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The Georgia Rae Family Band performs one of its songs, "Insomniac Coyote," for a crowd of more than 200 people on Aug. 14 at Franklin Park as part of the Shawano Folk Music Festival. The event was canceled in 2020, but the Shawano County Arts Council was determined to bring it back in some fashion, with Franklin Park providing a bigger space for concert viewers than Mielke County Park in the Town of Wescott.

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SACF gives out Celebration of Giving awards

The Shawano Area Community Foundation has honored five volunteers for their dedication to various organizations.

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Tornado touches down in Pulaski, causes damage

A tornado landed in Pulaski last week, knocking over trees, breaking power lines and causing minor damage to the community.

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Shawano airport to be rededicated this weekend

City officials are hoping the renovation of a runway at the Shawano City-County Airport will encourage more pilots to fly in.

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Masks optional for Shawano schools

Doctors urge board to mandate, forecast dire consequences if not done

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Masks will be optional for Shawano's public schools, the Shawano School Board decided Aug. 16, but the policy could be changed if the Delta variant of the coronavirus infects schools on a massive scale.

The decision comes after some confusion during the previous school year when the overturning of Gov. Tony Evers' executive order lifted the mask mandate for the school, but families and staff did not learn about it until weeks later.

The mask policy brought out dozens of community members to observe the vote, as well as letters from area physicians urging the board to adopt requirements instead of recommendations. The district's policy encourages students to wear a mask in school but does not require them to do so.

Dr. Yu-Chin Fang, a physician with Prevea, pointed out that masks have been shown to mitigate the transmission of the germs. She also noted that Shawano County was among the worst in the state currently for COVID-19 cases.

"You would expect your dentist, surgeon or anesthesiologist to mask when they work closely with you to prevent blowing germs into your body cavity during procedures," Fang wrote in her letter. "Masks prevent the sharing of germs."

Fewer than 20% of teens in Shawano County have been vaccinated, according to Fang, and there's no approved vaccine for children younger than 12.

"There is no herd immunity to speak of," Fang wrote. "We need to mitigate. Going mask-optional will not provide the best protection."

Dr. Joseph Guenther, a physician practicing in Keshena, wrote that COVID-19 rates were low in July but have jumped up since then. He questioned in his letter whether it was better to

appease the "vocal anti-science, anti-masking segment of our community" than to look out for the public's health.

"Given our low vaccination rates and our minimal mask usage in indoor public places, things are likely to get worse over the next few months," Guenther wrote. "No one likes wearing masks, but this is what we must do to keep each other safe. There is no reason that a district with a dress code that allows schools to send a student home for wearing shorts that are too short or a top inappropriate cannot enforce a mandatory masking policy."

Another letter signed by more than a dozen health care professionals locally and in neighboring counties expressed fear that having masks be optional would lead to increased bullying and shaming of students who wear a mask by those who don't. The physicians recommended having a mask requirement until a vaccine is developed for all ages.

Chelsea Gilling, a parent who has three children attending public schools, said that it was vital to keep students in face-to-face learning, noting that last year's virtual format negatively impacted the education process. She indicated that some parents had lost faith in the district after the debacle with communicating the end of the mask mandate in April.

"Encouraging communication between all of us is how to get trust reestablished, and we're able to move forward," Gilling said. "When it comes to district decisions related to COVID-19, I feel those are decisions that should be voted on by the board instead of just the superintendent or the district staff. The board should be voting based on what their constituents want, because that's what you were elected to do."

Superintendent Randi Anderson told the board that remaining in school full-time was the goal of the district. She also indicated that staff would be looking closely at local COVID-19 case

rates and could call for masking to be mandatory to maintain that goal if the schools have an outbreak of people getting sick.

Anderson said she had no problem having the board make determinations on mask requirements and keeping schools open, but she noted that the administration would have the option of requiring masks in individual classrooms if the illness rates spike.

"I would gladly turn it over to the board to make those decisions on a regular basis," Anderson said.

Board member Mart Grams had concerns about issuing mask mandates after cases have spiked.

"It's like the horse has already run out of my barn and now we close the door," Grams said. "If we put a mask on after 10 kids are sick, they're all sick by now. That's kind of a useless move."

Board member James Davel pointed out that while health is a factor, education should be paramount, and having the students in virtual learning for three months last year stunted their ability to be where they should be in their learning process.

"We can see here in the crowd that nobody has a mask on. That says a lot here," Davel said. "At the end of the day, we all want our kids in school. My priority is that my kids are in school. I got those numbers, and I saw how far behind our kids are in school, and a lot of it was COVID. We have to be fluid; it's not one-size-fits-all."

Board member Mike Musolf urged parents to be firm in keeping their children at home if they are feeling sick and not sending them to school where they could infect their friends or school staff.

"If your kids are sick in the morning, don't send them to school and think, 'Oh, they'll be better by the time they get to school,'" Musolf said. "Don't give them Tylenol and send them to school. Keep them home."

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Tornado touches down, runs through Pulaski

Broken tree branches, downed power lines left behind after storm

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Pulaski residents were in for a frightening afternoon on Aug. 11.

After clouds and rain had appeared in the area, a funnel cloud formed without warning and came through the village.

Abrams resident Orville Bonk said that he was in the area driving when he knew that this storm was different than a normal one.

"I noticed it when I was going up to Angelica," said Bonk. "It was just black — all the way on state Highway 160 the sky was black."

Bonk said that when he turned towards Seymour, the wind was strong enough to move his car off of the road for a minute.

Though the tornado, which the National Weather Service has yet to categorize, went through Pulaski, only a couple streets and blocks were the recipients of bad tree damage.

"Most of the damage occurred on Chicago Street," said Pulaski Police Chief Mark Hendzel.

At 2:10 p.m. a tornado formed at the north end of Main Street, according to Hendzel.

"I notified Brown County dispatch of my sighting," said Hendzel. "Within a couple of minutes the funnel cloud was upon us."

He added that although there was another storm in Angelica, this funnel cloud formed without warning.

Hendzel heard that there were storms in the area and in typical fashion he and another officer went out to patrol the area. That's when he noticed it may be something more than just rain.

"We didn't know that this was going to be something different than a normal storm," said Hendzel. "This storm just formed within minutes. There was not a lot of advanced notification."

Pulaski Police Officer Kyle Betzner was also out patrolling and found himself near the tornado.

"It was very eerie," said Betzner. "I was responding to a car that the wind had pushed into a ditch, luckily there was no one in the car."

Hendzel said that there was ample

time to get the sirens going to notify residents of the village.

Joel Van Lannen, director of public works and utilities in Pulaski, heard the tornado sirens and was able to prepare for it, as well as prepare to start cleaning the area.

With most of the damage coming from tree branches and power lines, employees of the Pulaski Public Works and Utilities, along with residents continued to clean the area of the storm through lunch time on Aug. 12.

"We are almost done cleaning the area," said Hendzel. "We did not have a lot of structural damage so there was not a real high dollar amount in damage. It was not high enough to declare an emergency."

With the branches and power lines coming during the storm, Hendzel noticed something out of the ordinary flying in the sky.

"I saw a trampoline well in the air, maybe 30, 40 or 50 feet up," said Hendzel.

He added that there were no reported deaths or even injuries from the storm.

Van Lannen, said that the tornado that came through did not cause as much damage as one that the village experienced previously.

"We did find quite a few trees down on Chicago Street, Pulaski Street and Main Street," said Van Lannen.

He said that with some of the trees and powerlines that came down, some residents houses were affected.

"There were some homes that had electrical service problems and some porches got damaged," said Van Lannen. "I haven't heard of anything real severe though."

Pulaski resident Francis Karchinski said that he was standing in his garage watching as the storm went by.

"I was just standing in the garage looking at the sky and all of a sudden the tornado sirens went off," said Karchinski. "Then a huge tree branch landed right in my driveway."

Bonk and Karchinski were working together to remove some of the debris from Karchinski's yard where branches from the neighbors blew into the yard and on to Karchinski's house.

"There was a little bit of damage on the corner of my roof," said Karchinski. "They pulled out a lot big trees and branches from the yard."

Employees of the Pulaski Public Works and Utilities continued cleaning the streets and parks of debris on Aug. 12.



A funnel cloud turned into a tornado towards the North end of Main Street at 2:10 p.m. on Aug. 11.

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Abrams resident Orville Bonk saws branches to help clean Pulaski resident Francis Karchinski's yard on Aug. 12 after a tornado had come through the area the day before.

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PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Aug. 16

Officers responded to 26 calls, including shoplifting at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; trespassing on South Andrews Street; car property damage on South Airport Drive; a disturbance on South Lutz Street; reckless driving on Ashberry Lane.

Aug. 15

Officers responded to 12 calls, including trespassing on South Andrews Street; a domestic disturbance on Olson Street; a controlled substance problem on West Picnic Street; bail jumping at Shawano Lake County Park, W5785 Lake Drive.

Aug. 14

Officers responded to 24 calls, including bail jumping at Auto Zone, 1040 E. Green Bay St.; car property damage on South Lincoln Street; property damage on Pearl Court; car property damage at Home Plate Cafe, 804 S. Main St.; shoplifting on East Green Bay Street; reckless driving on South River Street; a disturbance at AmeriVu Inn and Suites, 211 Waukechon St.

Aug. 13

Officers responded to 21 calls, including disorderly conduct on East Green Bay Street; a drug offense on East Richmond Street; harassment at Four Seasons, 201 N. Airport Road; harassment on South Sawyer Street; reckless driving on state Highway 47-55; property theft on Fairview Way; trespassing on South River Street.

Aug. 12

Officers responded to 28 calls, including a hit-and-run on South Main

Street; a hit-and-run at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; shoplifting at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; criminal damage on South Sawyer Street; a probation or parole violation on East Green Bay Street; trespassing on West Third Street; property theft at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.

Aug. 11

Officers responded to 22 calls, including a disturbance at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; a threat on West Third Street.

Aug. 10

Officers responded to 23 calls, including a fight in progress on Warrington Avenue; a disturbance on West Picnic Street; a probation or parole violation on East Green Bay Street; a disturbance on East Richmond Street; a domestic disturbance on South Franklin Street; shoplifting at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Aug. 16

Deputies responded to 46 calls, including reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland; property theft on Broder Road in the Town of Wescott; property theft on Chrissie Circle in the Town of Washington; property theft on County Road Q in the Town of Birnamwood; harassment on West Line Road in the Town of Almon; a disturbance on South Webb Street in Wittenberg; a disturbance on North Main Street in Shawano; reckless driving on state Highway 47 in the Town of Lessor; reckless driving on state Highway 22 in Shawano; four crashes.

Aug. 15

Deputies responded to 43 calls,

including property theft on East Rollman Street in Bowler; reckless driving on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; a disturbance on East Vinal Street in Wittenberg; a weapons offense on Robbins Lane in the Town of Wescott; operating while intoxicated on state Highway 22 in Cecil; property theft on Conservation Lane in the Town of Lessor; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Richmond; a disturbance on Cedar Court in the Town of Wescott; a disturbance on North Warrington Avenue in Cecil; trespassing on Butternut Road in the Town of Herman; a theft attempt on North Airport Drive in the Town of Wescott; bail jumping on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on Angle Drive in the Town of Maple Grove; two crashes.

Aug. 14

Deputies responded to 48 calls, including disorderly conduct on South Warrington Avenue in Cecil; a fight in progress on South Warrington Avenue in Cecil; a burglary on East Green Bay Street in Shawano; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Belle Plaine; a threat on Red Oak Lane in the Town of Wittenberg; reckless driving on County Road M in the Town of Belle Plaine; a domestic disturbance on state Highway 29 in Bonduel; a drug problem on West Express Way in Bonduel; reckless driving on Grunewald Street in the Town of Herman; four crashes.

Aug. 13

Deputies responded to 44 calls, including reckless driving on state Highway 29 in Bonduel; trespassing on Butternut Road in the Town of Richmond; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in

Bonduel; a disturbance on state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine; harassment on County Road E in the Town of Green Valley.

Aug. 12

Deputies responded to 36 calls, including a drug problem on North Sawyer Street in Shawano; reckless driving on Main Laney Drive in the Town of Maple Grove; reckless driving on state Highway 47 in the Town of Lessor; reckless driving on Union Cemetery Road in the Town of Lessor; harassment on Pioneer Court in the Town of Wescott; a disturbance on Old Lake Lane in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg; a weapons offense on Hayman Falls Lane in the Town of Pella.

Aug. 11

Deputies responded to 38 calls, including bail jumping on County Road C in the Town of Angelica; trespassing on County Road F in the Town of Angelica; a threat on Cedar Road in the Town of Angelica; trespassing on Fourth Street in Mattoon; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Aniwa; an automobile theft on North Adams Street in Bonduel; one crash.

Aug. 10

Deputies responded to 48 calls, including a fight in progress on South Warrington Avenue in Cecil; operating while intoxicated on Range Line Road in the Town of Richmond; an automobile theft on state Highway 47 in the Town of Hartland; reckless driving on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; a threat on Old 47 Road in the Town of Hartland; trespassing on Water Street in Gresham; four crashes, one involving deer.

COURT NEWS

- Ger Vue, 30, Weston, was charged Aug. 9 with seven counts of bail jumping and two misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia. Judge William F. Kussel Jr. set a cash bond of \$500 and a signature bond of \$2,500. He also scheduled a preliminary hearing for Aug. 25.

- Charges against Terry N. Hoffman, 66, Gresham, were dismissed on prosecutor's motion Aug. 9. These charges included two counts of strangulation and suffocation.

- Diane M. Wynos, 26, Shawano, pleaded no contest Aug. 9 to one count of taking and driving a vehicle without consent (second or subsequent offense) and one misdemeanor count of bail jumping. One count of theft of movable property less than or equal to \$2,500 was dismissed but read into the record. Kussel sentenced Wynos to four years in state prison and five years of extended supervision.

- Skylar J. Hokenstad, 25, Shawano, pleaded no contest May 27 to one count of

sex registry violation. Another count of sex registry violation was dismissed but read into the record. On Aug. 9, Judge Katherine Sloma sentenced Hokenstad to 120 days in jail and three years of probation.

- Charges against Adam M. Farvour, 26, Bonduel, were dismissed on prosecutor's motion Aug. 10. These charges included one count of first-degree sexual assault using a dangerous weapon and one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer.

- Matthew J. Pockat, 32, Marion, was charged Aug. 11 with three counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer. Kussel set a cash bond of \$2,500. This case will resume at a later date.

- Glory A. Johnson, 33, Tigerton, was charged Aug. 11 with one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of bail jumping. Kussel set a cash bond of \$2,500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Aug. 13.

- John C. Sippel Jr., 62, Cecil, was charged Aug. 11 with one count of second-

degree recklessly endangering safety, one count of manufacturing/delivering THC (greater than 200-1,000 grams), one misdemeanor of operating a firearm while intoxicated, two misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Kussel set a cash bond of \$10,000. This case will resume at a later date.

- Aaron C. Miller, 33, Bowler, was charged Aug. 11 with three counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct and six misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Kussel set a cash bond of \$10,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Aug. 19.

- Jeffery L. Vele, 31, Bowler, pleaded no contest Aug. 11 with two counts of bail jumping. Sloma sentenced Vele to 45 days in jail.

- Joel E. Greer, 48, Green Bay, pleaded no contest Aug. 12 to one count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense). One count of possession with intent-cocaine (greater than 1-5 grams)

was dismissed but read into the record. Sloma sentenced Greer to 17 months in state prison and two years of extended supervision.

- Lance C. Lewis, 35, Black River Falls, was charged Aug. 13 with one count of possession of methamphetamine and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Kussel set a cash bond of \$250 and a signature bond of \$5,000. He also set a preliminary hearing for Sept. 21.

- Shyla L. Vele, 29, Bowler, was charged Aug. 13 with one count of throwing/ discharging bodily fluid at a public safety worker or prosecutor and one count of bail jumping. Kussel set a cash bond of \$500. This case will resume at a later date.

- Onawa L. Wahsquonaikeshik, 28, Keshena, pleaded no contest to one count of possession of methamphetamine and one count of possession of narcotic drugs. One misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia was dismissed but read into the record. Sloma sentenced Wahsquonaikeshik to six months in jail and three years of probation.



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CELEBRATION OF GIVING

Etten helps families in need through Safe Haven

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

(Editor's note: For more than a decade, the Shawano Area Community Foundation has taken the time to recognize people in the community for giving up their time to make the place where they live a better place for all. The Celebration of Giving, which took place Aug. 19, honored a new group of individuals for sacrificing their personal time to help organizations that benefit the community. The following five stories profile each of this year's award winners.)

Teens sometimes need guidance with their time. Not Anna Etten, though.

Etten, a sophomore at Shawano Community High School, has volunteered with Safe Haven for four years, during which time she helped to give the children's section a facelift.

Etten's urge to volunteer in her community helped her to earn the Shawano Area Community Foundation's Youth Service Award. The award is jointly sponsored by the Shawano Optimists and Shawano Rotary, and it is given to an area high school student who has learned from an early age to give back to the community.

Etten was nominated for the award by Karli Bunt with Safe Haven, who expressed appreciation for all that the teen did for Sexual Assault Awareness Month and beyond.

"Anna donated countless hours in April for Sexual Assault Awareness month helping us spread awareness," Bunt wrote in her nomination letter to SACF. "She baked and decorated cookies to give out to the community as a thank you for their services and assistance to Safe Haven."

Etten's work with Safe Haven didn't stop there, though. Bunt noted that she made bags out of donated T-shirts for the agency's family fun bags, filling them with items that families could use during the summer.

"She and her sister Emma loaded 24 backpacks with school supplies for children of all grade levels," Bunt wrote. "The backpacks were given out to our families with kids heading back to school."

Etten continues the effort to end domestic violence in the community through her school. She is part of



Combatting abuse in all of its forms is something Anna Etten does through Safe Haven and Shawano Community High School. The sophomore's tireless efforts to thwart violence have earned her the Youth Volunteer Award through the Shawano Area Community Foundation's Celebration of Giving. CURT KNOKE

FAAR, which stands for Fighting Against Abusive Relationships. The organization recently changed its name to LACES, and Etten played a key role in changing the name, according to Bunt.

Etten is the president for LACES, which stands for Leadership Awareness Community Engagement and Service. She said she felt the name change was needed because the school organization was no longer simply focusing on abusive relationships and instead was engaged in all forms of intimidation, regardless of whether a person is involved in an intimate relationship.

"It's to get people volunteering in the community and also to raise awareness of bullying and domestic abuse, violence, that sort of thing," Etten said. "FAAR had been there so long, and we felt that it wasn't up-to-date with what the club was standing for, which is why we renamed it and why we gave it a new face."

As a result, more students have gotten involved as they've seen the student club focus on a wider vari-

ety of concerns, Etten said.

At the children's library that Safe Haven has, Etten was responsible for taking inventory of the books, grouping them, labeling them and then reshelving them, according to Bunt. Etten continues her volunteer work today, organizing the library's crafts and supplies.

"When I was growing up, my parents taught me the importance of giving back to the community," Etten said. "I found a good place to do that with Safe Haven because they do a lot of good things, and they are always in need of help doing outdoor things and indoor things and family activities. I got a little into it and just kept doing it."

Etten believes in Safe Haven's mission and what the organization does for the community, which includes helping hundreds of people every year escape abusive relationships and learn how to take care of themselves in the world.

"I like it there," Etten said. "I've worked there so long that I just feel comfortable there, and there's

always projects for me to do. I really enjoy helping families in the community."

Domestic violence and sexual assault often goes unnoticed in the community, Etten said.

"It's important to realize the things that go on," Etten said. "People don't always see that those things are important and need to be stood up for and against."

Volunteering has always been a key value for Etten, even when she's not doing it at Safe Haven.

"I just believe that the community gives a lot to other people, so it's important to give back so they can keep doing that for other people," Etten said.

When she's not volunteering at Safe Haven or the library, she's involved with the high school tennis team and orchestra.

Etten plans to give her \$1,000 that comes with the award back to Safe Haven as another way to keep the organization going and thriving.

CELEBRATION OF GIVING

Feeding minds and bodies how Zelinger rolls

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Dave Zelinger was a key part of starting a Boys and Girls Club in Shawano, and he continues to help the club in any way he can.

The dedication to the youth of the community and participating in other organizations is what helped Zelinger to become this year's Shawano Community Service Award recipient, paid for by an anonymous donor through the Shawano Area Community Foundation's Celebration of Giving.

Zelinger was nominated by several people, all of them singing his praises for his dedication. Kim Lodewegen, the executive director for the club, noted that he sits on the club's board, but his reach of giving extends more when he's in the trenches, giving his time to help children after school and during the summer months.

"Dave is a wealth of knowledge and such a positive role model for the youth that we serve," Lodewegen wrote in her nomination letter to the community foundation. "Dave's volunteerism is not just limited to the Boys and Girls Club. He has been such a blessing to the community because he supports many area organizations with his time and efforts."

Zelinger is also an integral part of the Shawano Area Food Center, something that really helped the Boys and Girls Club once the pandemic hit.

"Dave has been a link to connect services and resources between these organizations and help support efforts to meet the needs of the Shawano community," Lodewegen wrote. "Within Dave's work with the Shawano Area Food (Center), he has been able to support Boys and Girls Club efforts to provide Club Care bags to the our club families we serve during the COVID-19 pandemic. Dave was essential in providing additional food to fill the Club Care bags that provided our club families with potatoes, milk, rice, beans, apples, oranges and non-perishable goods."

Merrie Crawford also nominated Zelinger for the award, talking about his work with the food center. She noted that the food center helps many of the food pantries in Shawano County, and that it serves as a hub for Feeding America, the Emergency Food Assistance Program and the Hunger Relief Federation.

"As a director of SAFC, Dave has helped position SAFC to adapt and change to meet the needs of current situations in the fight against food insecurity," Crawford wrote in her nomination letter. "Dave is always willing to attend additional community meetings involving food insecurity, to learn and understand poverty issues within the community, and to help guide SAFC in making vital decisions all for the good of the community. I often refer to Dave as having good ears, meaning he is aware of needs of other organizations in the community that SAFC can help when we have excess food."

Another nomination letter from Wendy Crawford noted that, even though Zelinger is not native to Shawano, he has embraced it as his home and is willing to do whatever it takes to make that home a



Dave Zelinger feeds the bodies of his community through the Shawano Area Food Center, and he feeds the minds of young children through the Shawano Boys and Girls Club, which has earned him the Shawano Area Community Service Award.

CURT KNOKE

better place to live.

"His service to the community over the years serves as an example for why the Celebration of Giving Awards were created — to recognize those who quietly use their skills and talents for the betterment of our community," she wrote in her nomination letter. "Dave is the first to do the work, without any need for acknowledgment."

Zelinger came to Shawano in 2012 from the east coast of the United States, spending many years working for a pharmaceutical company. However, both he and his wife grew up in Wisconsin and knew they wanted to retire in the state.

"We lived on the lake, and I had plenty of time," Zelinger said. "I first got involved with SAWM (Shawano Area Waterways Management). Then I got involved with the food center, and then I got involved with the Boys and Girls Club."

Retirement is not a slow-down time for Zelinger at all. Besides his involvement with SAWM, SAFC and the Boys and Girls Club, Zelinger is on the board for the Watershed Association for Shawano and Menominee Counties and the Wisconsin Lakes Association.

Being involved with a number of water protection advocates is important to Zelinger.

"Our life depends on water," he said. "Shawano Lake, the water from this lake, a lot of people enjoy it, so we want to keep it clean. But the water from this lake flows into the Wolf River, which goes down to Lake Winnebago and ultimately to Lake Michigan and the Atlantic Ocean. What we put in this lake affects a lot of people."

Despite all the organizations Zelinger's involved in, the Boys and Girls Club is the one he feels is most vital. He chairs the advisory council, volunteers a minimum of two days per week and wrote a lot of the grants to help stabilize the club as a permanent fixture in the community. With the award comes \$1,000 to donate to an organization, and Zelinger plans to give it to the club.

"The existence of the Boys and Girls Club depends on donations and grants, really," Zelinger said. "We're part of the Green Bay Club, but we're responsible for our own finances. It's a neverending task, but it keeps me from sitting around the house. Volunteering at the club, you see the effect we're having on the kids."

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CELEBRATION OF GIVING

Strassburg protects past for those in present

By LEE PULASKI

City Editor

Many folks are looking to the future, but not Carla Strassburg. Her focus is on the past.

A love of history and a dedication to preserving that history has earned Strassburg the Shawano Area Community Foundation Wittenberg Service Award. The award, sponsored by Nueske's Applewood Smoked Meats, recognizes someone from the Wittenberg area who has made a positive impact on the community.

Laura Magee nominated Strassburg for the award, noting her dedication as president of the Wittenberg Area Historical Society, which runs a museum in the village.

"Carla has logged countless hours over the years with the current museum revitalization process and preserving the history of the Wittenberg and surrounding areas," Magee wrote in her nomination letter to SACF. "From research to displaying artifacts and event planning, fundraising and newsletters, she does it all."

The revitalization of the museum likely would not have happened without Strassburg pushing to find others to help keep history alive, according to Magee. She noted that, without new members, the museum would likely have closed.

"So with her success in pulling in new members came new ideas, and the revitalization came to fruition," Magee wrote. "It is a neverending task, but Carla always is upbeat and optimistic — making the museum the best it can be."

Strassburg is eager to share how Wittenberg was 30, 50, 100 years ago and even further back.

"She honestly does have a vested interest in the past and enjoys sharing it with others," Magee wrote. "She is the first to volunteer at open houses at the museum and joyfully shares stories of the past with precise and accurate details. Her knowledge of local history is phenomenal, and she is an asset to the Wittenberg Area Historical Society and museum."

Strassburg is not originally from Wittenberg, describing herself as a "transplant," but she got involved



Carla Strassburg works tirelessly for the Wittenberg Area Historical Society, even pushing for more people to volunteer when it looked like the society might disband. Strassburg's love of the past and protection of it earned her the Wittenberg Volunteer Service Award through the Shawano Area Community Foundation's Celebration of Giving.

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with the historical society about 15 years ago, by her recollection.

"I started just because I was interested in Wittenberg history, being a transplant and not knowing anything," Strassburg said. "I got interested in the history of Wittenberg and decided I could volunteer there, and so I did."

Over the years, Strassburg has held a lot of positions within the historical society — sometimes more than one at once. Currently the president, Strassburg has been a simple board member, along with being secretary, treasurer and more.

About three years ago, the society really needed help from the community, as its ranks had dwindled significantly.

"We were down to, like, three board members, and so we got together with a few of the remaining (volunteers) and decided maybe we needed to do something drastic. So we put out a press release saying maybe we didn't want to keep being active or not because of lack of participation," Strassburg said.

"New people stepped up, and we created a new board."

Closing down the museum and all the history contained within would have been a sad day, in Strassburg's view.

"I like the old building," Strassburg said. "I just think it's a neat thing to preserve, and all the stuff within is worth preserving. Somebody needs to take care of it."

When she wasn't the guardian of local history, Strassburg participated in other organizations. She was president of the former Lioness Club in Wittenberg, as well as president of the Wittenberg Area Chamber of Commerce.

"I've always wanted to be needed, I guess, in some way or another," Strassburg said. "I like to meet new people. I like things to look nice. I like to take pride in my community, wherever I can in whatever way I can. Sometimes I come up with goofy projects and do them just because I can."

Strassburg has also taken time to spruce up some wooden figures of ice skaters at the village's out-

door ice rink.

"Way back when, the Lioness Club made them as a display in our local band shell," Strassburg said. "The Lioness Club eventually disbanded, but the wooden figurines were still floating around, so we gave them to the chamber, and they fell into disrepair. I've repainted them twice now."

Strassburg noted her parents had always encouraged her to participate in her community, no matter where it would be.

"I guess I feel like it's important because there are so many things that can't be done without volunteers," Strassburg said. "When you work for free, no one can really fire you."

Besides the accolades, Strassburg will receive a \$1,000 award to donate, and she is splitting it up among three organizations. The historical society will receive \$500, while the Wittenberg Food Pantry and the Wittenberg Lions Club will each receive \$250.

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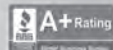
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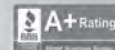
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CELEBRATION OF GIVING

When call comes in, Cairns ready to help

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Saving lives is a way of life for Brian Cairns, who lives in Krakow.

Besides his job as a captain with the Green Bay Metro Fire Department, Cairns also dedicates a lot of time volunteering with the Bonduel Fire Department and EMS. That dedication has helped make Cairns this year's recipient of the Health Care Volunteer Award through the Shawano Area Community Foundation's Celebration of Giving.

Cairns was nominated for the award, which is sponsored by ThedaCare, by his wife, Kris. Kris Cairns noted that they have lived in the area for over 16 years, and that means a lot of interruption to life.

"I can recount many times that dinners or events have been interrupted by the sound of his pager going off," she wrote in her nomination letter. "He heads out the door at a moment's notice and returns with either a smile or a sadness that he has experienced. Many of those calls end in good things, but many do not."

Kris Cairns recalled one of those calls that made her family's Thanksgiving dinner taste just a little bit better.

"One very poignant moment, I was waiting for him to bring me an ingredient for Thanksgiving dinner I was making," she wrote. "He was late, and I was impatient to get things going. He returned and I asked what took him so long, and he said, 'I took a call for a gentleman having a heart attack.' What could I say to that? I was humbled by his actions. Someone got to have another Thanksgiving that day because Brian saved his life."

The loving wife also recalled the day years ago that Brian Cairns helped to save the life of a little boy in Bonduel. He had been volunteering at a baseball tournament when a girl ran up to her mother and said her brother had fallen off a fence reaching for a ball and that something was wrong.

"People around him said the child was fine, but Brian's second sense kicked in and he held the child's head and neck and told someone to call 911, (because) they needed an ambulance right away," Kris Cairns wrote. "It turned out the child had broken his neck, and if the people around him had tried to move him, his outcome probably would have been much worse than it was."

The mother encountered Brian Cairns years later at a basketball tournament and thanked him for helping her son, noting that he was playing basketball and living a normal life because of his actions that day.

For Brian Cairns, getting the volunteer award is almost embarrassing for him, only because helping other people is a way of life for him.

"I know it's all good intentions, and it's wonderful, but it's just humbling," he said. "I don't like this stuff. I just do it to do it and have fun."

He added that his wife has to put up with more of the inconvenience of him being gone on emergency calls than anything, so she should get some kind of award, as well.

"I just go. She's the one that has to deal with me



Brian Cairns dedicates a lot of time to the Bonduel community by volunteering for its emergency medical services program as a paramedic. That constant get-up-and-go when the emergency calls come in has earned him the Health Care Volunteer Award through the Shawano Area Community Foundation.

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leaving and coming back and interrupting stuff," Brian Cairns said.

He first got involved with emergency medical services when he was 18 or 19 in Amherst, he said. He helped to start a volunteer program there and then became a full-time employee in 1991 with the De Pere Fire Department. He then started with the Green Bay Fire Department a few years later, and when it opened up its residency requirements in 2005, that's when the Cairns family made the move to Shawano County.

"Eventually, I got to know the guys around here, and I just joined because we're lacking first responders out where I live," Cairns said. "It was kind of a good fit, and I like doing it."

He doesn't even looking at what he does as volunteering.

"It's just a duty to act," Cairns said. "Helping the community and helping my neighbors, that's the bottom line. Ambulance services, it takes a while to get there, and where I grew up, it could take 20 or 25 minutes to get to where you want to be. Being in the business for over 30 years, I want to continue it out here."

Cairns thinks the work he does in Bonduel has helped to save his career in Green Bay, noting that it's humbling to get the appreciation from people in need. He said it's more common in small communities than it is in cities.

"When they call, they need you," Cairns said.

He noted that many people are unaware that almost all of the fire and EMS programs in the county are run by volunteers. They don't get paid to go on calls, and they are not compensated for mileage, despite what some people think, he said.

"There are a lot of volunteers out here, but we're short," Cairns said. "Our communities are great. We cover Cecil, Bonduel, Hartland, part of Angelica and the Town of Washington. It's a lot of mileage and a lot of calls."

The \$1,000 that comes with Cairns' award is going toward the Juvenile Diabetes Association through ThedaCare. He explained that his father had diabetes since when he was 12 and died at the age of 70.

"He fought diabetes all his life and just died six years ago," Cairns said. "A lot of his friends (with diabetes) died in their 50s from it, and he made it to 70."

CELEBRATION OF GIVING

Educator helps garden, students' minds grow

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

"How does your garden grow?" is a question asked in a classic nursery rhyme, but for Kim Ihrcke, the answer is clear — it grows with children learning.

Using the students at Hillcrest Primary School to tend the garden and, at the same time, learn about the vegetables and other items within has earned Ihrcke the Bill Mielke Volunteer Educator Award through the Shawano Area Community Foundation's Celebration of Giving. Ihrcke helps with the garden through the FRESH Project, and the program's director, Barbara Mendoza, nominated her for the award.

"Kim volunteers to lead our education garden, teaching students from Hillcrest Primary School since 2017," Mendoza wrote in her nomination letter. "Through Kim's guidance, the kids learn the importance of how fruits and vegetables grow."

Mendoza noted that Ihrcke's knowledge and her gentle interaction with the students makes it easy for them to learn while having fun at the same time.

"She incorporates the basic STEM criteria to understand the roles of soil and water and how they are needed for the seeds to grow and become food," Mendoza wrote. "She also teaches the kids how to make healthier snacks with the produce/fruits they harvested."

The garden is actually located next to the school at the Church on the Hill, a United Methodist Church in Shawano. While watering the plants and taking out the weeds, the students take the time to learn about the plants, what types they are and how important they are to overall health, according to Ihrcke. While there are common vegetables like carrots and eggplants in the garden, there are also unusual ones like jicamas — crunchy roots that originate in Mexico.

"When the FRESH Project was in its infancy stage, we decided what we could do for education, and I had kind of taken that part of it," Ihrcke said. "We wanted to emphasize healthy eating habits, understanding where your



Kim Ihrcke has caused student knowledge to take root along with the many plants that make up the garden at Hillcrest Primary School. This effort has helped Ihrcke to receive the Volunteer Educator Award through the Shawano Area Community Foundation's Celebration of Giving for 2021. CURT KNOKE

food comes from."

Despite living in a rural community surrounded by farms, many of the children don't always know that food is produced by people whose lives are dedicated to raising animals and growing fruits and vegetables, according to Ihrcke. Having the garden near the school helps the young students learn early that there are steps to get that food into the hands of grocery stores.

"Many of our little children — and I call the Hillcrest Primary kids the

'littles' — they have no idea where their food comes from, even though they live in a rural community," Ihrcke said. "We do eating your colors, and we have a color banquet so the kids are eating foods from every color. It's not just the kids being out in the garden. It's a whole curriculum about: 'Let's get our children eating well, and let's get our children experienced about where our food comes from.'"

By working in the garden, the chil-

dren becomes volunteers themselves, Ihrcke said, and the food that is raised goes to the FRESH Project's Share the Bounty tables. By watering and weeding, the kids are helping the community, she noted.

"We do fun things, too," Ihrcke said. "We build a scarecrow. We made little plant markers. There's crafty, fun things with it also, but it's about having children experience where their food comes from, what they're eating, what part of the plant they're eating, getting them to eat a lot of different colors."

Ihrcke believes that working and learning in the garden has allowed Hillcrest students to experience foods they probably would not have otherwise tried.

"There was a little boy that would not stop eating spinach leaves," she said with a laugh. "I told him, 'OK, I think we need to move on to something else.'"

The garden at Hillcrest is just the latest volunteering effort for Ihrcke. She describes herself as a lifelong volunteer whose reward is seeing children's eyes light up about the garden.

Ihrcke recounted one time a student ran up to her and said he "ran 100 miles per hour" to get to the garden to learn. That showed her that she was changing lives and lifting them up.

In the end, Ihrcke hopes that she gives more than she takes from life.

"I would encourage anyone who is passionate about their community and the well-being of others, or if they have a talent, that they would just use it," Ihrcke said. "Then our community would grow. Some people can give financially, and that's great, but all of us can give our time. I feel like, if you have a passion or a talent, the best way to use it is to volunteer because you'll be the one blessed in the end."

The award, which is sponsored by the Shawano Optimists and Shawano Rotary, includes a \$1,000 award donated to the organization of the winner's choice. Ihrcke plans to give the money to the FRESH Project to continue education initiatives like the Hillcrest garden.

"That will help keep this program going," Ihrcke said.

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KIM IHRCKE, Bill Mielke Volunteer Educator Award winner for 2021 for the Shawano Area Community Foundation Celebration of Giving

'Sovereign being of light' gets continuance

Retzlaff again appears in court without attorney in high-speed chase felony case

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Gresham campground owner Ann Retzlaff, who introduced herself as "a sovereign being of light," received another continuance Aug. 13 in her Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court case involving a high-speed chase and claims she was rescuing a sex trafficking victim.

Retzlaff appeared at the preliminary hearing without an attorney, just as she had in May, claiming she has not yet found an attorney who was "constitutionally sound" and "not actively involved in many cases." On May 25, Judge William Kussel Jr. pushed back the preliminary hearing by more than two months to give Retzlaff time to find an attorney, and Retzlaff had said August was better for her because June and July were busy months for her business, Annie's Campground.

Retzlaff is accused of a single count of fleeing an officer, two counts of second-degree recklessly endangering the safety of police officers and one count of resisting an officer in Shawano County. The resisting charge is a misdemeanor, while the others are felonies.

Retzlaff is also facing a misdemeanor or charge of resisting and failing to



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stop in Menominee County on the same chase.

"I would prefer to have somebody represent, but I can try to do it by myself," Retzlaff said to Kussel.

Kussel asked if Retzlaff needed

another couple of weeks to get an attorney, noting that "we gave you a lot of time." He said that, if Retzlaff opted to go on without an attorney, it would require them to go through a question-and-answer session to determine if she wanted to waive the right.

"I will not waive any of my rights," Retzlaff said, adding that Oct. 15 would be a better time for her for the preliminary hearing.

Shawano-Menominee County District Attorney Greg Parker suggested that a status conference be scheduled prior to scheduling a preliminary hearing, noting that the officers involved in the chase had come to court to speak at the hearing. Kussel scheduled the status conference for 1:30 p.m. Oct. 5 but warned that there would be no further continuances.

"Anyone who is licensed in the state of Wisconsin is allowed to practice law in this courtroom," Kussel

said. "There are thousands of attorneys in this state."

Retzlaff replied that she was having difficulty because the attorneys are part of the American Bar Association, which she claimed was unconstitutional. She also said the charges against her were "all false charges."

Retzlaff tried to announce something about two open human trafficking cases, but Kussel cut her off, saying that she should have an attorney deal with the matter because what she says in open court could potentially be used against her.

"They could also be used against the court," Retzlaff said.

To that, Kussel asked: "Did you make a threat?"

Retzlaff tried to cite a specific law regarding her statement, to which Kussel said the matter needed to be handled by an attorney.

On May 15, a Shawano County deputy heard on Menominee County radio traffic about a high-speed chase involving a vehicle registered to Retzlaff for failing to stop at a traffic light, according to the criminal complaint. The chase, starting in Keshena on state Highway 47-55, continued through the towns of Wescott and Richmond, where deputies twice laid out spike strips, and ended on state Highway 29 just west of County Road MMM.

Deputies with Shawano and Menominee counties initiated a "high-risk stop," according to the complaint, and shut down traffic on the highway's westbound lanes. A lieutenant advised Retzlaff to get out of the vehicle, but she allegedly said she was a "sovereign citizen" and would not exit. A deputy used a slim jim to open the passenger door, which is when Retzlaff allegedly tried to drive off, nearly hitting two Shawano County officials.

Eventually, the vehicle was stopped again, and deputies pulled Retzlaff out of her vehicle. According to the complaint, as she was being handcuffed and searched, she claimed the deputies were involved with covering up sex trafficking and said she was rescuing one of her employees from a sex trafficking house on "Crow Territory" in Menominee County.

Retzlaff has had other cases in Shawano County. In April, she had restraining orders against her for harassing Shawano County Supervisor Joe Miller and his wife, Jackie Miller. In November 2020, a guilty verdict due to a no contest plea was entered against Retzlaff for a case where she made a phone call and claimed she was a sheriff's deputy.

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Parks, downtown bring in tourists this summer

Hendricks believes 'tens of thousands' visiting Shawano due to events

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Shawano's park and recreation system is seeing a lot of activity and change this summer, according to director Matt Hendricks, and the city is seeing an uptick in tourist traffic as a result.

"We've had thousands of visitors, and I can even say tens of thousands of visitors to be honest, in the last month in the parks system," Hendricks said to the Shawano Common Council on Aug. 11.

The heavy visitor traffic is due to multiple activities, he said, noting that key among them were three Little League tournaments at Memorial Park, along with the national show ski tournament hosted by

the Shawano Ski Sharks at Smalley Park. There was also Shawanofest downtown, National Night Out on Elizabeth Street and the Thursdayz at Franklin concert series that have brought people out in droves.

"We've been busier than when I first got here," Hendricks said. "There are as many as 18 to 20 events happening in our park system. Some of them are ours. Many of them are not."

Adult sports leagues and flag football for the youth are coming up for the park and recreation department, so there will be more for the parks staff to do in the coming months, according to Hendricks.

Alderwoman Rhonda Strelbel noted that the Shawano Folk Music Festival was also an event occupying city park space in August. Previously,

the event had been held at Mielke County Park in the Town of Wescott.

"We've seen a lot of new organizations come to use Franklin Park as a performance area," Hendricks said. He noted that the Kids From Wisconsin performed at the park in July, moving outside after previously using the auditorium at Shawano Community High School.

Alderwoman Sandy Steinke said she has seen a variety of activities not handled by the city at the Shawano parks, as well. She told the council about seeing a couple using Franklin Park for wedding photographs.

"I thought it was really cool," Steinke said, with Hendricks noting that the city has received several requests to use the parks for photos.

There will be a ribbon-cutting

ceremony Aug. 23 for a new wooded trail totaling 3/4 mile at Arlington Park, Hendricks said. He noted that ThedaCare provided \$10,000 to form the trail, with private donors coming up with the rest of the funds.

As for the Shawano Recreation Center, the facility has a fresh coat of paint, Hendricks said, noting that the exterior needed attention after work had been done to upgrade the interior.

"We're trying to put a better reflection of what is on the outside with what is on the inside," Hendricks said.

The park and recreation department is also renovating the girls softball field at Martzke Park, something Hendricks said needs to be done every seven years.

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Volunteers getting ready to help those in need

Operation Christmas Child looks to equip children with supplies

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Volunteers in Oconto County are getting together to provide supplies to those in need around the world.

The Samaritan's Purse organization is running the Operation Christmas Child project, where volunteers put together shoe boxes full of hygiene items, school supplies, toys and clothes.

"A lot of kids never owned things like these," said Elaine Newlin, a volunteer with the Appleton Alliance Church in Appleton. "Kids can't go to school or do other things that we take for granted."

Newlin said that this international project began in 1993.

"This originally began as a request to fill shoe boxes for people in Bosnia," said Newlin.

Churches around the country are currently collecting donations from residents. Packing of these items will begin in November.

Ellen Pritzlaff is one of the local coordinators who is helping to move this project forward. She works with Grace Lutheran Church in Oconto Falls.

She said that the items that are packed are sent all over the world to children and families who are in need.

"We work with countries around the world to distribute these boxes," said Pritzlaff.

Pritzlaff said that by sending these boxes to those in need, the recipients may come closer to God.

"These children are receiving these gifts because God loves them," said

Pritzlaff. "These also serve as an invitation for gospel outreach."

Newlin also elaborated on the idea of gospel outreach.

"Children are invited back to the church," said Newlin.

She also added that children are given the opportunity to partake in a 12-session course where they learn about building a relationship with Jesus.

"Nineteen million children have graduated from this program," said Newlin. "They are given an Old Testament in their language to keep that relationship with Jesus, as well as teach others."

The items in these shoe boxes are basic necessities to survive not only in school, but at home.

"Children need these supplies to be able to go to school and also excel when they are at school," said Pritzlaff.

According to Newlin, volunteers help with this project for a variety of reasons.

"Most of these volunteers come together due to the love of Jesus," said Newlin. "Volunteers want to share that love with others. They also want to give back to those in need. A lot of people find this fun to do."

In Oconto Falls, Pritzlaff noted that around 350 boxes come from Grace Lutheran Church while northeast Wisconsin as a whole provides close to 1,000 boxes.

She believes that taking part in this project not only affects the children and families that are receiving the supplies, but also the volunteers who are taking their time to make the difference.

"This is a humanitarian offering," said Pritzlaff. "It affects everyone involved."

Pritzlaff also said that anyone is welcome to partake in the project, no

matter what religion they practice.

Newlin added that since the project started, 188 million shoe boxes have been sent around the world. When families and children receive their shoe boxes, she said that it is not uncommon to hear back from the children.

"Some volunteers do get letters back from children," said Newlin.

"The letters that they get back are both heartbreaking and heartwarming."

Packing week for the shoe boxes takes place from Nov. 15-22. Donations can be dropped off anytime at Grace Lutheran Church, 501 S. Main St., Oconto Falls. Donations can also be made online at samaritanspurse.com/buildonline. Participants in the project also have the opportunity to follow where their box goes through the website.

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OBITUARIES

Larry D. Clark, 80, of Clintonville, formerly of Shawano, passed into the arms of Jesus surrounded by family at Shawano Health Services on Saturday morning, Aug. 14, 2021.

Larry was born Nov. 5, 1940, as the son of the late Frederick and Mildred (Roloff) Clark. He grew up on a farm west of Shawano and as a young man faithfully served his country in the United States Army. Larry served from 1957 to 1960, spending a fair amount of his time stationed in Korea. He later married Wyoma Jean Lorge on May 26, 1962. The couple had eight children and later divorced. Then on April 12, 1991, Larry was united in marriage to Betty Anderson in Clintonville.

Throughout the years, Larry worked as a mechanic, in maintenance, cut up railroad cars and later ran his own packaging company with Betty



and looked forward to a good game of Canasta or Rummy 500. Larry had a zest for life and battled serious medical issues for years, but he was a fighter until the end. His step-great-granddaughter, Reana, was a ray of sunshine that kept him going the last five years.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Clark; daughters, Sheila Clark-Maas, Tammy (Chuck) Buchert and Annette (Dick) Schreiber; sons, Dennis (Jolene) Clark, Larry (Carrie) Clark Jr. and Paul Clark; stepchildren, Diane (Dan) Grosskruetz, Catherine (Jeff) Blum, Richard "Dick" (Tracey) Anderson,

until their retirement. Larry was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting, fishing, boating, gardening and snowmobiling. In his earlier years, he enjoyed stock car racing

Cheryl (Tom) Sbonik, Doug (Brenda) Anderson and Mary (Barry) Rogers; grandchildren, Dustin (Amanda) Maas, Kammy (Guy Naumann Jr.) Maas, Amanda (Jason) Jach, Jamie Clark, Cassie Clark, Christie (Brandson Bentz) Clark, Sara (Jeff) Mallams, Elizabeth (Nick) Kaster, Joshua Nickodem, Jessica (Chad) Moesch, Jeramey Nickodem, Jayda Clark, Taylor (Jacob) Genke-Grosskopf and Kayla Genke; great-grandchildren, Kylee, Boe, Archer, Sullivan, Stryker, Asher, Ava, Dylan and Carter; step-grandchildren: Aaron Anderson and Christopher (Shawna) Anderson and others; step-great-granddaughter, Raena and others; siblings, Calvin (DeeDee) Clark, LeRoy (Brenda) Clark and Ron (Pat) Clark; and brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Wayne (Carol) Oestereich, Bob (Linda) Oestereich and Norbert Kessen.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents; two infant children; a

grandson-in-law, Brian Stankevich; a stepson, Robert Anderson; step-grandsons, Uriah and Chad "C.J." Anderson; brothers, Marlyn (Gertha) Clark, Michael Clark and Dan Clark; and sisters Donna Jean Clark and Janet Kessen.

Larry's funeral service was held Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2021, at the Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory in Clintonville with the Rev. Timothy Shillcox, O. Praem, officiating. Interment followed the service at St. Rose Cemetery in Clintonville with military honors conducted by members of the Clintonville American Legion Post 63, VFW Post 664, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 63 and Disabled American Veterans Chapter 53.

Larry's family wishes to thank the staff at both The Pines in Embarrass and Shawano Health Services for their care and compassion during Larry's stay. God bless you all.

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Rueben R. Riemer

Rueben R. Riemer, 84, passed away Saturday evening, Aug. 14, 2021, at his home from complications of prostate cancer.

Rueben was born Sept. 18, 1936, on the homestead farm in the Town of Pella. He attended Fairview Grade School and was a 1954 graduate of Marion High School. After high school, Rueben went on to Milwaukee School of Engineering where he earned his engineering degree. Rueben joined the Army National Guard while attending MSOE and served his country 8.5 years; attaining the rank of sergeant. He saw active duty with the 32nd Division at Ft. Lewis, Washington, during the Berlin Crisis.

Rueben met Alice Suehring at the Caroline Ballroom, and the couple were united in marriage on July 3, 1960. Rueben began his work-



ing career as a chore boy at Long Lake Bible Camp, moved to Milwaukee, got a job as a bagger at the A&P Store and then on to Allen-Bradley while going to school. After completing his education, he worked at FWD in Clintonville, Appleton Machine, Riverside Paper, Curwood Wartsila, Valmet and Metro.

He enjoyed the outdoors and loved being active. Rueben took flying lessons but found out boating was a way to be with more of his pals. They did a lot of water skiing, sometimes with the boat full of fellows. He enjoyed hunting and

ing career as a chore boy at Long Lake Bible Camp, moved to Milwaukee, got a job as a bagger at the A&P Store and then on to Allen-Bradley while going to



school. After completing his education, he worked at FWD in Clintonville, Appleton Machine, Riverside Paper, Curwood Wartsila, Valmet and Metro.

He enjoyed the outdoors and loved being active. Rueben took flying lessons but found out boating was a way to be with more of his pals. They did a lot of water skiing, sometimes with the boat full of fellows. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and trips to "deer camp" in his later years. He was very good at grafting choice apple shoots on to scrub apple trees. Rueben also enjoyed dancing and going to musical concerts. He was very proud of his sons and his grandkids and loved to spend time with them.

Rueben is survived by his wife of 61 years, Alice (Suehring) Riemer; sons, Ronald (Nancy), Rueben (Sherry), Robert (Colette) and Jonathan (Stephanie) Riemer; 10 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; sister, Marilyn Blankschien; sister-in-law, Dawn Riemer; numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Reinhard and Linda Riemer; a sister, Dorothy (Gerald) Dieck; a brother, Donald Riemer; and a brother-in-law, Marlyn Blankschien.

A celebration of Rueben's life will be held Saturday, Aug. 21, 2021, at 11 a.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in the Town of Pella with Pastor Bidal Torrez officiating. Visitation will be held at the church on Saturday from 9 a.m. until the time of the service.

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

Many thanks to Holly, Beth, Tina and all the other hospice staff members and Home Instead helpers, along with all the prayer warriors. We couldn't have kept going without you.

Mary Jane Bublitz

Mary Jane Bublitz, 91, Green Bay, passed away Saturday, Aug. 14, 2021. She was born June 26, 1930, in Kellnersville to Joseph and Evangeline (Wanish) Weber.

In 1948, Mary Jane graduated from Mishicot High School, and in 1952, she graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. On June 22, 1957, she married Charles Bublitz at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Kellnersville.

Mary Jane was a business teacher at Bonduel High School. After moving to Green Bay, she worked as a substitute teacher in the Green Bay



high schools. She also worked for 10 years at Humana Insurance Company.

Mary Jane was a longtime member of St. Agnes Parish and was a parish eucharistic minister. She was also a member of the adult choir and the resurrection choir. Mary Jane was an active volunteer. She was a eucharistic minister at St. Mary's Hospital, a member of the Concerned Hearts Club and vol-

unteered at Bellin Hospital. She also volunteered at the Green Bay Visitor and Convention Bureau, ushered at the Meyer Theater and was a member of the Brown County Community Women's Club.

Her family members include her children, Kathleen (Joe Vercellone) Bublitz and Lynn (Donald) Lechner; daughter-in-law, Ginny Bublitz; five grandchildren, Emily Bublitz, Joseph Bublitz, William Vercellone, Phillip Vercellone and Charlie Vercellone; two sisters, Joanne Delforge and Carol Krauth; nieces and nephews.

Members of her family who pre-

ceded her in death are her husband, Charles Bublitz, in 2000, and her son, Steven Bublitz, in 2018.

Visitation will be held at St. Agnes Catholic Church, 1484 Ninth St., from 9-11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 20, followed by the Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Patrick C. Beno officiating. Entombment will be in Allouez Catholic Mausoleum.

To send online condolences, please go to www.BlaneyFuneral-Home.com.

A memorial fund has been established in Mary Jane's name to benefit the Concerned Heart's Club.

Donald E. Hull

Donald E. Hull, 88, of Wittenberg, passed away on Friday, Aug. 13, 2021.

Don was born May 6, 1933, the son of Eldred and Mary (Harning) Hull.

Don was a United States Army veteran, serving from March 1953 until March 1955 during the Korean War. He was a member of the Bloecher-Johnson American Legion Post 502 for over 66 years. On May 21, 1960, Don was united in marriage to Donna Lou Drews at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Wittenberg.

After his service to his country, he returned to Bowler to work with his father at Hull's Service Station. He

later ran the business after the unexpected death of his father. He later purchased City Service in Wittenberg until he acquired a bulk gas delivery business. He also worked for over 20-plus years in the banking business until his retirement. After retiring, Don and Donna spent over 20 years wintering in their Florida home. In Don's younger years, he enjoyed cutting firewood, camping and snowmobiling with family and friends. He also enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Donald is survived by his wife, Donna, of Wittenberg; three daughters, Cheryl (Terry) Nillissen, of Wittenberg, Patty (Mark) Kropf, of Bowler, and Carrie (Joel) Boldig, of Tigerton; grandchildren, Scott (Kim) Kropf, of Bowler, Adam (Megan) Boldig, of Altoona, Brianna (Tam) Mah, of Milwaukee, Haley (Brad) Breaker, of Tigerton, Brittany



(Alex) Brauer, of Wittenberg, Chandra (Kyle) Jochimsen, of Stratford, Derrick (Kristy) Nillissen of Phoenix, Arizona, and Brenna Nillissen, of Wittenberg; great-grandchildren, Sawyer, Mabrey and Easton

Kropf, Benjamin, Everett and Holden Boldig, Taus Mah, Sienna, Kyleigh and Brantley Breaker, Jaela, Kinslee, Austin and Wyatt Jochimsen and Kyten Brauer; siblings, Shirley Hoffman, of Gresham, Dorothy LePak, of Shawano, Lois Blom, of Appleton, Lyle (Carol) Hull, of Bowler, Bonnie (Gary) DeWitt, of Milwaukee and Debra Hull, of Shawano; many other family members and friends.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Allan (Voni) Hull; and brothers-in-law, Glen Hoffman, Robert LePak and Dennis Blom.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 20, 2021, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Wittenberg. The Rev. Matthew Christians will preside. Burial with military rites will be held at Forest Home Cemetery, Wittenberg. Visitation will be on Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the church. The family requests that people attending the visitation and funeral service please wear a mask.

Memories and messages of support may be shared at schmidtschultha.com.

Glenda M. Tahmahkera

Glenda M. Tahmahkera, 86, of Keshena, passed away early Monday morning, Aug. 9, 2021, at Shawano Health Services.

Glenda was born Oct. 28, 1934, in Keshena, a daughter of Henry M. and Josephine (Wishecoby) Dodge. She attended St. Joseph School for eight years then attended Shawano High School, graduating with the Class of 1953. Following high school, Glenda attended Moraine Community College in Palos Hills, Illinois, where she earned her associate's degree in business management and administration. She put her degree to use by working in business management in various casinos throughout the country.

Glenda volunteered with the Girl Scouts of America for over 18 years. Her hobbies included arts and crafts.

Survivors include her son, Marvin "Wolf" Tahmahkera Jr., of Mesa, Arizona; her daughter, Susan Tahmahkera, of Orland Park, Florida; two brothers, Richard A. Dodge and Sidney



C. Dodge, both of Keshena; three sisters, Carol Dodge, Faye (Tony Sr.) Waupechik and Kathy (James) Kaquatosh, all of Keshena; and several nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her stepmother, Josephine Duquain; two brothers, Melvin and Roger Dodge; three sisters, Gwen Washinawtok, Sandra King and Constance Goetz; two sisters in infancy; her cousin, Joseph Melotte; and her stepbrother, Arthur Chapman.

In keeping with Glenda's wishes, no public services will be held. Interment will take place at St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery in Keshena.

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



Karen A. Reinke

Karen A. Reinke, 81, of Grafton, passed away on Aug. 13, 2021. She was born in Shawano on Oct. 2, 1939, to Harry and Vivian (nee Feldt) Katzenmeyer. On Nov. 9, 1957, Karen was united in marriage to William L. Reinke. Her 56 years of marriage to Bill were filled with raising their family, traveling and living in Alaska, Seattle and Wisconsin.

Karen was a homemaker who loved taking care of her family. She made family gatherings extra special, filled with loving family traditions. From elaborate fondue dinners, pickle prizes at Christmas and lottery scratch-offs, we will hold these memories close to our heart and carry them on in her honor. She enjoyed the Packers, golfing, Oneida Casino and making countless framed cross-stitches for each family member. She cherished her lifelong group of girlfriends and their annual get-togethers. Her "Shawano bunch" kept her going over the years, sharing life events and family milestones.

Karen is survived by her chil-



dren, Vicki (Charles) Linzmeyer and Bradley (Claire) Reinke; grandchildren: Jessica (Joe), Ryan (Katrina), Carly (Nathan) and Julia; four great-

granddaughters; and other relatives and dear friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband and parents.

A private service is being held at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Grafton.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to Meals on Wheels of ADRC of Ozaukee County are appreciated. Online condolences may be sent by visiting www.muellerfuneralhome.com.

Bia, your presence lit up the room. We will miss the shrug of your shoulders as you laughed, your big heart, stories and great smile. It is comforting to know you and Bumpa are jitterbugging in heaven together again. We will continue to love and remember you every day.

Brian J. Krueger Sr.

Brian J. Krueger Sr., 59, of Shawano, passed away on Monday, Aug. 9, 2021, in Shawano. Brian was born in Shawano on Dec. 31, 1961, son of the late Fred and Lenora (Laude) Krueger. Following high school, Brian served his country honorably in the United States military. He was a true outdoorsman who felt at peace in the woods. He loved fishing and watching the eagles soar up and down the river.

Brian is survived by his significant other of over 12 years, Becky Tischer; his children, Brian Jr. (significant other Shelby), Lenora, Brianna, Megan and Morgan; grandchildren, Dantae, Shay, Sadie, Carter, Lillin, Kobe and Adley; siblings,



Diane (Art) Mulock, Allan (significant other Deb) Krueger, Rojene (Mark) Ziolkowski and Audrey Gretzon. He is further survived by nieces, nephews, other

relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Gary Krueger; and three sisters, Bonna Verbruggen, Vicki Marquardt and Kim Marie in infancy.

A celebration of life will be held for Brian at a later date. Interment will be in Lake Drive Cemetery in the Town of Wescott.

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Sharon C. Becker

Sharon C. Becker, 76, passed away recently at Kindred Hearts in Quincy, Illinois. She was born June 30, 1945, in Chicago to Charles and Ethel Cole.

She was raised in Chicago but moved to Wisconsin in November 2020. She attended Victory Fellowship Church. She loved to go to church and was very devoted to her friends, Sue, Tess and Linda.

Sharon was one feisty, loving and giving woman. She loved her children to her core.

She was very well liked with

everyone she met, except when she was angry. She has one long history in Chicago about her struggles with being a single mom and taking care of three children. Now she is in glory with her grandma, Lois, who raised her and loved her as a little girl.

Survivors include her children, Lisa, Brian and Jerry (Nancy); two sisters, Peggy and Denise; and her grandchildren, Jaqueline, Lee, Joseph, Shannon Higgins, Lily Becker, Ryan and Andrew.

A memorial will be held at the end of August or in early September.

SPORTS

AUTO RACING

Yarie dominates Modifieds, Hacker continues winning

By **DAVE BUSS**

Special to NEW Media

With Mother Nature finally agreeing that it was time to race again at the Shawano Speedway on Aug. 14, the difference between jubilation and heartbreak was just a matter of inches.

The IMCA Modifieds took to the track to lead off feature action. Marcus Yarie jumped to the top spot early. Yarie built up a commanding lead of nearly half the track as Jerry Wilinski moved into the second spot. Lucas Lamberies then joined the battle.

A caution flew with eight laps to go, setting up a three-car battle for the win. Yarie executed the restart perfectly and again drove to a dominating lead en route to another future win.

The IMCA Stock Cars saw Kyle Frederick on the pole to start their feature event. Frederick took the top spot with Chucky Forstner and Dan Michonski battling for that lead.

Trent Nolan grabbed the fourth spot and began to work on the Forstner and Michonski cars for position. Nolan saw his motor expire, bringing out the caution flag and ending his night.

FYI

The full story from Saturday's races can be found at www.newmedia-wi.com.

When the race resumed, Travis Van Straten was the car to watch as he made his way forward and slid to the inside of Frederick for the lead. Once out front, Van Straten went on to grab the checkered flag.

The father-son duo of Todd and Gunner Frank provided early excitement in the Late Model feature as they battled for the top spot. Todd Frank outdueled his son and began building an advantage over the field.

Ron Berna got by the younger Frank and assumed the second position a few laps later. Meanwhile, Nick Anvelink made his way into the battle, moving into the third spot. It soon was a three-way battle for the top spot.

Frank held the top spot while Berna and Anvelink put on an exciting fight for the runner-up spot. Berna jumped the berm and opened the door just enough for Anvelink to grab the second spot and go after Frank.

Frank maintained his top spot as Anvelink looked for an opportunity to get by. Just a slight bobble in corner



Travis Van Straten earned the feature win in the IMCA Stock Car division Aug. 14 at the Shawano Speedway.

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four by Frank was all Anvelink needed to grab the top spot and go on to win.

The Sport Mods took the track and saw Hollie Welch and Bryce Clements jumping to the early lead from their front row starting spots.

Welch paced the field with Clements working the very high side of the track trying to track her down. Jayden Schmidt began moving up the field, going from his fourth-row starting spot to third in a matter of two laps.

With Schmidt giving chase, Welch

continued to hold off Clements. Five laps in, Clements got too close to the outside wall and brought out the caution flag.

When racing resumed, Schmidt made his way past Welch and grabbed the lead. Jeffery Teske got to the second spot and began challenging Schmidt for the lead, but Schmidt was too strong and picked up the win.

The Mighty 4s rounded out action with Lucas Hacker grabbing feature win No. 5 on the season.

Ski Sharks' Faith Passehl takes 7th in Division 1 swivel competition

By **MORGAN RODE**

Sports Editor

Shawano Ski Sharks' Faith Passehl placed seventh in the swivel competition at the Division 1 Show Ski National Championships on Aug. 13 at Traxler Park in Janesville.

"My run went good for the most part; I skied clean and dry," said Passehl. "However, one of my highest scoring passes didn't go as planned, which is OK. I'm just happy I stayed dry."

"At first, placing seventh made me a little upset knowing that I could have skied better. But after

I sat and thought about it, being seventh in the whole country for swivel is pretty amazing and something to be proud of."

Passehl earned a score of 15.2 for her swivel routine.

"I've only been swiveling and competing for around five years. So coming to my first-ever D1 Nationals

and placing top 10 is pretty incredible, and it was exciting to see all my hard work that I've put in over the last few years start to pay off," said Passehl. "And now I can really start competing with the top girls in the country to be the national champion in the coming years. Definitely bigger and better things to come!"



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BABA PLAYOFF HIGHLIGHTS

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East-West Division

Gresham 11

Neopit 10

Second-seeded Gresham edged third-seeded Neopit in a playoff matchup Aug. 15 in Gresham.

Gresham trailed 10-8 entering the bottom of the ninth. Anthony Leaman drove in two runs on a double in the frame.

Paul Murphy picked up the win for Gresham, which will travel to take on top-seeded Clintonville on Aug. 22. Jordan Stichman and Tom Nietzer each belted a home run for Gresham.

Walker Miller was dealt the loss for Neopit. Lowell Chevalier homered to lead the team at the plate.

Clintonville 15

Marion 6

Brock Smejkal pitched seven no-hit innings in top-seeded Clintonville's playoff victory over fourth-seeded

ONLINE

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Marion on Aug. 15 in Clintonville.

Hunter Vollmer and Jared Cartwright posted three hits each for Clintonville, while Mitch Ebben and Turner Doornink had two hits each. Ebben hit a three-run homer during a four-RBI day.

Marion's Jared Sonnenberg was tagged with the loss.

Caroline 11

Tilleda 2

Second-seeded Caroline had little trouble taking down third-seeded Tilleda on Aug. 15 in Caroline.

Bryson Bernarde struck out five batters over six innings and earned the win for Caroline. He also had two hits at the plate.

Phil Duffek had three hits for Caroline, while Neil Hoffman, Aaron Hoffman, Austin Hoffman and Eric

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Kroening had two hits each. Neil Hoffman hit a homer.

Zach Fehrman was the losing pitcher but had a pair of hits at the plate. Adam Strassburg also had two hits.

Little Falls 21

Tigerton 0

Top-seeded Little Falls routed fourth-seeded Tigerton in another playoff matchup Aug. 15 in Little Falls.

Little Falls will host Caroline in the next round of the playoffs Aug. 22.

Carter Kurki earned the win after striking out six batters over five innings. Hayden Harris took the loss for Tigerton, which had just one hit.

Kal Fischer drove in five runs on three hits for Little Falls, while Cam Gruenwald drove in three on four hits. Kurki recorded four RBIs on two hits and Kasey Morgan drove in three

on just one hit. Hunter Gruenwald chipped in three hits and Scott Aasen two. Jenner Gullixon homered among his two hits.

Northern Division

Eland 2

Elderon 0

Top-seeded Eland topped fourth-seeded Elderon behind a strong pitching outing for Tyler Nelson to earn a playoff win Aug. 15 in Eland.

Nelson pitched all nine innings to earn the win on the mound. Shane Larson and Ryan Richter posted two hits each for Eland.

Casey Kerstner was the losing pitcher.

Antigo/Polar 6

Birnamwood 0

Second-seeded Antigo/Polar blanked third-seeded Birnamwood in a playoff clash Aug. 15 in Antigo.

Antigo/Polar will travel to face Eland on Aug. 22.

DAIRYLAND LEAGUE PLAYOFF HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Hortonville 8

Cecil 1

Hortonville hit three home runs in a home playoff win over Cecil on Aug. 15. Hortonville will host Hofa Park on Aug. 22 in a playoff semifinal matchup.

Tommy Dugandzic belted a three-run homer in the second to make it a 5-0 game. He hit another homer in the fourth before Will Salaman hit a homer in the seventh.

Colan Trembl earned the win after striking out eight batters over six innings. Mason Thiel worked two innings before Scott Gorsuch worked the final frame.

Tucker Bouche took the loss for Cecil, with Isaac Boldt finishing the

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contest on the hill. Braden Uelmen hit a homer in the sixth for Cecil's only run, while Kenny Casper led the team with two hits.

Bonduel 17

Nichols 3

Bonduel routed Nichols in a playoff game Aug. 15 in Bonduel. The Broncos will travel to take on Waupaca on Aug. 22 in the next round of the playoffs.

Barrett Bohm, Adam Frost and Eric Gruenwald all homered for Bonduel, which finished with 19 hits. Frost drove in four runs, while Bohm, Gruenwald, Chase Reinke and Jack Reinke all

drove in three.

Chase Reinke struck out seven batters over six innings to also pick up the win. Bohm, Jack Reinke and Wyatt Reinke worked an inning each.

Justin Krull suffered the loss.

Hofa Park 4

Navarino 0

Hofa Park earned a road playoff win over Navarino on Aug. 15.

Gavin Rusch and Eli Frank combined to pitch the shutout for Hofa Park. Rusch worked the first seven innings before Rusch worked the last two frames to earn the save.

Rob Schuettelz drove in two runs for Hofa Park, while Will Sullivan and Cole Wilcox added an RBI each. Wilcox, Schuettelz, Sullivan and James Bornick all had two hits.

Ben Prodel had two hits for Navarino. Paul Sellner was the losing pitcher.

Waupaca 11

Pulaski 1

Waupaca eased past Pulaski in a playoff clash Aug. 15 in Waupaca.

Jacob Popham had four hits and two RBIs to lead Waupaca at the plate, while Brenden Canterbury had three RBIs on two hits. Jake Pankratz homered, while Johnny Popham recorded three hits.

Cam Seidl earned the win after striking out 14 batters over seven innings. Jason Ellie and Jim Nighbor worked an inning each to seal the win.

Jason Infusino and Tyler Wichmann had two hits each for Pulaski. Cody Pangrazzi suffered the loss.



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Stelson replaces Dale as Bonduel athletic director

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Ron Stelson replaced Matt Dale as Bonduel's athletic director and started in the position back in July.

"I've always been interested in opportunities and challenges," said Stelson. "I've also always been interested in athletics and helping student-athletes reach their full potential in both the classroom and on the field/court. When this position opened up, I was very interested in it because it was being 'coupled' with the Dean of Students role. I have many years of experience in coaching and one year in the dean position, so I thought I would be a good fit."

Stelson has been involved with high school athletics in some fashion for 21 years.

Before joining the Bonduel district in 2015, he helped coach football, basketball and track teams in the Spencer, Columbus and Green Bay areas. Six years ago, he took a middle school teaching job in Bonduel and has been involved with the high school football and girls basketball and middle school track and girls basketball teams since.



RON STELSON



MATT DALE

"I think now is an excellent time to take over as the Bonduel AD because we have great student-athletes that want to not only excel in the classroom, but they want to be challenged in athletics as well," said Stelson. "We have great leadership in Bonduel with students, athletes, staff and administration. Bonduel is a great place to be right now with many exciting changes happening in the future."

Stelson said Dale did a "great job" in helping him get used to some of the responsibilities of an athletic director.

He's been focused on getting things set for the fall sports season and says "every day is a new learning experience."

"I hope to bring a consistent and constant effort, clarity to the rules

and expectations, clear and transparent communication to all the invested stakeholders, and sense of pride in everything that Bonduel has to offer in both athletics and academics," said Stelson. "I hope on the athletic side we are competitive in every contest we engage in and show the sportsmanship that our coaches preach at all levels daily. We are a great school with many opportunities and a great community that backs all our students' efforts."

Dale served as the Bonduel AD for the past two years.

While a majority of his time as the athletic director was greatly affected by the coronavirus pandemic, he enjoyed the experience.

"The greatest accomplishment of the last two years as athletic director was just the opportunity we were able to provide our student athletes," said Dale. "With the cancellation of spring sports at the end of my first year and the uncertainty that COVID provided during year two, I'm just grateful we were able to provide as much competition as possible throughout the year."

"I give all the credit to the coaches for adhering to state and local guidelines and keeping their athletes healthy

and safe during a time when we didn't know what was going to happen day to day."

Dale moved on from Bonduel to serve as an alternative educational teacher in Kaukauna High School's At Risk program. He and his family, which includes three young children, live in Kaukauna.

"It is important for me as a parent to be there at their events and help get them to and from practices and events," said Dale of his children. "I love athletics and if it was just about the coaches, athletes, and community in Bonduel, I could have continued to stay in this position. The coaches and student-athletes work extremely hard to be competitive in one of the best small-school conferences in the state. However, I didn't want to miss out on my own kids' competitions and events on account of working."

Dale added that Stelson will "do an outstanding job as athletic director," adding he has the background and experience necessary. "I'm very confident he will continue the strong tradition at Bonduel."

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OPINION

Why isn't there a Christmas city in Wisconsin?

The other day, I was reading the news back home and came across an item about a \$160,000 earmark for Arizona's Christmas City, Prescott.

The coronavirus pandemic put a lot of things in limbo last year, including funding for community events. The Christmas city program was no exception, and if you've ever been there, Prescott definitely puts on a show. The county courthouse and most of the trees on the plaza are wrapped up in lights. There are two holiday parades, one at night and one during the day, as well as the self-proclaimed "World's Largest Gingerbread Village" and much more.

Normally, the city council there contributes \$35,000 annually for the event, which brings thousands of visitors during the holiday season. But the city's tourism committee is asking for the \$160,000 one time due to the loss of donations and contributions during 2020.

While the large monetary request caught my attention for the story, it also raised another question for me, specifically whether there was an official Christmas city for Wisconsin. I did some checking. There isn't. I tried looking to see if maybe there was a Christmas village or even a Christmas county. No dice, which raised a new question — why isn't there a Christmas city in Wisconsin?

Think about it for a second.



LEE PULASKI

Wisconsin has an abundance of Christmas tree farms where folks can go to chop down their own tree or get one that's already cut (just in case your family has a bad history with

axes). We also have a lot more snow than Arizona, so we definitely look more Christmas-y.

Many communities in Shawano and Oconto counties have tree-lighting ceremonies and holiday parades. In Tigerton, there's a display of Christmas trees in the old village hall. In Oconto Falls, there's the Avenue of Lights. In Shawano, there is a plethora of Nativity scenes at the First Presbyterian Church. Holiday theater productions are common in Shawano, Abrams and Clintonville.

You might expect one of the larger cities in Wisconsin to be vying for such a title, but there's not. I saw websites for top 10 Christmas activities in Wisconsin and that sort of thing, but not one community trying to be the headquarters of all things jolly and bright in December.

So why couldn't one of our communities become "Wisconsin's Christmas City"? We certainly do our fair share of holiday celebrations in

northeast Wisconsin, but in terms of big shindigs that bring people in from all over the state, not so much. Various organizations do their own things, sometimes one or two things, but what would happen if we were to coordinate under one umbrella in Shawano, Oconto Falls, Wittenberg, Gresham, Lena or one of the other communities? Think of the holiday goodwill it could generate.

I've often wondered what a gingerbread village might look like in Shawano. The one in Prescott gets entries from schools, families and corporations. Even the television stations down in Phoenix participate by partnering with restaurant chefs to make huge productions. Of course, we can't expect a local gingerbread village to rival Arizona's edible delights, but even the Prescott gingerbread village had small and humble beginnings.

Oconto County might have better luck with a courthouse lighting event, as that building is grand, luxurious and historic, whereas the courthouse in Shawano County is not as shapely. Of course, Shawano has been trying to light up Franklin Park with uniquely decorated trees, so that might be a preferable option to trying to put lights and decorations on a cinderblock.

There's certainly potential in many of our communities to pool

available resources and change them from dimly lit beacons in the night to bright and dazzling cities (or villages) that would rival the lighthouses on Lake Michigan. While I'm not suggesting a community plunk down \$160,000 to bring something like this into creation, it would be an impressive project to be taken on by chambers of commerce, businesses, nonprofits and other do-gooders.

Prescott, Arizona, only officially became a Christmas city in 1989, about 32 years ago, by a governor's proclamation, so it would definitely take time to build a reputation, but imagine what a reputation there could be. We could bring in more visitors at a time when things are pretty quiet, which would encourage them to stop at businesses, dine in restaurants, stay in hotels and thus bring in more revenue to community coffers. The possibilities are staggering.

It would take a lot of people and a lot of planning, but having one of our communities become a Christmas city could go a long way to bringing extended holiday cheer to the area. After the depressing, extended pandemic we've gone through, it would be good to have something positive that would last a lot longer than the coronavirus.

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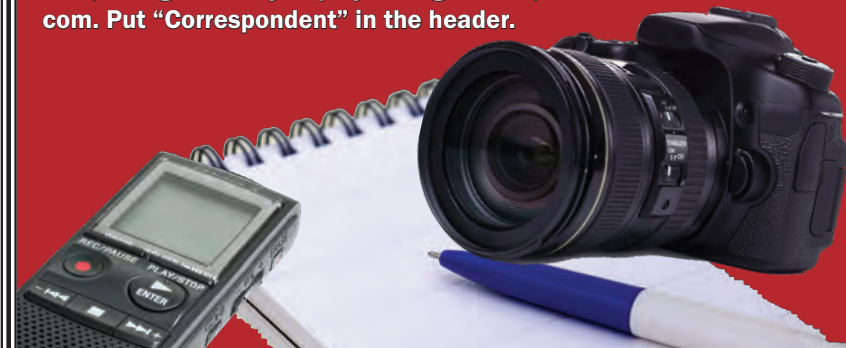
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Noriega-Avila hearing pushed back to Sept. 27

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

A preliminary hearing for Pedro Noriega-Avila was pushed back to September after no one from the public defender's office came forward to represent him on Aug. 13.

Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge William Kussel Jr. set a status conference for 1:30 p.m. Sept. 27 after confirming that Noriega-Avila wanted an attorney to represent him.

Noriega-Avila faces one count of first-degree child sexual assault of a child under age 13, two counts of sexual assault with someone under age 16 and two counts of incest with a child by a stepparent. The case is from 2016, but he was a fugitive until he was caught earlier this year by the U.S. Border Patrol trying to go to Mexico.

The criminal complaint states that Noriega-Avila allegedly went into his stepdaughter's room between

September 2009 and June 2010 and assaulted her. It goes on to say that additional incidents occurred in 2014 and 2015. Noriega-Avila married the victim's mother on July 9, 2010.

Noriega-Avila faces a maximum of 40 years in prison and \$100,000 fine for each of the incest and the latter two sexual assault counts. For the child sexual assault in 2010, he faces up to 60 years in prison.

Noriega-Avila remains in jail on a \$500,000 cash bond.

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Familiar faces at folk festival



Folk singer Matt Watroba performs a medley of songs on the afternoon of Aug. 14 at Franklin Park during the Shawano Folk Music Festival. Watroba has performed at the festival several times prior, but some of this year's acts were brand new. Watroba commented that it was nice to perform again after 18 months of live venues being canceled.

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It's the season to savor the grace of grasses

During late summer and autumn, native and ornamental grasses put on their best show. Biding their time all summer long, the grasses really begin to reach for the skies, beginning to show their true colors and true form.

Ornamental grasses are a staple of the garden and should be included to provide an element of texture, architecture and graceful beauty that can be incorporated into the garden to provide four seasons of interest.

In addition to their architecture and graceful presence, elegant ornamental grasses flower during late summer and fall, many featuring extravagant, feathery plumes that dance in the wind.

There are ornamental grasses for every part of the landscape and garden. Many prefer full sun; however, there are a number of excellent and beautiful choices for shady areas, as well. There are also many grasses that grow well in wet areas and can be used in rain gardens, as well as along the borders of streams, ponds and lakes.

Many of my favorite ornamental grasses are native to our area and provide color, texture and beauty.

Prairie dropseed is an elegant, feathery, perfectly round clump with extremely thin blades that provide a wonderful texture in the sunny garden. As a bonus, this grass transforms into a stunning lemon yellow during the fall season.

Little bluestem is a compact and colorful native grass that can be used just about anywhere. Versatile, compact and colorful, little bluestem is a must-have for every landscape. As its name implies, little bluestem is a dwarf version of big blue stem. It reaches about 2 feet high and wide and transforms into a stunning combination of purple, red and orange by fall.

For sun or shade, northern sea oats is a breathtaking specimen grass that features large, dangling spangles in a beautiful, round clump of relatively thick bladed grass. While the native version is rich green in color, there are garden hybrids that are variegated

of the garden and should be included to provide an element of texture, architecture and graceful beauty that can be incorporated into the garden to provide four



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Northern bottlebrush is an excellent and elegant native grass for shade.

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green and white that are just as beautiful.

In addition to native grasses, there are many wonderful ornamental grasses that can be used in the garden and landscape.

The popular blue fescues are a stunning addition, with compact, round shape and sky blue color that fit in just about anywhere in the garden and landscape. The color alone makes them worth the investment as their stunning powder blue can be seen throughout the landscape.

Of course, during the late summer and fall season, the maiden grasses, or miscanthus, put on their spectacular showcase of tall, feathery, quivering plumes that dance in the summer wind. There are many varieties of maiden grasses to choose from in all sizes. There are dwarf versions that may only be 2 to 3 feet in height, as well as giant specimen plants that can reach 7 to 8 feet or higher.

Another hybrid grass that is wonderful, especially for shady

areas, is Japanese forest grass. In green and gold, or solid gold, this grass does well in shadier locations, where it tumbles over itself like a waterfall, creating a stunning and breathtaking effect.

Of course, in addition to all of these perennial grasses, there are a number of stunning annual grasses that can be incorporated into the garden, as well as container plantings for all seasons.

The popular purple fountain grass is a staple in containers and landscapes, turning a rich, bronze purple with massive, purple flower heads that decorate the plant like feathery plumes.

There are many varieties of annual fountain grasses that are available, in addition to the solid purple. Fireworks is a variegated variety, as is cherry sparkler, and shades of pink and red.

Remember, however, all of these fountain grasses are annuals and will not survive a Wisconsin winter outdoors.

There are also a number of com-

pact annual grasses that are perfect for containers and borders. Toffee twist sedge is one of my favorites, in a beautiful caramel/toffee color. Black Mondo grass is a beautiful grass in jet black. Fiber-optic grass is an unusual and beautiful grass with tiny flower heads that resemble fiber optic lights on each blade. Twisted sedge is a wiry, thick-stemmed grass that curls and twists, offering a unique and desirable effect in containers and borders.

It's not too late to add ornamental grasses to your containers, garden and landscape as many garden centers and retail stores sell perennial and annual grasses well into the fall gardening season.

Throughout the winter season, allow your beautiful ornamental grasses to remain standing as their stunning flowerheads provide grace and beauty and elegance when tufted with winter snow.

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the **School District of Bonduel** that the **Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting** of said district for the transaction of business will be held in the **High School Commons** on the **16th day of August, 2021, at 6:00 pm**. Detailed copies of the budget are available for inspection in the district office.

Dated this 9th day of August, 2021
Greg Borowski, Clerk

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MENOMINEE TRIBAL ENTERPRISES NOTICE OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING / SWEARING IN OF DIRECTORS

The Menominee Tribal Enterprises Board of Directors has called the Annual Business Meeting of the members of the Menominee Indian Tribe as follows:

When: Saturday, December 11, 2021
Time: 10:00 a.m.

Where: Manufacturing Office Complex (MOC) at the MTE Mill, Neopit, WI. 54150

At this Annual Business meeting, reports on the operations of the Menominee Tribal Enterprises for the past fiscal year (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021), swearing in of Elected Directors, and for transacting such other business will occur, at the Annual Meeting.

ELECTIONS/VOTING:

Neopit, November 17, 2021 – Neopit Precinct (old Boys & Girls Club): 9:30am – 7:30pm
Keshena, November 18, 2021 – Menominee Casino Resort: 9:30am – 7:30pm

Two (2) Menominee's will be elected as Class II Directors for the 3-year term and One (1) Menominee for the Class III unexpired term for the 1-year term, to the Board of Directors, terms expiring on the Annual Business Meeting date in 2022 and 2024.

The following Directors terms expire at the Annual Business Meeting on December 11, 2021:

Class II: Duane Waukau (resigned) and Tony Waupochick, in addition, there will be an election to fill the unexpired term of Class III: Director Alex "Little Man" Peters III (resigned).

Eligibility to serve on the MTE Board of Directors requirements:

- 1) Enrolled member of Menominee Indian Tribe of WI
- 2) Must be 25 years of age or older on the date of the Annual Meeting
- 3) Never have been convicted of a felony, unless such conviction has been overturned or the individual has been pardoned (proof required).

Nomination Petitions will be available to any person seeking to become certified for the position of Directors Class II & III on **September 13, 2021**. The candidate for a Director's position must pick up the Nomination Petition at the reception desk at MTE main office, Neopit, Wisconsin. The Nomination Petition must be signed by no fewer than seventy-five (75) enrolled eligible voters. Eligible voters must be an enrolled member of the Menominee Indian Tribe and be eighteen (18) years of age or older on or before November 18, 2021.

Completed Petition must be returned **ONLY** to the Election Board by hand delivery to the Election Board Member listed below no later than **September 27, 2021 before 4:00pm**.

Election Board Members:

Alison Corn- Election Board Chairperson, MTE Main Office, Neopit, Wisconsin
Mariah Reiter-Election Board Member, MTE Main Office, Neopit, Wisconsin
Delia O'Kimosh- Election Board Member, MTE Main Office, Neopit, Wisconsin.
RaeAnne Schneider – Election Board Member, Keshena, WI

For further information please contact Alison Corn, MTE Board Secretary at 715-756-2311 ext. 1127.

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ESTIMATE OF QUANTITIES

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Will be received by the City of Shawano at the Department of Public Works office 2905 E. Richmond St., Shawano, Wisconsin, until 10:00 AM Local Time on August 27, 2021, at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Complete sets of Bidding Documents may be obtained in PDF electronic format from the City of Shawano DPW by calling 715-526-3512, M-F 7:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m. All bidders shall bid in accordance with and shall bid upon the Proposal Forms provided in the Contract Documents.

All Proposals shall be addressed to the City of Shawano, Department of Public Works, 2905 E. Richmond St., Shawano, Wisconsin 54166, and shall be placed in a sealed opaque envelope with the name and address of the Bidder and the DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTRACT(S) FOR WHICH THE BID IS BEING SUBMITTED clearly marked on the outside of the envelope.

Owner requires Bidders to be pre-qualified for these projects in accordance with the Wisconsin Statutes 66.29(2). Qualifications shall be delivered to the DPW office, not less than 5 days prior to the bid deadline. The Owner's decision as to the qualifications shall be final.

A certified check or Bid Bond payable to the City of Shawano in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid shall accompany each bid as a guarantee, that if the bid is accepted, the Bidder will execute and file the Contract, Performance and Payment Bond, and the Insurance Certificate(s) within ten (10) days after the receipt of the Notice of Award by the City. If the Bidder fails to file such a Contract and Bond within the time set forth above, the Certified Check or Bid Bond shall be forfeited to the City as liquidated damages.

The above listed project is being financed in whole or in part by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources through the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP). Neither the State of Wisconsin nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be party to this invitation for bids or any resulting contract.

FEDERAL DAVIS-BACON ACT WAGES REQUIREMENT

Federal Davis-Bacon Act wages are applicable to this project per Federal Labor Provisions. Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to the condition of employment to be observed and minimum wage and fringe rates to be paid under the contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246. The successful bidder will be required to conform to the wage requirements prescribed by the federal Davis-Bacon and Related Acts which requires that all operators, laborers and mechanics employed by the contractors and subcontractors performing on contracts funded in whole or in part with the federal funds in excess of \$2,000 pay their operators, laborers and mechanics not less than the prevailing wage rates and fringe benefits, as determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor, for corresponding classes of operators, laborers and mechanics employed on similar projects in the area.

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DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE) REQUIREMENT

The City of Shawano encourages DBEs, including Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) and Women Business Enterprises (WBEs) to submit a bid proposal as a prime contractor, if pre-qualified as stated previously.

This requirement is subject to the City of Shawano's (grantee's) policy regarding the increased use of minority and women's businesses. The grantee's policy requires all bidders to undertake specified affirmative efforts. At least 15 days prior to bid opening, the bidder needs to contact five MBEs and five WBEs to solicit bids. To comply with the requirements, the grantee requires documentation of all contacts on the contact forms included within the bid documents. The contact forms need to be submitted with the bid.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (45) calendar days after the scheduled opening of bids without the consent of the City.

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CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 2021PR62

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Ruth M. Henke
DOD 5/17/2021
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 1/4/1926 and date of death 5/17/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 103 Madison Way #112, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 11/9/2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Office of the Probate Registrar.
Atty. Thomas J. Martell
117 North Mains Street
P.O. Box 237
Shawano, WI 54166
715-201-3364
Bar No. 1003597
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#1935
August 6, 13 & 20, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
Case No. 21CV98
Hon. WILLIAM F. KUSSEL JR.
Case Code: 30301

Plaintiff(s):
SECURA INSURANCE, A MUTUAL COMPANY
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APPLETON, WI 54912
and
HENRY WAGNER
N6928 COUNTY ROAD BB
OCONTO FALLS, WI 54154
-v.s.-
Defendant:
DARYL LEE UPTON
5004 HUNT LANE
CECIL, WI 54111
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, To each person named above as a Defendant:
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Within forty (40) days after August 6, 2021, you must respond with a written answer as that term is used in chapter 802 of the Wisconsin statutes, to the complaint. The court may reject or disregard an Answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is 311 N. Main St., Shawano, WI 54166, and to the offices of Heuer Law Offices, S.C., Plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 9312 W. National Ave., West Allis, Wisconsin 53227. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper answer within forty (40) days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
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CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR61

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Bernard J. Kaquatosh
DOD 1/16/2021
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 8/9/1942 and date of death 1/16/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N6955 State Hwy 47-55, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 11/12/2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Office of the Probate Registrar.
Attorney Stacie L. Dobbe
5740 Grand Market Drive
Suite D
Appleton, WI 54913
920-560-4651
Bar No. 1073661
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#1938
August 6, 13 & 20, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for
Name Change Hearing
Case No. 21CV124

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Kristi Kay Onesti
By (Petitioner): Kristi Kay Onesti
Notice is Given:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Kristi Kay Onesti
To: Kristi Kay Paiser
Birth Certificate: Kristi Kay Paiser
It is ordered:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin:
Judge's Name: Judge Sloma
Place: Branch 1 311 N. Main St.
Shawano, WI 54166
Date: 9/10/2021
Time: 11:30 AM
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#1953
August 20, 27 & September 3, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice Setting Time to Hear Application
And Deadline for Filing Claims
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR69

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Raymond R. Kroening
DOD 7/23/2021
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 7/30/1929 and date of death 7/23/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W1031 Townline Road, Krakow, WI 54137.
3. The application will be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, before Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar, on 9/28/2021 at 9:30am.
You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 11/22/2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202 Probate Office.
6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.
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DePere, WI 54115
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Small Claims
Publication Summons
And Notice
Case No. 2021SC000366

If you need help in this matter because of a disability, please call:
715-526-9347
Plaintiff(s)
APO, LLC
2400 Caton Farm Road
Crest Hill IL 60403
-vs-
Defendant(s)
Briana Wescott
N5973 Lake Dr
Shawano WI 54166-3946
Publication Summons and Notice of Filing TO THE PERSON (S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):
You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above.
The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court: Shawano County Courthouse
Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 715-526-9347
Address: 311 N Main Street,
Address: Branch 2
City: Shawano, WI 54166
on the following date and time:
Date: 08/26/2021
Time: 10:30 a.m.

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court **before** the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county.
Electronically Signed by Emma N. Schaefer
07/27/2021
Dobberstein Law Firm, LLC
225 S. Executive Dr. Suite 201
Brookfield, WI. 53005
262.641.3715
Bar No.1116788
WNAXLP

#1952
August 20, 27 & September 3, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice Setting Time to Hear Application
And Deadline for Filing Claims
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR65

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
William H. Mau
DOD 5/31/2021
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 5/23/1941 and date of death 5/31/2021 was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1021 4th Street, PO Box 297, Mattoon, Wisconsin 54450.
3. The application will be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, before Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar, on 9/28/2021 at 9:30am.
You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 11/22/2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202 Probate Office.
6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526-8631 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
Jama S. Graves
Kirk Graves & Nugent
PO Box 9
Prairie Du Sac, WI 53578
608-643-2456
Bar No. 1032441
WNAXLP

Legals
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#1943
August 13, 20 & 27, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN,
CIRCUIT COURT,
BROWN COUNTY
Small Claims
Publication Summons
And Notice
Case No. 2021SC002385

If you need help in this matter because of a disability, please call:
920-448-4155
Plaintiff(s):
Bellin Anesthesia Associates. S.C.
First Floor 225 S Executive Dr
Brookfield WI 53005
-vs-
Defendant(s):
Douglas Turritin
N3456 County Road K
Shawano WI 54166
Publication Summons and Notice of filing TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):
You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above.
The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court: Brown County Courthouse
Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 920-448-4155
Courtroom/Room Number: 100 S Jefferson Street
Address: Court Room B
City: Green Bay, WI 54305
on the following date and time:
Date: 09/01/2021
Time: 2:45 p.m.
If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
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Sign here. Enter your phone number and date.
Electronically Signed by:
Richard E. Stueckroth
08/03/2021
Dobberstein Law Firm, LLC
225 S. Executive Dr. Suite 201
Brookfield, WI. 53005
262-641-3715
Bar No. 1101071
WNAXPL

#1954
August 20, 27 & September 3, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR60

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Janice Dawn Peasley
DOD 8/10/2019
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 5/17/1947 and date of death 8/10/2019, was domiciled in Mattoon, Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 513 Quartz Street.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 11/03/2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., #203, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.
James C. Koppelman of Schmitt & Koppelman, S.C.
1029 East Main St.
PO BOX 176
Merrill, WI 54452
715-536-8371
Bar No, 01001643
WNAXLP

Buy It - Sell It
Classifieds
715-526-6188

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#1944
August 13, 20 & 27 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT,
SHAWANO COUNTY
Publication Summons
And Notice
(Small Claims)
Case No. 21SC384

Alan's Property Management, LLC.

10847 W Coronado Court
Franklin, WI 54132

-vs-

Defendant(s):

Richard L Peters Jr.
806 W Picnic Street #3
Shawano, WI 54166

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TO THE PERSON (S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT (S):

You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above.

The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court:

Shawano County Courthouse

Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 715-526-9347

Address: 311 N Main Street,

Address: Branch 2

City: Shawano, WI 54166

on the following date and time:

Date: 9/2/2021

Time: 10:30 a.m.

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

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Date: 8/5/2021

10847 W Coronado Court

Franklin, WI 54132

414-587-7708

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#1948
August 13, 20 & 27, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR64

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Todd N. Raatz

DOD 4/23/2020

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 5/19/1967 and date of death 4/23/2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W4955 Bartelt Blvd., Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 11/18/2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202 Probate Office.

James E. Aschenbrener

P.O. Box 146

Shawano, WI 54166

715-524-6258

Bar No. 1008896

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#1955
August 20 & 27, 2021

Date Published Notice of Public Sale Sunday August 31st, 2021 7:00 PM

Bidding is on complete contents of Units:

Randy Laabs, 2008 Grove St; Apt #1, Oshkosh, WI 54901, Unit 302

Date Published Notice of Public Sale Sunday August 31st, 2021 7:00 PM

Bidding is on complete contents of Units:

Brandon Zelzer, N7247 Cozy Oaks Cir, Shawano, WI 54166, Unit 808

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#1947
August 13 & 20, 2021
Notice of Public Hearing
Planning, Development and Zoning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 1, 2021 @ 9:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A, B & C
Members: Ken Capelle, Kevin Conradt, Steven Gueths, Gene Hoppe, Kathy Luebke

CU-26-21: Jason Johnson, Outagamie Clean Energy Partners, agent for Betley Farms LLC, owner, request conditional use permit for A) Construction of a large solar energy system, and B) for placement of more than 500 cubic yards of fill for creation of a uniform grade between and around proposed structures and in the proposed solar field area pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Section X.9.03 (120), (174) & (287) and Table X.2.02. Property is located and described as S _ SW _ Sec 9 T25N R18E Less and Except the East 282 feet of the South 650 feet and except Hwy 55. Tax parcel #030-09330-0010. Town of Maple Grove. Property address: W1630 Redwood Drive
CU-28-21: Jeff Boerst, agent for Gloria Q Siebers Revocable Trust, owner, request conditional use permit for filling and grading of more than 2,000 square feet on slopes of less than 12% of an area that is within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of Loon Lake pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 8.21(3) for the purpose of razing an existing single family dwelling and construction of a new single family dwelling with a patio and deck. Property is located and described as commencing at the Southwest corner of Government Lot No. 4 of Section 12, T27N R16E thence South on the east line of Government Lot No. 8, 151.1 feet, thence angle 56; 40' to the right 68 feet and this shall be the place of beginning. Thence angle 90; to the right 211 feet to Loon Lake. Thence Southwesterly along Loon Lake 50 feet. Thence Southeasterly parallel with the first course from the beginning 213 feet. Thence angle 90; to the left 50 feet to the place of beginning and to be know as Lot No. 4 of Shady Rest Inn. Tax parcel #048-75300-0020. Town of Wescott. Property address: W5210 Shady Rest Court

CU-29-21: Jonathan T Martineau request conditional use permit for filling and grading of more than 2,000 square feet on slopes of less than 12% of an area that is within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of an unnamed creek pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 8.21 (3) for the purpose of constructing a single family dwelling with an attached garage. Property is located and described as the SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 except West 500 feet, Section 31, T27N R18E. Tax parcel #020-31140-0000. Town of Green Valley. Property address: W2108 Busch Road
Z-8-21 & CU-30-21: Daniel N and Betty J Borntrager request zone change 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, Table X.2.01 (1) to X.3.01 (2) to allow for a single family dwelling and a major home occupation. Also a conditional use permit for establishment of a Major Home Occupation (land use) associated with a woodworking shop to build or shape cabinets and/or moldings done by custom ordering for retail or custom installation pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Table X.3.02 & Section X.9.03(147). Property is located and described as part of the NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 & part of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4, Section 24, T26N R13E now know as Lot 1 Volume 23 Certified Survey Map Page 196 Map #4356 except the 100.27' of the North 445.18'. Tax parcel #018-24310-0010. Town of Grant. Property address: W12355 County Road M

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 @ coshawanowl.civicweb.net
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#1941
August 6, 13 & 20, 2021
NOTICE OF CLAIMS DEADLINE
IN THE MATTER OF THE
PATRICIA J. PRZYBYLSKI REVOCABLE TRUST
DATED JUNE 4, 2015

Pursuant to Section 701.0508, Wis. Stats., DAVID PRZYBYLSKI, as Trustee of the PATRICIA J. PRZYBYLSKI REVOCABLE TRUST dated June 4, 2015, with power to pay the debts of PATRICIA J. PRZYBYLSKI, who died on June 14, 2021, hereby provides notice that the deadline for filing claims for the payment of debts of the decedent is four months after the date of the first insertion of this Notice. Claims shall be delivered to the address set forth below: PATRICIA J. PRZYBYLSKI REVOCABLE TRUST REVOCABLE TRUST dated June 4, 2015

By: DAVID PRZYBYLSKI, Trustee

1433 Timber Trail

Suamico, WI 54173

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MARRIAGES

Lawrence E. Bernarde and Amanda Martha Rossenbach, both of Mattoon, July 17, 2021.

Ryan Michael Briske and Irasema Rivera Montes, both of Wanamingo, July 23, 2021.

Paul Andrew Brussow, of Gresham, and Penny Gail Duxtator, of Bowler, July 23, 2021.

David William Gilane and Sara Katherine Sommercorn, both of the Town of Germania, July 17, 2021.

Michael Charles Hall Jr. and Mariah Ann Welch, both of Shawano, July 24, 2021.

Andrew Paul Heyrman and Erica Lynn Schaeve, both of Shawano, July 24, 2021.

Jason Anthony Jackson and Ruth Robin Brown, both of Gresham, July 6, 2021.

Cory David Jazwiecki and Megan Elizabeth Gray, both of the Town of Wescott, Aug. 7, 2021.

Travis John Korbisch and Rebekah Lynn Pfefferle, both of Aniwa. July 31, 2021.

James Paul Lana, of West Melbourne, and Anna Caroline Palmer, of Bonduel, July 23, 2021.

William Wade Lehman, of Shawano, and Jennifer Sue Brusoe, of the Town of Richmond, July 14, 2021.

Austin David Lhotka, of Richlands, and Emerald Ann Lorenz, of Cudahy, July 5, 2021.

Raul Unnamaed Lopez and Nicole

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#1945
August 13, 20 & 27 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT,
SHAWANO COUNTY
Publication Summons
And Notice
(Small Claims)
Case No. 21SC385

Alan's Property Management, LLC.

10847 W Coronado Court

Franklin, WI 54132

-vs-

Defendant(s):

Simone Noonan

806 W Picnic Street #3

Shawano, WI 54166

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City: Shawano, WI 54166

on the following date and time:

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Time: 10:30 a.m.

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Louise Penass, both of Shawano, July 24, 2021.

Ryan Scott McVickar and Samantha Jean Beyer, both of the Town of Herman, July 24, 2021.

Michael Frank Pomprowitz, of the Town of Little Suamico, and Jolene Marie Mroczkowski, of the Town of Angelica, July 31, 2021.

Tyler Robert Schmidt and Nicole Jean Schreurs, both of Eland, July 17, 2021.

Cody Thomas Spatz and Taylor Lynn Eckardt, both of the Town of Germania, Aug. 14, 2021.

Isaiah Luis Vargas and Heather Marie Clauss, both of Wittenberg, Aug. 3, 2021.

Louis Michael Vidal and Breanna Maria Altman, both of Tigerton, July 17, 2021.

Andrew Joseph Wage and Heidi Ann Young, both of the Town of Wescott, Aug. 17, 2021.

Todd Jeffrey Wagner and Brenda Lee Bessett, both of Shawano, Aug. 21, 2021.

Carson Robart Watters and Maria Josehelena Damveld, both of the Town of Richmond, July 17, 2021.

Edward John Whealon and Margaret Mary Anderson, both of the Town of Wescott, July 24, 2021.

Jeremy David Wilber and Heather Marie Hoffman, both of Gresham, Aug. 14, 2021.

Kevin Robert Winkler, of the Town of Green Valley, and Jennifer Ann Jurecki, of the Town of Morgan, July 26, 2021.

Legals
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#1946
August 13, 20 & 27, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR63

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

LYLE HENRY MOELLER

DOD 7/1/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 12/17/1944 and date of death 7/1/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W4214 Birch Road, Bonduel, WI 54107.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 11/16/2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202 Office of Probate Registrar.

J. Edison Woods, Jr.

208 W. Green Bay St.

Shawano, WI 54122

715-526-3191

Bar No. 1013125

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NOTICE THAT THE ASSESSMENT ROLL IS OPEN FOR EXAMINATION AND OPEN BOOK VILLAGE OF CECIL, SHAWANO COUNTY

Pursuant to s. 70.45, Wis. Stats. The assessment roll for the Year 2021 assessment will be open for examination starting on the 25th day of August 2021 at 12:00PM-2:00PM. Instructional material will be provided at the open book to persons who wish to object to valuations under s. 70.47, Wis. Stats.

Notice is hereby given this 10th day of August, 2021 by:

Teri Westerfeld

Village of Cecil Clerk/Treasurer

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Notice that Assessment Roll is Available for Examination For The Town of Seneca

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the assessment roll for the Town of Seneca is open for inspection August 24, 2021 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Seneca Town Hall.

FURTHER, BE ADVISED that the Assessor for the Town of Seneca will be present on August 24, 2021 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Seneca Town Hall.

If you have any questions, please contact Raymond Rigsby, Clerk in the Town of Seneca at 715-851-2251.

Raymond Rigsby
Clerk, Town of Seneca

Posted April 30, 2021
Seneca Town Hall
Tilleda Post Office
The Wright Place Bar & Grill

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS 00 11 13 - 1 SECTION 00 11 13 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the Chemical Feed System at the Wastewater Treatment Facility, Contract A-21, will be received by the Krakow Sanitary District No. 1, at the office of the ENGINEER: Cedar Corporation, 1695 Bellevue Street, Green Bay, WI 54311; by 11:00 a.m., local time, on September 8, 2021; and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The work, in general, will include the items listed below:

- Modifications to existing service building, for a new Chemical Feed System, including chemical feed pumps, tank and piping. Associated demolition and site restoration also involved.

The proposals shall be submitted on the forms furnished with the specifications. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check payable to the owner equal to five percent (5%) of the proposal or a bid bond of a bonding company duly authorized to do business in the State of Wisconsin in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the proposal. This proposal guarantee shall be subject to forfeiture as provided by law.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.cedarcorp.com. You may download the digital plan documents for \$30.00 (Quest eBidDoc #7338535). Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information.

An optional paper set of project documents is also available from Blue Print Service Company for a non-refundable cost plus applicable sales tax and shipping. (Full-size drawings are available upon request at an additional cost. Only printed plans obtained from Blue Print Service Company shall be considered scalable plans.) Contact for pricing and instructions at 920-733-4539 (phone) or bps@blueprints-service.com (email).

Prequalification of Bidders will not be required.

Proposals shall not be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the date of opening. The Krakow Sanitary District No. 1 reserves the right to reject any or all of the proposals and to waive any informalities therein.

Dates of Publication: August 20 and August 27, 2021

By Authority of: Daniel Cota, Sanitary District President

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STATE OF WISCONSIN

Town of Seneca Shawano County

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review for the Town of Seneca, Shawano County, Wisconsin, shall hold its first meeting on September 7, 2021, from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., at Seneca Town Hall.

Please be advised of the following requirements to appear before the board of review and procedural requirements if appearing before the board:

1. No person will be allowed to appear before the board of review, to testify to the board by telephone, or to contest the amount of any assessment of real or personal property if the person has refused a reasonable written request by certified mail of the assessor to view the property.

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

3. The board of review may not hear an objection to the amount or valuation of property unless, at least 48 hours before the board's first scheduled meeting, the objector provides to the board's clerk written or oral notice of an intent to file an objection, except that upon a showing of good cause and the submission of a written objection, the board shall waive that requirement during the first 2 hours of the board's first scheduled meeting, and the board may waive that requirement up to the end of the 5th day of the session or up to the end of the final day of the session if the session is less than 5 days with proof of extraordinary circumstances for failure to meet the 48-hour notice requirement and failure to appear before the board of review during the first 2 hours of the first scheduled meeting.

4. Objections to the amount or valuation of property shall first be made in writing and filed with the clerk of the board of review within the first 2 hours of the board's first scheduled meeting, except that, upon evidence of extraordinary circumstances, the board may waive that requirement up to the end of the 5th day of the session or up to the end of the final day of the session if the session is less than 5 days. The board may require objections to the amount or valuation of property to be submitted on forms approved by the Department of Revenue, and the board shall require that any forms include stated valuations of the property in question. Persons who own land and improvements to that land may object to the aggregate valuation of that land and improvements to that land, but no person who owns land and improvements to that land may object only to the valuation of that land or only to the valuation of improvements to that land. No person may be allowed in any action or proceedings to question the amount or valuation of property unless the written objection has been filed and that person in good faith presented evidence to the board in support of the objections and made full disclosure before the board, under oath, of all of that person's property liable to assessment in the district and the value of that property. The requirement that objections be in writing may be waived by express action of the board.

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

6. No person may appear before the board of review, testify to the board by telephone, or object to a valuation if that valuation was made by the assessor or the objector using the income method of valuation, unless the person supplies the assessor with all the information about income and expenses, as specified in the assessor's manual under s. 73.03 (2a), Wis. stats., that the assessor requests. The Town of Seneca has an ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the assessor under this paragraph that provides exceptions for persons using information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or the duties of their officer or by order of a court.* The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determined that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under s. 19.35 (1), Wis. stats.

7. The board shall hear upon oath, by telephone, all ill or disabled persons who present to the board a letter from a physician, surgeon, or osteopath that confirms their illness or disability. No other persons may testify by telephone.

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

Notice is hereby given this 30th day of April 2021.

Raymond Rigsby
Clerk, Town of Seneca

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Saturday, August 21 • 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Airport Grounds 248 Airport Rd., Shawano
Rain Date Sunday, August 22

9:00 -2:00	Aviation Display
9:00 -2:00	Car Show On Grounds
9:00 -2:00	Learn to Fly - Intro Discovery Flights, with Pilotsmith, Inc. (Fee required)
9:30 -11:30	EAA Young Eagles (age 8-17)
12:30	Runway Re-dedication Ceremony

REDEDICATION CELEBRATION AT SHAWANO AIRPORT



A special event Saturday at Shawano Municipal Airport celebrates completion and reopening of Runway 1230 with a fly-in, displays, discovery flights and a rededication ceremony. **SEE COMPLETE COVERAGE ON PAGES 3-11.**

MIKE DOOTSON

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 Fri & Sat 8AM-2PM & 4-10PM

715-201-0090



SEASONS LOUNGE

- Lounge Open Daily at 4 pm
- Daily Specials
- Friday Fish Fry
- Saturday \$1 Off Steaks
- Sunday Brunch Buffet 8AM-1PM

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WHAT'S HAPPENING



The Central Wisconsin Military Show returns Friday and Saturday to the Motorama Auto Museum Event Grounds in Aniwa. See listings below.

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FRIDAY, AUG. 20

GILLETT: Oconto County Youth Fair, Zippel Park. Flea market and craft vendors 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Exhibition area open 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Truck pull 7 p.m. Music by NashVegas 7-11 p.m.

ANIWA: Central Wisconsin Military Show, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Motorama Auto Museum, 4381 Stradale Lane. Historic vehicles and memorabilia, swap meet, reenactor encampment, live music. \$10, 12 and under free, supports veterans service groups.

SATURDAY, AUG. 21

GILLETT: Oconto County Youth Fair, Zippel Park. Flea market and craft vendors 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Exhibition area open 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Horse pull, 9 a.m. Music by The Natural Talent 1-5 p.m. Farm tractor pull 6 p.m. Music by

Revolution 7-11 p.m.

ANIWA: Central Wisconsin Military Show, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Motorama Auto Museum, 4381 Stradale Lane. Historic vehicles and memorabilia, swap meet, reenactor encampment, live music. \$10, 12 and under free, supports veterans service groups.

SHAWANO: Airport Reopening and Runway Rededication, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Shawano Municipal Airport, 248 Airport Drive. Wheels & Wings Displays, car show, EAA Young Eagles Discovery Flights (Fee) 9:30-11:30 a.m., rededication ceremony 12:30 p.m.

BREED: Music by Grand Union, 3-7 p.m., Arrowhead Saloon, 13486 County Road AA.

SUNDAY, AUG. 22

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions flea

market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St.

GILLETT: Oconto County Youth Fair, Zippel Park. Exhibition area open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sale of Champions noon. Music by Sugarbush Boys 1-5 p.m.

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto Falls Flea Market, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Memorial Field.

SHAWANO: Music in the Park featuring Blue Notes, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Memorial Park, 909 S. Lincoln St. Bring a lawn chair.

TUESDAY, AUG. 24

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto County Farmers Market, 4-8 p.m., Highland Plaza, 323 E. Highland Drive.

FRIDAY, AUG. 27

TIGERTON: Lumberjack Days, Community Park, 236 Pine St. Bean bag tournament 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUG. 28

BOWLER: "Stars, Cars and Handlebars," 9 a.m.-4 p.m., North Star Mohican Casino Resort, W12180 County Road A. Car and motorcycle show, food trucks, DJ.

TIGERTON: Lumberjack Days, Community Park, 236 Pine St. Bean bag tournament 10 a.m., kids activities and bike giveaways, strongman/woman contest 2 p.m., free corn roast 4:30 p.m., live music with Starfire 2 p.m. and Bad News 7 p.m., crowning of Lumberjack Princess between bands around 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUG. 29

TIGERTON: Lumberjack Days, Community Park, 236 Pine St. Parade 1 p.m., face painting and balloon artist 1:30-4:30 p.m., lumberjack competition 2 p.m., live music with the Drovers 2-6 p.m.

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Suring pilot Mike Dootson takes off from the newly rebuilt Runway 1230 at Shawano Municipal Airport.

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Runway rehab smooths a bumpy ride



Tony Crawford, Grafton, follows a carefully plotted pattern as he sprays the informational markings on the rebuilt Runway 1230 at Shawano Municipal Airport. CrowleyConstruction, Wauwatosa, was hired to place the markings.

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Pilots can tell the difference.

Completion of a \$1.8 million upgrade of Runway 1230 at the Shawano Municipal Airport, 248 Airport Road, Shawano, was immediately noticeable, said Mike Dootson, a Suring pilot who experienced the surface before and after the upgrade.

Cracks in the asphalt and its sealcoating on the 3,900-foot surface felt bumpy to pilots, he said. As the cracks opened, he said pilots feared that loose stones from the surface below would bounce up and damage their planes' propellers.

Those issues are no longer a problem, Dootson said.

The project meant removing all of the material from the old runway and replacing the blacktop, said Bruce Milavitz, airport commissioner and City of Shawano mayor.

According to Stephanie Senst, project engineer with Westwood Infrastructure, a civil engineering firm, the runway's condition made it eligible for federal funding.

"Asphalt has a certain service life," Senst said.

According to Senst, this project

cost of just over \$1.8 million. That money paid for the runway, the taxiway and the runway lighting. She also said that the project fell under the umbrella of coronavirus funding. She added that traditionally, funding is 90% federal, 5% state and 5% local.

Repaving, rather than resurfacing, the runways allows for a smoother ride for planes that land and take off from the airport, Senst said.

"Before we had repaved this runway, they do some minor rehabilitation work to try and extend the pavement life," she said. "They had done a slurry seal on this runway. They did some crack sealing on this runway, and it was to the point where if you put your shoe down on the crack, the crack was longer than the length of your shoe."

This was a real concern to those who use the airport to fly and caused, in part, the project to be expedited and brought to the forefront.

Senst said that projects like these are often put into the forefront of work that needs to be done because of the importance of making sure primary runways are safe and usable.

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“The way that the Federal Aviation Administration views this project, is that they highly prioritize primary runways,” said Senst. “This project, specifically being a runway project, ranked very high on their priority list. So this project was funded through discretionary funding.”

Northeast Asphalt is the general contractor on the project. The grading contractor is Relyco Inc. The electrical subcontractor is Merkel Company, and Wisconsin Interstate is doing the restoration and landscaping.

After resurfacing, the runway was opened, but Clarence Schampers, airport manager, said painting meant at least a day of closure to make sure that the striping pilot information had plenty of time to dry.

While the main runway was being repaired, a secondary, 2,200-foot runway was available, but traffic was down at the airport, he said.

Updated from a story by Luke Reimer, NEW Media reporter



Expansion of hangars, such as this one at Shawano Municipal Airport, is on the long-range plans for the airport. In this hangar, Mike Dootson checks over his small plane before venturing out.

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Airport commission salutes history, plans for the future

City-county facility has been developing since the 1940s

By **DOUG ENGEL**
Special to NEW Media

Editor's note: This brief history of the Shawano Municipal Airport was written by airport commission secretary Doug Engel on behalf of the airport commission.

Area aviation enthusiasts and the Shawano Airport Commission are looking forward to the airport's Aug. 21 re-dedication celebration.

The event marks the completion of its most recent primary runway and taxiway rehabilitation project.

This \$2.3 million project, following closely on the heels of the \$850,000 new terminal construction project, represents another milestone in the continued development and investment in this significant community asset.

These investments have taken place through partnerships with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and general aviation funding grants, along with funds from the Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics — making the project possible with minimal local funding.

This funding mechanism puts aviation fuel tax money back into infrastructure projects, such as those at Shawano. Other projects funded over the years include the security fencing, fuel storage and vending system, as well as earlier runway projects. This enables small community general aviation airports a meaningful and highly leveraged source of funds for eligible projects with strong community impact.

Later this summer, the airport will undertake yet another project to refresh its airport layout and long-term development plan. This was last done nearly 20 years ago and lays the foundation for future projects — including a runway extension, development of additional hangar space, addition of visual landing aids, reno-



Twenty-one vintage planes were on site at the Shawano Municipal Airport in July. Planners hope to encourage more clubs and individuals to see the airport as a recreational destination.

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vation of other infrastructure such as the seaplane base and resurfacing of the cross-wind runway, among other things. Shawano is among the first Wisconsin general aviation airports to undertake this generation of long-term planning projects.

Shawano has a long history of aviation dating back to the 1930s and the early days of flying. Local businessmen and women understood the need for an aviation connection. Aviators were regularly paying visits to local fields to avail of the recreational amenities in Shawano, as well as the presence of a viable airport in nearby Clintonville. It was used for flying parts out of the Four Wheel Drive during the buildup to World War II, later to become North Central Airlines.

It was time for Shawano to have a “real” airport. In 1940, sufficient land was secured on the Gumaer farm east of town on the lake. Within months, a charter was signed with the National Aeronautics Association (a precursor to today's Federal Aviation Administration) and land cleared to establish the airport.

Shortly thereafter, a site was cleared on the shores of the Gumaer property for the establishment of a seaplane base. The grand opening of the airport in 1940 drew a crowd estimated between 3,000 and 4,000 people and included presentations by



Shawano Municipal Airport Commission secretary Doug Engel watches as the last steps of painting and landscaping are completed on the runway.

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Steve Whitman (already an aviation legend and pioneer, whose planes hang in the Smithsonian). The director of the National Aeronautic Association stated that “Shawano had the potential to be one of the finest general aviation landing areas in the upper Midwest, and the gateway to the north.”

Additional land was subsequently

secured from the Lemhouse family farm to the south. Over the years, parcels were acquired to the east as well as along what is now the Mountain Bay Trail to comprise today's 300 acres of airport property.

Following WWII, the airport was named after Wilmer Zeuske. A WWII aviator from Shawano, Zeuske died from enemy fighter aircraft fire



Availability of fuel is an important draw to Shawano Municipal Airport, according to Clarence Schampers, airport manager. Schampers is helping pilot Craig Kramer, of Dyersville, Iowa, refuel his Ercoupe 415-C during an Ercoupe Owners Club visit in July.

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The terminal at Shawano Municipal Airport, "Gateway of the North," includes a pilot's lounge and weather information. Pictured here is the terminal's dedication on Oct. 15, 2019.

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during a bombing mission over Burma while en route to Kunming, China, as part of a Flying Tigers contingent of B25s.

Shawano was also home to Fritz Wolf, who, at that time, was already a member of the Flying Tigers. He subsequently went on to become a WWII ace, having downed five enemy aircraft over the course of his Air Corps duty.

Over the years, many others have

left a mark at the Shawano Airport or have benefited from having learned to fly — or having caught the "bug" — watching planes fly in Shawano. Shawano was one of about 60 high schools in the United States with an aviation program initiated in 1965 with a federal grant to stimulate interest in aviation careers. This program continued over many years and was initially lead by Fred Davel, a longtime educator in Shawano.

REDEDICATION SCHEDULE

WHAT: Grand Reopening and Runway Rededication

WHERE: Shawano Municipal Airport grounds, 248 Airport Road, Shawano

WHEN: Aug. 21, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rain date, Aug. 22.

COST: Admission to the grounds, free

ACTIVITIES:

Aviation display, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Car show, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Learn to Fly—Intro Discovery Flights with PilotSmith Inc. (Fee required)

EAA Young Eagles for youth age 8-17: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Runway re-dedication ceremony: 12:30 p.m.

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Today, quite a few folks owe their initial flying instruction to elements of this program. A number of operators have run flight schools, charter flights, plane rentals, scenic flights and aviation fuel sales at the airport over the years.

This role today has been assumed by Shawano Flying Service, which continues to function as airport manager with Clarence Schampers, owner. The airport commission recently announced the addition of PilotSmith Inc. as the new provider of flight instruction in Shawano and is excited about the capabilities they bring to our community. Plans are underway to further expand the service capabilities of the airport in the near future.

Shawano Municipal Airport is home to about 30 aircraft of all sizes, shapes and models, including one he-

licopter. These aircraft are stored in 13 privately owned and two airport-owned hangar buildings, with the privately owned buildings subject to land leases from the airport commission.

The primary runway is 3,900 feet by 75 feet, generally east/west, with pilot-controlled lighting, and further supported by an IFR (Instrument Flight Rules) approach from both east and west. This makes the primary runway an all-weather facility under most weather conditions. The secondary runway is primarily north/south and is 2,400 feet by 75 feet, also with pilot-controlled lighting.

Adjacent grass areas provide space for small aircraft to land, at pilot's discretion, and with other conditions permitting. Shawano's seaplane base, adjacent to the airport on Shawano Lake, is one of only a couple in the state with this sort of proximity, and is a very unique asset. The recent addition of a fuel cart enables fueling of seaplanes at the dock, increasing the utility of the airport for those non-amphibious seaplanes needing water-based service.

Airplanes of all sizes and types use the airport. While most of the aircraft currently based in Shawano are single-engine and small twin-engine aircraft, runway capabilities enable small corporate or private jets to use Shawano as a destination airport.

The airport commission is currently working on a variety of initiatives to enhance activity at the airport, increase the visibility of it within the flying community and partner with business to enhance the value of this important community asset. Where possible, federal, state and local funds will be leveraged to take advantage of funding sources and other support tools intended for general aviation airports such as Shawano.

In the meantime ... stop in and see the airport. Ask for a tour. Talk to a pilot. Ask for a ride. Renew your thoughts about getting started in flying. Think about taking a Discovery Flight with PilotSmith Inc. Look into an EAA Young Eagles flight for the 8- to 17-year-olds in your family. It just might launch a career. Check out our website, ShawanoAirport.com. Encourage your flying friends to visit our airport, our new terminal and our newly refurbished runway.

Written on behalf of the Shawano Airport Commission:
John Seidel, chairman; Doug Engel, secretary; Bruce Milavitz, treasurer; Kevin Barkow, city representative; Dick Olson, county representative; Al Timmerman; Mike Bloedorn

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Leaders hope airport will help local economy take off

By **CAROL RYCZEK**
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What can a 3,900-foot strip of asphalt do? In the right place, with the right kind of maintenance, it can do a lot, according to Shawano Mayor Bruce Milavitz.

"As a pilot, it opens up a lot of destinations. As a community member, it means a lot of excitement and growth. And as an official, it gives the city the opportunity for future development and growth," said Milavitz, a who pilots his own plane and serves as treasurer for the Shawano Municipal Airport.

The airport is celebrating the completion of the reconstruction of Runway 1230, a 3,900-foot asphalt entry and exit to the 13,000 to 19,000 private and commercial planes and helicopters that use the airport every year. A re-dedication will be held at the airport Aug. 21.

Shawano Municipal Airport is a joint project of the City of Shawano and Shawano County, with a board of commissioners who do the oversight and planning.

The runway improvement, as well as the construction of a new terminal in 2019, are part of an effort to make the airport a focus of economic development, said Peter Thillman, chief economic development officer at Shawano County Economic Progress, Inc.

"We have a real special airport

here," Thillman said. "It's one of the few in the country that has an airport and a seaplane port. There is tremendous opportunity there — a unique asset for the community."

"We want to attract people from all over," Milavitz said. "We have restaurants, hotels with walking distance, a courtesy car. There is a marina within walking distance. They can fly in, get a courtesy vehicle, rent a boat to go a restaurant," he said.

He added that the recently remodeled terminal makes it attractive for businesses to bring in investors or clients.

The impact of the airport reaches beyond its chain-link boundary, Thillman said.

As more industries and retail stores count on "just-in-time inventory," where items are delivered as needed and not stored, a local airport becomes even more valuable, Thillman said.

The airport in Little Chute, near Appleton, already hosts aircraft maintenance facilities. Amazon located a large distribution center in nearby Greenville to take advantage of the airport's resources. Other airports can expect a growing interest from shipping companies, and Shawano could be one of those, he said.

From a convenience standpoint, he said, having an upgraded, modern airport in Shawano will help businesses bring in potential employees or schedule face-to-face meetings.

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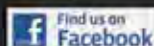
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Because tourism is such a strong part of Shawano's economy, a long-range plan for the airport needs to spotlight the ways the airport can be a tourist asset, he said. One option might be reaching out to seaplane owners. Although many seaplanes can also land at a conventional airport, the combination of airport and seaplane base is so unusual that it can be a focus for new tourism venture, Thillman said.

Even the airport itself can be an attraction, Milavitz said.

"Flight school, scenic flights — fly around the lake," he said. Tourists can see the airport as a place with family activities. An airport doesn't automatically mean tourists leave the area, he said, but that local people and tourists have an attraction right here.

"I'm passionate about the fact that our community has this airport," Milavitz said.

Future plans are being developed, Milavitz said, and will emphasize the opportunities to expand businesses near the airport as well as the convenience of a having a general aviation airport.

At Shawano, pilots can land for

free. They have access to specialized fuel 24 hours a day; they have access to the terminal with wireless internet, a lounge, a conference room and a courtesy car.

Future development plans call for an extension of 1,000 more feet to Runway 1230, he said. The additional length would make the runway more accessible for corporate jets but still under the 5,000-foot threshold that would require more regulation.

Although some small jets can land at Shawano now, the runway addition will open up the airport to many more commercial aircraft, he said.

"People want to be able to bring a corporate jet in," Milavitz said. "We can do that for a few, but only a few, now."

He said he would also like to see more hangar development and construction of "condo" hangars, where a small residence is built above or next to the hangar.

That concept is something that Thillman supports.

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Future development depends on new pilots

Programs hope to inspire interest in aviation careers

A program to inspire young people to consider aviation as a career will be coming to Shawano for the Shawano Municipal Airport re-dedication Aug. 21.

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) will bring the Young Eagles program to the event with the hope of inspiring young people to develop an interest in aviation, said Peter Thillman, chief economic development officer for the Shawano Economic Development Inc.

Through Young Eagles, youth ages 8-17 can take a free ride-along in a plane, as long as a parent is present on the grounds.

The EAA provides the liability insurance, Thillman said, and pilots volunteer their time.

Information supplied by the Shawano airport reports that to date, more than 2 million young people have become EAA Young Eagles.

The program is free, but partici-

pants need to fill out a registration form in advance of the flight.

Information on the EAA Young Eagles program and event registration are available on the EAA Young Eagles website at www.eaa.org/ea/youth/free-ye-flights or through event coordinator Alan Timmerman, at 920-494-2669.

Young Eagles flights will be provided as time and available aircraft permit and only during the hours indicated. Sign-up is encouraged. Young Eagles flight registration will be available on site, but availability may be limited.

In addition to Young Eagles, Thillman said he hopes to see anyone with an interest in an aviation career come to the event to talk to pilots and others in the aviation industry. As with many industries, there is a need for workers, and jobs can cover everything from sales to engine maintenance, he said.



The Ercoupe Owners Club brought 21 vintage planes to the Shawano Municipal Airport in July.

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