Colorado mountains and their neighbors that became good friends. Dolly enjoyed gar-



Dolly is survived by her six children, MarLynn Ohlfs, Green Bay, Henry W. "Bill" Ohlfs Jr., Mountain, MaLea (Tim) Flynn, Conover, Richard J. "Rick" Ohlfs, Colorado Springs, Colorado, MiLissa (Craig)

dening, watching her flowers grow. During the 1970s, Dolly used her love of the outdoors to plant thousands of trees for the Forest Service in Oconto County. She also enjoyed watching birds, with her favorite bird being a cardinal. For many years, Dolly enjoyed quilting with her close friend, Judy Schaal.

Stipe, Denmark, and MiChele (Walter) Eagleburger, Enterprise, Kansas; grandchildren, Ciara Carley, John (Sara) Process, Jenna (Matthew) Baum, Courtney (Mike) McDonald, Greg (Erin) Ohlfs and Kyle Ohlfs, Tyler and Garrett Stipe, Dustin Eagleburger and Ashley Eagleburger, Jason (Lisa) Flynn; 17 great-grandchildren; sister, Rose Marie "Toots" Washburn, Denver; brother-in-law, Fred Ohlfs, Crivitz; her dog, Calvin. She is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hank; infant daughter, Debra; parents; brother, John Teiber; mother and father-in-law, James and Margaret Ohlfs; sisters-in-law, Alice (Bob) Mantell, Dorothy (Durland) Harrison and Connie Ohlfs; brothers-in-law, Jim (Velma) Ohlfs and Ed Washburn; nieces, Sandra Knapton and Karen Finnegan; nephews, John Mantell and Danny Harrison.

A special thanks goes out to Lynn Montie who cared and comforted our mother in her final days. She was an angel! Further thanks to Unity Hospice for the care and compassion offered to Dolly in her time of need.

A graveside service was held for Dolly at Mountain Cemetery on Friday, March 27, 2020. A memorial service will be held in the future at St. Michael's Chute Pond Chapel. Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com



Edward C. Matz Sr.

Edward C. Matz Sr., 99, of Birnamwood, died Saturday, April 11, 2020, at Cloverleaf Terrace, Birnamwood, with his family by his side.

He was born July 25, 1920, in Birnamwood, the son of Frank and Alma (Giese) Matz.

Ed was a United States Army veteran who served during World War II. He was a member of the Darling Gunderson Post #341 American Legion Birnamwood and served as past commander.

On June 18, 1949, Ed was united in marriage to Marion Kaufmann at St. Philomena Catholic Church, Birnamwood. She preceded him in death on Sept. 17, 2018.

Ed owned and operated the Ed Matz Mobil in Birnamwood for many years. He also worked for the village of Birnamwood and drove



school bus for a number of years. He also served on the Birnamwood Volunteer Fire Department. Ed enjoyed deer hunting and trout fishing in his younger years. He has calendars of many years where he documented the air temperature every day. He was very proud of his country and his time in the Army. It was a lifelong dream of his to attend the Never Forgotten Honor Flight in 2010.

Survivors include his children, Ed (Judy) Matz Jr. of Pickerel, Hope Baken of Fond du Lac, Marilyn (Terry) Fischer of Norrie, Chad (Cindy) Matz and Mark (Judie) Matz

all of Birnamwood; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Shirley Clark of Birnamwood and Lois Liethen of Wittenberg and special neighbors, Ron "Berf" and Jonelle Resch.

Ed was preceded in death by his wife; parents; and siblings, Eudora Crawford, Evelyn Frederick, Mildred White and Melvin Matz.

A public visitation was held Thursday, April 16, 2020, from 9-10:30 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Birnamwood.

A private funeral was held following the visitation. Rev. Matthew Christians officiated. Burial with full military honors was held at St. Philomena Catholic Cemetery, town of Norrie.

A public celebration honoring Ed will be held at a later date.

The family encourages the community and friends wishing to pay their respects to practice social distancing and keep the state mandates in mind. Please be patient as measures will be taken to practice social distancing during the visitation time.

Schmidt & Schulta Funeral Home, Birnamwood, is assisting the family with funeral arrangements. Memories and messages of support may be shared at schmidtschulta.com.

The family wishes to thank Dr. McKenna and the staff at Cloverleaf Terrace for the wonderful care given to Ed.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Birnamwood American Legion or St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Birnamwood.

Michele D. Timler

Michele Dee Timler, 65, of the town of Wescott, passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 5, 2020, at her home.

Michele was born on Oct. 30, 1954, in Racine to Don and Barb (Oaks) Timler. She attended and graduated from Horlick High School. Through the years, Michele worked as a machinist at Ganton Technologies in Sturtevant. After moving to the Shawano area, she worked as a leader in the dairy department at Pick 'N Save. Michele spent much of her time



playing with her dog, Daisy. Michele was a loving and caring woman and would do anything for anyone in need.

working and enjoying the outdoors. Some would say she liked to putz around in the yard. She loved spending time with her friends and family, and

Left to cherish Michele's memory are her significant other, Robin Ebert; her mother, Barb Timler; her sister, Tara (Rocky) Donovan; brothers, Tim Timler and Tad (Stacy) Timler; her furry friend, Daisy; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Don Timler; her sister, Desi Timler; and her brother, Dirk Timler.

Per Michele's wishes, she will be cremated, and no formal services will be held.

Mickelson Funeral and Crema-

tion Service of Shawano is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share online condolences at www.mickelsonfs.com.

Michele's family would like to extend a special thank you to Theda-Care at Home Hospice nurses for the care and comfort they provided to Michele during her final days.



Stanley C. Moede

Stanley C. "Gus" Moede, 89, of Shawano, passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 9, 2020, with his wife by his side.

Gus was born April 17, 1930, in Green Bay, to Arthur and Bernice (Kautz) Moede. He attended Shawano schools, graduating with the Class of 1948. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1949 and was stationed in Panama. Gus received an honorable discharge after three years of service. Upon his return, he met the love of his life, Bonita Strelow, at his parents' bar, Moede's Beer Bar. The couple was united in marriage on May 2, 1953, in Bowler. They were married for 66 years, and enjoyed every single one of them.

Gus is a member of Peace United Church of Christ, and the American



Legion Post 117. He worked as a state of Wisconsin surveyor, and for the city of Shawano. He was an avid golfer, and loved golfing with his sons and grandchildren.

Gus was also a skilled wood worker and carver. He enjoyed watching his grandchildren play baseball and softball, and attended all of their games no matter where they were played, or how far he had to travel.

Gus was a clown with a great sense of humor. He had such a personality, he could make everyone around him laugh. Bonnie and Gus loved spending winters in Orange Beach, Alabama. They also enjoyed

traveling all over the U.S. with family.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Bonita; his children, Randall (Karyn) Moede, Todd Moede and Lisa (Stephen) Acra; his grandchildren, Cari Beversdorf, Christopher (Molly) Moede, Ryan Moede, Samantha (Jerrit) Kunschke and Riley Acra; his great-grandchildren, Taylor, Rayna, Ada, Alice and Hadley; his sister, Maxine (LeRoy) Buettner; his daughter-in-law, Rita Moede; and his sister-in-law, Doris Kerstner.

Gus was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Ronald Moede; and his brother-in-law, Donald Kerstner.

Due to COVID-19, Gus's family has made the difficult decision to remember him privately. Inter-

ment will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Mickelson Funeral and Cremation Service of Shawano is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share online condolences at www.mickelsonfs.com.

Special thanks to Jeanne and Carol during his time at home, Paiser's Oakhaven staff for the wonderful care, and Unity Hospice. A very special thanks to Riley for living with his grandparents for four years so they could stay in their home.



Marlene M. Olson

Marlene M. Olson, 79, of Oconto Falls (formerly of Suring), passed away on Tuesday, April 7, 2020. Marlene was born on Sept. 6, 1940, to the late Clarence and Savalia (Moede) Christensen. On July 22, 1961, Marlene married Richard Olson. After their marriage, the couple resided in Suring and raised two children, Sandra and Daniel. For many years, Marlene worked at Nu-Line, until its closure. She then worked at the canning factory in Gillett for many seasons. Marlene enjoyed gardening and flowers.

Marlene is survived by her husband, Richard; two children, Sandra (Benny) Stuewer of Fond du Lac



and Daniel Olson of Seattle; three grandchildren, Thomas Stuewer, William (Katie) Stuewer, and Eric Stuewer; four great-grandchildren, Mad-dyson, Tayden,

William Jr., and Katniss; sister, Nancy (Lenny) Berge; two sisters-in-law, Ruth Christensen and Leone Christensen; brother-in-law, John Dinse. She is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by

her parents; a son, Michael Olson; three brothers, Ralph Christensen, Richard Christensen, and Dennis Christensen; a sister, Patsy Dinse.

Visitation will be held on Monday, April 13, 2020, at Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring from 10 a.m. until the funeral service at noon with Pastor Andrew Jantz officiating. Marlene will be interred at Frostville Cemetery. Gruetzmacher Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.

The family would like to thank the nurses and staff of Meadowbrook at Oconto Falls (formerly

Atrium Post Acute Care Center) for the care and compassion offered during residence.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Gruetzmacher Funeral Home, P.O. Box 223, Suring, WI 54174.



Philip R. Tetting

Philip R. Tetting, 64, of Suring, passed away on Sunday, April 5, 2020. Phil was born on Feb. 26, 1956, to the late Harold and Charlotte (Jean Pierre) Tetting. For 22 years, Phil was married to Jackie and they had two children, Dan and Mike. Phil was a hard working man and a great father. He was very proud of his good driving record as a cross country truck driver. His personality was infectious, and he touched the lives of everyone who came in contact with him.

Phil is survived by his two sons, Dan Tetting and Mike Tetting; former-wife, Jackie Tetting; two brothers, Paul (Valerie) Tetting and Dan Fulghum; and special friend, Doreen Thompson. He is further survived by other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Doug.

The service dates cannot be



selected at this time. In the future, a celebration of life will be held for Phil.

Gruetzmacher Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.

Phil will be greatly missed by all.



Harvey L. Houska

Harvey L. Houska, 85, Town of Lena, passed away unexpectedly Monday, April 6, 2020. He was born Jan 24, 1935, in Marinette County to William and Agnes (Vondross) Houska. Harvey was a dairy farmer in the Lena area most of his career. He retired from farming in 2015 at age 80. He also worked for many years hauling gravel and fill and would often do custom hauling jobs for friends and neighbors. One of his favorite things to do in his free time was to drive around and check out the neighborhood.

Harvey is survived by a sister, Elaine McMahon; four nephews and

a niece, Daniel McMahon, Sherry Frances McMahon, Donald McMahon, Wayne St. Louis, Greg St. Louis; and other relatives and friends.

Harvey was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Jerry, a sister, Helen St. Louis, two brothers-in-law, Robert St. Louis, Melvin McMahon; and a nephew, David.

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date. Burial will be in Pine Hill Cemetery in Spruce.

Rhodes-Charapata Funeral Home-Lena is assisting the family. Online condolences may be expressed at www.rhodescharapata.com

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OPINION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Voting counts for all Wisconsin residents

To the editor:

It was, and still is, a sad time for Wisconsin residents regarding our democracy and protecting our fundamental rights. We've witnessed Republicans systematically advance their voter suppression agenda while jeopardizing the health and safety of Wisconsin residents. The nation learned of the Wisconsin tragedy this past month. Yes, it was truly an embarrassment as to what happened there to not move the date of the primary elections. Sad.

The Assembly Republicans' refusal to postpone the primary election and allow residents to vote by mail left Wisconsin voters with the impossible choice of braving the polls — putting their own and other's safety at risk — or losing their right to vote. Double dog sad.

In the shadow of our national public health crisis, this blatant effort resulted in polling site closures, widespread voter confusion and fear, and long wait times in the cold and rain — making it harder and more dangerous for people to vote.

The message seemed clear — the Right fearing the Left: "If they (mainly Dems) can't vote, 'it' won't be counted." Some Republicans believe more votes generally go for the Democrats.

Wisconsin Assembly Democrats have an answer. They have introduced legislation that would give all voters greater access to the ballot by mailing every voter in Wisconsin a ballot they can use to safely vote by mail. Citizens can also request and receive absentee

ballots.

Many Wisconsin Republicans, knowing of their past positive policies on voting, will support voter opportunities, but will the elected representatives from Republican-controlled areas accept voting by mail such a manner? These citizens will have been already approved and registered.

America will be watching to see what Wisconsin voters will do. There's no question that Wisconsin will be a "ground zero state" for the 2020 election. With vital Electoral College votes at stake in the presidential election, and competitive races in our state Assembly, all eyes will be on Wisconsin.

All Wisconsin Assembly members, please consider the rights of all Wisconsin citizens in having the right to vote, by absentee, by mail and by having longer time-frames to have their deserved position provided — by a ballot. By moving Wisconsin elections in 2020 to vote by mail, we can safeguard voter rights while keeping voters and poll workers safe.

Edward Johnson, Clintonville

Now is not the time to be complacent

To the editor:

We are all growing weary of this social distancing stuff. It is tempting to want to get back to life as usual. We might even be thinking that maybe this COVID-19 thing just happens in big cities like New York City, Chicago, Detroit, Milwaukee and not here in Shawano.

Unfortunately, we are starting to see cases locally, so we know that the virus is here.

Now is the time to redouble our efforts. The cases are projected to peak in the next several weeks in Wisconsin. Often there is a two-week delay between when people first pick up the virus and when they start having trouble breathing. So how we act now will directly affect how bad it gets at the peak. If we all can avoid getting sick in the next several weeks, we will not only flatten the curve, we will smash it.

The way we do that is not rocket science. Avoid going out, discourage people from visiting, avoid crowds, wash your hands often, avoid touching the face and stay 6 feet from others so they don't catch our germs and we don't catch theirs. If you have the sniffles or starting to feel ill, stay home and away from everyone, even your family.

If you need to go to the store, think about going at a non-peak time. Although the "senior hours" at area retailers are well-intentioned, they are the most crowded time to shop.

As a community, if we really try hard the next few weeks, we can smash the curve and make a real difference in getting this virus to go away. Then we can think about getting back to a life a little closer to our usual.

Dr. Kevin Culhane, Shawano

Voting shouldn't be health hazard

To the editor:

Every national news outlet was focused on Wisconsin on Tuesday, April 7, primary election day, not because we are an important swing state, but because we were holding an in-person election during a pandemic.

The whole country saw long lines of masked (or not) citizens in Milwaukee and elsewhere exercising their right to vote despite the risk of contracting a deadly disease.

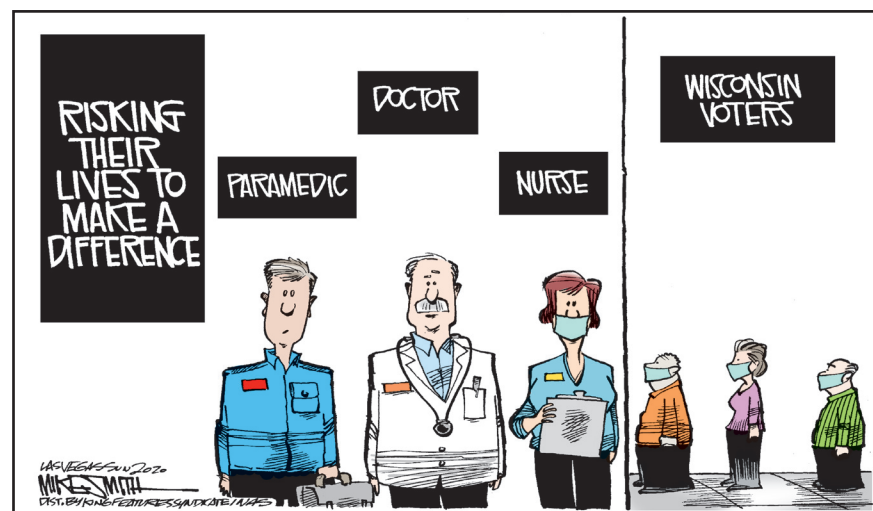
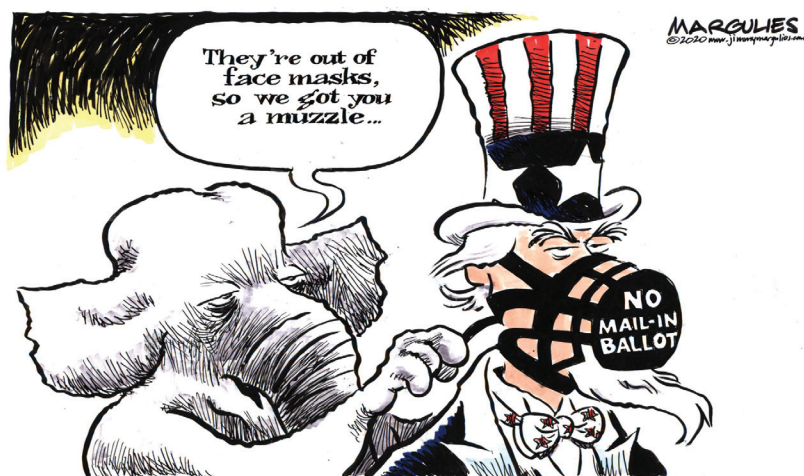
Wisconsin has already been under stay-at-home orders for several weeks to stave off spreading the COVID-19 virus. The governor then issued an executive order to delay Wisconsin's primary, as 15 other states have done, to allow absentee ballots to arrive and to protect the health of voters and poll workers.

However, the Republican speaker of the House, Robin Vos, and the Republican majority leader, Scott Fitzgerald, turned to the Wisconsin Supreme Court to overturn Gov. Tony Evers' order, which it did. The United States Supreme Court upheld this ruling, voting 5-4. Voters had no choice but to go to the few polls open, risk exposure or skip voting altogether as absentee ballots had not arrived in time.

In Florida's March in-person primary, it has been reported that multiple poll workers have tested positive for COVID-19. It is reasonable to assume that voters could have been infected as well. Five states currently hold elections by mail. Verification of identity is required, either by photo ID, witness signatures or notarization. Vote by mail would have protected our health at an exceptional time as we are in now.

Regardless of party affiliation, we should all insist on safe voting options. Politics should never enter into our democratic right to vote. If this chaotic scene repeats in November, the consequences will be devastating for voters' health and also for our democratic freedom.

Patricia Luff, Marion



Man accused of using meth in sex assault

MATTOON — A man accused of stupefying a woman with methamphetamine before sexually assaulting her in the village of Mattoon in October appeared by phone for an initial court hearing Tuesday.

According to the criminal complaint, Larry D. Gretzon, 36, of Eland, got into an argument with the

woman, who tried fleeing from him into a bathroom.

The complaint alleges Gretzon followed the woman into the bathroom, grabbed her in a bear hug and forcibly injected her with a syringe.

The complaint goes on to allege allege that he then sexually assaulted her.

An arrest warrant issued last week for Gretzon was quashed with his telephone appearance, which the court allowed due to COVID-19 concerns.

Judge James Habeck imposed a \$30,000 signature bond and set a court date of July 29 for a preliminary hearing.

Gretzon could face a maximum 60 years in prison if convicted on each of two felony counts of first-degree domestic abuse-related sexual assault with a dangerous weapon.

He is also charged with felony counts of administering a dangerous or stupefying drug, false imprisonment and bail jumping.

County Board of Supervisors Meeting Wednesday, March 18, 2020 @ 3:00 PM Shawano County Courthouse, County Board Room

Members Present: M Bolin, S Borroughs, K Capelle, K Conradt, J Erdmann, R Faehling, R Ferlecki, S Gueths, G Hoppe, T Kautza, M Klosternan, D Knaak, R Krause, K Luetke, M Marquardt, Jr, M McClelland, J Miller, P Schmidt, T Serrano, R Stern, W Saitalia, A Tobet, and R Young

Members Absent: J Ainsworth, R Giese and D Miller

1. Call meeting to order.

Chairman Erdmann called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. with 23 members present, 3 Absent, (Ainsworth, Giese and D. Miller) and 1 Vacancy in District 1.

2. Silent meditation and Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Chairman's report.

Vicki Dantoin, Shawano-Menominee Counties Health Officer/Director, updated the Board on the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). Dantoin explained that there are various forms of the Coronavirus but the COVID-19 is a 'novel' virus and was first detected in China in 2019. Dantoin informed the Board of the significant roles of the Shawano-Menominee Counties Health Department noting that the biggest part of their work with the pandemic is contact investigation and tracing. Dantoin provided statistics, symptoms, guidelines and recommendations for the community that should be followed. Administrative Coordinator, Brent Miller, informed the Board of the happenings within the county departments. He elaborated on the departments/functions that have been closed (i.e. mealsites, libraries, Lakeland Industries). He reminded people to be positive and be patient. Discussion followed.

4. Resolution No. 13-20 declaring a State of Emergency within Shawano County due to the spread of COVID-19.

M/s to approve Resolution No. 13-20. M/s to add after 'Now therefore be it resolved', the following: by the Shawano County Board of Supervisors in session this 18th day of March, 2020. Discussion followed. Motion to amend adopted. Comments and questions followed. M/s to amend in the 5th 'Be it resolved' clause, to add the wording at the end of the sentence to indicate by further determination of the Board Chair and Administrative Coordinator. (The sentence shall now read: Be it further resolved that, based upon the information available to the Board and the ongoing threat posed by the spread of COVID-19, the period of emergency shall continue for sixty (60) days from the effective date of this Resolution unless sooner terminated or extended by further resolution determination of the Board Chair and Administrative Coordinator.) Motion to amend adopted. Resolution No. 13-20, as amended, adopted 23 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

5. Resolution No. 14-20 to approve adding a personnel policy section to the Shawano County Personnel Policy Manual in the event of a pandemic emergency.

M/s to adopt Resolution No. 14-20. Administrative Coordinator Miller indicated that this policy is necessary if Shawano County closes facilities. Discussion followed. Resolution No. 14-20 adopted 23 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

6. Resolution No. 15-20 establishing total annual compensation for Shawano County Clerk, Treasurer and Register of Deeds pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 59.22.

M/s to adopt Resolution No. 15-20. Comments by Chairman Erdmann and Administrative Coordinator Miller as to how the percentages for the annual increase in salary were figured. Questions followed. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-20 adopted 21 Yes, 2 No (McClelland, J. Miller), 3 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

7. Ordinance No. 2-20 approve text amendments to County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14.

M/s adopt Ordinance No. 2-20. Planning Director, Andrew Popp, explained the changes to the Board. Ordinance No. 2-20 adopted 23 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent, 1 Vacancy. A summary of Ordinance No. 2-20 was published in the Shawano Leader on Saturday, March 28, 2020.

8. Resolution No 16-20 to approve a zone change for Michael Sioika.

M/s to adopt Resolution No. 16-20. Resolution No. 16-20 adopted 23 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

9. Resolution No. 17-20 in support of applying for funding through the WDNR Targeted Runoff Management Grant Program.

M/s to adopt Resolution No. 17-20. No discussion. Resolution No. 17-20 adopted 23 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

10. Board member comments or new business to be considered at a future meeting.

Chairman Erdmann recognized the three Board members, Robert Krause, Rosetta Stern and Peter Schmidt, who are not running for re-election, therefore, this will be their last Board meeting. Each member commented to the Board. Corporation Counsel Kordas, spoke to the Board and to the press present, regarding the 2nd Amendment Resolution that will be on a future Board agenda.

11. Report by Finance Committee on General Accounts and claims.

The General Accounts will be approved at the next meeting as the listing was not available for this meeting.

12. Claim report of County Board Supervisors mileage/per diem for today's County Board meeting.

M/s to approve the mileage and per diem report for today's meeting in the amount of \$2,227.62. The per diem and mileage report was approved 22 Yes, 1 No (Schmidt), 3 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

13. Adjournment.

M/s to adjourn at 4:17 pm. Motion carried.

Recorded by: Pamela Schmidt, County Clerk

These are the condensed minutes. If you would like a copy of the full minutes, please contact

the County Clerk's office at 715-526-9150.



COVID-19 Journal

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Shawano County equipped for COVID for now

Officials plan for possible surge in cases

By **TIM RYAN**
Reporter

SHAWANO — Shawano County is adequately supplied at the moment for dealing with the coronavirus pandemic, according to the county's emergency management director. But being ready for a surge in COVID-19 cases here should that happen may be more of a challenge.

Shawano County Emergency Management recently picked up three shipments of personal protective equipment, or PPE, from sites set up in Antigo and Wausau by Wisconsin Emergency Management.

"In Antigo, the first shipment was designated for the election and the election workers," Emergency Management Director Jim Davel said, "and the second shipment was designated for first responders."

The shipment included 295 masks. "That was it," Davel said. "We put in requests for thousands of pieces of PPE, because you look down the road and you don't really know when this thing is going to end."

Davel said the issue is that 72 counties in the state and some of the larger municipalities are all requesting PPE, and the state is having to prioritize distribution.

The county was able to obtain more PPE with a third pick-up at the emergency management site in Wausau.

"We did get some more masks, some medical coveralls, some gloves and those types of things," Davel said. "With the equipment we did get, we were able to outfit the fire departments across the county, EMS, the hospital, long-term and assisted living and got shipments from the strategic national stockpile."

He said the county has also put in a purchase order for an additional \$7,000 worth of PPE.

"Right now, overall I would say we're in good shape," Davel said. "Could we be better? Sure. And we work every day to try to make that better."

Davel noted that EMS services in the county require PPE even when dealing with non-coronavirus

incidents.

"Our EMS services right now are extremely busy, and it's nothing to do with COVID," he said. "There's a lot of sick people out there that have absolutely nothing to do with COVID. Falls, accidents, things like that are keeping our services very busy. It's also a strain on the PPE because in a lot of cases you don't know what the issue is, but they have to go out with full kit. So it's a big issue right now."

Davel said he has been working with state emergency management on what plans should be in place in the event of a surge in cases, including the possibility of isolation centers.

"That is a daily discussion with the state," he said.

"COVID affects the health care system tremendously," Davel said, "and people run the health care system. Facilities are not really an issue. It's the people to run those facilities. When you have every county that's going through the same thing, it's very difficult to get a backfill for surging capacity."

Davel said that's a big concern for the state, especially in rural communities.

"The facilities and the personnel to support those are much more difficult to get in a rural community," he said.

Davel said the county will likely get some help from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

"We'll have to go back and look and see what costs we have associated with this," he said.

That's something the county has been tracking, according to Administrative Coordinator Brent Miller.

Davel said he felt FEMA is doing a good job in terms of resources, "given the fact that every state in the nation is asking basically for the exact same things."

Davel said there is additional strain under these circumstances, unlike what might be seen in the event of a tornado or a flood.

"Typically when you have a severe weather event, the duration is not as long," he said. "This, we really don't know when it's going to end. It's a factor in supplies. It's a factor in dealing



A new normal during the COVID-19 pandemic is hanging a face mask near the car keys so that no one leaves home without it.

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with your people. It wears on your folks. And because of all the social distancing, we have to find new and inventive ways to work. We do a lot more from our phones. We do a lot

more from the computer. You've got to look at different venues to execute your job."

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Local health officials focus on social distancing

By **TIM RYAN**
Reporter

SHAWANO — Social distancing continues to be the main weapon being employed in the fight to contain the COVID-19 coronavirus and, according to Shawano County officials, most residents seem to be complying.

As of Monday, there were six confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Shawano County and one in Menominee County.

Health officials have not released any information about the persons confirmed to be infected with the coronavirus or any information on where in the two counties those confirmed cases were located.

That is partly to ensure their privacy, Shawano-Menominee Counties Public Health Director Vicki Dantoin said, but also to keep people elsewhere in the counties from getting complacent.

"It gives a false sense of security if someone is saying, 'Oh, it's only this part of Shawano County. We're safe.' That's not necessarily the case," Dantoin said. "We want all people to

be concerned and be thinking about this."

The health department is not involved with the testing of suspected coronavirus cases, but it is notified of the testing numbers and any confirmed cases.

"Once we get notification, we ensure that the person is informed of their results," Dantoin said. "After that, we proceed to call them and discuss how they're doing, discuss what they need to do to stay home, what kind of resources they might need."

Health department staff then launches into an investigation of their possible contacts over the past 14 days.

"They ask where they've been during the times they could have potentially been infectious. They look at the people that are probably their closest contacts, if they've been within six feet of anybody without personal protective equipment," Dantoin said. "We make a running list and then eventually all those people are notified."

Dantoin said those contacts aren't told who the person is that might have exposed them.

"We tell them, 'You've been identi-

fied as a contact to someone who tested positive, and we want you to stay in quarantine for 14 days,'" she said.

"Household members are also investigated, so anybody living in the household is basically kept in the household after a positive case has been identified," Dantoin said.

"You don't necessarily need to have a positive test result to do follow-up," she said. "There are times when we do follow up anyway. Even before we had positive cases, we were already putting people into quarantine if they were being tested or suspected for the virus."

Dantoin said the health department has been in contact with more than 200 people so far.

"We have four staff that's been focusing on that," she said. "We have an additional person, part-time, trained to assist and be reinforcement for that. It is a lot of work. It's difficult, too, having discussions with people, because people sometimes are not happy about it. It can be stressful for them as well."

The governor's Safer-at-Home order is set to expire April 24, but that could change depending on conditions.

Some events that had been planned for this summer, including Sun Drop Dayz and Pulaski Polka Days, have already been canceled.

Dantoin said she has fielded a lot of calls from people asking what they will be able to do.

"We're encouraging people not to gather," she said. "That's where the illness spreads. That's what we don't want to see right now. We don't want to see those gatherings."

Shawano County Administrative Coordinator Brent Miller said he has personally seen people practicing social distancing.

"I'm seeing a lot of people trying to go above and beyond," he said. "People are trying to maintain their social distancing, wearing masks, rubber gloves. Businesses are wiping down and doing everything that they can. There are a lot of people being helpful out there."

Miller said the county appreciates their cooperation.

"It's a team effort," he said. "And the team covers the entire United States right now."

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SPORTS

ATHLETE PROFILE: BRIANNA MOTT

Coronavirus squashing Shawano senior's aspirations

SHAWANO — Some athletes already have memorable high school careers going into their senior seasons, while others might be making their first appearances at the varsity level. Brianna Mott has played on the Shawano girls soccer varsity team since she was a freshman, but was really looking forward to this season after having a couple years diminished by injuries.

After a promising freshman season, Mott then missed her entire sophomore year to an injury. The Shawano forward was putting together a strong junior campaign before a leg injury cut the season short.

In 13 games last year, Mott scored six goals. She led the team with six assists.

Q: When did your interest in soccer begin?

A: I think I was four when I started playing. Ever since then, I've just loved it.

Q: What is your favorite part about the season?

A: I love the season as a whole. My favorite part though would have to be right before a game and then the game itself. I just love playing.

Q: You were about to play your senior season of your only sport (Mott played basketball through her junior season). How would it make you feel should the coronavirus wipe out the season?

A: I would feel bummed out, for a lack of a better word. I was really looking forward to my senior season and playing with all the other seniors and basically being the top dogs — I feel like that would be fun to mentor the girls playing with us.

Q: How are you staying pre-

pared should the season start up at some point?

A: Personally, I've been doing a lot of running, different ball drills in my backyard because thankfully there's no snow. I know that our coach, (Bob) Croschere, has been working to get together just some different drills, different types of running, core stuff, just to keep us in shape and make sure we maintain shape just in case — well, hopefully — that our season comes back.

Q: What about the game or season are you missing the most right now?

A: Honestly, everything. I love the practices, because that's when you build and connect with your teammates.

Then the games, because that's where you get that good feeling of being able to be on the field and working with those teammates and putting everything together from practice on the field.

Then the people in general — I really like our class and everyone below. We've had a few captain's practices earlier this year and I could just tell we were going to have a good season just by everyone's attitude and how we cooperated well and worked together. Everyone was open to asking questions. Everything ties into being able to win a game or working together to get better.

Q: After missing the last portion of your junior season with an injury, how much more disappointing would it be to not also get a senior season this spring?

A: I've thought about that a lot, just because my sophomore year, I was out the entire season because I



Shawano's Brianna Mott tries to beat a defender to the ball during a 2019 nonconference game against Lakeland Union in Shawano.

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had elbow surgery. So I didn't even get to step foot on the field, play a single game or practice.

I was like, "Okay, I have my junior year," and then I break my fibula. Yeah, it was upsetting, but I knew I still had my senior year.

So now my senior year rolls around — it's just really upsetting because I was kind of banking on this year. I was staying as healthy as I can, getting in shape, preparing. Because I didn't play a winter sport, I spent a lot of time in the gym, a lot of running, just working out to prepare for this season. Then

AT A GLANCE

ATHLETE: Brianna Mott

SPORT: Girls soccer

POSITIONS: Forward

SCHOOL: Shawano Community High School

YEAR: Senior

we get the news that we can't be in school and everything gets postponed, and it was really detrimental because I was so excited for the season.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Shawano girls soccer team?

A: I really liked our spaghetti dinners where we could meet up and talk and build from there.

I remember this one time. It was my freshman year, I was on varsity but I wasn't starting, just subbing in and getting a feel for the field and team, but it was our first regional game, and our starting forward was out, so Croschere had me in the entire game and I remember scoring three or four goals and I was really proud of myself and remember how my teammates made me feel. It helped get me excited for the following years.

Q: Favorite TV show, movie and musical artist?

A: TV show — I don't even really watch TV to be honest. Probably just "The Office." Movie — "Ladder 49." Musical artist — Probably Morgan Wallen.

Q: What is your favorite thing to do when you are not in school or competing in a high school sport?

A: I have two younger brothers (Kaden, Kamren) and a younger sister (Ruby) and I really like playing with them — just doing random things outside.





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AUTO RACING

Lack of speedway racing will impact city, too

Facility upkeep makes crowd-less stands a nearly impossible alternative in Shawano

By **MORGAN RODE**

Sports Editor

SHAWANO — The Shawano Speedway may be quiet in 2020, but the economic impact could be deafening.

The speedway helps Shawano on a number of financial fronts during the course of a season, the start of which has been postponed. Worse, there is the potential for no season at all if COVID-19 cannot be slowed.

The speedway — which brings in an average of 1,600-1,800 fans, plus an additional 350-400 individuals in the pit area on a race night — conducted an impact study on its fans a couple of years ago, and the numbers showed how important the races are to the city. More than 50% of the race fans spent money in Shawano prior to or after the races, while about 13% of fans stayed in Shawano for a night or the weekend after driving over for the races.

“Those are financial impacts on the entire city, the whole area,” said Dale Hodkiewicz, the speedway’s race director. “Anytime we race, those num-

bers are there, and it’s quite a bit.”

“This impacts us (the speedway) financially, but it’s also going to impact the community a bit, too, financially,” said Brad Luepke, the speedway’s marketing and promotions manager.

Luepke estimated that the speedway employs over 60 people — many of which are high school students who work part time — to get the track ready and put on a regular race night for fans.

There have been years when the start of the season has been delayed because of weather and had other race nights wiped out over the course of the summer. In 2019, seven evenings of racing were canceled, which is about the maximum the speedway can handle.

“That seven-week window seems to be where you can get away with having that many weeks wiped out before you really start seeing the bottom line affected,” said Luepke, who wondered how attendance numbers might be affected when the season starts up.

The speedway intends to be open

for racing as many nights as possible this season.

“In some way, form or another, we are going to race. It’s only fair to our drivers and our fans. Drivers have money stuck into their cars, and they want to race. Fans are ready to go, and people need entertainment and they’re certainly not getting it now, sitting in the house all the time. This isn’t going to last forever, so I’m pretty confident that we will be running.”

One burden lifted for the speedway is potentially trying to replace the revenue that the World of Outlaws brought to the speedway, as the outlaws are not on the schedule for the summer. The speedway is hosting a two-day summer special instead July 24-25.

While other sports leagues have kicked around the idea of playing the season without fans in attendance, the situation is different for a local racing track.

“From a financial standpoint, to be able to pay the drivers their purse of what they race for, we need fans in the stands. That’s where the economic



Race fans fill the stands for a 2018 racing night at Shawano Speedway. The revenue gained from the fans not only helps the speedway keep up with maintenance, but fans also help other businesses around Shawano by spending money before and after attending the races. FILE | NEW MEDIA

side of it would probably be impossible,” said Luepke, on the possibility of racing without fans in the stands.

“That would be devastating to us,” said Hodkiewicz. “We need to have dollars coming in to do our maintenance, just to maintain the facility. Without any income, how can we do that? It would be virtually impossible to do something like that.”

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Bowler's Fehrman ends high school career on first team

Gresham's Pecore also makes first team

By **MORGAN RODE**

Sports Editor

(Editor's note: We continue to spotlight the achievements of student athletes even though, for the most part, high school sports have ended. This is the final installment from the winter season.)

BOWLER — Bowler High School boys basketball player Zach Fehrman ended his high school career on a high note, landing on the Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division first team.

Fehrman earned the honor despite the Panthers winning just two conference games. The senior finished third in the conference in points per game (18.2).

“It means a lot for me,” said Fehrman of the honor. “I’ve always wanted to get first team, but before I

wasn’t good enough. With more work and some luck, I was able to make it. The best part is that it was my senior year, and I can go out with one of the highest honors.”

Fehrman also averaged 5 rebounds, 3.6 steals and 2.8 assists per conference game.

Gresham

Gresham placed third in the conference with a 7-5 mark. The Wildcats also had one player named to an all-conference team.

Sophomore Lukas Pecore landed on the first team after averaging 16.5 points per CWC-North contest.

“It means a lot to my career, and I look forward to the next two years with my teammates,” said Pecore, who also averaged 8.2 rebounds, 1.8 steals and 1.8 assists per game.

“Words really can’t describe how much this means to me as a young player, and I am honored to have received it. It’s definitely a huge step,

and I hope it only rises from here.”

Marion

Marion wrapped up the season with a 5-7 mark in conference play. The Mustangs had two players earn all-conference recognition.

Junior Branden Beechy made the second team after posting averages of 10.6 points and 6.4 rebounds per conference clash.

“It makes me feel accomplished,” said Beechy. “A couple years ago, I was having injuries throughout my middle school career, and I’m proud that I bounced back positively and hope I can get on first team (next year).”

Senior Ethan Tischer made the honorable mention team for the Mustangs.

Tischer posted averages of 7.7 points, 6 rebounds, 5.1 assists and 2.7 steals per conference game.

Tigerton

Tigerton went winless in CWC-

North play but still had two players land on all-conference teams.

Junior Kaeden Miller made the second team. He averaged 17.6 points, 3.3 rebounds and 1.5 steals per CWC-North game.

“I definitely couldn’t have done anything without my incredible teammates and reliable coach,” said Miller. “They push me and motivate me to do better and better, night in and night out.

“It feels absolutely amazing, and I’m very thankful to make second team all-conference. But I’m definitely more motivated about having the team as a whole get better. Next year, I’m going to be working on more team accomplishments and stats over individual accomplishments or stats.”

Tigerton senior Allen Jobe made the honorable mention team

Jobe averaged 9.7 points and 4.9 rebounds per game.

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Making their presence known

A pair of toms gobble on Saturday, which was the opening day of the 2020 turkey season, in a private field southeast of Shawano. April 11-12 was the youth turkey hunt. The A time period started on Wednesday. MORGAN RODE | NEW MEDIA

AUTO RACING

Shawano Speedway waiting for the green light

Drivers running into problems ordering parts and securing sponsorships for cars

By MORGAN RODE
Sports Editor

SHAWANO — Like so many other places across the state and country, the Shawano Speedway is waiting for the green light to start its season because of the coronavirus.

The speedway was set to open its 2020 season this Saturday, but with the Safer at Home order in place, the first night of racing is up in the air.

"It's one day, one week, one hour at a time because it seems to constantly be changing," said Brad Luepke, the speedway's marketing and promotions manager on how the season was being approached.

"My theory is, it's not like we're looking at three feet of snow on the ground and we know it's going to melt in two weeks. It's uncertainty and we don't know when it's going to end either. We're hearing the news like everybody else is, so it's just a day at a time and when it happens, it happens."

One thing that makes the situation a little more frustrating is that for the most part, the weather has cooperated in favor of the speedway and there was a chance the season could have started this month instead of waiting until May like the last couple of seasons.

The guidelines in place have also postponed some of the track work that needs to be done by opening week.



Race fans check out cars in the pit area during a 2018 race night at Shawano Speedway. Fans will have to wait at least a few weeks before seeing their favorite drivers take the track as the coronavirus has postponed the season. FILE | NEW MEDIA

Luepke said that usually there's a grater that goes around the track and then between 10-20 fans that help pick up rocks. He believes the track could still be ready for racing at the start of May should the guidelines be lifted or eased back.

While racing fans are hungry for a racing season, Luepke said that he thinks most fans understand the situation and are still optimistic about the season.

"Every plan is not to cancel the season. We're going to go on as soon as they let us," said Luepke. "We have a responsibility to keep everybody safe and healthy so we definitely take that very seriously."

Drivers also understand the situation at hand and are trying to

adjust accordingly. While a lot of the driver's preparation has not changed, there are a few aspects of the pre-season that have been altered.

Kyle Raddant, a Late Model racer, spends time with his dad (Brad) and uncle (Bruce) getting prepared for the season and it's been the same order of business this year. Kyle also said he doesn't practice a whole lot before the season, so that also hasn't changed. He admitted the postponed season is allowing the trio some much-needed time to get all things in order.

Where Kyle Raddant is most impacted by COVID-19 is what goes on the race car.

"It's made getting some parts a little difficult because there are

places that are not really open to get things from as they normally would be," said Raddant.

"It's kind of an uncertainty with sponsors too with all that's going on. There's certain sponsors that if they're having business trouble — being shut down or the business has fallen way off, like maybe a restaurant or a bar that has only takeout now — it can affect how much of a sponsorship we can get or if they can even sponsor at all this year."

Dan Michonski, an IMCA Stock Car driver, expressed similar thoughts, saying the extra time before the season is allowing his team to get a pair of cars ready to roll, while securing sponsorships has been a bit trickier to navigate. Michonski is approaching the delay to the start of the season like he would if snow was still on the ground and keeping drivers off the racetrack.

In terms of being prepared to take the track and having the right mindset, Michonski said it wouldn't take him long to get ready, even with an uncertain start date.

"For me, I love racing a lot, so to get into that mood and into that zone, it might just be sitting down and watching a few old videos from last year," he said. "Then just putting together my safety gear and getting the trailer all ready and then loading up and going to the racetrack."



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Coronavirus puts twist in CMN Earth Day event

Online panel, stories and home activities replace big festival

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

KESHENA — Plans for a big 50th anniversary observance of Earth Day next week at the College of Menominee Nation had to shrink slightly due to the coronavirus pandemic, but activities are still taking place virtually.

Normally, Earth Day is celebrated with a big festival on the college's Keshena campus, according to Rebecca Edler, sustainability coordinator with CMN's Sustainable Development Institute.

"We were hoping to celebrate it in a big way here on campus," Edler said. "However, things had to shift to online."

The college's Sustainable Development Institute is still promoting a variety of activities for all ages. But much like school and work, these activities can be enjoyed online from the comfort of home.

The SDI plans to host a panel on alternative energy sources, which will be broadcast online at www.facebook.com/cmnllibrary. The panel will begin at 2 p.m. April 22, with panelists Emma Ardington, Kelly Jackson and Greg Hitch discussing solar and other forms of energy.

"Greg Hitch was an intern here, and now he's working with Menikanaehkem on their solar panels," Edler said. "We'll address questions on solar energy or alternative energy uses."

Besides the panel, there will be other activities happening online from April 20-24. Every day at 12:30 p.m., there will be a live story time, and staff members with the S. Verna Fowl-



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er Academic Library will read from children's books that carry an environmental message of importance.

Also happening at 3 p.m. daily, except for Wednesday, are activities to further spread the importance of caring for the world. From creating jellyfish in a bottle to an Earth Day-themed escape room, participants will be able to further their own understanding of Earth Day online.

Also, the institute put together more than 500 tote bags filled with information and ideas for families to conduct their own daily activities that will impact the air, land and water.

"They all have family projects in them," Edler said.

The SDI is also soliciting participation from the community by asking for photos showing Earth Day activities, which staff members plan to post on the SDI's Facebook page.

The irony of the pandemic keeping many people at home and reducing how much they travel is not lost on Edler.

"I think it's making us take a closer look at the importance of our families and our homes," Edler said. "We have more interaction now with our children with things like walking outside and raking the grass. People are taking much better care of what they have."

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Rebecca Edler, sustainability coordinator with the College of Menominee Nation's Sustainability Development Institute, puts items into one of 500 tote bags that went out to families this week in observance of Earth Day. The tote bags included scavenger hunts and other all-ages activities that can take place at home while families are hunkering down during the coronavirus pandemic.

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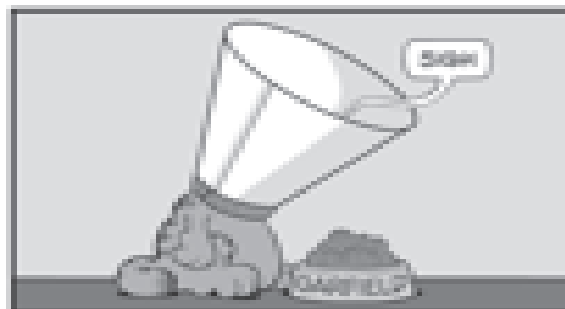
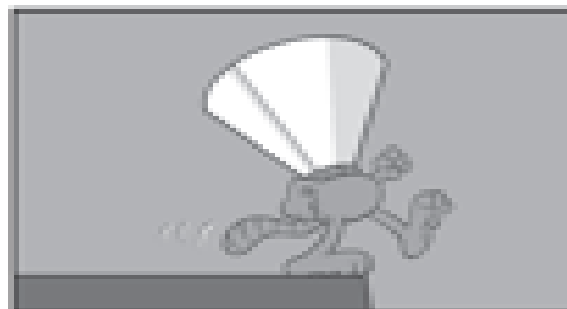
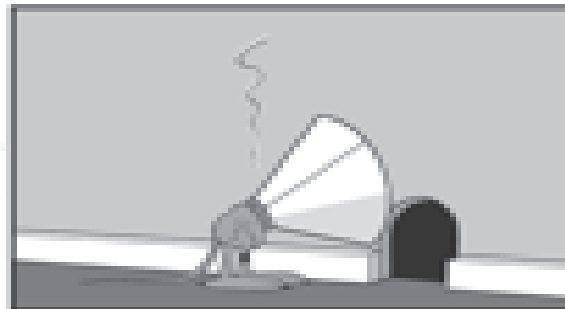
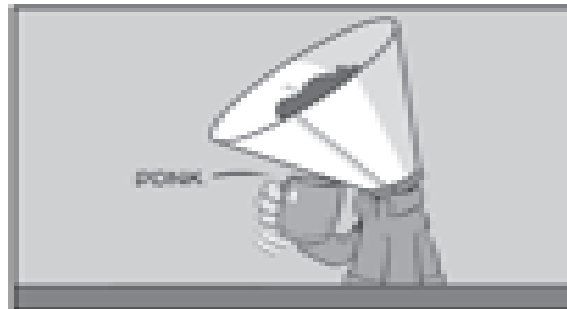
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Looser guidelines allowing for more local testing

Tribal clinical director says social distancing still best weapon against coronavirus

By **TIM RYAN**
Reporter

KESHENA — Testing guidelines for the COVID-19 coronavirus have loosened up recently, according to Dr. Kevin Culhane of the Menominee Tribal Clinic, meaning the number of those being tested for the virus in Shawano and Menominee counties will go up.

Culhane, clinical director at the Menominee Tribal Clinic, is also affiliated with ThedaCare Medical Center-Shawano and a member of the Shawano County Board of Health.

He said testing guidelines from ThedaCare and the state health department had been “pretty stringent” up until recently and prioritized patients in the hospital with pneumonia and health care workers treating them.

The clinic, along with ThedaCare, sends its tests to the Mayo Clinic for processing, he said.

Testing capacity at the Mayo Clinic has recently increased.

“We’re able to test more now,” Culhane said. “We’re able to test high-risk patients who are symptomatic, like older people or immune-compromised people, if they have acute symptoms.”

Culhane said the clinic had to be very picky initially in who was tested.

“It was very restrictive,” he said.

The clinic also had a limited number of the specialized swabs needed for testing.

“We did test some people early on that weren’t necessarily in the hospital and those swabs (the Mayo Clinic) wouldn’t even run,” Culhane said. “They were too swamped with more seriously ill people.”

The Mayo Clinic has since ex-



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panded its testing criteria.

“It’s slowly gotten better,” Culhane said. “I’m hopeful over the next month things are going to continue to increase and get better in terms of testing.”

The tribal clinic has also been allocated more testing swabs now that it is working through the Mayo Clinic rather than the state health department.

Testing numbers reported for Menominee County have been significantly lower than those reported in Shawano County.

As of April 13, there were 210 reported tests in Shawano County compared to 12 in Menominee County.

The numbers reflect where the tested person lives, not necessarily where they were tested.

The tribal clinic has tested a number of people with Shawano County addresses.

Culhane speculated that the higher numbers in Shawano County might be in part due to more health care providers being available, the location of a ThedaCare hospital and a large number of EMS workers.

He also said there were more nursing homes where people would be in a higher tier for testing.

Culhane said prevention continues to be the best method for fighting the coronavirus, including social distancing, wearing masks in public and hand-washing.

“It’s more important in the short-run than relying on testing,” he said. “All we can do is control what we do here and now. Our behavior now really impact those cases two weeks from now. If we can redouble our efforts, it will pay those dividends down the road.”

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Birthday surprise



Gabriel DeBriyn, who turned four years old on Thursday, receives a badge of honor — and other gifts — from his brother Logan Rose at Franklin Park in Shawano. Gabe couldn’t have a traditional birthday party, so the Shawano County Sheriff’s Department, Shawano Police Department, Shawano Fire Department and a parade of family and friends created a surprise alternative. Gabe, with his parents Tammy Rose and Scott DeBriyn, waited at Franklin Park in Shawano and was surprised to hear “Happy Birthday” being played — though it was nearly drowned out by the sound of sirens from the emergency vehicles.

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Family and friends couldn’t gather for Gabriel DeBriyn’s fourth birthday, so they celebrated the day with a parade on Franklin Street, signs and gifts.

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Deputy Clerk

The City of Shawano is seeking applications for the position Deputy Clerk. This position is responsible for assisting the City Clerk/Community Relations Manager with the administration of elections, licensing, meeting preparations, managing official City records, website and social media upkeep and carrying out all other statutory duties of the City Clerk’s Office as well as to provide customer service to City Hall patrons.

The complete job description as well as information regarding the application process can be found online at www.cityofshawano.com. The starting wage will be \$17.39- \$18.76 per hour. This position also provides an excellent fringe benefits package.

Please send cover letter, resume, and completed application to: Lisa Bruette, Administrative Assistant, at 127 S. Sawyer Shawano Wisconsin 54166 or email to lbruette@cityofshawano.com. Application closing date: Thursday, May 7, 2020 by 4:00 PM.

For additional questions, please contact Lisa Bruette, Administrative Assistant with the City of Shawano at lbruette@cityofshawano.com or by phone at (715) 526-6138.

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Life goes on



Qualheim's True Value employee David Aschenbrener, right, helps Jaxson Schider, 8, and Kira Schider, 4, both of Tigerton, select some chicks to start their family's first venture into raising chickens at the family homestead near Tigerton. Alecia Schider said the family has been considering the project for a while, but now, the children are very interested in seeing it started. The chicks, living under warm lights at the True Value store in Shawano, are a couple of days old.

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City updates waste collection rules

SHAWANO — The city of Shawano has postponed its spring cleanup until the fall amid uncertainty over how long the precautions will need to stay in place to combat the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus.

The city also tweaked how it will handle the pick-up of yard and wood waste, but the landfill will remain open for residents.

The city issued a news release April 9 saying that, in order to reduce crew sizes and conform to social distancing, provided services may take longer than residents are typically used to.

The city will continue to provide garbage and recycling pick-up on scheduled days, and the landfill will remain open. The landfill will also be open from 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays starting April 11.

Beginning Monday, April 13, yard waste and leaves will be picked up curbside if they are placed in biodegradable bags or containers. There will not be any pick up any plastic bags filled with yard waste and leaves, and the city will not run its leaf vacuum. The six bag/container limit will be waived from April 13-24.

Wood waste and tree limbs will be picked up curbside at the same time. Larger tree limbs should be cut into

4-foot lengths and placed loosely on the curb. All wood that is painted, stained, treated, or is plywood is considered demolition material and should not be mixed with wood waste. Shawano residents can also take their wood yard waste and leaves to the landfill free of charge.

Spring clean-up for the city has been postponed until the fall. The city is waiving the disposal fees for any resident that wants to bring their spring clean up and bulky items to the landfill from April 13-24.

Some items including, televisions, computer towers and monitors, refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, microwaves, air conditioners and tires will still require a fee for disposal. The city will not accept any liquid waste. All paint cans and solvents should be left uncovered to evaporate or harden before they accepted. Residents will need to provide proof of residency within the city.

A more customary clean-up for city residents is being planned for later this fall and will be announced when we are able to make that determination.

At this time, city crews will not be picking up any bulky items.

For information, contact the Public Works Department at 715-526-3512.

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#1387
April 10, 17, 24, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COURT
Notice to Creditors
Case No. 20PR23

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

William E. Gerhard
DOD March 02, 2020

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, the date of birth August 10, 1950 and date of death March 02, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1134 S. River Street, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is July 23, 2020.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano Wisconsin, Room Probate Office. J. Edison Woods, Jr.
208 W. Green Bay St
Shawano, WI 54166
715-526-3191
Bar Number 1013125
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#1391
April 17, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MENOMINEE TRIBAL COURT
Case Code 31003
Case No. 20-SC-12

Notice in Replevin

To: JOSHUA J. WARRINGTON

You are hereby notified that a summons and complaint has been issued to recover possession of the following described goods and chattels, to wit: **2008 TOYOTA CAMRY - VIN: 4T1BE46K48U752388** of which I, the plaintiff am entitled to the possession, and which you have unjustly taken and unlawfully detain from me.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you shall appear at the Wilmer M. Peters Judicial Center Courthouse Lane, Keshena, Wisconsin, on May 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. before the calendar judge or any other judge of said court to whom the said action may be assigned for trial, judgment will be rendered against you for the delivery of said property to the plaintiff and for damages for the detention thereof and for costs. Dated at Milwaukee, WI this 10th day of April, 2020.

COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION

Plaintiff

By: Joshua J. Brady, Attorney

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#1392
April 17, 24 & May 1, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 20PR25

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

MARY E. HANSON

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth September 24, 1948, and date of death March 3, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 922 Bartelt Street, Gresham, WI 54128.
3. All interested parties waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is July 31, 2020.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 North Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office. Attorney Daniel J. Walsh
One Law Group, S.C.
444 Reid Street, Ste. 200
De Pere, WI 54115
920-336-5766
Bar No. 1014974
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#1392
Due to the new regulations under NR 210 Shawano County Utilities is advising of a sanitary sewer overflow. The overflow was caused by foreign objects deposited in the sewer line. The overflow caused no damage and does not have any impact on public health or sanitation. The overflow occurred on land owned by Shawano County and will be corrected as soon as possible.
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#1390
April 17, 24 & May 1, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COURT
Notice to Creditors
Case No. 20PR22

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Edward Carl Woerner
DOD March 05, 2020

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, the date of birth April 27, 1936 and date of death March 05, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N6278 County Road C, Cecil, WI 54111.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is July 23, 2020.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano Wisconsin, Room Probate Office. Sharon Rotter
N6280 County Road C
Cecil, WI 54111
920-655-2214
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#1389
April 17 & 24, 2020
Notice of Public Hearing
Planning, Development and Zoning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, May 6, 2020 @ 9:00 AM
Room 7, Courthouse
Members: Planning, Development & Zoning Committee
Please check the Shawano County Website at www.co.shawano.wi.us to verify public hearing will still be held as scheduled.
Please join the meeting by dialing in using your phone.
United States: (Toll Free): 1-877-568-4106
United States: 1-(646)-749-3129
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CU-8-20: Dale and Samantha Maroszek request conditional use permit to construct a 718 square foot in-unit suite to be attached to an existing single family dwelling pursuant to Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14 Section X.2.02 & X.9.03(166). Property is located and described as the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, located in Section 8, T25N R18E. Tax parcel #030-08120-0000. Town of Maple Grove. Property address: N2070 Maple Road

CU-9-20: Bob Reider, Carow Land Surveying Co., LLC, agent for Michael & Becky Keenan, owners, request conditional use permit for filling and grading more than 2,000 square feet on slopes less than 12% within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of the Pella Pond for the purpose of razing an existing single family dwelling and constructing a new single family dwelling with a covered porch and attached garage pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 8.21(3). The property is located and described as part of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4, located in Sectoin 9, T26N R14E, Lot 3 Certified Survey Recorded in Volume 1 page 246 Map #233 except document #695825 and part of Lot 2 described in document #695824. Tax parcel #036-09430-0070. Town of Pella. Property address: W11066 Riverside Road

CU-10-20: Lee and Lori Bertram request conditional use permit for filling and grading on slopes of more than 20% within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of Kolpack Lake for the purpose of constructing a single family dwelling with a walk out style basement and detached shed/pavilion for personal use pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 8.21(1). The property is located and described as Lot 1 Volume 2 Certified Survey Map page 102 Map #411 & part of Lot 1 Volume 2 Certified Survey Map Page 115 Map #423 beginning at the Southeast Corner Map #411, thence South 171', thence Northwest to Kolpack Lake being a point 100' South of Certified Survey Map #411, thence North 100', thence East to Point of Beginning & 70' adjacent and lying directly East of Certified Survey Map #411 & Certified Survey Map #423, located in Section 1, T28N R12E. Tax parcel #002-01130-0000. Town of Almon. Property address: N9599 Lake Drive

CU-11-20: Cody Bessette, Bessette Builders, agent for Donald and Renee Skarlupka, owners, request conditional use permit for filling and grading more than 2,000 square feet on slopes less than 12% within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of Long Lake for the purpose of constructing a new 26' x 36' detached garage and increasing the driveway area pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 8.21(3). Property is located and described as Lot 38 of Fernwood Plat, located in Section 26, T26N R15E. Parcel #010-50050-0410. Town of Belle Plaine. Property address: W8023 Long Lake Drive
CU-12-20: Brandon and Briana Mcauly request conditional use permit for the construction of a 20' x 34' hunting, fishing or recreational shelter with attached shed on a 40 acre parcel zoned FP, Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Section X.2.02 & Section X.9.03(150). Property is located and described as the SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, located in Section 32, T26N R13E. Parcel #018-32130-0000. Town of

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Pine pollen, which will eventually be released as a yellow powder, still clusters on the ends of pine branches, such as this White Pine. Pine pollen is blamed for seasonal allergies, but be on the lookout for culprits such as cedar, juniper, maple, and cottonwood trees.

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Grant. Property address: W13818 Burma Road

CU-13-20: Michael and Jeanne Rueckert request conditional use permit for filling and grading of more than 2,000 square feet on slopes of less than 12% within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of Round Lake for the purpose of constructing a single family dwelling addition and attached garage pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 8.21(3). Property is located and described as that part of NE1/4 of the NW1/4, Section 33, Township 26 North, of Range 15 East, Town of Belle Plaine, Shawano County, Wisconsin bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the said Section 33, thence N89;48'52"E along the section line 1897.81 feet to a set mag nail; thence S12;19'55"W 717.04 feet to a set 1" iron pipe; thence N89;48'52"E 138 feet more or less to the water's edge of Round Lake and the place of beginning; thence retrace the last two (2) metes and bounds S89;48'52"W 138 feet more or less to the said 1" iron pipe; thence N12;19'55"E 717.04 feet to the said mag nail; thence N89;48'52"E along the section line 33.83 feet to a found mag nail at the intersection with the east line of the Abandon Railroad; thence S12;05'22"W along the said east line 460.53 feet to a found well point; thence N89;48'52"E 132 feet more or less to the water's edge of Round Lake; thence following the said water's edge of Round Lake in a general southerly direction to the place of beginning. Subject to all easements and restrictions of record. Parcel 'A' contains 58,400 sq. ft. or 1.34 acres more or less. Tax parcel #010-33210-0060. Town of Belle Plaine. Property address: W8755 Cloverleaf Lake Road

NOTE: Any person may appear at the public hearing and be heard and/or submit comments to be read into the record for Committee consideration. Correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author. Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766

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