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Bill on sexual assault kits passes Senate

Cowles hopes legislation will put stop to testing backlogs

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Wisconsin Attorney General Josh Kaul announced in November 2019 that a backlog of almost 4,500 sexual assault kits had finally been tested, with many of them sitting for years and significantly delaying justice for many victims.

State Sen. Rob Cowles and others in the legislature are pushing through a bill that would help keep such a backlog from ever developing again. Senate Bill 71 creates timelines and protocols for collecting and processing sexual assault kits, and it was approved on a voice vote March 16 with bipartisan support.

"It was passed unanimously," Cowles said in a phone interview with NEW Media a few days later. "It made it through one house, and now we've got to get it through the Assembly."

The bill would require health care professionals to notify law enforcement within 24 hours that there is a sexual assault kit, and then within 72 hours, law enforcement would have to take possession and send it to the state crime labs. The labs would then have 14 days maximum to analyze the kits and inform law enforcement of the findings.

The bill would also require the state labs to hold sexual assault kits from people who have not consented to analysis for 10 years. The labs would need to hold the kits of those who have consented to an analysis for up to 50 years or until the perpetrator's imprisonment has ended, whichever is longer.

The bill, once approved by the Assembly, would need to be signed by Gov. Tony Evers before becoming the law of the land, but Cowles was optimistic that it would go through without difficulty.

"It should go through," Cowles said. "It's got strong support from the police community, from the health care community, the nurses association, a variety of different groups



ROB COWLES

that help women who have been violated. They feel we need a statutory process, and this will help create certainty for the rape kits. That's the goal."

Cowles noted that a similar bill made it through the Senate two years ago but got tangled up in the Assembly. He said it has never been determined why the Assembly did not vote on that bill.

"I'm more optimistic this time," Cowles said.

Such progress on testing sexual assault kits would be welcome news to Stacey Cicero, executive director for Safe Haven. Her organization helps people who have been impacted by domestic violence, and oftentimes, the abuse that people suffer includes sexual assault.

"I can tell you that there's always been a backlog of sexual assault test kits, and anytime you have backlogs like that, it takes longer to prosecute and longer to find the criminals," Cicero said. "The kits test DNA and other things, and obviously it's much quicker to have the kits tested so that cases can get to trial quicker."

Prior to 2018, when previous Attorney General Brad Schimel announced a major initiative to test sexual assault kits that was continued by Kaul, victims would be examined by personnel at medical centers, evidence would be gathered up and sent to state crime labs — and then they would just sit. That didn't sit well with Cowles.

"In the past, it was just chaos," Cowles said, noting the issue came to light in the Wisconsin Legislature about six years ago. "The kits were building up in different places, and we want to make sure that wrongdoers are prosecuted. This bill will help create that certainty of information that

will go after these terrible people that violate women."

In the last two years, the state crime labs have been keeping up on testing the kits through informal protocols, according to Cowles, but Senate Bill 71 would make those protocols official and help avoid the possibility that kits would languish for years.

"This would put it into the statutes and create even more certainty," Cowles said.

He noted that the need for a system that protects the sexual assault kits was something that Republicans and Democrats could agree on.

"Not everybody wants to go after the wrongdoer, but if they do, they certainly want that rape kit to be protected with the information that can help with the prosecution," Cowles said. "Before some of these protocols were set up, it was chaos, and as it got better, a bunch more prosecutions took place."

Cowles noted that Senate Bill 71 is only the first step in the process of keeping backlogs from materializing again. He said he and his fellow legislators will need to be diligent during the budget process in making sure the state crime labs have sufficient personnel to conduct analyses and process what needs to be processed.

"Getting this done improves the situation," Cowles said about the bill, "but we'll have to stay on it. We'll have to continue to monitor this so it doesn't get away from us."

Sexual assaults will be a focus in April, when Safe Haven and other agencies observe Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Cicero believes having a law on the books will make it easier for victims to come forward, knowing there are things in place to help find the perpetrators and making them pay for their crimes.

"Anytime you can bring awareness and prevention to the forefront, I believe that helps victims come forward," Cicero said.

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County considers abandoning printed legal notices

Committee to review plan to move most notices online

By **WARREN BLUHM**
Editor-in-chief

The Shawano County Executive Committee has asked county administration to develop a plan to forego the idea of having an official county newspaper and instead post legal notices on the county website.

The committee expects to review the plan at its next regular meeting April 14 for possible action by the full county board a week later.

Former Corporation Counsel Tony Kordus asked the state attorney general's office in December whether revisions to state statutes in recent years have eliminated the requirement to publish legal notices in a newspaper, "including meeting agendas, minutes, ordinances and resolutions, and public hearing notices for various zoning matters."

Bonduel attorney Tom Martell spoke with an assistant attorney general, Hannah Jurss, who said "the short answer is yes," County Board Chairman Tom Kautza told the committee.

"According to them, we no longer have to do all the publications that we were doing before," Kautza said.

"The way it talks about if you're less than 250,000 (population), you don't need to designate an official paper for your publication notices," added James Davel, interim administrative coordinator.

A number of notices are specifically required to be printed, but Class 1 and 2 legal notices and public hearings may be posted in a visible public place and on the internet, Davel said.

Committee members said ending print publication would save the money and time — especially

for the Planning, Development and Zoning Department, which often must meet specific timelines for notices of public hearings.

"This would save PD&Z a lot of hassle as far as posting times and time frames working with the towns for public hearings," Supervisor Kevin Conratt said.

The county currently has designated the Shawano Leader as its official newspaper. The Leader has reduced its publication to once a week as a cost-saving measure since shortly after COVID-19 lockdowns were ordered.

Davel acknowledged that the Wisconsin Counties Association could not find a single county where notices are placed almost exclusively on the internet.

"Tom (Martell) was a little concerned about that. He said sometimes it's not good to be the first," Davel said. "He didn't disagree with what DOJ had sent back, but this is really a time and a cost savings across the county when you look at it."

He asked the committee for permission to develop a system for posting notices on the county website for approval in April.

"Let us as a staff go through this, and by next meeting we can give you the process we want to execute here, and then we go from that," Davel said. "That way we can talk to the department heads to make sure that we're straight across the board, and that the community gets the right information and it's easily accessible."

Beth Bennett, executive director of the Wisconsin Newspaper Association, said Shawano County has misinterpreted the meaning of the law.

"State statute says absolutely you must run legal notices in newspapers," Bennett said. "You don't need to designate an official newspaper, but you must publish in a newspaper."

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SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

March 22

Officers responded to 21 calls, including child abuse on South Hamlin Street; trespassing on South Andrews Street; property damage at Super 8 Motel, 211 Waukechon St.

March 21

Officers responded to 14 calls, including bail jumping on East Center Street; a lost wallet at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; an assault on Estates Lane.

March 20

Officers responded to 20 calls, including criminal damage on South Andrews Street; a juvenile problem on East Robin Lane; property theft at CoVantage Credit Union, 604 S. Main St.

March 19

Officers responded to 29 calls, including reckless driving on North Airport Road and Lake Drive; property theft at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; a juvenile alcohol call on South Andrews Street; harassment on East Fifth Street.

March 18

Officers responded to 20 calls, including a juvenile alcohol problem at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; harassment on South Washington Street.

March 17

Officers responded to 31 calls,

including a controlled substance problem at Walgreens, 401 E. Green Bay St.; a threat on North Humphrey Circle; a found wallet at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; a domestic disturbance on East Lieg Avenue; a disorderly conduct on South Hamlin Street; a disturbance at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.

March 16

Officers responded to 25 calls, including identity theft on South Washington Street; trespassing on West Third Street; harassment calls on South Evergreen Street and South Prospect Street; a threat on South Sawyer Street.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

March 22

Deputies responded to 34 calls, including bail jumping on state Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg; burglary on Second Drive in the Town of Washington; a burglary attempt on Hidden Lane in the Town of Lessor; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; a pursuit on state Highway 47 and County Road S in the Town of Lessor; one crash.

March 21

Deputies responded to 40 calls, including trespassing on Country Lane in the Town of Washington; reckless driving calls on State Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg, state Highway 29 in the Town of Morris and County

Road OO in the Town of Wittenberg; harassment on North Main Street in Shawano; a drug call on River Bend Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; an ATV complaint on Elm Avenue in the Town of Wescott; four crashes, two involving deer.

March 20

Deputies responded to 48 calls, including reckless driving calls on state Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland, state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine, state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott, state Highway 29 in the Town of Angelica and Lake Wagner Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; an adult drug offense on state Highway 47 and Lake Road in the Town of Lessor; bail jumping on West North Street in Bonduel; operating while intoxicated on Freeborn Road in the Town of Washington; a weapons offense on White Clay Road in the Town of Washington; six crashes, one involving deer.

March 19

Deputies responded to 40 calls, including a burglary on School House Road in the Town of Seneca; a property theft on Main Street in Gresham; reckless driving calls on state Highway 29 in the Town of Richmond and state Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg; a drug problem on state Highway 47 and South High Line Road in the Town of Lessor; trespassing on Lake View Drive in Aniwa; bail jumping calls on state Highway 47 and Happy Lane

in the Town of Hartland and on Lake Drive and Old Lake Lane in the Town of Wescott; five crashes, one involving deer.

March 18

Deputies responded to 44 calls, including harassment on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; a juvenile problem on Main Street in Birnamwood; bail jumping on North Lafayette Street in the Town of Wescott; a runaway juvenile on Elm Road in the Town of Richmond; reckless driving calls on state Highway 29 in the Town of Waukechon and state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine; a burglary on County Road M in the Town of Richmond; a repossession on West Main Street in Bowler; three crashes, one involving deer and one involving a bobcat.

March 17

Deputies responded to 37 calls, including reckless driving calls on state Highway 47 in the Town of Lessor and on state Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland; a substance abuse problem on East Green Bay Street and North Union Street in Shawano; three crashes, one involving deer.

March 16

Deputies responded to 29 calls, including bail jumping on North First Street in Bonduel; reckless driving calls on East Freeborn Street in Cecil and on state Highway 29 in the Town of Belle Plaine; a pursuit on state Highway 153 in the Town of Wittenberg; four crashes.

COURT NEWS

Recent proceedings in Shawano-Menominee County District include:

- Stacy A. Delgado, 30, Shawano, was charged March 16 with one count of misdemeanor operating a vehicle without consent, one count of bail jumping and one count of misdemeanor bail jumping. Judge William F. Kussel Jr. set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for March 31.

- Bryan S. Pamonicutt, 27, Gresham, was charged March 16 with one count of driving or operating a vehicle without consent and five counts of misdemeanor bail jumping. Kussel set a \$750 cash bond and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for April 14.

- Shaun C. Whited, 43, Eland, was charged March 16 with one count of possession of THC-second offense and one count of possession of methamphetamine. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for April 13.

- Britney M. Gavitt, 29, Wittenberg,

was charged March 16 with one count of possession of THC-second offense, one count of possession of methamphetamine, one count of misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, one count of possession of narcotic drugs and six counts of bail jumping. Kussel set a cash bond at \$2,500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for March 26.

- Brett L. Ginter, 24, Bowler, was charged March 17 with one count of vehicle operator flee/elude officer, four counts of second-degree reckless endangering safety, one count of misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia and one count of misdemeanor possession of THC. Kussel set a cash bond of \$2,500 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for March 24.

- Britney M. Gavitt, 29, Wittenberg, was charged March 17 with one count of manufacturing/delivering amphetamine and one count of bail jumping. Kussel set a cash bond at \$4,000 and scheduled a preliminary

hearing for March 26.

- Derek B. Metzenbauer, 35, Cecil, was charged March 17 with 65 counts of child pornography, one count of misdemeanor possession of THC and one count of misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia. Kussel set a cash bond at \$60,000 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for March 31.

- Darrell C.D. Bolton, 32, Green Bay, was charged March 18 with one count of misdemeanor operating while revoked, one count of misdemeanor bail jumping and two counts of bail jumping. Kussel set a cash bond of \$250 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for April 13.

- Joshua W. Marsh, 41, Clintonville, was charged March 18 with one count of throwing/discharging bodily fluid at a public safety worker or prosecutor, one count of misdemeanor resisting or obstructing an officer, one count of misdemeanor disorderly conduct, four counts of bail jumping and eight counts of misdemeanor bail jumping.

Kussel set a cash bond of \$5,000 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for April 1.

- Jason J. Pecore, 31, Shawano, was charged March 18 with one count of vehicle operator flee/eluding an officer. Kussel set a cash bond of \$1,500 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for May 12.

- Stephany L. Rupprecht, 50, Green Bay, was charged March 19 with one count of possession of THC-second offense and four counts of bail jumping. Kussel set a cash bond of \$2,000 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for April 5.

- Dallas J. Latender, 34, Neopit, was charged March 19 with one misdemeanor count of operating a vehicle while revoked and one count of possession of THC-second offense. Kussel set a cash of \$250 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for April 5.

- Michael C. Metoxen, 51, Shawano. A charge of bail jumping was dismissed on prosecutor's motion.

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OBITUARIES

Lyle L. Grosskopf

On Sunday, March 14, 2021, our family and community lost a humble man. In life and now in death, he would not want us to focus on the sadness of death, but instead focus on the happiness in our lives.

Lyle L. Grosskopf was born on June 14, 1943, to the late Clarence "Spitz" and Mabel (Blumreich) Grosskopf. He was united in marriage to the love of his life, Carol "Jean" Schreiber, on June 20, 1964, in Shawano, and together they had two children, Bud and Jayna.

Lyle was a very active member of his local community; his generosity and thoughtfulness will forever live on through the lives he impacted. Together, with his brother Ron, Lyle helped bring a Ducks Unlimited Chapter to Gresham as well as the Wisconsin Deer Hunters Association. Lyle was also an avid supporter of the Gresham Dollars for Scholars Foundation. Throughout Lyle's adult life he was dedicated to the BABA program, where he enjoyed announcing their



games and was also inducted into the Hall of Fame. During Lyle's free time he enjoyed being with his great-grandkids, visiting local casinos, tinkering in his garage, working with his tractor, as well as deer hunting. He worked for CR Meyer for 35 years and currently held the position of Gresham village president. Although Lyle has had many accomplishments and achievements in his life, there are far too many to list them all.

Lyle was a devoted husband of 56 years; together, Lyle and Jean enjoyed watching local sporting events, going out for dinner, spending Packer game days with Danny and Mattie Stoeher, and enjoying each other's company.

He also leaves behind his two children, Lyle "Bud" (Beth) Grosskopf II and Jayna (Tom) Jung; his

grandchildren, Sam (Melissa), Tyler (Brittany), Misti, Sammi (Tony), Lyle III "Trey" (Taylor), Shae (Adam), Destiny (Thomas), Tomi Jo (Tyler) and Bailey; his great-grandchildren: Axyl, Briell, Scarlett, Hunter, Ad-dyson, Blake, Brock, Kyera, Aralyn, Jailyn, McKaylyn, Jaxtyn, Taylyn, Brystal, Bryson, Brynleigh, Brody and Brentley; and one brother, Ron (Eldean) Grosskopf.

Lyle will join his parents and brother, Allen Grosskopf, in heaven where they will spend their days enjoying happy hour with a Manhattan in hand.

Funeral services for Lyle were held at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 19, 2021, at St. John's Lutheran Church-Hermansfort with the Rev. Steven Conradt officiating. Burial was held on Saturday, March 20, 2021, in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorials may be made in Lyle's name to the charity of your choosing.

Lyle, my husband, my soulmate, my best friend. There won't be a day

that goes by that I won't think of you. I will love you always. — Jean

A limb has fallen from the family tree.

I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me."

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My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.

Remembering all, how I truly was blessed.

Continue traditions, no matter how small.

Go on with your life, don't worry about falls.

I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin.

Until the day comes we're together again.

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Richard W. Kuepper

Richard W. "Dick" Kuepper, 83, of Shawano, passed away peacefully early Saturday morning, March 13, 2021, at Birch Hill in Shawano.

Dick was born on Oct. 5, 1937, in Milwaukee, a son of Charles and Mildred (Dunlap) Kuepper. Richard excelled at athletics, lettering in football and track, setting several records.

After graduating high school, Richard moved to San Antonio, Texas, to attend Trinity University. After finishing college he returned to Wisconsin and worked as a counselor at Camp Lannon Fields Farms. It was there he met and fell in love with fellow counselor, Lynne Folstad, of Barron. The love of his life, they married on June 13, 1959, in Barron, and settled in Clintonville. In 1970, the couple moved to Shawano, where they remained for the rest of their 61-year marriage.

In Shawano, Richard worked his



way up from loan officer to vice president of Citizens State Bank, and led the Rotary Youth Exchange program. He was proud of his work as a long-time Rotary member and

received two Paul Harris awards.

He and Lynne hosted four exchange students over the years: Karen Israelson from Sweden, Marcia Costa from Brazil, Astrid Solberg from Norway, and Jussi Toivonen from Finland. A testament to their commitment, Richard and Lynne kept in touch with all their "kids," travelling across the globe to visit them. They loved to travel, taking trips to Finland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, and Brazil, with Richard even venturing into St. Petersburg, Russia.

Long known for his amazingly beautiful woodworking skills, in later life Richard enjoyed touring and exhibiting his work — from small boxes to large dressers and desks — at art fairs. He acknowledged, however, that his greatest achievement was his family.

Richard is survived by his daughters, Wendy (Jon) Kofoot, of Savage, Minnesota, and Kathy (Dan) Braun, of Shawano; his granddaughters, Haanah Braun, of Northfield, Minnesota, and Maris Braun, of Seattle, Washington; his nieces, Robin Baird, of Arlington, Virginia, and Carol (Lynwood) Harris, of Coppell, Texas; his great-niece, Casey (Brad) Williams, and great-great-nephews Cambell and Camden, of Lewisville, Texas; and his international family who loved him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lynne; his parents, Charles and

Mildred Kuepper; and his sister, Lucy.

A funeral service for Richard and Lynne will be held at a later date. Graveside services will take place at a later date at Wayside Cemetery in Barron, with Pastor Mary Anne Conklin officiating.

In lieu of flowers and plants, memorials are preferred to the Alzheimer's Association at act.alz.org/donate.

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

"The family would like to thank the amazing caregivers at Birch Hill for their loving care."



Elizabeth M. Cornelius

Elizabeth M. Cornelius, 79, of Clintonville, formerly of Tigerton, passed away surrounded by family on Sunday morning, March 14, 2021, at Evergreen Health Services in Shawano.

Elizabeth had been ill for the past few years with multiple health complications. She made her home with the late Howard Bird in Tigerton. Elizabeth was born on April 22, 1941, in Tigerton as the daughter of the late John and Eva Jane (Christ-



john) Cornelius. She attended college and earned her BA in sociology. Elizabeth became a counselor/therapist at the Oneida Group Home for a number of

years. She was an excellent cook, terrific artist and loved gardening in her spare time.

Elizabeth was a loving mother of Tony Kolosso, Elizabeth (Terry) Fagan, Ammy (Bobbie) Vaughn, Sam (Barb) Kolosso, Conrad (Sharon) Cornelius and Dan (Tammy) Cornelius.

She was a loving grandmother of 12 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

Elizabeth is also survived by a sister, Debbie (Marvin) Wilber, and a brother, Weston (Debbie)

Cornelius.

She was preceded in death by her parents; fiancé, Howard Bird; sisters Maribeth, Pam and Candace; and brothers Garrett and Conrad.

Elizabeth's funeral service was held Friday, March 19, 2021, at 11 a.m. at the Family of Christ Church, 600 S. Main St., Clintonville, with the Rev. Steven Devroy officiating. Interment will take place at Union Cemetery in Tigerton.

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Middle school to repair water leaks

Elexco Inc. sends plan to Shawano School District detailing what needs to be done

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

The Shawano School District Buildings and Grounds Committee is recommending to move forward with their plans to make repairs at Shawano Community Middle School.

SCMS has been dealing with water backing up in the pipes, causing leaks and floods. After receiving word from Elexco Inc., based in Seymour, that sediment was causing water to backup into the school, the committee received a three-phase plan on March 17 with prices on how it can be addressed.

Phase one would include installing an intercepting manhole and installing temporary sediment basins in the tunnel mouths. New piping would be added as well as existing storm pipes would be repaired. Existing storm pipes under the school would also be cleaned out. The total budget for phase one would be \$216,800.

Phase two would include boring new perforated tiling beneath the existing tunnels in the school in order to draw the water out of the ground. Phase two also includes extending

the drainage system north and under the front portion of the school. The total budget for phase two would be \$103,400.

Phase three would consist of extending the drainage system to the south side of the school up to the existing tunnel to service the proposed catch basin. It would also include adding new storm piping. The total budget for phase three would be \$64,200.

"I think the conversation to be had, in my opinion, is we all agree that we have to do something," said Shawn Mathwich, Shawano School District buildings and grounds director.

If they were to move forward with phases one and two, Mathwich suggested that they would only need to install one sedimentary basin in the middle school. According to Mathwich, only one of the temporary sediment basins has been dumping water in the boiler room.

"Talking with some of the other staff, in three years, they haven't seen the other two dump any water out onto the floor," said Mathwich. "This would temporarily hold us over until they can get the drainage issue

corrected, as far as getting the water out from underneath the school. I wouldn't perceive the need to waste the money on those other two if we haven't had an active problem."

If the board plans to hold off on phase two than Mathwich recommends to put all three sedimentary basins in.

There has been a problem with water emerging up on the south side of the school. Water has even been going through the floor into classrooms.

According to Mathwich, if phases one and two are initiated, then hopefully water is pulled away from the south side of the school.

If the board went through with all three phases right away, there would be a set up fee and they would have to come back again, which would be pretty substantial for phase two and too much for phase three.

"This is one of those things too that if we try and cut it short somewhere, we are going to pay

for it somewhere down the line," said school board president Tyler Schmidt.

Other than the sedimentary basins, Mathwich said that, if they run all three phases, it should be started after school is out except for adding sediment basins. If all three phases were to be done, Elexco Inc. would install one sediment basin in right away where the school has had water from the tunnel by the elevator. The total process would take roughly between six to eight weeks and start in July and be completed by the start of school in the fall.

Schmidt said that money for the project can be taken out of the fund balance.

The committee is planning to prepare a brief presentation to present in front of the whole school board.

"We need to make sure that the buildings are sustainable for the future," said Schmidt.

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Annual Shawano Area Writers contest deadline coming up soon

Students who live or go to school in Shawano or Menominee counties have until April 9 to submit their entries in the Shawano Area Writers George Putz Jr. Memorial Student Writing Contest.

Students, including homeschoolers, are eligible to participate. Writers compete in fiction, nonfiction or poetry categories and in one of four age groups: grades 1-2, grades 3-4, grades 5-8 and grades 9-12.

Shawano Area Writers understands

the continuing pandemic has restricted school attendance and still encourages young authors to write and compete in the 15th annual contest.

Students can win cash prizes and a certificate of achievement. The awards presentation is still being planned for the Mielke Arts Center on a date to be determined.

To learn about the contest and read the rules, go to www.shawanoareawriters.org or call the contest coordinator at 715-524-4520.

OBITUARIES

Enid E. Krueger

Enid E. Krueger, 84, of Cottage Grove, passed away Monday, March 15, 2021, at Capri Memory Care in Cottage Grove.

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

Mitchell A. Penney

Mitchell A. Penney, 67, of Clintonville, passed away Wednesday, March 10, 2021, at McKinley House in Clintonville.

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

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You are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.

Miss you every day!

We know you are looking down on your first grand-daughter Willow.

Love you always-
Mom, Dad, Sisters, Dustin, Dillon & Friends

Keuschel, Culhane to face off for Shawano council

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

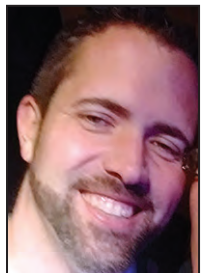
April 6 will decide who is going to represent the First Aldermanic District on the Shawano Common Council.

Muffy Culhane and Brad Keuschel will face off against each other to try and claim the seat currently held by Jeanne Cronic. Cronic had decided to run for mayor but recently had to drop out to devote time to care for her husband, who was in a serious snowmobiling accident.

The Shawano Leader asked the candidates six questions regarding city departments and issues in order to inform voters when they go to the polls.

The city is making plans for a downtown plaza area. What are your thoughts on this project?

Keuschel: "I think it's a good idea for developing our downtown, and



BRAD KEUSCHEL

it's going to happen, because it was planned for when we were talking about the parks referendum and things like that. I guess my biggest input on it would be trying to make sure we do it the best way possible so it helps to draw people into the downtown, as well as not spending a fortune on things that aren't needed on it."

Culhane: "I think it's going to be great for the downtown and the community, and the best thing is that there are no tax dollars being used. So I think it's just going to be a great asset for downtown and for Franklin Park and the community."

Police officers are under scrutiny across the United States. How do you feel the Shawano Police Department is doing, and how can they continue to improve?

Culhane: "I think the Shawano Police Department has been very good, in my opinion, and the biggest exposure is working at the SAM25 (Shawano Area Matthew 25) shelter. They've been very supportive and helpful of that. I think we, as a community and as a human race, can all be a lot more open minded and accepting to people, and we all have a lot of work to do there. We all need to be welcoming and loving to each other, so I'm sure there's work to be done, but from my experience with the Shawano Police Department, they've done an excellent job."



MUFFY CULHANE

Keuschel: "I back the police department 100%. I think they do good work. I've worked with them through the (Shawano) Ski Sharks, and we deal with them a lot for the (Shawano area) fire department. I've never had issues with them. I know they have a difficult job, and there are situations that can always be handled differently, but the way that I feel those need to be handled is through following guidelines and laws and working with people to the best of their ability and having training on maybe how to handle incidents and things like that."

The city of Shawano has a parks system with 27 parks. What is your view on the current status of the parks system?

Keuschel: "I was part of the park development committee when they were doing the plans for the referendum. I am for the parks. I do like what has been happening in Shawano. I was for the splash pad and the Smalley Park development, and I think they're doing a good job of listening to people as to what they want. I don't know that we need to

expand much more on our parks. Maybe we need to take what we have and focus on keeping it clean and keeping it being up-to-date and putting the best product forward with what we already have. Quality over quantity is what I'd shoot for."

Culhane: "I think the parks have just been updated so beautifully, and that's been planned a long time coming. They've been great — the water park and Franklin Park and Smalley Park. I know there's been some controversy with the geese in Smalley Park, but the parks and rec department is working with the DNR, and I'm sure that will be resolved in the best way possible. I just think we're very blessed in Shawano to have a great parks system, and they're doing a great job."

The city has made strides in providing additional housing in the community recently. What else should it do to grow Shawano's population?

Culhane: "I think housing has a lot to do with who you attract here to Shawano, and I think the city's trying hard to do that. We need all different types of housing for all types of needs and people. I think they've done a good job with the development on Engel (Drive) and the six new houses on the old hospital site. In my district, District 1, we'll be deciding about the housing for the rest of the old hospital site, so I would be excited to be in on those decisions, as well."

Keuschel: "I think the housing is a good start, but you need people and jobs to fill the housing and keep them to the level where you want to be. Before you can look at the housing, you've got to look at the job market, and if we can't have enough jobs to accommodate the population, then you're just building housing for no real reason. I would focus more on the development of job opportunities and using our area

AT A GLANCE

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resources to bring businesses to town so people come here for work. Naturally, when people come here for jobs, the housing market and housing structures would follow."

What is your assessment of how City Administrator Eddie Sheppard is managing the city?

Keuschel: "I haven't dealt with him much. I guess I would look forward to dealing with him, so I don't know that I have much input on that."

Culhane: "As far as I know, I think he is doing an excellent job. Then again, I still have a lot to learn about what's going on with the city, but in my opinion, he's just done a wonderful job."

Name an aspect of the city being done very well by city staff and the council.

Culhane: "Gosh, there are many. I think the utilities are doing a great job, especially with the lead line replacement that's happening here for city residents. I think SMU (Shawano Municipal Utilities) is doing a great job."

Keuschel: "I would say they're getting better at community events and getting the word out that those are available. They're doing a lot of things with the waterways. They have the small sailing classes by the river. They have swim classes for all ages at the rec center. They do the Easter egg hunts. They're doing a lot of things with even downtown events. I love seeing that. Me and my family go to as many as we can get to. I think they're doing a good job of making events that involve the entire family and the entire community."

Remains found on reservation believed to be Katelyn Kelley

By NEW MEDIA STAFF



KATELYN KELLEY

The remains of a Menominee woman were found recently on the tribe's reservation, but there are still a number of questions regarding her disappearance and death.

The Menominee Tribal Police Department announced March 22 that the remains found five days earlier were those

of Katelyn Kelley, according to an autopsy conducted on them. A positive identification has been made, according to a tribal press release.

Nothing has been released about where the remains were located, but Kelley was believed to have been last seen around County Road VV and Silver Canoe Road in Keshena on June 16, 2020, at about 10:30 p.m. Kelley's family reported her missing

two days later, on June 18.

The investigation is continuing, led by the tribal police and the FBI. The tribe is not releasing any further information about the discovery of the remains.

The tribe is offering a \$5,000 reward for information that leads to solving Kelley's case. The reward was offered in July 2020, about a month after Kelley's disappearance.



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SENIOR LIVING

Initiative to help vaccinate vulnerable seniors

By **RACHEL TREISMAN**
Wisconsin Public Radio

The country's rollout of COVID-19 vaccines is picking up speed, with a third new vaccine ramping up production and an accelerated timeline promising enough supply for every American adult by the end of May.

Still, the process of finding and booking appointments remains difficult for many eligible individuals. Now, a new initiative by more than a dozen health insurance providers is aiming to promote health equity by making it easier for seniors from underserved populations to get vaccinated.

Andy Slavitt, senior adviser on the White House COVID-19 Response Team, said at a regular briefing that the pilot program will help 2 million of the country's most vulnerable seniors overcome three commonly-cited challenges: questions about the vaccine, scheduling and transportation.

"This commitment came from organizations who have the call centers, technology and community relationships to run a pilot program like this, and it comes on the heels of our call to action last week to the private sector to use their talents and resources to help bring a quicker end to this crisis," Slavitt said.

Through the Vaccine Community Connectors pilot, Slavitt said, providers will contact unvaccinated Americans over the age of 65 who live in areas of "high social vulnerability" to talk about the efficacy, safety and value of vaccines. They will also facilitate registration and appointment scheduling, arrange transportation to and from sites and ensure individuals return for their second shot. Slavitt added they are looking to deploy mobile vans in certain communities.

In a press release announcing the initiative, members of the trade groups America's Health Insurance Plans and Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association said providers will use enrollee data, analytics and government resources to help identify vulnerable communities and tailor their outreach to them.

For example, they said, some communities will be best served by mobile clinics or language assistance,



Vaccine clinics are taking place Thursdays and Fridays at the old Lakeland Center, 504 Lakeland Road, Shawano. If you can't get an appointment there, there is a new initiative to help seniors find locations that offer coronavirus vaccines.

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while others will benefit most from free transportation provided by ride-sharing services.

"Improving health equity means setting important goals, removing barriers to better care and meeting people where they are," said Tonya Adams, national spokesperson for the Vaccine Community Connectors program and chief customer experience officer at Regence BlueCross BlueShield.

The U.S. is racing to vaccinate its population in the face of a number of newly emerging coronavirus variants, and as several states have moved to roll back mask mandates and other public health directives.

Dr. Rochelle Walensky, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, warned at Wednesday's briefing — as she has since late last week — that recent progress in slowing the pandemic appears to be stalling. The most recent seven-day average of new cases stands at 66,000, an increase of 3.5% over the previous seven days. And the most recent seven-day average of deaths increased 2.2% over that period to slightly more than 2,000 deaths a day.

She urged Americans to continue masking up, observing social distancing and avoiding gatherings, measures she said would determine the course of the virus in the "pivotal"

months before the country can be vaccinated en masse.

Some 15.6% of the U.S. popula-

tion has had at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, according to an National Public Radio tracker.

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How to search for senior discounts in 2021

By JIM MILLER

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Dear Savvy Senior,

I just turned 60 and would like to find out the best way to go about locating senior discounts.

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Dear Looking,

One of the best, yet underutilized perks of growing older in the United States is the many discounts that are available to older adults.

There are literally thousands of discounts on a wide variety of products and services including restaurants, grocery stores, travel and lodging, entertainment, retail and apparel, health and beauty, automotive services and much more. These discounts — typically ranging between 5 and 25% off — can add up to save you hundreds of dollars each year.

The first thing to know is that most businesses don't advertise them, but many give senior discounts just for the asking, so don't be shy.

You also need to know that while some discounts are available as soon

as you turn 50, most don't kick in until you turn 55, 60, 62 or 65.

Because senior discounts frequently change and can vary depending on where you live and the time of the year, the internet is the easiest way to locate them.

A good place to start is at The-SeniorList.com (click on the "Senior Discounts" tab), which provides a large list of discounts in categories, i.e. restaurant dining, grocery stores, retail stores, prescription medications, travel discounts and more.

You can also search for discounts by provider. Go to a search engine like Google and Yahoo and type in the business or organization you're curious about, followed by "senior discount" or "senior discount tickets."

Another good avenue to senior discounts is through membership organizations like AARP, which offers its members age 50 and older a wide variety of discounts through affiliate businesses (see AARPdiscounts.com).

If, however, you don't like or agree with AARP, there are other organizations you can join that also provide

discounts like the American Seniors Association (AmericanSeniors.org), the American Automobile Association (AAA.com), or for retired federal workers, the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE.org).

Here's an abbreviated rundown of some of the different types of discounts you can expect to find.

Restaurants: Senior discounts are common at restaurants and fast-food establishments — like Applebee's, Arby's, Burger King, Chili's, Denny's and IHOP — ranging from free/discounted drinks, to discounts off your total order.

Retailers: Many thrift stores like Goodwill and Salvation Army, and certain retailers like TJ Maxx, Banana Republic, Kohl's, Michaels, Ross and Walgreens stores offer a break to seniors on certain days of the week.

Grocery stores: Many locally owned grocery stores offer senior discount programs, as do some chains like BI-LO, Piggly-Wiggly, Fry's Food Stores, New Seasons, Fred Meyer, and Hy-Vee, which offer discounts on

certain days of the week but they vary by location.

Travel: American, United and Southwest Airlines provide limited senior fares in the U.S. to passengers 65 and older, while British Airlines offers AARP members discounts of up to \$200. Amtrak provides a 15% discount to travelers over 62. Most car rental companies give discounts to 50-plus customers or those who belong to organizations like AARP. Royal Caribbean, Norwegian, Celebrity and Carnival cruise lines offer discount rates to cruisers 55 and over. And, most hotels offer senior discounts, usually ranging from 10 to 20%.

Entertainment: Most movie theaters, museums, golf courses, ski slopes and other public entertainment venues provide reduced admission to seniors over 60 or 65. And the National Park Service offers a lifetime senior pass for those 62 and older for \$80 (see nps.gov/planyourvisit/passes.htm).

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

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Schools have preliminary plans for graduation

Some schools returning to traditional graduations, others get creative with celebrating seniors

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Just over a year into the COVID-19 pandemic, area high schools are still having to adjust their plans for graduation.

Most schools in the area plan to hold their graduation ceremonies in late May and early June. Due to the pandemic last year, most of the schools were forced to change that. This year, some of the schools are looking to return to that normal time slot to hold their ceremonies. As we start to return to normalcy, some schools already have preliminary plans on what graduates can expect to happen come May and June.

Shawano Community High School plans to hold its graduation ceremony on schedule on May 28, but instead of the traditional location of the school's field house, it will once again be held on the football field, where grads can social distance, according to principal Scott Zwirschitz. The 2020 graduation had to be postponed to August and held on the field with limited attendance from family members and limited to the presentation of the diplomas.

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"We believe we can have more spectators outside than inside, but we will have a contingency plan to move it back inside the gym if the weather doesn't look like it's going to cooperate," said Zwirschitz, noting that moving it into the field house would limit the number of spectators that would be allowed inside.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School is planning to hold its graduation ceremony in a similar fashion as last year. Weather permitting, the ceremony will be held on May 28 at 6 p.m. on the football field. The

graduates will be up in the bleachers, while guests of the graduates will be socially distanced on the football field.

"Having the graduation ceremony outside on the football field was successful last year," said principal Bill Hass. "We received very good feedback on doing it that way last year."

The Bonduel School District is undecided of what its plans are regarding graduation moving forward. The school board will thoroughly study trends and the amount of COVID-19 cases that are present in the Bonduel area to decide what an appropriate celebration would be, according to Tim Mayer, high school and middle school principal.

Last year, the school held a virtual ceremony and presented it at the Shawano Cinema drive-in movie theater, 1494 E. Green Bay St., Shawano. School principal Tim Mayer said that something like that could happen again this year. With all of the factors that are coming into play on how the graduates will be honored, Mayer hopes that it can be in person.

"It is difficult to plan a graduation at a facility outside of your own," said Mayer. "I am hoping that we can have the graduation in person and together, but we will have to wait and see about the cases."

Menominee Indian High School principal Chuck Raasch has preliminary plans of holding gatherings in the school's gymnasium on May 26.

There will be two separate sections comprised of graduates based on the letter that their last name starts with. Students whose last name start with A-L will be honored at 5 p.m. while those starting with M-Z will be honored at 7 p.m.

Each graduate will have four tickets to use to invite guests, according to Raasch. Each person entering the gymnasium will have to follow the safety procedures put into place, including having temperatures taken, practicing social distancing and wearing masks. Each person will also be recorded for contact tracing. The gymnasium will be sanitized between sessions.

Last year, MIHS held graduation in its parking lot. Students got out of their cars to receive their diploma and were verbally congratulated by the superintendent and Raasch. The entire graduation was broadcast on Facebook Live.

"Our preliminary plans are to hold a somewhat traditional graduation this year," said Raasch. "It would be nice to have everyone together."

Gillett Secondary School is planning on having its graduation ceremony as traditional as possible, according to principal Jason Dreier. With just under 50 seniors this year, Dreier does not expect a lot of people to fill up the gym for graduation.

Dreier noted that there were roughly 50 graduates last year. With that number not being staggeringly high, Dreier hopes that the pandemic won't be an issue. The graduation is going to be held on May 30. Even with the small gathering, the graduates, members of the school board and visitors are going to follow the COVID-19 mandates, including social distancing and wearing masks.

Last year, the graduates were celebrated online as each senior was highlighted in a Facebook post on the school district's Facebook page. A YouTube video was also made of all of the seniors detailing their plans after school. Finally, a commencement ceremony was held on the track in August.

"Our plan is to have a traditional graduation this year," said Dreier. "We are still going to comply with the COVID-19 mandates for graduation, too."



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By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

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"He just cited personal reasons," Kautza said. "He just thought it was time to move on and try something else."

Kautza said he felt Kordus had done an excellent job and did not want him to go.

"I wish he would have stayed, and I gave him all of the opportunities — if he needed a little time off," Kautza said. "I gave him every angle to try and get Tony to stay, but he decided this was what was best for him and his family at this point in his life. You can't make somebody stay who doesn't want to."

Prior to serving as corporation counsel, Kordus had been an attorney and partner at Liebman, Conway, Olejniczak and Jerry, S.C. in the Green Bay area for almost 10 years, according to his LinkedIn profile. Kordus received his law degree from the University of Nebraska College of Law.

Kordus had previously ran to be a Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court judge, planning to replace James Habeck from Branch 1, who retired, but he withdrew and cited personal reasons for doing so. As a result, Gov. Tony Evers had to appoint Katherine Sloma to fill the vacant seat, as the majority of votes in the April 2020 election were cast for Kordus.

At the moment, Bonduel attorney Tom Martell is serving as interim corporation counsel, starting in February. Kautza had announced at a county board in late February that Kordus had requested an extension to a leave of absence, and Martell had been asked to fill in, as Kautza felt it was not a good thing for the

county to be without someone serving as corporation counsel for more than a week.

Kautza said during a phone interview on March 18 that the county can also tap the services of the Von Briesen and Roper law firm, which serves as counsel for the Wisconsin Counties Association, if needed.

"They already do a lot of government oriented type things," Kautza said.

Kautza said the county is advertising to fill the position permanently. He said three candidates have come forward, but the position is open to applicants until March 31, so more candidates could be considered.

"We're hoping to see all that we can get," Kautza said.

Kordus is the third high-ranking county official to leave the county's employ in the last six months. Brent Miller stepped down as administrative coordinator last fall to take up a better paying position as administrator for Sauk County. After two rounds of failed efforts to find someone outside to fill the position, the county's executive committee opted to have James Davel, the county's emergency management coordinator, serve part-time as interim administrative coordinator and could get the job permanently.

The second official to tender a resignation was finance director Nitta Charnon in early 2020. Kautza said someone has been found to fill the position and is expected to start in April.

"The void isn't so bad anymore," Kautza said.

Kautza noted that Shawano County's pay scale is lower than other nearby counties, and he feels something needs to be done to keep employees from using Shawano County as a stepping stone en route to other counties or municipalities.

"Baby boomers are reaching the age of retirement, and the workforce is kind of going down, and the younger generation doesn't seem too big on stepping up," Kautza said.

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The current playground at Olga Brener Intermediate School is unsatisfactory to school and district officials. Some of the existing equipment will stay and be added to the new equipment that the school is looking into purchasing.

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Olga Brener to update playground equipment

Total costs for the equipment would be about \$114K

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

The Shawano School District Buildings and Grounds Committee is recommending installing new playground equipment at Olga Brener Intermediate School.

On March 17, the committee met with Lee Recreation to discuss upgrading the current playground. Jeff Thompson, a representative for the company, led a presentation, highlighting different equipment that could be included in the new playground.

Prior to the presentation, Shawn Mathwich, buildings and grounds director for the Shawano School District, led Thompson on a tour of the current playground. After an inspection, Thompson noticed red flags, including non-compliance issues, outdated playground equipment and spots where the playground area was flooded with water. Thompson suggested that the district let Lee Recreation upgrade its playground.

"Part of it was, what can we do to provide; not only bringing you guys up to compliance in terms of surfacing," said Thompson. "Secondly, upgrading

your equipment that is deteriorating in the best economical way and then third would be to provide some opportunities for inclusive play for those individual students that may need it."

Thompson suggested to install an artificial surface, while using wood chips, in hopes of avoiding the use of shredded rubber. He outlined a plan for an asphalt path. Using asphalt would provide easy snow removal, as well as efficient access to the playground for those who use a mobility device.

Included in the presentation was the Volta Spinner, which works like a merry-go-round with enough seating for nine children to use at a time. Thompson also mentioned the Inclusive Orbit, which is also similar to a merry-go-round like structure that is flushed with the surface that it stands on. The spinners are usually a very popular item within playgrounds.

"The spinner is utilized immensely up at Hillcrest," said Mathwich. "The kids absolutely love that piece."

One piece of equipment that Thompson was very excited about was the Brava Swing. The Brava Swing is different than a regular swing, in that those who use the swing, will be able to use their legs and arms to propel themselves back and forth. The swing provides inclusivity to children who may use a mobile device or have a disability.

Finally, a big new play set will be

part of the installation. Some spots on the play set, like the slides extend up as far as eight feet high.

Even though new equipment is being introduced, not all of the current equipment will be leaving, just the parts that aren't in good shape. The playground will be condensed too, offering easier supervision for those in charge and giving the students a chance to be closer together with each other.

If a decision is made soon, the playground project would be expected to finish by the end of June, costing \$114,607 including Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant items. For additional add-ons, it would cost another \$9,471.

Some of the equipment would be paid for with the money coming from the district's fund balance. There is also a possibility that the board can ask the school's parent-teacher organization if there are funds available, as the PTO has done fundraising for the playground in the past.

"I think it is worth an ask if the PTO has funds that they would contribute to a piece of equipment," said Superintendent Randi Anderson. "It shows a little sake in the game in our parents and the community for this building."

Building this playground facility would also add a spot where people in the neighborhood with or without disabilities can come and spend their time.

"It would be a good thing for the entire community, because currently the city does not have a park that is wheelchair anything," said school board president Tyler Schmidt. "The more area that we have as a hard surface for those individuals to move around, the better off we are."

All of the equipment that was discussed is ADA approved, giving those with disabilities an opportunity to use the equipment as well.

As far as removing some of the existing equipment, Mathwich hopes that someone can excavate it, rather than the grounds crew do it themselves.

"If we were going to try and replace the swing set, we are going to destroy them," said Mathwich. "I think personally, that if we are going to do, we need to do it right the first time."

Instead of trying to rebuild and move all of the old equipment, the board agreed that they would rather bring in the new equipment.

"We have a beautiful proposal in front of us, I think it is an opportunity for us to reface the outside, ensure ADA compliance and have a beautiful playground for Olga Brener," said Anderson.

The committee plans to bring the proposal of the playground as well as where the costs are coming from to the full school board in early April.

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TYLER SCHMIDT, Shawano School Board president

BBBS event brings community together



At the March 20 event in Franklin Park, game stations were held for both children and adults to participate in. Many people had different strategies to winning the games, but Bucky Badger and the Shawano Hawk got the most creative in the football throwing game.



ABOVE: The Shawano varsity baseball team was in attendance at Franklin Park on March 20 to help out with the dizzy baseball game. Participants spun around in circles and then tried to hit a ball off of the tee as far as they could.

RIGHT: The game that made everyone laugh the most at the March 20 event was charades. Here, the sun shined down on Aubrielle Curran as she acted out a guitar player. Families were given the opportunity to act out different occupations and sports.



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The Town of Seneca, Shawano County is currently seeking bids for Town Hall Lawn Mowing and Trimming from May 15th 2021 – October 15th 2021 for the Town Hall Lot, the Maintenance Shed Lot and the Overflow Parking Lot.

Interested parties must mail proposals along with proof of insurance to the Town Clerk, P.O. Box 85, Tilleda, WI 54978 by 5:00 PM on April 8, 2021. Proposals will be opened at the Town Board's regular meeting on April 8, 2021 at 5:30 PM. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

Please contact the Town Clerk, Raymond Rigsby, at 715-851-2251 for information.

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The work consists of:

Asphalt Driveways, Various sites of Asphalt Parking Lot Replacement. Sites include Maplevue Apartment in Birnamwood, WI. Towerview Apartment in Gresham, WI, Hillside Apartment in Bonduel, WI and driveway addition at N4993 Fourth St. Leopolis, WI.

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The replacement of building gable roof shingles, add venting and insulation at Maplevue Apartments, Birnamwood, WI. Prices are to be broken down by area with the costs separated for replacement of the roofing systems scheduled; 40-year Asphalt shingles. Bid shall include a price for replacement of 4' x 8' x 7/16" T & G OSB sheets if needed, per sheet. Bids shall include all work to complete the roofing projects; including General, HVAC, Plumbing & Electrical work (as/if required).

Bids will be accepted for the Project on the Bid Form in the Project Manual. Proposals to be submitted on company letterhead. Prices are to be broken down as requested.

The successful Bidder will be determined based upon the Project Manual's requirements. Reference checks, experience working with Davis Bacon wage rates, warranty provisions, schedule to complete the work and all other items will be reviewed for identification of the responsible, responsive bidder.

Copies of the bid requirements may be obtained at the office of Daniel J. Meissner AIA, LLC, 1230 E. Calumet St., Appleton, WI 54915. Email:

daniel-meissner@att.net, Contact Dan Meissner, Architect, 920-428-0982 or Jeff Theis, Executive Director, 715-526-6960, if you have questions or if you are interested in reviewing the projects and submitting a bid/proposal for any or all of them.

The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities thereof. No bidder may withdraw his bid/proposal within 30 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

A 5% Bid Bond and a Performance Bond are required for the Asphalt placement / replacement project bid and the re-roofing projects bid. Proposals not including the Bid and Performance Bond are acceptable for the Furnace & Driveway asphalt projects.

The Requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 apply to this project and that; to the greatest extent feasible contractors shall fulfill their obligation to utilize lower income residents as trainees and/or employees. * Reference Federal Register (33884-33887), June 30, 1994, Subpart 135.38.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the "Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to ensure Equal Employment Opportunity (Executive Order 11246) and Supplemental Instructions to Bidders" contained in the bid documents, which sets forth, in part, goals, and timetables for the employment of women and minorities in the project area.

Contractors and subcontractors are required to pay not less than the Davis-Bacon prevailing wage rates established by the U.S. Department of Labor included in the project information.

Mr. Jeff Theis
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Back 40 Acres Dairy, near Pulaski, will be the host for the 2021 Shawano County Brunch on the Farm on June 27. The farm is owned and operated by Wayne and Connie Nischke, Kalya and David Coehoorn, and Ashley and Ricky Mikle.

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Brunch is back, hosted by Pulaski farm

Shawano County Brunch on the Farm is returning for 2021.

The Shawano County Farm Bureau has announced that Nischke Back 40 Acres will be hosting Brunch on the Farm on June 27. The event will be a traditional, in-person event with opportunities for guests to see a modern dairy farm and have a morning of family fun.

Back 40 Acres is a 120-cow, robotic dairy farm located outside of Pulaski. It is owned and operated by Wayne and Connie Nischke, along with their children Kayla and David Coehoorn and Ashley and Ricky Mikle.

"We are excited about the oppor-

tunity to bring people out to a dairy farm and show them where their milk and dairy products come from," said Christa Hoffman, Brunch on the Farm chairwoman. "We'll be scaling back some high touch and close contact activities, but we are sure that the outdoor event will have enough space to keep people safe."

Brunch on the Farm typically draws a crowd of 4,000 people over the course of four hours. The event will run from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Follow the Shawano County Farm Bureau and the Shawano County Brunch on the Farm event page on Facebook for more details.

RESOLUTION NO. 30-21

SPONSORED BY: Field and Finance Committee

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WHEREAS, the City of Shawano Common Council adopted the 2021 Annual Budget which includes the CIP budgets for Street and Utility improvements, by Resolution 106-20 on November 18, 2020; and

WHEREAS, due to the low bid amounts for the street and utility improvement project, S. Smalley Street and W. Division Street are now able to be included in the project within the original CIP budget except for the water portion; and

WHEREAS, a summary of the proposed changes are attached hereto and incorporated herein for reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Shawano that the 2021 Public Works CIP budget be revised to reflect the attached changes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby directed to give required notice to the public in accordance with Section 65.90(5)(a) of Wisconsin Statutes by publishing said adopted resolution.

Adopted: March 10, 2021

By/s/: Rhonda Strebel

Rhonda Strebel, Acting Mayor

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Library celebrating National Poetry Month

April is National Poetry Month and Shawano County Library will be highlighting different poems, poets, and related activities during the entire month.

The Academy of American Poets describes the month as a time to “remind the public that poets have an integral role to play in our culture and that poetry matters.” National Poetry Month launched in 1996, making this year the 25th celebration.

The library will be celebrating by offering a variety of virtual programs available on the library’s Facebook page. During the programs, patrons will see and hear friendly staff faces, a few star patrons, and a wide variety of poems. Poetry readings will take place every Monday through Friday in April at 8 a.m.

Other virtual programs include do-it-yourself magnetic refrigerator

poetry on April 1 at 9 a.m., as well as learning how to make infused water through the Hungry Librarians program on April 12 at 9 a.m. A Blackout Poetry event will take place April 14 at 9 a.m., and patrons can learn how to make their own cake box journal on April 21 at 9 a.m.

There will also be a virtual challenge available through Beanstack (shawanolibrary.beanstack.org). Patrons can sign up for a Beanstack account anytime and get started on this challenge on April 1. The challenge will allow patrons to explore poetry more fully through poetry readings, delving into the different types of poetry, creating their own Mad Libs-style poetry, as well as many other great activities.

For information, contact the library at sha@shawanolibrary.org or 715-526-3829.

WNA launches editorial writing, cartoon contest

As a continuation of its efforts to increase civic education and engagement, the Wisconsin Newspaper Association Foundation has launched the Wisconsin Civics Games Editorial Writing and Cartoon Contest.

The contest will celebrate the rights established by the First Amendment. The contest is open to all Wisconsin middle and high school students.

“We were thrilled by the enthusiastic statewide response to the launch of the Wisconsin Civics Games in 2019 and shared in the disappointment this year’s games had to be canceled because of the pandemic,” said WNA Foundation Board Member Eve Galanter, who helped spearhead the Wisconsin Civics Games. “We didn’t want to lose the critical connections that had been made or the momentum that had been built toward fostering civic and civil engagement.

“During this challenging time, we decided to continue these efforts with the launch of an editorial writing and cartoon contest.”

For the writing contest, high

school students will be asked to write a guest column of 500 words or less about the First Amendment, and middle school students will be asked to write a letter to the editor of 200 words or less on the same topic. Students wishing to compete in the editorial cartoon contests may do so by submitting one First Amendment-themed editorial cartoon. Entries can be submitted online.

The entry deadline is May 15, and winners will be announced on July 1.

First-place winners will receive \$500, second-place winners will receive \$250, third-place winners will receive \$100 and honorable mention recipients will receive \$50.

In addition to being published on the Wisconsin Newspaper Association’s website, winning entries will also appear in newspapers across the state.

Additional information can be found at wisconsincivicsgames.com. Those interested in providing support through a donation or sponsorship can also find more information on the Civics Games website.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Wisconsin men finish 1-1 in NCAA Tournament

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Wisconsin men's basketball team was unable to rally from an 18-point deficit in a 76-63 second round NCAA Tournament loss to top-seeded Baylor on March 21 in Indianapolis.

The ninth-seeded Badgers turned the ball over 14 times in the contest, with most of the turnovers occurring in the first half. Wisconsin trailed 42-29 at halftime and then was down by 18 points early in the second half.

The Badgers were able to cut the deficit to seven a couple times, but eventually they ran out of time.

D'Mitrik Trice led Wisconsin with 12 points, while Nate Reuvers had 11. Micah Potter and Jonathan Davis each scored 10 points off the bench.

Potter grabbed 10 rebounds to record a double-double. He also had three assists and three blocks.

Both teams converted 25 of their 55 field goal attempts while each knocked down eight 3-pointers. The difference was at the free-throw line, where Baylor outscored Wisconsin 18-5.



Wisconsin forward Micah Potter, center, has his shot blocked by Baylor guard Matthew Mayer, left, in the first half of a second round NCAA Tournament game March 21 at Hinkle Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.

MICHAEL CONROY | THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Wisconsin ends the season with an 18-13 record. The Badgers went

just 10-10 in Big Ten play.

To open the tournament, Wisconsin

dominated from start to finish in an 85-62 win over North Carolina on March 19 in West Lafayette, Indiana.

The Badgers were led on offense by Brad Davison and Trice. Davison made five 3-pointers and 10 of his 15 shots in a 29-point outburst. Trice converted eight of his 15 shots to add 21 points.

Against a taller and more athletic eighth-seeded North Carolina front line, the Badgers actually controlled the glass, out-rebounding the Tar Heels 37-34.

Davison and Davis led the team with six rebounds each. Trice, Al-eem Ford and Reuvers each grabbed five boards.

Reuvers and Potter proved to be a strong last line of defense for Wisconsin, blocking four and three shots, respectively.

As a team, Wisconsin shot over 50% from the floor, while holding North Carolina to just 38.5%. The Badgers made eight more 3-pointers (13-5) and only committed 11 fouls in the contest.

Wisconsin's 85 points was tied for the second-highest mark of the season.

Deer season planning meetings running through April 1

Feedback to be provided online in mid-April

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources announced March 18 that the 2021 County Deer Advisory Councils' planning meetings will take place virtually March 22 through April 1 to discuss the upcoming deer seasons.

Wisconsin's hunting legacy runs deep. Everyone has a say about the deer herd in Wisconsin, and the DNR wants to hear from you. Anyone interested in listening to their county's meeting can join from the comfort of home.

Every county in Wisconsin has its own CDAC (<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/Hunt/cdac>), and each spring they meet to develop recommendations for antlerless harvest goals, antlerless tag availability and season options for their county. The recommendations for the 2021 deer hunting season are provided to the

Natural Resources Board (<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/about/NRB>) along with recommendations from the DNR.

Councils will develop their recommendations using two meetings separated by a public input period to provide transparency and multiple opportunities for public input. After each meeting, the DNR will update the CDAC website with meeting summaries and preliminary recommendations.

The councils will meet virtually via Zoom to develop preliminary recommendations on harvest quotas and season structure options. Oconto County is set to meet March 29 at 6 p.m., with Shawano County meeting on March 30 at 7 p.m.

Zoom link and call-in numbers are available at <https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/hunt/CDACFind.aspx>.

All council meetings are open to

the public. Anyone wishing to provide feedback will be asked to do so using the online public input form available on the DNR website from April 12-25.

The agenda for each county's meeting will include the development of antlerless harvest goals and season framework recommendations for the 2021 deer season to achieve each county's deer population objective. Options under discussion include the antlerless deer harvest quota and various season framework options such as offering the holiday hunt or extended archery/crossbow seasons. The public can view the presentations from DNR wildlife biologists regarding objectives at <https://dnrmedia.wi.gov/main/Catalog/catalogs/2021-county-deer-advisory-council-county-wildlife-biologist-presentations>.

A second round of meetings will take place in May, during which council members will review public comments and make final recom-

mendations for the 2021 deer season. The DNR will review the final CDAC recommendations following the May meetings and provide CDAC and department recommendations to the Natural Resources Board for approval in June.

Each county in Wisconsin has a County Deer Advisory Council to provide input and recommendations to the department on deer management within their county. Councils work with local DNR staff to schedule meetings, provide community outreach and an opportunity for public input, review population data and deer impacts on forests and agriculture, develop recommendations on county population objectives and create annual antlerless harvest quotas.

The public can submit questions about the process to DNRCDACWebMail@wisconsin.gov. Information is available on the DNR's County Deer Advisory Councils website.

COLLEGE HOCKEY

Watts scores in OT, Wisconsin women win title

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Daryl Watts scored a remarkable goal 3 minutes, 16 seconds into overtime, giving Wisconsin a record-tying sixth national title with a 2-1 victory over Northeastern in the women's Frozen Four championship game March 20 in Erie, Pennsylvania.

Watts had the puck behind the Northwestern net when Husky defenseman Megan Carter turned her back. Watts, the leading scorer in the country, intentionally banked the puck off Carter's back and it deflected by goalie Aerin Frankel.

"Literally, I'm speechless right now," Watts said after her 19th goal ended the fourth overtime game in the 20th women's Frozen Four. "I have no words. This is unbelievable.

"My mind is kind of a blur right now. I was pretty sure I could bank it off her."

Second-seeded Wisconsin (17-3-1) tied Minnesota for the most national titles and technically is a back-to-back champion since the 2020 NCAA Tournament was not held because of the COVID-19 pandemic.



Wisconsin celebrates its NCAA title win over Northeastern on March 20 at Erie Insurance Arena in Erie, Pennsylvania.

GREG WOHLFORD | ERIE TIMES-NEWS VIA AP

Tight checking kept two high-powered offenses in check until midway through the third period. Then the teams, neither of which had been shut out all year, swapped goals 39 seconds apart.

It started with Wisconsin freshman Makenna Webster getting her

eighth when she banged in a rebound of Casey O'Brien's shot with eight minutes left in regulation.

Then Alina Mueller dug the puck out on the end board and found Chloe Aurand in the left circle for a one-timer. Aurand went far corner top shelf for her 15th for the top-seeded Huskies.

Northeastern got a great opportunity late when Britta Curl was penalized for a cross check with 5 1/2 minutes to play, but goalie Kennedy Blair and the Badgers killed off their fourth penalty.

"We did a great job killing penalties and having momentum a bunch in the second and third period," longtime Wisconsin coach Mark Johnson said. "When we got that one goal, I thought that might be enough but give them credit. They came right back the next shift to tie it up. Then it comes down to one shot. I didn't think it was going to come from behind the net."

In addition to 2019, Wisconsin won titles in 2011, 2009, 2007 and 2006 in nine championship game appearances, all under Johnson.

"I haven't met a national championship trophy I didn't like," Johnson said.

Northeastern (22-2-1) had a 22-game unbeaten streak with 18-straight wins. The Huskies were in their first Frozen Four and were trying to win the school's first NCAA championship game in any sport.

The Huskies, who had one penalty, were outshot 37-25 and held to one goal for only the third time this season.

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Des Moines Area

Gresham Community High School graduate Christian Haffner and the Des Moines Area Community College (Iowa) men's basketball team suffered a pair of losses last week.

In a 72-70 loss to Indian Hills Community College (Iowa) on March 17, Haffner scored 14 points, hitting four 3-pointers and a pair of free throws. He also posted three rebounds and an assist while playing 36 minutes.

DMACC dropped an 83-73 game against Southeastern Community College (Iowa) on March 20. Haffner tallied 13 points and had three triples among his five field goals. He also added an assist and a steal across 29 minutes.

North Iowa Area

Oconto Falls grad Samantha Coron played in two matches for the North Iowa Area Community College women's volleyball team last week.

In a 3-0 win over Iowa Lakes Community College on March 18, Coron contributed six digs, four assists and

two attack kills.

Coron recorded 13 digs, two assists, three attack kills and a serving ace during a 3-0 loss to Des Moines Area Community College on March 21.

St. Norbert

Oconto Falls graduate and current St. Norbert College track and field athlete Emily Gonnering competed in four events during the season-opening Equinox Classic on March 20.

Gonnering's top finish came in the javelin throw, where she placed seventh with a top throw of 23.25 meters. She came in 11th in the discus (25.49).

Gonnering took 14th in the shot put (8.36) and didn't post a mark in the hammer throw.

Bonduel grad Noah Beilfuss, Wittenberg-Birnamwood grad Simon Stewart and Oconto Falls grad Mason Sefcik all pitched in the same game for the St. Norbert baseball team. St. Norbert lost 9-5 against Cornell College on March 19.

Beilfuss started the game and got the first six outs. He struck out two batters while surrendering a pair of runs on five hits.

Stewart got the next three outs, get-

ting a pair of groundouts and a flyout.

Sefcik worked the final two innings, allowing an unearned run on two hits. He struck out one batter.

Edgewood

Gresham graduate and current Edgewood College softball player Mackenzie Hoffman continued to produce for the team during several games last week.

During a 9-5 loss against Wisconsin Lutheran College in the second game of a doubleheader on March 20, Hoffman drew a pair of walks.

During a doubleheader against Alverno College on March 21, Edgewood won game one 12-9 before losing 10-9 in game two. Hoffman singled, reached on an error and laid down a sacrifice bunt while also scoring twice in game one. In game two, she singled and laid down another sac bunt.

Hamline

Shawano graduate and current Hamline University (Minnesota) tennis player Peyton Buerman competed in a doubles match during the team's 8-1 loss to St. Mary's University (Minnesota) on March 19.

Buerman and doubles partner Janie Schwartz lost an 8-3 match at No. 3 doubles.

Bryant and Stratton

Shawano graduate Bayleigh Laabs continued her strong season at the plate for the Bryant and Stratton softball team despite the team losing both games of a doubleheader against Rock Valley College (Illinois) on March 21.

In a 5-2 loss in game one, Laabs hit a solo home run for the Bobcats.

Laabs hit another homer in the team's 13-4 loss in game two. Laabs drove in three runs and also walked once.

UW-Eau Claire

Suring graduate and current UW-Eau Claire track and field athlete Mitch Stegeman was named to the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association's Midwest All-Region team in the heptathlon.

To earn All-Region honors, an athlete must be one of the top-five individuals in their respective region on the final tfrs.org list. Stegeman came in fourth in the heptathlon standings to earn his spot.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Shawano's Dreier, Reed make Bay honorable mention team

Duo combined for about 20 points per game

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Shawano Community High School seniors Rachel Reed and Avery Dreier were both named to the Bay Conference honorable mention team for their play on the basketball court this season.

In conference play, Reed averaged 11.7 points, 4 rebounds and 2.3 assists. She said she is honored to be among the lauded area athletes. "Our conference has many great players, and to be put on one of the teams is great," Reed said.

"It seems that whenever we've played a tight game and a team hit a big shot to gain momentum, Rachel would come down to our end of the court and drill a 3 for us," said Shawano coach Ryan Koenig during a presentation at the school's Winter Athletic Banquet on March 8 at The Gathering.

Dreier averaged 9.2 points and 1 as-

sist on the offensive end of the court, while also averaging 7.1 rebounds and 1.1 blocks per Bay contest.

"I am extremely thankful that I got to experience most of my senior season with my team," said Dreier. "It was definitely an eventful season, and I enjoyed every moment! I am honored that I got to end my career by being named to the honorable mention team."

"She was our most consistent player and really took on the bulk of the leadership as our season went along," said Koenig of Dreier. "She was a player other teams had to plan for, and in games we got her the ball consistently usually were the games we won."

Behind Reed and Dreier, Shawano finished 2-7 in conference action to take sixth in the conference.

The team battled a COVID situation that kept them from playing between Dec. 31 and Jan. 20. It took the Hawks a couple games to find their footing when they took the floor again, but they came together when it counted the most in the postseason.

Shawano earned a pair of re-

gional wins to claim the school's first regional title in 22 years. It was the school's fourth regional title in history.

"I will always remember my teammates when I think of Shawano basketball, and my favorite memory from the past four years is winning the regional championship," said Dreier.

"I am so thankful we were able to have our season and have it semi-normal with Bay Conference and nonconference games," said Reed. "It felt great that after all these years of hard work, we got a regional championship. A lot of us girls have been playing together since second grade."

West De Pere won the Bay title with a 12-0 record. Xavier and Menasha both finished with eight conference wins.

West De Pere players took home both player of the year honors, with Alexa Thomson being tabbed the Offensive Player of the Year and Bailey Baeten being named the Defensive Player of the Year.

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Shawano's Rachel Reed, right, takes a shot during a Division 2 regional title game against Antigo on Feb. 13 in Shawano. Reed landed on the Bay Conference honorable mention team for her play as a senior.

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HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

VOLLEYBALL

Clintonville 3

Gresham 1

Gresham suffered its first loss of the alternate season, losing by scores of 25-23, 25-21, 18-25, 25-19 against Clintonville on March 18 in Clintonville. Gresham is now 4-1 overall.

Valarie Cerveny posted 20 kills

and 12 service points for Gresham, while Chloe Bohl had 14 kills. Hannah Cerveny led the team with 27 assists.

Makayla Belongia recorded 15 digs for the Wildcats, while Maddie Haffner had 14 service points.

Tigerton 3

Menominee Indian 1

Tigerton won the final two sets to claim a match against Menominee Indian on March 16 in Keshena. Tigerton won by scores of 25-13, 18-25,

25-16, 25-13.

Alezaha King was credited with 11 kills for Menominee Indian, while Guadalupe Corn tallied 12 assists and four aces. Kay-Li Corn contributed six kills.

Gresham 3

Elcho 0

Gresham swept Elcho on March 16 in Elcho, winning by scores of 25-18, 25-22, 25-20.

Valarie Cerveny finished with 10 service points and eight kills to lead

ONLINE

Video highlights from the Menominee Indian, Tigerton match from March 16 and this week's recreation scoreboard can be found at www.newmedia-wi.com.

Gresham, while Chloe Bohl also had eight kills. Makayla Belongia chipped in eight service points and six kills.

Hannah Cerveny tallied 18 assists for the Wildcats, while Kalayla Tucker had nine digs.



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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Shawano's Schwitzer makes Bay all-conference team

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Shawano Community High School junior Ethan Schwitzer was named to the Bay Conference honorable mention team after leading the boys basketball team this winter.

Schwitzer averaged 10.5 points in the team's 11 conference games. He was able to score from all over the floor, including making 12 of his 45

field goals from behind the 3-point line.

"I was very thankful to get a season because at this stage in my basketball career, I only get four years of high school basketball," said Schwitzer.

"This year I tried to make the most out of it. I didn't get to have the offseason like I would've liked with there being no summer league and about half the open gyms, and now being named to the honorable mention team really

makes me feel good knowing that the hard work I've put in is also being noticed by others."

Along with his scoring, Schwitzer also dished out 19 assists in conference play.

On the defensive end, he grabbed 80 total rebounds and had 10 steals.

During the school's Winter Athletic Banquet at The Gathering on March 8, Shawano coach David Ambrosius praised Schwitzer's leadership qualities that he showed during the season.

"Not enough great things to say about this young man. Like I said before — really, really proud of the maturity that he has shown throughout this year and certainly really, really excited to see what he's capable of moving forward," Ambrosius said of Schwitzer.

"As I come into my senior season, I really want to take my game another level by becoming a better shooter and take another step with my finish-



Shawano's Ethan Schwitzer goes up for a shot during a Division 2 regional quarterfinal playoff game against Green Bay West on Feb. 16 in Shawano. Schwitzer made the all-conference honorable mention team in the Bay Conference following his junior season.

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ing moves around the bucket," said Schwitzer.

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Tuma selected as NFHS section recipient for award

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The National Federation of State High School Associations announced March 18 that Shawano Community High School senior Abby Tuma was the Section 4 recipient of the 2021 National High School Spirit of Sport.

Tuma was the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association's recipient of the award. She then had her story considered against the award winners from the states in Section 4 — Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan — and was named the section recipient.

"This honor means the absolute world to me," said Tuma. "It's amazing to me that people look up to me as

their idol/inspiration, and this award just put the icing on top of the cake.

"All of the pain, stress and hard times I went through has paid off, and I couldn't be more proud of myself. I can't wait to see what I accomplish next! I really have to thank coach Lew (Worthington, Shawano's volleyball coach) for everything he's done for me to win this award."

Tuma was diagnosed with medulloblastoma, a form of brain cancer, in January 2019 when she was a sophomore. Tuma made it a goal to beat cancer and then return to the volleyball court. After being declared cancer-free, she played her senior season for the Hawks last fall.

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GUEST COLUMN

Stabilizing ag economy requires structural reform

Wisconsin dairy farmers were treading water in 2020, kept afloat by direct payments from the federal government. The aid resulted in a sharp decrease in herd exits: 360 dairy farms went out of business in Wisconsin last year compared to 818 closures in 2019.

When I read the latest statistic, my first reaction was relief. It's a sad state of affairs when the average loss of one dairy farm a day in Wisconsin feels like good news. Even worse was the recognition that the underlying cause was exacerbated by the very thing that kept farmers hanging on.

The Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP) provided \$564 million to Wisconsin dairy farmers in 2020, accounting for over half of the farm assistance allocated to the state. The payments were sorely needed as farmers faced extreme price volatility and supply chain disruptions amid the pandemic. Government payments also tend to exacerbate overproduction which in turn creates chronically low commodity prices and leads to increased consolidation — exactly



BOBBI WILSON

the situation we find ourselves in today. After pouring billions of taxpayer dollars into the dairy industry, 2021 is starting with a glut of milk on the market, cold storage full to the hilt with butter and cheese, and depressed milk prices. As Nate Donay said in a recent Hoard's Dairyman Milk Check Outlook "we got bailed out and then we started drilling holes in our own boat." He adds that during the second half of 2020, U.S. dairy farmers added 93,000 cows, representing the fastest expansion in 22 years.

While several dairy co-ops used base-excess plans to limit milk production during the pandemic, direct payments from the government encouraged farmers elsewhere to expand. If we are going to use taxpayer dollars to bail farmers out, at the very least we shouldn't pay them to make

the problem worse.

During crises that require federal aid, such as a global pandemic, payment eligibility should include limits on overproduction. Under normal circumstances we should focus on policies that promote fair prices and keep dairy farmers in business. We need a complete overhaul of the Federal Milk Marketing Orders to promote greater transparency in milk pricing and allow farmers to capture more of the value in the dairy supply chain.

We also need a mechanism to balance milk production to meet profitable market demand. Such a program should apply to all producers to avoid the scenario where farmers in one region limit their production while farmers elsewhere ramp it up. These reforms will reduce government expenditures and better position the industry to respond to future economic shocks.

Dairy produces \$45 billion in revenue in Wisconsin a figure that is often exalted by the industry. We celebrate our state heritage of America's Dairy-

land. Given the important economic and cultural impact, one dairy farm a day should be regarded as an unacceptable loss in Wisconsin. If farm policy fails to provide a livable income that keeps farmers on the land, it is simply failing.

It's time to try something new, which is why WFU is ramping up Dairy Together efforts to address the urgency felt by family farmers to adopt real solutions. We're also building coalitions and setting the foundation for dairy reform in the 2023 Farm Bill.

Without changes to federal policy, the USDA projects farmers won't see profits like 2020, of which over a third came from direct payments, for over a decade. As 2021 gets underway with a new president and a new Congress, the best hope to truly stabilize the agricultural economy is not more exorbitant bailouts, but structural reform.

Bobbi Wilson is the policy and special projects coordinator for Wisconsin Farmers Union.

GUEST COLUMN

UW System planning to maximize in-person instruction

In a traditional university setting, students learn and grow through their interactions with peers and faculty. This sort of engagement — in and out of the classroom — builds sharper thinking, contributes to social development and enriches communities.

As University of Wisconsin System campuses plan for the fall semester, we will be seeking to maximize this engagement through in-person teaching and learning while building on our successful embrace of remote instruction. In fact, I have directed our universities to ensure that students attending a UW campus in fall 2021 will have as classic a UW campus experience as possible — including a goal of at least 75% of all classes being in person.

This school year, our universities pivoted to more remote and hybrid class offerings to afford UW students a path to a degree while ensuring the health and safety of our university



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and surrounding communities. An aggressive testing program, in combination with our masking, distancing and cleaning protocols, made welcoming back students possible. We have been making improvements to our testing efforts ever since. Because of the culture of responsibility we have built at all of our universities, we now see COVID-19 infection rates below 1%. It has been a remarkable success story during perilous times.

As we look to the fall, we're not naïve. We know the pandemic still hovers over all of our lives. Yet, we also have hope that the vaccine supply will increase and know that our efforts to maintain a safe and healthy environment for students, faculty and staff will persist.

We have taken enormous steps to help students during this challenging time, including enhancing our behavioral health services and distributing millions of federal dollars to help pay the bills. We have also made it easier for prospective students to apply.

We haven't stopped at our campus borders. Over the last several months, the University of Wisconsin System has taken extraordinary steps to help Wisconsin combat the coronavirus pandemic.

We have administered about 250,000 free COVID-19 tests in our university communities. We have deployed nursing, pharmacy and other health care students to hospitals, clinics and vaccination sites. We have worked with state and local health officials to establish vaccination sites on our campuses.

We have done all of this because when Wisconsin faces a problem, the University of Wisconsin System

will step up to help solve it.

Our online education efforts have been tremendous, and we're working on ways to make them even better for those who prefer that way of learning. Moreover, our faculty have learned how to better incorporate technology into instruction — even classes taught in person.

Now it is time for us to plan to resume as much of an in-person campus experience as possible this fall. That means small-group classroom discussions about politics, history and literature. It means hands-on lab research and internships. It means cheering on athletic teams, attending live performances and socializing in the dining halls. Rest assured, we'll keep in mind the safety of everyone on campus and continue to consult with local, state and federal health experts.

Tommy Thompson is the president of the University of Wisconsin System.

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Case No. 20-cv-0218

Plaintiff,
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-v.s-
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ESTATE OF CHIA VANG LEE,
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure and sale entered in the above-entitled action on the 1st day of September, 2020, the undersigned United States Marshal in and for the Eastern District of Wisconsin will sell at public auction in the Lobby of the Treasurer's Office, Oconto County Courthouse, 301 Washington Street, Oconto, Wisconsin, on the 15th day of April, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., the real estate and mortgaged premises located in Oconto County, Wisconsin, directed to be sold by the judgment, and therein described as follows:
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(February 12, 2021)
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bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and encumbrances.
PLACE: In the front lobby of the Shawano County Courthouse, City and County of Shawano
DESCRIPTION: That part of Government Lot 1 in Section 30, Township 27 North, Range 18 East, in the Town of Green Valley, Shawano County Wisconsin, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Section 30, thence South along the Town line, 128 feet; thence East 241 feet; thence South 48 feet; thence East 120 feet; thence North 176 feet to the North line of said Section; thence West along the North line of said Section, to the place of beginning.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: W2467 County Rd E Cecil, WI 54111-9300
DATED: February 23, 2021
Adam Bieber
Shawano County Sheriff
Gray & Associates, L.L.P.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
16345 West Glendale Drive
New Berlin, WI 53151-2841
(414) 224-8404
Please go to www.gray-law.com to obtain the bid for this sale
Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.
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March 26 & April 2 & 9, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR20

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:
Leon A. Ashenbrenner
DOD 1/16/2021
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 12/17/1948 and date of death 1/16/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W16610 Dent Creek Road, Tigerton, WI 54486.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 7/16/2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Register in Probate Office, Room 202.
James E. Aschenbrenner
P.O. Box 146
Shawano, WI 54166
715-524-6258
Bar No. 1008896
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#1739
March 19, 26 & April 2, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 21CV35

Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing
In the Matter of the Name Change of:
Nathan Milton Prtri
By (petitioner) Nathan Milton Petri
Notice is Given:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Nathan Milton Petri
To: James Friedrich Muller
Birth Certificate: Nathan Milton Petri
It is Ordered:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin:
Judge's Name: William F Kussel Jr
Place: Shawano Co. Courthouse Branch 2
Shawano WI 54166
Date: 4/19/2021
Time: 8:15 AM
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#1742
March 19, 26 & April 2, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR 17
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Bonnie Lee Tiegs
DOD 12/31/2020
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 7/5/1942 and date of death 12/31/2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N5145 Church Rd., Tigerton, WI 54486.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 7/5/2021
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202.
James W. Zimmerman
3137 Fiesta Dr.
Dunedin, FL 34697
727-580-3879
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#1749
March 26 & April 2 & 9, 2021
VILLAGE OF BONDUER
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 the April 14, 2021, 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, 2021 through October 31, 2021
John J. Reinke, Agent - Bonduel Bronco Baseball Club, Inc., Village Park, 300 E. Park Street;
Michelle Maroszek
Clerk
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#1740
March 19, 26 & April 2, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 2020CV000145
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Plaintiff:
NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing
-v.s.-
Defendants:
Gerald R. Hoffman, et al.
By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on January 4, 2021 in the amount of \$70,060.88, I will sell at public auction, located at in the main lobby of the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166 on **April 14, 2021 at 9:00 AM**, all of the following described premises, to wit:
LOT 10 IN BLOCK 7 OF WESCOTT AND KUCKUK'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SHAWANO, SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.
Street address: 922 S. River Street, Shawano, WI 54166
Tax Key No. 281-853000520
THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD AD IS AND SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES, SUPERIOR LIENS OR OTHER LEGAL ENCUMBRANCES.
TERMS OF SALE: CSH, CASHIER'S CHECK, or CERTIFIED FUNDS, payable to the Clerk of Courts (10% down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not received timely). Buyer must comply with minimum bidder qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. 846.155. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price.
Adam C. Bieber
Sheriff of Shawano County, Wisconsin
Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
414-775-7700
Bar No. 50-20-00062
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dwelling and construction of a new single family dwelling with
attached garage pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland
Wetland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 8.21(1); and
also conditional use permit for the placement of
approximately 250 cubic yards of fill on parcel pursuant to
the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Section
X.9.03(120) (c). Property is located and described as Lot 4 of
Seidlers Plat of Maple Beach located in Section 25, T27N
R16E. Tax parcel #004-801100-0030. Town of Washington.
Property address: W5284 E Sandy Drive

CU-2-21: Jeremy Gretzinger, Gretzinger Landscaping, agent for Timothy J. and Sharon A Renard Family Trust, owner, request conditional use permit for filling and grading of more than 2,000 square feet on slopes less than 12% within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of Shawano Lake pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland Wetland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 8.21 (3) for the purpose of constructing a 12' x 20' addition onto a preexisting garage; construction of a 3.5' x 43' walkway; the removal of 3899 square feet of cement on the west side of the single family dwelling; and grading the yard on the lake side to improve drainage to the lake. Property is located and described as commencing at the Southwest corner of Government Lot 3 in Section 16, T27N R16E, thence East along the South line of the aforesaid Government Lot 3, 161.50 feet; thence angle 128°36' to the left, 91.00 feet; thence angle 32°42' to the right, 228.95 feet; thence angle 3°49' to the right, 425.85 feet; thence angle 17°8' to the right 245.40 feet; thence angle 19°43' to the right, 330.20 feet; thence angle 2°19' to the right, 300 feet; thence angle 33°14' to the left, 283.78 feet to the Northeast corner of land now or late of Willard Schuelke as described in Volume 300 of Deeds, page 215; thence angle 33°10' to the right, 50.03 feet; thence angle 12°14' to the left, 203.24 feet and there shall be the place of beginning; thence continue along the last mentioned course, 150.81 feet; thence angle 100°15' to the right, 122 feet to the shore of Lake Shawano; thence Southwestwly along the shore to a point 50 feet distant at right angles from the last described course; thence Northerly 146.00 feet to the place of beginning; being a strip of land 50.00 feet wide throughout. Tax parcel No. 48-16420-0120. Town of Wescott.

Property address: N6338 Cattau Beach Drive

CUL-3-21: Peter Vorpahl 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 the Oconto River pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland Wetland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 8.21(3) for the purpose of installing a 150 foot long driveway (25 feet wide at the road narrowing to 18 feet) to include 9 parking spaces on the North side of the driveway; and also a conditional use permit to establish an Outdoor Commercial/Entertainment or Recreation land use to open a non-motorized watersports equipment rental business in the Hamlet Zoning District pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Table X.4.02: Permitted and Conditional Uses; Commercial, Industrial and Mixed Uses Zoning Districts and Section X.9.03(224). Property is located and described as that part of Government Lot 2, Section 6, T27N R18E commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 1, Block 2 of the Original Plat of the Village of Oulicor on the

Block 2 of the Original Plats of the Village of Fardier on the West bank of the Oconto River; thence running Northwesterly along Lot 1 to the Northwest corner of Lot 1, Block 2; thence Northwesterly along east boundary of Main Street 100 feet; thence in a Southeasterly direction to a point which is on the Oconto River 100 feet Northeast of the point of beginning; thence Southwesterly along the meander line of the Oconto River 100 feet to the point of beginning; excepting therefrom any parts thereof used for road and/or highway purposes. Tax parcel #020-06140-0100. Town of Green Valley. Currently vacant land. Property address: W2285 St 22 Hwy

Z-23.21: Tyler M Conrad request zone change on a 5.16 acre parcel from FP, Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District to A-R, Agricultural Residential Zoning District pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Section X.2.01(1) to Section X.3.01(2) for the purpose of constructing a single family dwelling. The property is located and described as that part of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Section 25, T26N R12E bounded and described as follows: beginning at the North 1/4 corner of the said Section 25; thence S00°23'48" W along the 1/4 section line 1050.38 feet; thence N89°36'12" E 343.34 feet; thence N00°33'48" W 491.88 feet; thence S89°36'12" W 243.34 feet; thence N00°33'48" W 556.11 feet; thence N89°01'49" W along the section line 100.03 feet to the place of beginning. Subject to that part used for roadway purposes and all easements and restrictions of record. Part of Parent Tax parcel #014-25120-0000. Town of Fairbanks. Currently vacant land. W14675 US 45 HWY

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 Meeting notice emailed/posted: Shawano County Courthouse, Department of Human Services, Shawano County Library, Shawano Leader, WTCH Radio, Shawano County Civic website @ coshawanowi.civicweb.net WNAxLP

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS TOWN OF LESSOR

The Town of Lessor is requesting a bid for:

Culvert replacement and ditching with tree removal to be completed this spring on Lessor-Navarino Road from Birch Rd to pass the curve.

Inspection will occur at the site on the corner of Lessor-Navarino Rd and Birch Rd on April 2, 2021 at 9 am.

Sealed bids will be accepted up to bid opening on April 13, 2021 at 7:30 pm in the Lessor Town Hall. Bidder must provide certificate of insurance. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bidding, and to accept the bid deemed in the best interests of the Town. Please contact Delmar Zernicke with any questions at 715-758-8446. – Katie Sprangers, Clerk, N662 Hill Road, Pulaski WI 54162.

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RESOLUTION NO. 30-21

SPONSORED BY: Field and Finance Committee

INTRODUCED BY: Mailahn

SECONDED BY: Steinke

WHEREAS, the City of Shawano Common Council adopted the 2021 Annual Budget which includes the CIP budgets for Street and Utility improvements, by Resolution 106-20 on November 18, 2020; and

WHEREAS, due to the low bid amounts for the street and utility improvement project, S. Smalley Street and W. Division Street are now able to be included in the project within the original CIP budget except for the water portion; and

WHEREAS, a summary of the proposed changes are attached hereto and incorporated herein for reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Shawano that the 2021 Public Works CIP budget be revised to reflect the attached changes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby directed to give required notice to the public in accordance with Section 65.90(5)(a) of Wisconsin Statutes by publishing said adopted resolution.

Adopted: March 10, 2021

By/s/: Rhonda Strebel

Rhonda Strebel, Acting Mayor

By/s/: Lesley Nemetz

Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS LAKEVIEW PARK RECONSTRUCTION VILLAGE OF CECIL SHAWANO COUNTY, WI

The Village Of Cecil will receive and accept bids ONLY through QuestCDN.com via the online electronic bid service (QuestvBid) for the construction of Lakeview Park Reconstruction until 11:00 am, April 7, 2021. All bids will be downloaded and publicly read aloud during a virtual public bid opening that will be held at the day and time of the bid closing. All planholders will receive information via Quest on how to join the virtual meeting prior to the bid opening.

The work for which bids are asked includes the following:

- Reconstruct the existing parking lot consisting of excavation, 5,400 SY of geotextile fabric, 3300 ton of breaker run, 2,800 ton of dense graded base, 1,100 ton of asphalt pavement and 2,400 linear feet of pavement markings.
- Construct approximately 6,400 SF of concrete sidewalk and 600 LF of concrete curb & gutter.
- Install site amenities such as benches, kiosk, wheel stops and signs.
- Renovate the existing restroom/shower building to provide ADA compliance. Work to include demolition, masonry, doors, painting, plumbing and electrical
- Other associated tasks including but not limited to: erosion control, traffic control, turbidity barrier, tree removal, erosion mat, rip rap, site restoration and seeding.

The anticipated substantial completion date is September 3, 2021 and final completion date is September 17, 2021.

Planholders list will be updated interactively on our web address at <http://www.msa-ps.com> under Bidding.

Copies of the BIDDING DOCUMENTS are available at www.questcdn.com. QuestCDN Vbid system requires Bidders to purchase BIDDING DOCUMENTS from QuestCDN. You may download the digital plan documents for \$40.00 by Inputting Quest eBidDoc #7690568 on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with the digital project information.

No proposal will be accepted unless accompanied by a certified check or bid bond equal to at least 5% of the amount bid, payable to the OWNER as a guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute and file the proper contract and bond within 15 days after the award of the contract. BIDDER is required to deliver the original certified check or bid bond within the 72 hours of bid opening to MSA Professional Services, Inc., Attn: Daniel Rammer, 1500 N. Casaloma Drive, Suite 100, Appleton, WI 54913. The certified check or bid bond will be returned to the bidder as soon as the contract is signed, and if after 15 days the bidder shall fail to do so, the certified check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the OWNER as liquidated damages.

No bid may be withdraw within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Pursuant to Section 66.0903, Wisconsin Statutes, the minimum wages to be paid on the project shall be in accordance with the wage rate scale established by State wage rates.

OWNER reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.

Published by the authority of the Village Of Cecil

CONSULTING ENGINEER:

MSA Professional Services, Inc.

1500 N. Casaloma Drive

Appleton, WI 54913

Daniel Rammer, P.E.

920-931-0095

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP 2021-01 BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT DESIGN

On March 11, 2021, the Town of Menominee, through the Menominee Co. Highway Department, issued a request for proposals for the design of two bridge deck replacements, including possible wing wall replacement, slope protection, and beam guard replacement. The deadline to submit a proposal is April 15, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. CST. Any late proposals will be rejected. A copy of the RFP can be found on Menominee County's website at www.co.menominee.wi.us (News and Events link) or by contacting Menominee County Highway at 715-799-3369.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Wescott will consider the adoption of a new Code of Ordinances titled «Code of the Town of Wescott» at 6 p.m. on APRIL 20, 2021 at the Town Office, N5794 Old Keshena Rd, Shawano, WI 54166

You are further notified that a copy of said proposed new Code will be on file and open for public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk for a period of two weeks prior to its adoption, commencing March 26, 2021, in accordance with § 66.0103, Wis. Stats.

Adopted this 11th day of March, 2021, by the Town Board of the Town of Wescott, Wisconsin.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Shawano Plan Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at 5:00 PM at Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St., Shawano, WI to consider the following:

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT to allow P&D Quality Auto Service (Moises & Kevin Palacios) to use garage end of building at 109 E. Fifth Street, Shawano WI for vehicle repairs per City of Shawano Municipal Code Section 10-36(3)(x) as a conditional use. The property is located in the Urban Mixed Use (UMU) zoning district. (Legal description: City of Shawano Sawyer and Andrews Plat Prt Blk25 Was Prt Lot 2 V24 CSM P216 Map #4439 was Prt Lot 1 CSM Map #4551 NKA Lot1 CSM Map #4612).

At the above time and place all interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard.

Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk
City of Shawano

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Notice of Public Test on Electronic Voting Equipment

Notice is hereby given that the following municipalities will conduct a pre-election public test on the required electronic voting equipment to be used at the **Spring Election on April 6, 2021**. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Municipality

Town of Belle Plaine

Date, Time and Location

Mon., March 29th @ 2:00 p.m.
Belle Plaine Community Center
N3002 St. Rd. 22, Clintonville

Town of Herman

Weds. March 31st @ 10:00 a.m.
Herman Town Hall
N5628 Co Rd. U, Shawano

Town of Richmond

Mon., March 29th @ 2:00 p.m.
Richmond Town Hall
N5170 Co Rd. MM, Shawano

Town of Seneca

Sun., April 4th @ 2:00 p.m.
Seneca Town Hall
W13104 Co. Rd. D, Tilleda

Town of Washington

Tues., March 30th @ 5:30 p.m.
Cecil/Washington Fire Station
111 E. Hofman St., Cecil

Village of Bonduel

Tues., March 30th @ 1:00 p.m.
Bonduel Village Hall
117 W. Green Bay St., Bonduel

Village of Cecil

Tues., March 30th @ 5:30 p.m.
Cecil/Washington Fire Station
111 E. Hofman St., Cecil

Village of Gresham

Mon., March 29th @ 5:00 p.m.
Gresham Village Hall
1126 Main St., Gresham

City of Shawano

Mon., March 29th @ 10:30 a.m.
Shawano City Hall
127 S Sawyer St., Shawano

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