



BADGES ABOUND AT SAFE HAVEN GALA

The pavilion at Shawano Lake County Park is packed with first responders and their families Oct. 22 as Safe Haven holds its second Ball of the Badges, which honors police officers, correctional officers, dispatchers, support staff, firefighters and emergency medical service personnel. Awards were handed out to the best of the best that night, and raffles and a live auction were held to benefit Safe Haven, which needs the support of first responders to help victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. **FOR THE FULL STORY AND MORE PHOTOS, SEE PAGES 12-13.**

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Shawano schools have protocol for mask mandates

New benchmarks are in place to determine when masks are required, despite objections for a doctor and a school board member.

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Retzlaff skips court, bench warrant issued

Ann Retzlaff, owner of Annie's Campground, did not go to court on charges of fleeing officers, and Judge William Kussel Jr. issued a warrant.

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Cross-country sending boys, girls to state

The Shawano Hawks have completed a feat not accomplished since 1981, sending both its boys and its girls teams to state.

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Protocol for school masking mandates draws mixed reviews

Doctor urges more caution, board member says the opposite

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Shawano School Board implemented a new COVID-19 masking protocol Oct. 25 by an 8-1 vote that provides solid numbers for when the public schools would transition from optional masking to mandatory.

If Hillcrest Primary School, Olga Brener Intermediate School or Shawano Community Middle School — which average about 500 students in each facility — have more than five students or staff members confirmed to be positive for coronavirus, those schools would require masking immediately. Shawano Community High School, which has about 900 students, would mandate masks if the positive cases exceed nine.

The protocol takes effect next week, as the board had approved a mask mandate in September for all of the schools until the end of October. Superintendent Randi Anderson said the district had nine positive COVID-19 cases district-wide at the time of the board meeting and noted that, if the numbers remain steady or drop, that means masking would return to being optional Nov. 1.

“This is our best effort in being able to quantify,” Anderson said. “In the past, the district had been looking at trends and patterns inside of our buildings and looking at that to be able to determine masking or not masking.”

She added that administrators would be looking at the numbers weekly, informing parents on Fridays if there was going to be a change in masking procedures for the next week. Further, if masks were to be required, the policy would stay in place for at least two weeks in the hopes of reducing cases.

The protocol drew mixed reviews, with board member Mart Grams, the lone no vote on the measure, saying the benchmarks are too stringent and Keshena-based family physician Joseph Guenther saying they’re not strong enough.

“These numbers are awfully low,”

Grams said. “Nine people — that would be one person every 500 feet in this building.”

Grams said he knows of no data that shows masks work in mitigating coronavirus cases. He went on to say that teen boys who are dealing with acne around their nose and mouth have to endure bleeding into the masks, which could present its own health hazard.

“The acne or bacteria on their face is acting up with the mask,” Grams said. “Is that not in itself a blood-borne pathogen more serious than a cough?”

Anderson said there are no specific numbers recommended by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention about when communities or schools should require masking. She noted that the numbers outlined in the protocol would indicate that a school is in a critical level for COVID-19 transmission, based off numbers of positive cases per a population of 100,000.

Originally, administrators had recommended masks be mandatory at schools when COVID-19 levels were in a very high category, which would have meant at least two cases for the elementary and middle schools and three cases for SCHS. However, the district’s executive committee met two weeks earlier and felt that guideline was too tight.

Grams also continued to deny that coronavirus was a critically dangerous pandemic. He noted that teachers who wish to mask could still do so, but to require students to mask does not help, in his opinion.

“If it was horrendous, there would be bodies piling up in the streets,” Grams said. “I’m not going to debate the science or any of that stuff, because there is none. Children need to see each other to learn and to socialize and become human by looking at each other’s faces. We’re doing a great disservice, and it has shown no increase or decrease with or without masks in many states.”

Guenther did not attend the board

meeting but sent a letter to be read into the record. In that letter, he stated that he was absent because he was taking a daughter back to college, and that daughter was safer at her college than his other two daughters were in Shawano schools.

“They are taking the health of their staff and students seriously by following CDC guidance,” Guenther wrote. “I strongly urge Shawano public schools to do this, as well. There is no need to use a formula based on the number of COVID-positive students and then decide from there whether or not we should be wearing masks.”

Guenther questioned in his letter if anyone with a doctorate or a master’s in public health had any input on the protocol the district proposed.

“Please do not be intimidated by a vocal, misinformed minority,” Guenther said. “It doesn’t matter how many students are positive in the schools. Community transmission is still high.”

Board member James Davel, who has also opined that masks don’t work at stemming coronavirus, said he would vote in favor of the protocol because it would provide some flexibility and would at least keep children in school, which he felt was the big goal.

“We just got our assessment results, and we were out of school for seven months,” Davel said. “We argue about a mitigation technique. That’s like fighting a battle, and we want to win the war. We want to win the war and keep the kids in school.”

Board member Jamie Beyer wondered if the elementary numbers were prudent, considering the two schools have separate wings and floors. She suggested that maybe an additional measure should be established to place restrictions by the number of positive cases by classroom.

Anderson noted that, under that setup, masks would be required if even one positive case surfaced in the class.

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CORRECTIONS

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Culver's gets DWD Exemplary Employer Award

Shawano restaurant, owner recognized for providing jobs to people with disabilities

By LYNN ZAFFRANN
Correspondent

Culver's Restaurant in Shawano was presented Oct. 20 with an Exemplary Employer Award by the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) for its strong commitment to recruiting and hiring job seekers with disabilities.

The Exemplary Employer Award highlights businesses that recruit and hire people with disabilities and helps to encourage other businesses to provide opportunities for this skilled, dedicated and capable workforce.

Brian Lovelien, owner-operator of the Shawano Culver's, said that recruiting individuals with disabilities is a hiring focus of the restaurant, 1220 E. Green Bay St., Shawano, ever since it opened in summer 2018.

"The longer I've been doing this, the more successes that I've seen, and the more opportunities that we've given to people of different abilities has illustrated how important this is to the success of Culver's," Lovelien said in accepting the award.

Michael Glaser, business services consultant with the Wisconsin Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, noted that "businesses that go above and beyond to incorporate individuals into the regular workforce can see the same successes that Brian has."

"I just want to thank Brian and his group for being a dream maker, because that's what you do," Glaser said. "The individuals that are looking for the employment that you provide, it changes their lives and actually makes their dreams come true."

Lovelien employs about 40 employees at the Shawano Culver's. Five are individuals with disabilities.

"The nomination for the award was made through the Bay Area Workplace Development Board staff," said Danielle Williams, DWD assistant deputy secretary.

Bay Area is one of 11 DWD local employment and training areas. Staff at the board were aware of the efforts and successes Lovelien has made to hire and sustain disabled



Danielle Williams, left, assistant deputy secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, presents the 2021 Exemplary Employer Award to Shawano Culver's owner Brian Lovelien for his successes in hiring job seekers with disabilities. Lovelien employs five who have some form of disability.

LYNN ZAFFRANN

workers, which meet the award's criteria. Multiple service providers work through the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation to refer individuals to Lovelien for job placement. Referrals also come to Lovelien through Shawano Community High School.

Some of the individuals are provided job coaches for a few days, to a few weeks, until they become acclimated to their positions.

"I'm often surprised with what they can achieve" in their jobs, Lovelien said.

Lovelien isn't new to being acknowledged for creating job opportunities for individuals with disabilities. He was presented with the Exemplary Employer Award by DWD once before, when he was

with the Culver's in Sheboygan.

"It's a big deal and I'm happy that for a second time we've won this award," he said. "If you put the time in from the beginning, you see that things pay off in the end."

Culver's has sponsored hiring of individuals with disabilities since its first restaurant opened in Sauk City in 1984.

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM 2021), an annual celebration dedicated to raising awareness about disability employment issues and celebrating the incredible contributions of people with disabilities. This year's theme is "America's Recovery: Powered by Inclusion." The theme reflects the importance of ensuring that people with dis-

abilities have full access to employment and community involvement during the national recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Gov. Tony Evers proclaimed October as Disability Employment Awareness Month in Wisconsin. Evers called on Wisconsin employers to recognize "the critical role that workers with disabilities play in strengthening" Wisconsin's economy, "especially as we continue to bounce back from the unprecedented economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic."

As the state's talent development agency, DWD connects employers with a robust pool of skilled workers and assists job seekers with disabilities in achieving their employment potential.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Oct. 25
Deputies responded to 33 calls, including disorderly conduct on Main Street in Birnamwood; burglary on County Road J in the Town of Morris; a drug problem on County Road OO in Eland; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland; four crashes, one involving deer.

Oct. 24
Deputies responded to 36 calls, including reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg; a domestic disturbance on Hilltop Road in the Town of Almon; reckless driving on Maple View Road in the Town of Lessor; a sexual assault on North Smalley Street in the Town of Wescott; an assault on state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg; a weapons offense on County Road G in the Town of Red Springs; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Waukechon; a domestic disturbance on Main Street in Gresham; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Grant; disorderly conduct on South Warrington Avenue in Cecil; three crashes involving deer.

Oct. 23
Deputies responded to 43 calls, including operating while intoxicated

on state Highway 117 in the Town of Hartland; criminal damage on Norrie Road in the Town of Birnamwood; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Birnamwood; a disturbance on North Second Street in Bonduel; a disturbance on Old 47 Road in the Town of Lessor; a fleeing/pursuit on Ebert Street in Gresham; five crashes involving deer.

Oct. 22
Deputies responded to 38 calls, including a threat on West Sandy Drive in the Town of Washington; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Fairbanks; a drug problem on state Highway 29 in the Town of Angelica; reckless driving on Birch Street in Birnamwood; operating while intoxicated on County Road D in the Town of Seneca; disorderly conduct on U.S. Highway 45 in Aniwa; trespassing on U.S. Highway 45 in Aniwa; four crashes, two involving deer.

Oct. 21
Deputies responded to 39 calls, including an overdose on Cozy Oaks Circle in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Morris; a threat on North Main Street in Shawano; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Maple Grove; a disturbance

on Oakwood Drive in the Town of Wescott; property theft on Mosling Road in the Town of Green Valley; reckless driving on State Highway 55 in the Town of Maple Grove; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in Eland; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Fairbanks; one crash involving deer.

Oct. 20
Deputies responded to 34 calls, including reckless driving on state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine; harassment on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on Spruce Road in the Town of Angelica; two crashes, one involving deer.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Oct. 25
Officers responded to 18 calls, including a controlled substance problem on East Center Street; property theft at Family Dollar, 413 S. Main St.; a disturbance on North Franklin Street; reckless driving on East Green Bay Street; a probation violation on South Hamlin Street.

Oct. 24
Officers responded to 21 calls, including a disturbance at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.; property theft at Family Dollar, 413 S. Main St.; a domestic disturbance on East Richmond Street; reckless driving on Waukechon Street.

Oct. 23
Officers responded to 18 calls, including property damage on South Main Street; property damage on East Elizabeth Street; a disturbance on South Washington Street; property theft on County Road B; harassment on South Andrews Street.

Oct. 22
Officers responded to 30 calls, including a disturbance at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; a disturbance on South Main Street; car property damage on East Green Bay Street; a burglary attempt on Acorn Street.

Oct. 21
Officers responded to 19 calls, including a hit-and-run on County Road B; a domestic disturbance on South Union Street; a hit-and-run on South Union Street; a disturbance on East Richmond Street; a threat on Birch Hill Lane; car property damage on East Green Bay Street.

Oct. 20
Officers responded to 21 calls, including reckless driving on state Highway 47-55; criminal damage on South Union Street; a threat at Big City Gyros, 230 E. Green Bay St.; an overdose on South Sawyer Street; a disturbance on East Richmond Street; a burglary on East Division Street; a car personal injury at Tractor Supply, 1313 E. Green Bay St.; criminal damage on South Main Street.

COURT NEWS

• Rosella C. Kaquatosh, 19, Oconto, was charged Oct. 18 with one count of possession of methamphetamine and

one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Judge Katherine Sloma set a signature bond of \$2,500 and

scheduled a resumed initial appearance for Nov. 23.

• Brandon P. Sackatook, 38, Shawano, was charged Oct. 18 with one count of substantial battery, one misdemeanor count of battery, one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct and one misdemeanor count of criminal damage to property. Sloma set a cash bond of \$400 and a signature bond of \$2,500. She also scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 24.

• Ginger L. Peoples, 44, Shawano, was charged Oct. 18 with one count of theft of movable property. Sloma set a signature bond of \$2,500 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for Dec. 7.

• Darwin A. Mahkimetas, 47, Shawano, was charged Oct. 18 with one count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a cash bond of \$750 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 29.

• Charges against John R. Surprise, 23, Gresham, were dismissed Oct. 18 on prosecutor's motion. Those charges include one count of strangulation and suffocation and one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct.

• Nicole M. Belongia, 26, Shawano, was charged Oct. 19 with one count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and one count of possession of narcotic drugs. Sloma set a cash bond of \$500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 8.

• Charges against Stuart L. Long, 35, Cecil, were dismissed Oct. 19 on prosecutor's motion. Those charges include one count of operating a vehicle to flee/elude an officer, one count of first degree recklessly endangering safety and one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked.

• Taylor P. Pingel, 25, Clintonville, pleaded no contest Oct. 19 to one count of bail jumping. Judge William F. Kussel Jr. gave Pingel a fine of \$250.

• Terrill J. Henning, 32, Shawano, was charged Oct. 20 with one count of sex registry violation and two counts of bail jumping. Sloma set a cash bond of \$500 and a signature bond of \$1,000. She also scheduled a resumed initial appearance for Nov. 10.

• Beverly A. Alexander, 38, Shawano, was charged Oct. 20 with four counts of bail jumping. Sloma set a cash bond of \$100 and a signature bond of \$1,000. She also set a scheduling conference for Oct. 25.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-PUBLIC FACILIITES SECOND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING

City of Shawano
City Hall
127 S. Sawyer Street
Shawano, WI 54166
November 16th, 2021, at 2:00 PM

Public Notice is hereby given that the City of Shawano will hold a public hearing November 16, 2021, at 2:00 PM at the City of Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer Street, Shawano, Wisconsin. The purpose of the public hearing is to inform the public of the progress on the Waukechon Reconstruct project in the City of Shawano, and to request citizen input on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, which has partially funded the project. Discussion items will include a review of the current CDBG program activities, the project progress and construction activities, and CDBG program goals. At the public hearing, interested parties will be given a reasonable opportunity to provide questions or suggestions on the CDBG program.

Residents of the City of Shawano are encouraged to attend especially residents of low-to-moderate incomes. The meeting room is handicapped accessible. Persons needing additional accessibility accommodations should contact the City Clerk's Office at 715-526-6138.

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Legendairy Cookies' summer a success

Business owner working on inside seating for winter

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

One local business in Shawano experienced a successful summer this year.

"I would call this summer a success," said owner Jeremy Mattson of Legendairy Cookies 'N Creamery.

The relatively young business found its niche in selling specialized cookie sandwiches to customers.

"We open the shop six years ago," said Mattson. "It always used to be called the Golden Cone. This year, we re-branded it to Legendairy Cookies."

Mattson said that this summer and last were the two busiest summers that he has seen at his shop, located at 1063 E. Green Bay St. in Shawano. He attributed the success to a number of factors.

"During COVID, people were looking for a reason to get out," said Mattson. "The weather helped, too. Being a walk-up shop, we are very weather dependent."

He added that the inclusion of custom cookie sandwiches on the menu played a part in why the store saw more success.

"That differentiated us from our competition, being Culver's and Dairy Queen," said Mattson.

As Mattson continued to grow and get the word out about Legendairy Cookies, he found that operating a food truck during the summer helped with publicity.

"We got the dessert truck in July and brought it down to events in the Green Bay area," said Mattson. "It was a huge hit down there."

Mattson said that the truck was supposed to be at the store in April, but it ended up being delayed for a few months.

"Due to not having it until July, the truck side of the business was slower than I had anticipated," said Mattson.

He said that even though the truck was delayed, he found success with it at Brown County events, such as farmer's markets and wedding parties.

"We just started just filling our schedule," Mattson said. "We were just trying to get in where we could."

Mattson said that there was great feedback from the food truck.



Legendairy Cookies owner Jeremy Mattson works on setting up indoor seating for guests to come in during winter.

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Legendairy Cookies owner Jeremy Mattson serves cookies out of the truck to a bride and groom at their wedding party.

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"Everywhere that we were, people were saying that it was cool to see the difference than a regular food truck," said Mattson.

He attributed this reaction to the color and the style of the truck.

"It is so different than your typical food truck," said Mattson. "It's not big, bright and colorful; rather, it's more of a modern, industrial, matte-black with wood accents. It is kind of like the 'in'

style right now."

Mattson made a point of modernizing the food truck to set it apart from others.

He said that the freedom to customize your cookie sandwich in whatever that you want attracted people as well.

Now that summer is over and the weather is getting colder, Mattson is turning his attention to supplying indoor seating at his store.

"We are staying open year-round," said Mattson. "As we continue to grow and expand, it is difficult to be seasonal. We are just looking at having a small seating area, where people can come in and enjoy their food."

Since he's staying open through winter, Mattson is adding coffee and hot chocolate to the menu, as well.

"We are also hoping to get a display freezer," said Mattson. "There are things on our menu that people don't know that we have. Having people come in, they will be able to see that stuff."

He added that they are also looking at putting together catering packages for events that are going on in the winter.

While the truck was well-received in the Green Bay area this summer, Mattson said he is looking at bringing the truck to other areas in Wisconsin in the future.

"I am hoping next year to really fill out our schedule with different county fairs," said Mattson. "It is kind of hard getting into areas without a lot of experience."

He said that the first summer with the truck served as a learning experience.

OBITUARIES

Jean E. Lewis

Jean Eleanore (Swanson) Lewis, 92, of Shawano, formerly of Hurley, died Oct. 15, 2021, in Shawano with her family by her side.

Jean was born Aug. 15, 1929, in Detroit, Michigan, daughter of the late Clifford and Laila (Asunto) Swanson. Jean's ancestors were pioneer residents of Ironwood, Michigan. She attended schools in Winegar (Presque Isle) and Ironwood, graduating from Luther L. Wright High School in 1947. While in the high school band, she was seated first saxophone and that love of music remained a big part of her life.

After graduation, she was briefly employed at an Ironwood glove factory until she was offered a job with the Ironwood Phone Company, where she worked through the early 1960s. Later in life, she worked at, and then managed, Johnny's Gas Station and Convenience Store in Hurley.

Jean fought for union rights all of

her adult life and served many years as an officer for the Iron County Democratic Party. She was a lifelong Democrat and served as a delegate for Jimmy Carter at the Wisconsin State Democratic Convention in 1976. Even though she didn't attend, she was thrilled to be invited to Carter's inauguration.

She was a strong advocate for the humane treatment of all animals, and her homes always included at least one or two stray or rescued dogs. She was a well-known card player and especially enjoyed playing bridge with the Range Duplicate Bridge Club or poker and cribbage with family and friends.

In retirement, she liked to travel and spend time at her cottage in Mercer. She was an excellent cook and had a knack for creating beautiful flower gardens throughout her yard. Jean's greatest joy was being with her family, especially time spent with her grandsons. She was always so proud

to see them reach the milestones in their lives.

On Sept. 23, 1950, Jean was united in marriage to Laurence "Gus" Lewis, of Hurley, at the First Presbyterian Church by the late Rev. C.L. Harries. Over the years, Jean and Gus resided in Ironwood, Hurley and Mercer. Gus preceded her in death in April 2005. After Gus died, Jean moved to Shawano to be closer to family.

Jean is survived by her sons, Craig Lewis, Hudson, and Tod (Jeanie) Lewis, Shawano; grandsons, Erik Lewis (Kristina Ewald), Green Bay, Ian Lewis (Mackenzie Mentel), East Lansing, Michigan, and Addison Lewis, Shawano; her brother, Dennis (Terry) Swanson, Merrill; two nieces, Jeri Swanson, Colorado, and Kristy (Scott) Brunso, Indiana; and 18 cousins.

Besides her parents and husband,

Jean was preceded in death by her brother and sister-in-law, Gerald and Patti Swanson.

A private service will be held in the summer 2022, to celebrate her life.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to HOPE Animal Shelter, PO Box 261, Ironwood, MI 49938, or to Compassus Hospice, 2960 Allied St., Suite 105, Green Bay, WI 54304.

Her family would like to extend their thanks and appreciation, for the care and kindness shown to Jean, to the staff at Maple Lane Nursing Home, Birch Hill Nursing Home and, most recently, her care team from Compassus Hospice.

Arrangements were made with McKeivitt-Patrick Funeral Home in Ironwood, Michigan, assisted by Mickelson Funeral and Cremation Service in Shawano.



Mary Louise Grignon

Mary Louise Grignon, 83, of Keshena, passed away on Monday, Oct. 18, 2021. She was born April 25, 1938, in Keshena to the late Raymond and Josephine (Nahwahquaw) Grignon Sr. Mary attended St. Joseph's Catholic School, Shawano High School and went on to Milwaukee Vocational School. Mary worked at Menominee Tribal Offices, and then she became the first clerk of court and register of deeds for Menominee County. Mary later worked at the Menominee Tribal Court and then the Menominee Casino Resort before retiring from



the Menominee Tribal Housing Authority.

Mary was an avid bowler and was on bowling leagues for many years. She has enjoyed playing Bingo and going

on casino tours with her family. She enjoyed watching the Brewers, Bucks, Badgers and Packers. Mary especially loved being surrounded by her family and going to visit her

sister Myrna while they sat outside. Mary was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church of Keshena.

Mary is survived by her son, Jeff (Dory) Grignon; siblings, Myrna Winter, Dennis (Linda) Grignon and David (Donna) Grignon; grandchildren, Desirae (Justin) Wilber, Stevie Grignon, Evelyn (Jay Johnson) Grignon and Jacob (Avari Fernandez) Grignon; six great-grandsons, Justin, Rebel, Shelton, Silas, Onyx and Wylie; nieces and nephews, David (Glee) Grignon, Pam Grignon, Ruth (Andy Kessen) Winter, Ben (Lucy) Grignon,

Dan (Nanaque LaTender) Grignon, Marcus (Monica G.) Grignon, Kenew (John) Tucker, Shawn Cunningham, Rami (Don) Hoaglin and Cameron (Amanda) Cunningham; many great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Wilfred, Raymond Jr., Cecil and Robert; and two sisters in infancy, Delores and Mona.

A memorial service for Mary was held at 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021, at Swedberg Funeral Home in Shawano.

www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

Russell A. Stoehr

Russell "Buck" Anthony Stoehr, 94, Gresham, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2021. He was born Oct. 16, 1927, in Gresham to the late Matthew and Anna (Gottschalk) Stoehr. He attended Gresham High School. On Feb. 28, 1952, he married Geneva Straley.

Buck served his country in the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of corporal from 1945 until 1947. Buck farmed throughout his adult years,



and after retirement had a beef farm as a hobby. He enjoyed deer hunting, watching the Packers, and playing baseball with the Gresham team. Buck was a member of the

Lions Club and St. Francis Solanus

Catholic Church, where he belonged to the men's club.

He is survived by his daughter, Michelle (Jack Kiefer) O'Keefe; granddaughter, Heather Schoff; grandson Ryan (Jazmine) Heilman; great-grandchildren, Clayton Schoff, Hailey Schoff, Ella Heilmann and Jaidyn Steinfeldt; and his sister Connie Kuckuk.

Buck was preceded in death by his wife, Geneva; his parents, Matt and

Ann Stoehr; and sisters, Myra Ebert, Audrey Stoehr, and Janice Lemke.

Friends may visit after 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 30, 2021, at St. Francis Solanus Catholic Church, 724 Mader St., Gresham, until the Mass of Christian burial at 11:00AM with the Rev. Nonito Baras officiating burial at the parish cemetery.

Ryan Funeral Home in De Pere is assisting the family.

Donna M. Krueger

Donna M. Krueger, 93, formerly of the Town of Belle Plaine, passed away Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021, in Appleton.

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

Joseph D. Gau

Joseph D. Gau, 68, of Bear Creek, passed away Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021, at home.

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

Kendall Raether

Kendall Raether, 80, of Caroline, passed away Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021, at Mayo Clinic Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota.

Beil-Didier Funeral Home in Marion is assisting with the arrangements.

Theodore D. Hitzler

Theodore David Hitzler, 88, of Franklin, North Carolina, passed away Oct. 18, 2021.

Moffitt Family Funeral Care is assisting the family.



Shawano resident Rita Trinko shows off a gift that she was given by community members after her accident. CONTRIBUTED

Trinko recovering from her injuries

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Shawano resident Rita Trinko is back on her feet after an accident left her in the hospital.

Trinko suffered major injuries after being struck by a vehicle on Main Street as she was crossing the street on June 23.

"I am fine," said Trinko. "I have no pain, other than a little numbness in some fingers on my right hand."

Trinko said that metal rods were put into both of her legs and into her right arm. With the rods, she said that there are some sore spots on her body.

"It could have been much worse," said Trinko. "I am pretty thankful that things aren't worse."

Trinko said seeing all of the support that she got was very eye opening.

"It feels fabulous to see all of the support," said Trinko. "It amazes me. I did not know that people knew who I was. It feels like God is with me."

With all of the support, Trinko realized how close of a community Shawano is.

"This shows how many friends that I have," said Trinko. "I can't say thank you enough."

She said that when she was in the hospital, numerous people reached out, visited her and sent cards.

As she recovers, Trinko said that she will rehab at home, doing various exercises to regain her strength.

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City pay hikes concern for council members

Police officers getting 3% hike in pay, remaining employees only getting 1%

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Pay raises became a topic of concern for the Shawano Common Council during a discussion of the proposed 2022 city budget on Oct. 20.

The concern came up that most city employees would be getting a 1% raise in the next year, while police officers would be seeing their paychecks go up by 3% as a result of union negotiations.

Alderman Rhonda Strebel said she was not comfortable with such a small increase for those outside the police department, given that the cost of living has gone up in the last year.

"I always have a hard time, no disrespect to our police officers, but when our police officers get 3% and the city gets 1%, that doesn't ever sit well with me," Strebel said. "If we can afford to, I would like to see the city employees get the same as PD (police department) at 3%."

She added that such an increase would be necessary to be competitive with other municipalities.

Leveling out the pay increases for 2022 would likely impact the tax rate, which is already expected to jump up from the current year. The proposed budget includes a tax rate of \$9.88 per \$1,000 of equalized valuation, which means the owner of a property worth \$100,000 would be charged \$988 in taxes for the city alone. The 2021 tax rate is \$9.52.

City Administrator Eddie Sheppard said that the pay raises for city employees and the police department have leveled out in recent years. In 2019, city employees received a 2% increase, while 2020 saw a 2.5% increase and 2021 another 2%. For the police department, there were 2% increases in

2019 and 2020, with 2021 seeing a 3% increase.

"In the end, it ended up being a half-percent increase for PD over the city in three years," Sheppard said.

Alderman Sandy Steinke echoed Strebel's concerns and reiterated how the cost of living has jumped up. She said that city employees are dedicated, but if pocketbooks get too tight, it might force some to find better-paying jobs.

"I think we really need to keep our workers," Steinke said. "We've got good ones."

Mayor Bruce Milavitz wasn't convinced that pay would be a lone factor to prompt city employees to find other jobs.

"Anybody can pay more," Milavitz said. "We want to make sure that our overall package is better — our health insurance, our retirement."

Retirements were a concern for Strebel, who questioned if the city could bring in new workers after the current ones retire. She noted it's a trend nationwide, and many people are looking to retire early in light of the pandemic and other issues.

"We've had a number of baby boomers retire," she said. "We've been seeing this coming for 20 years, and we've been talking about it for at least 10 that we're not going to have enough people in the workforce, and we're seeing it happen."

Alderman Kevin Barkow noted that a planned 3.2% increase in health insurance rates is being implemented across the board, so it makes sense to do the same with the pay.

"If we're equal with insurance, we should be equal with pay," Barkow said.

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Bench warrant issued for Retzlaff

Campground owner skips court hearing on charges of fleeing officers, reckless endangering safety

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

A bench warrant has been issued for the arrest of Annie's Campground owner Ann Retzlaff on Oct. 26 after she was again a no-show in court.

Her hearing was scheduled for 1:30 p.m., but due to other hearings, her case did not come up until almost 3 p.m., and she was still not present. Judge William Kussel Jr. said the defendant, who is facing charges from both Shawano and Menominee counties related to a high-speed chase, had sent emails to the Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court.

In Shawano County, Retzlaff is being charged with felony fleeing and eluding officers and two counts of second-degree recklessly endangering the safety of those officers, along with a misdemeanor count of resisting and obstructing an officer. In Menominee County, she is being charged with a misdemeanor count of resisting and failing to stop.

The first email was sent to the court at 12:51 p.m. informing the judge that Retzlaff had asked the Wisconsin Institute for Law and Liberty (WILL), based in Milwaukee, to defend her, but the organization did not have anyone available to take her case.

"They said even though my case had merit, they cannot take on any more cases at this time," Retzlaff wrote. "I'm able to self-represent. Under the Sixth Amendment, it grants me the right for me to appear as myself on



ANN RETZLAFF

my own behalf. I am a human being protected under the Constitution."

WILL states on its website that it takes on cases involving free speech, workers' freedom, open government, good government and other individual rights, claiming it has prevailed in over 75% of its cases.

A second email came at 1:04 p.m. where she proclaimed herself as "a sovereign being of light" — something she had called herself at an earlier court hearing in August — and said she sent an email to Clerk of Courts Ethan Schmidt and Shawano-Menominee County District Attorney Greg Parker saying she would not present her case until "we are back under common law, laws of nature, God's law."

Retzlaff also said in the second email that she doesn't feel safe entering the courthouse, "nor do I safe leaving my property at this time."

Kussel said Retzlaff sent a third email that included a lot of Bible verses and was too lengthy to read into the record.

"The fact of the matter is, she's not here," Kussel said, noting her absence had not been excused by the court.

Assistant District Attorney Laura Nelson told the judge she wasn't convinced that Retzlaff would be present without court action.

"My conclusion is that Ann Retzlaff has no intention of presenting herself to the court," Nelson said. "In light of that, the state would ask that a warrant for Ms. Retzlaff be issued in each of these cases in the amount of the bonds that have been set."

Nelson also asked for forfeitures on the bonds that had already been posted, which Kussel granted.

Kussel went a little beyond Nelson's request, issuing a bench warrant with a \$3,000 bond in the felony cases, double the \$1,500 that had been posted previously. He also stipulated there would be a \$500 bond for the misdemeanor cases, the same amount Retzlaff had posted.

Retzlaff was also facing traffic citations in Menominee County for failing to obey a traffic officer or signal, which had a bond of \$175.30, and Shawano County for failing to stop at a stop sign, which had the same bond amount. Kussel declared her guilty by default on the traffic citations.

This is the second time Retzlaff was not at a scheduled court hearing. On Oct. 5, Retzlaff did not attend and informed the court she was ill. Kussel granted an adjournment to Oct. 26 but stipulated Retzlaff must attend in person.

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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Shawano school tax levy, budget approved

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Shawano School Board signed off Oct. 25 on its 2021-22 budget, which will see taxes go down slightly overall for property owners.

The tax rate has hovered at \$9.58 per \$1,000 of equalized valuation for several years, but that will drop to \$9.56 for 2022. That means the owner of a property valued at \$100,000 would pay \$956 in taxes specifically for the school district.

The total levy will be just shy of \$14.7 million for the district in 2022, according to Finance Director Josh

Swanson. He noted that the district's general fund saw an increase of \$608,000, a result of an increase in anticipated taxes and state school aid, which he said was a good news-bad news kind of scenario for the public schools.

"We had a higher decline in enrollment than we'd originally anticipated," Swanson said. "The good news is that it increases our revenue short-term, but it does not help us in future years."

Swanson noted that there was an increase in expenses of \$180,000, which he attributed to the increase in vouchers. He estimated an additional 20-22 students were going to private

schools and utilizing public school funds using the voucher program.

Equalized value for property is often a factor in the tax rate, and Swanson said the current valuations show property within the district went up 5% overall, which is why the levy jumped up from last year's \$14 million. While the equalized value can result in a wider swing either direction of the tax rate, the district has been trying to keep it consistent to try and avoid sticker shock for taxpayers if there is a sharp drop in property values.

"Right now, it's on a steep up," board member Mart Grams noted.

The tax levy received preliminary approval from the community at the Shawano School District's annual meeting on Sept. 27, but still requires the board to give final approval once all the key information — including student enrollment numbers and 2021 equalized property values — is received. Enrollment numbers are not available until schools conduct their third Friday count, which takes place in September, and property values are furnished to school districts in mid-October.

The total expenditure budget is \$32.3 million, a decrease of more than \$100,000.

Safe Haven ball honors first responders

Behind the Badge award renamed for dedicated supporter

First responders packed the pavilion at Shawano Lake County Park on Oct. 22, but there was no fire or emergency to speak of. Rather, the gathering was an opportunity for Safe Haven to honor police officers, firefighters, emergency medical personnel and their supporters at the Ball of the Badges.

Safe Haven announced that its big award, the Behind the Badge honor, would hereafter be named for retired Shawano police officer Jody Johnson, who has been a part of the organization in some form since the current shelter was built 20 years ago. Stacy Cicero, who recently stepped down as executive director, said Johnson exemplifies all of the qualifications of the award, which includes providing support and aid to victims of domestic violence.

"One of her many passions includes helping victims of domestic violence, especially the children," Cicero said. "Jody always stops off at Safe Haven, just to see if we need anything. She routinely referred victims to Safe Haven and was always available to answer questions. She quickly became our go-to person."

In accepting the award, Johnson noted that first responders are part of a bigger family, beyond the one created at home. She noted that, even though she's no longer an active police officer, she's not ready to step back from helping people find a way out of violent homes.

"No one can quite understand the sacrifices and commitment that it takes to answer that fire call, get on that ambulance, put on your uniform and go to work every day," Johnson said. "It is such an honor to be able to do that, and I miss it greatly."

Johnson added that there were plenty of people in the audience who are equally deserving of such an award.

"I don't sit much. I just go, go, go," Johnson said, noting that her

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Stephanie Hintz is all smiles as she says a few words while accepting the 2021 Telecommunicator of the Year award on Oct. 22 at the Ball of the Badges at Shawano Lake County Park.





Jody Johnson, left, recipient of the Behind the Badge award for 2021, stands quietly as Safe Haven Executive Director Jennifer Laude Bisterfeldt applauds on Oct. 22 at the Ball of the Badges at Shawano Lake County Park.

husband, Mike Wizner, retired from law enforcement two years earlier and had some peace and quiet before “Hurricane Jody” came home to roost.

Supporters like Johnson are needed, not only in Shawano County, but everywhere. Jennifer Laude Bisterfeldt, the new Safe Haven executive director, noted that it was important to have events like the Ball of the Badges to show gratitude for those people who often save lives at the expense of family time, holidays, weekends and, oftentimes, their own health.

“Domestic violence and sexual abuse remain a hidden problem in our society,” Bisterfeldt said. “Every nine seconds, a person is beaten by their intimate partner. Last year in Wisconsin, 68 people were killed as a result of domestic violence incidents; 11 of these were children. We hear these difficult stories in the news, through friends, and many of us know someone who is a survivor.”

Locally, law enforcement completed 185 domestic violence assessments, and 55% of them were deemed high danger, according to Bisterfeldt, which means a potential homicide risk.

“Safe Haven sees firsthand the impact first responders have and the vital role they play in being the first to arrive and help people with domestic violence,” she said. “Your jobs are far from easy, as you rush toward danger while everyone else is running away. You do so for complete strangers but never question it.”

George Lenzner, chief deputy for the Shawano County Sheriff’s Department, said the county is a good place

AT A GLANCE

The awards for the 2021 Ball of the Badges:

- **JODY JOHNSON:** Behind the Badge
- **DANA RITCHIE:** Support Staff of the Year
- **JANE GEHM:** Volunteer Firefighters’ Wife of the Year
- **RODNEY HOPPE:** EMS Person of the Year
- **ANGELICA TOURTILLOTT:** Correctional Officer of the Year
- **STEPHANIE HINTZ:** Telecommunicator of the Year
- **ERIC CHERNETSKI:** Deputy of the Year

for first responders. There are not many who want to do the job of law enforcement or emergency services, he said, so it was important to recognize those who answered the call of duty.

“We get so much support from the community, compared to other places around the state,” Lenzner said. “We’re all one big team of first responders, and we need each other to make it work.”

However, it’s not just the first responders who deserve kudos, according to Cal Kanowitz, who was presenting awards for EMS and fire departments. As he presented an award to Jane Gehm, wife of the late Shawano Assistant Fire Chief Larry Gehm, Kanowitz said spouses and other family members are waiting at home, not completely certain whether their loved ones will be coming through the door again.

“When the call comes in the middle of the night, the wives are often sitting up, not being able to get back to sleep because they’re thinking of their loved



Jane Gehm, the widow of Larry Gehm, who served on the Shawano and Bonduel fire departments for 30 years, says a few words as she accepts the 2021 Volunteer Firefighters’ Wife of the Year award Oct. 22 at the Ball of the Badges at Shawano Lake County Park.



Cal Kanowitz, right, representing Marion Body Works, talks about why Rodney Hoppe with the Bonduel EMS is receiving the 2021 EMS Person of the Year on Oct. 22 at the Ball of the Badges at Shawano Lake County Park.

ones,” Gehm said. “One of their most important jobs is being a sounding board for their loved one because the death and devastation that you experi-

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ThedaCare physician offers Halloween tips

The family-fun tradition of Halloween festivities will soon have little goblins, ghouls and witches going door-to-door for sweets.

"It is wonderful to see some traditional activities returning as several communities in the area will have specific times for children, dressed in their Halloween best, to go trick-or-treating," said Dr. Jorge Darwich, a pediatrician with ThedaCare Physicians Pediatrics-Neenah. "As families are taking part, it's important to have a plan for the big night to help ensure safety for all."

To begin with, trick-or-treat times often begin before sunset, and continue into the evening after dark.

"It's vital to put an emphasis on pedestrian safety because children may want to run to the next home or to the decorated home across the street," Darwich said. "Let's help remind them to stay by mom and dad and look both ways before crossing a street."

Planning and preparing what streets to take while trick-or-treating with your children can be a fun way to get your children more involved in the night, and set expectations for everyone.

"The extra benefit of planning out your route can also help set the intentions for your children," Darwich said. "They'll know that once you arrive at a certain street or once it's a certain time, that it's time to head back home. Also, be sure to discuss rules for the night for children so they know what's expected of them."

"It's typically fine to let your child indulge their sweet tooth occasionally, however, you need to make sure they do not eat too much at one time and that the things they do eat are safe. Be sure to check everything over and just toss anything that might look skeptical."

Drivers should also be aware of an increase in pedestrians during the month of October when several Halloween festivities are planned. Darwich said to be sure to slow down in residential areas and watch for children who may dart out from the street or from parked cars.

For those plan on handing out candy, it's also a good idea to make sure your yard is safe and ready for

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Other tricks and tips for Halloween safety include:

- Remind children to walk, not run.
- Hold hands with an adult and look both ways when crossing the street.
- Use bright colors in costumes or reflective tape.
- Make sure costumes fit properly. Be sure to hem pants or skirts to avoid tripping.
- Use flashlights.
- Pin a tag with your child's name and contact information to their costume in case you get separated.
- Reinforce to children that they do not get into a car with someone they do not know or go inside a home.
- Don't accept homemade treats from strangers.
- Parents should check over every piece of candy for tears or tampering.
- Throw away anything that looks suspicious.

children by removing any obstacles from your yard, porch or steps to avoid tripping or falling and make sure your front porch is well-lit for trick-or-treating hours.

Another safety precaution that has been top of mind for many parents for nearly two years is COVID-19. The CDC has released some guidelines for trick-or-treaters, as well as for neighbors handing out candy. Families should travel in small groups and avoid crowding at one doorstep. Everyone should wash their hands before leaving the house to trick-or-treat and when they return home.

"It helps that Halloween is generally an outdoor-focused holiday and children can easily incorporate a fun mask with their costumes," said Darwich.

People handing out candy should avoid direct contact with trick-or-treaters. Give treats outdoors if possible, and wash hands before handing out candy. If you have not been vaccinated for COVID-19, or have an autoimmune disease, it's recommended to leave candy out in a dish for trick-or-treaters to help themselves.

"If you have symptoms of COVID-19 or were exposed to someone who has tested positive, we would ask that you do not participate in in-person Halloween festivities," said Darwich. "While we all look forward to getting back to traditional celebrations and events, it's still important to continue practicing precautions so that we can do our best to stay healthy."

Social Security announces 5.9% benefit increase

Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for approximately 70 million Americans will increase 5.9% in 2022, the Social Security Administration announced today.

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which provides referrals to local resources.

• **Use respite:** Respite services can provide short-term care to your mom so you can take some time off. To locate services in your area, try the ARCH National Respite Network and Resource Center at ARCHrespite.org.

- **Hire in-home help:** You may want to consider hiring a part-time home-care aide that can help with things like preparing meals, housekeeping or personal care. Costs can run anywhere from \$12 to \$30 an hour depending on where you live and the qualification of the aide. To find help through an agency, use Medicare's search tool Medicare.gov/care-compare. To find someone on your own, which is a more affordable way to go, try websites like Care.com or CareLinx.com.

- **Use financial tools:** If you're handling your mom's finances, you can

make things easier by arranging direct deposit for her income sources and set up automatic payments for her utilities and other routine bills. Also, consider setting up your mom's online banking service at her bank so you can pay her other bills and monitor her account anytime. If you want or need help, there are professional daily money managers (see AADMM.com to locate someone) that can do it for you. They charge between \$60 and \$150 per hour.

Also, if your mom is lower-income use BenefitsCheckup.org, a free, confidential website that will help you locate financial assistance programs that can help pay for her medications, utilities, health care and other needs.

- **Get insurance help:** If you have questions about what Medicare or Medicaid covers, or about long-term care, your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) provides free counseling on all these issues. Call 877-839-2675 or visit ShiptaCenter.org to locate a nearby counselor.

You can also get help at Medicare.gov or by calling 800-633-4227, and through the Medicare Rights Center,

which staffs a helpline at 800-333-4114.

- **Tap other resources:** There are a number of other organizations you can draw on for additional information like the Family Care Alliance (Caregiver.org/family-care-navigator), which provides a state-by-state listing of caregiving programs and services; Caring.com, which offers caregiving advice, senior housing information and online support groups; the Alzheimer's Association (ALZ.org/care), which provides information unique to the challenges of dementia caregivers; and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (www.caregiver.va.gov), which offers services to veterans and spouses.

If you're sharing care responsibilities with others, sites like LotsaHelpingHands.com and CaringBridge.org can help you coordinate together.

- **Take care of yourself:** Make your own health a priority. Being a caregiver is a big job that can cause emotional and physical stress and lead to illness and depression. The only way you can provide the care your mother needs is to make sure you stay healthy.

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Family's military service honored in barn quilt

Shawano County's 373rd barn quilt honors members of a family who have served in the military, including one who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

The quilt, named Love of Service, is on display at the home of Jim and Beth Karlson at N2861 Rustic Drive, Clintonville.

"Ever since I saw the beautiful barn quilts going up around Shawano County, I wanted to get one," Beth said, "and now that we do, it makes my heart flutter every time I look at it."

Beth procrastinated for a few years, until her granddaughter, Leah, "took the bull by the horns" and contacted Jim Leuenberger about how to go about getting the quilt. Jim worked with Beth on the pattern for the quilt, which has special meaning for Beth and Jim. Jim Karlson served with the Marines in Vietnam, while one son, Matthew Hansen, was an F18 mechanic in the Marine Corps; another son, Pete is a firefighter, and the third son, Warren, served in the Army.

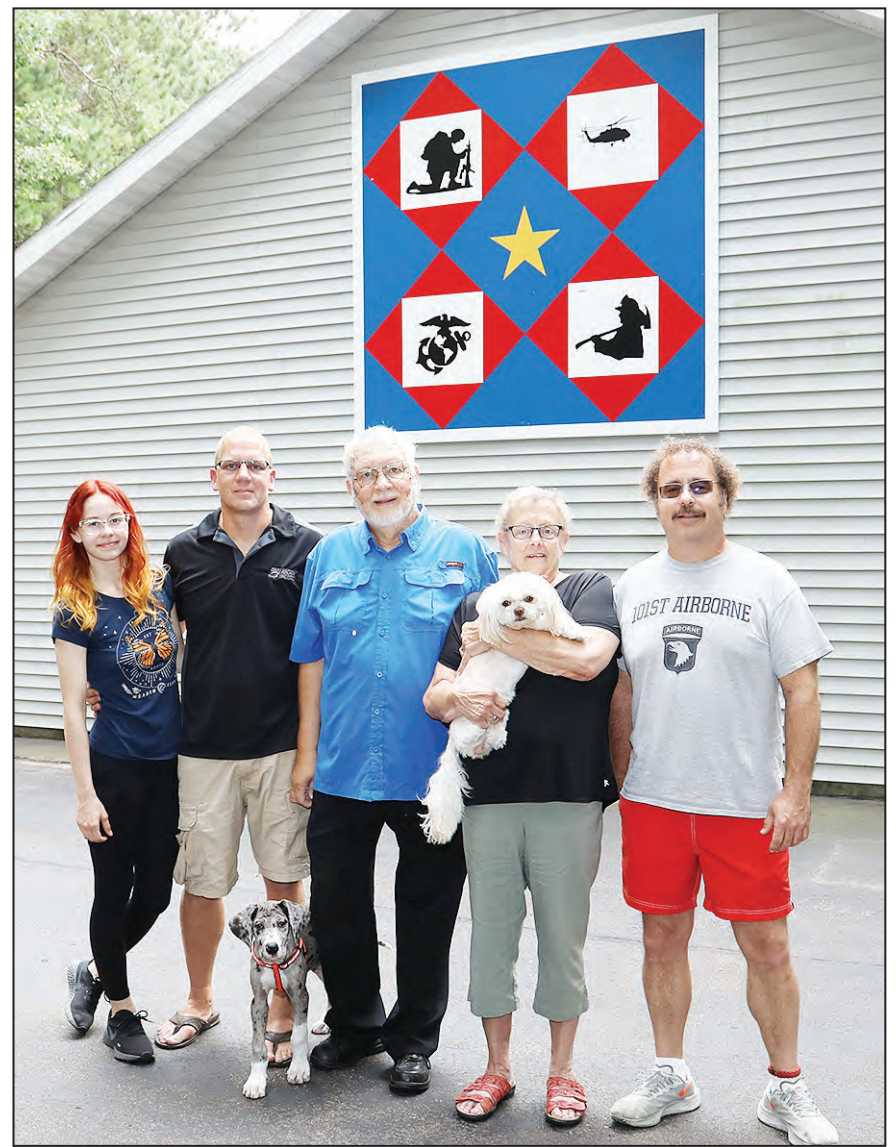
Warren went into the Army in 1986, right after graduating from high school. He served until Nov. 15, 2003, a day the Karlsons will never forget. That morning, while patrolling in a helicopter with 11 other soldiers in Mosul, Iraq, the helicopter behind them was hit by a rocket propelled grenade, which caused it to crash into the helicopter Warren was in. Then Warren's helicopter was hit by an RPG causing both helicopters to crash. Warren and 11 of his comrades were killed. Only five survived.

"When something like this happens, the family gets through it, but they never really get over it," Jim Leuenberger said. "It was an honor to do this special barn quilt for them."

The Karlsons' barn quilt was painted by the Shawano County barn quilt committee and was put on display by LeRoy Raddant and his grandson, Keenan, both of whom work for Raddant Electric in Shawano.

Shown with Shawano County's 373rd barn quilt, called Love of Service, are, from left, Leah Karlson; her dad, Pete; Jim and Beth Karlson; and their son, Matthew Hansen.

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USDA reimbursing farmers for organic certification

Organic producers and handlers can now apply for U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) funds to assist with the cost of receiving or maintaining organic certification.

Applications for the Organic Certification Cost Share Program (OCCSP) are due Nov. 1.

OCCSP provides cost-share as-

sistance to producers and handlers of agricultural products for the costs of obtaining or maintaining organic certification under the USDA's National Organic Program. Eligible producers include any certified producers or handlers who have paid organic certification fees to a USDA-accredited certifying agent during 2021 and any

subsequent program year.

Producers can be reimbursed for expenses made between Oct. 1, 2020, and Sept. 30, 2021, including application fees, inspection costs, fees related to equivalency agreement and arrangement requirements, travel expenses for inspectors, user fees, sales assessments and postage.

For 2021, OCCSP will reimburse 50% of a certified operation's allowable certification costs, up to a maximum of \$500 for each of the following categories (or "scopes"): crops, wild crops, livestock, processing/handling and state organic program fees.

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HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Shawano boys, girls qualify for state

Onesti wins boys' race, Beyer leads girls

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Shawano Community High School boys and girls cross-country teams each qualified for state after competing in the Division 2 Oconto Falls Sectional on Oct. 23 at The Patriot Golf Club in Abrams.

The Shawano boys placed first with a team score of 44, ahead of Rhinelander (58). The Shawano girls claimed second with a mark of 102, just ahead of Amherst (108), Fox Valley Lutheran (109) and New London (111). The Freedom girls took first with a mark of 29.

Menominee Indian also competed in the sectional, with the boys placing eighth with a score of 236. No Menominee Indian girls runners were in action.

The Shawano boys top finish came on the strength of a first-place individual finish for Ethan Onesti, who completed the course in 16 minutes, 48.1 seconds.

"I just went out, felt really good, just kept on with my pace, and then after the second mile, just started to pick it up — surges here and there to pull away and get a gap and secure first place," said Onesti.

Andon Chelberg also secured a top-10 finish for the boys team, taking eighth in 17:28.4.

Will Chelberg (17:51.8) and Aidan Preston (17:52.1) took 11th and 12th, respectively. Connor Chelberg (18:21.4) rounded out the team score with a time of 18:21.4 for 23rd place.

"We were able to push ourselves and kind of know who from other teams were going to be good and just kind of stay together as a team," said Will Chelberg of the team's top finish.

Dane Adams (19:17.8) and Brady Stomberg (20:47.5) were the other two runners on the boys team.

"It's exciting," said Andon Chelberg on making state as a team. "The last couple months, we've just had fun with each other and



Shawano's Ethan Onesti nears the finish line at the Division 2 Oconto Falls Sectional on Oct. 23 in Abrams.

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then it's even more exciting to go to state with them and have even more fun."

The Shawano girls had three runners place inside the top 10, led by Grace Beyer's fifth-place finish in 20:08.1.

"It means everything," said Beyer of making it to state, before knowing the entire girls team had advanced. "I've worked four years for this, and this is the first year that I've actually gone and I'm just so excited."

Grace Chelberg (20:12.7) and Lily Guenther (20:13.8) claimed seventh and eighth place, respectively, for

the Hawks.

With those top-10 finishes, Beyer, Chelberg and Guenther were expected to make it to state as individuals. The trio was surprised to not hear their names called as individual state qualifiers, but quickly found out that it had instead advanced to state as a complete team.

"I was scared because they called a girl from behind us (lower than eighth place) and then in front of us," said Grace Chelberg. "We were like, 'Where are we at?' Then they called a girl that beat all of us. Once we heard the top runner, we were like, 'Oh my gosh. We're go-

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ing to state as a team!"

"We were so nervous that me and Grace Chelberg weren't going to make it as individuals and then we didn't hear our names," said Guenther. "We were panicking, holding each other's hands, and then we realized Amherst was third, we were second, and we were making it!"

Adalyn Barkley (22:26.1) claimed 33rd and Onna Hermann (23:48.9) 61st to fill out the team score for the girls team.

Caitlyn Moede (23:59.5) and Trinity Tucker (24:05.9) filled out the seven-runner team.

The boys and girls teams will now prepare for the state championships, which are scheduled for Oct. 30 at The Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids. The boys will run at noon, while the girls will take the course at 1:45 p.m.

Coach Steve Stomberg said that while not many people believed either team would advance to state, he believed.

"I am so proud of all of you guys and the hard work you guys have done," he said while addressing both teams.

In terms of goals he might set for the teams at state, the No. 1 priority for Stomberg was for the teams to soak in the experience and have fun.

"Just to be there is absolutely incredible," said Stomberg. "The honor, the opportunity. Seize the moment; take advantage of it."

Menominee Indian

The Menominee Indian boys team was led by Lloyd Reevis' 38th-place finish in 19:14.7. Isaiah Moss placed 41st in 19:20.4.

Barron Waupoose claimed 49th in 19:31.5, while Francis Delabrau was 56th in 19:46.5. Darus Davis capped the five-runner team with a 76th-place finish in 21:19.2.

HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Bonduel girls team, Uelmen team headed to state

Pulaski's Shaw also state bound

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Bonduel High School girls cross-country team is returning to state after a second-place finish at the Division 3 Athens Sectional on Oct. 23 in Athens.

The girls team was formed by Ashlyn Kurey, Kendra Troxel, Teagan Engel, Joselyn Bohm, Kaitlin Brooks, Taylor Rank and Anna Beaumier.

Bonduel's Cooper Uelmen also advanced to state after a fourth-place individual finish in the boys race.

Kurey led the Bonduel girls with a third-place finish, completing the course in 20 minutes, 22.9 seconds. Troxel (20:48.7) was eighth for the Bears.

"Making it to state individually is something that I am proud of, but making it to state as a team means so much more," said Kurey. "At the beginning of the season I don't think people thought we were going to be as good as past teams, but we proved them wrong. Every girl on this team has worked hard all season, and we knew we would all have to run our best race and we did that. Every girl ran their personal best today, and that is what we needed. I am so proud of our team."

"It's a lot more meaningful to make it to state as a team," said Troxel. "The relief of your team

name being listed as second place takes a giant lift off your shoulders and makes you realize what you've been working for this whole year has finally paid off. I'm very excited to be sharing the state experience with a whole team and having every age group on our team to be able to experience it as well."

Engel (21:30.2) took 13th, Bohm (21:52.5) was 19th and Brooks (23:10.5) claimed 41st to cap the team score for Bonduel. Rank posted a time of 24:44.1, while Beaumier had a time of 27:20.

It will mark the fourth time the Bonduel girls have run at the state championships, with the other appearances coming from 2017-19.

Uelmen earned his individual state spot with a time of 17:35.1.

"It was a tough run," said Uelmen, a senior who hopes to post a sub-17:15 time at state. "I had to push myself to get ahead of kids that had been beating me all year. I didn't want this one to be my last meet."

The Bonduel state qualifiers will now prepare for the state championships, which are set for Oct. 30 at The Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids. The Division 3 boys race is set for 1:10 p.m., while the D3 girls race will be at 3:05 p.m.

The Marion girls posted a score of 342 to come in 11th at the sectional.

The Bonduel boys came in sixth with a score of 141. Individual runners from Gresham/Bowler and Marion also competed.

Marion's girls team was formed by: Bridget Much (26:28.6), Peyton Bailey (28:53.9), Kelsey Zillmer



Bonduel's Ashlyn Kurey runs during the Division 3 Athens Sectional on Oct. 23 in Athens. Kurey helped the girls team qualify for state.

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(29:53.2), Gracie Grogan (30:21.7) and Nora Wiesman (36:19.6).

The Bonduel boys had six runners in action. Behind Uelmen was: Ben O'Brien (18:15.1), Ayden Dunst (19:25.2), Race Anvelink (19:26), Ben Reisner (23:55.8) and Keaton Bahr (27:30.4).

Bryson Nelson was the lone competitor for Gresham/Bowler. He finished the boys race in 21:20.2.

Marion also had three boys in action, led by Jaden Stuhr (20:12.7). Jackson Krohn (23:54.1) and Jesse Trebus (24:30.2) also competed for the Mustangs.

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Pulaski

Pulaski's T.J. Shaw qualified for state after placing eighth individually at the Division 1 Manitowoc Lincoln Sectional on Oct. 23 in Milwaukee.

Shaw completed the course in 17:02.7 to earn the last individual state spot.

Shaw will now prepare for the state championships, with the Division 1 boys race beginning at 12:35 p.m. at The Ridges Golf Course.

The Pulaski boys finished sixth behind Shaw, posting a team score of 168.

Connor Heezen was the second Pulaski boys runner across the finish line, taking 22nd in 18:05.7. Nick Symons (18:36.6) placed 32nd. Connor Nooyen (19:10.8) and Dayne Nowak (19:15.3) capped the team score, placing 52nd and 54th, respectively. Griffin Nowak (19:42.9) and Madden Skenadore (20:50.7) also ran for the boys team.

The Pulaski girls placed seventh with a score of 176.

Angela Opolka (21:06.3) led the girls team with a 22nd-place finish. Olivia Stedl (21:19.5) claimed 24th. Rachael Allen (21:53.7) took 40th, Trennedy Roffers (21:54.6) was 42nd, and Grace Goodness (22:32) was 51st to cap the girls team score. McKenna Lowery (23:15.5) and Kendra Brockman (23:32.1) also competed for the Pulaski girls.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Pulaski advances in playoffs with win over West De Pere

Shawano and Bonduel eliminated

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

The Pulaski High School football team topped West De Pere 23-14 in a Division 2 playoff contest Oct. 22 in Pulaski to keep its season alive.

The third-seeded Red Raiders rallied from a 14-7 halftime deficit against No. 6 West De Pere.

Maverick Cole rushed for 130 yards and two touchdowns to power Pulaski offensively. Aaron Maroszek added 53 rushing yards and the team's other touchdown.

Will Steeno kicked a 28-yard field goal for the team's final three points.

Jake Adams led the Red Raiders' defense with eight total tackles, a sack and a forced fumble, while Max Burdette had six total tackles and a forced fumble.

Mason Wells intercepted a pass and had eight total tackles, while

Riley Lorn also picked off a pass and had seven total tackles. Aaron Hawpetoss tallied seven total tackles.

Pulaski will host No. 7 Slinger on Oct. 29 in the next round of postseason play. Slinger upset No. 2 Cedarburg 24-3 in the first round.

In other area football postseason action, Shawano and Bonduel were eliminated after losses.

Seventh-seeded Shawano fell short in a Division 3 playoff contest against second-seeded Menasha on

Oct. 22 in Menasha. The hosts won 41-26.

Kadin Ihrcke rushed for 125 yards and three touchdowns to lead Shawano on offense. Elliott Lowney had 130 receiving yards and a touchdown, while Carson Popp finished with 196 passing yards.

The hosts rushed for six touchdowns on the night.

Seventh-seeded Bonduel couldn't slow No. 2 Markesan in a Division 6 playoff game on Oct. 22 in Markesan. Bonduel lost 48-19.

HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Bonduel, Gresham lose regional title matches

Shawano also earned playoff win

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Gresham and Bonduel high school volleyball teams each advanced to regional title matches before being eliminated from postseason play last week.

Bonduel, a No. 4 seed playing in the Division 3 bracket, opened the post-season against 13th-seeded Crandon on Oct. 19 in Bonduel. The Bears picked up a 25-18, 25-21, 30-28 victory.

Hailee Thompson totaled 40 assists and five total kills for Bonduel, while Allaina Robaidek had 28 digs, 14 attack kills and three aces. Audrey Weier was credited with 15 total kills.

Brenna Hertzfeldt posted 15 digs and nine attack kills for the Bears. Kylie Hoffman tallied seven attack kills and three aces, while Macy Niles had 22 digs.

The win advanced Bonduel into the regional semifinals, where it hosted No. 5 St. Mary Catholic on Oct. 21. The Bears earned a hard-fought 26-24, 20-25, 25-23, 25-21 win.

Robaidek tallied 15 attack kills and 17 digs for Bonduel, while Thompson had 31 assists and eight digs. Niles led the team with 24 digs, while Nakiyah Henning had 17 and Hertzfeldt 14.

Hoffman provided seven attack kills, four block assists and a solo block for the Bears. Hertzfeldt had eight attack kills, while Henning had six and Weier tallied four.

The win pushed the Bears into a regional final against top-seeded Oconto. Bonduel battled but eventually came up short, losing by scores of 25-15, 25-18,



Bonduel's Allaina Robaidek, left, and Kylie Hoffman, right, attempt to block a spike attempt during the team's regional semifinal win over St. Mary Catholic on Oct. 21 in Bonduel.

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22-25, 25-12 in Oconto on Oct. 23.

Robaidek tallied 11 kills, seven digs and two aces for Bonduel, while Thompson had 23 assists, 15 digs, two aces and seven kills. Weier also tallied seven kills.

Niles finished the match with 22 digs, while Henning had 16. Hertzfeldt contributed 10 digs and four kills.

Gresham was a No. 4 seed in Division 4. The Wildcats opened the playoffs hosting 13th-seeded White Lake on Oct. 19 and won by scores of

25-10, 25-11, 25-16.

Valarie Cerveny racked up 14 kills and 10 service points to lead Gresham to victory. Hannah Cerveny tallied 18 assists, while Maddie Haffner had 15 service points.

Gresham then hosted No. 5 Wausaukee in a regional semifinal on Oct. 21. Gresham went on for a 25-19, 25-17, 25-11 win.

Valarie Cerveny stuffed the stat sheet, finishing with 15 service points, 14 kills and six aces for Gresham. Han-

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A video recap of Bonduel's win over St. Mary Catholic can be found at www.newmedia-wi.com.

nah Cerveny added 28 assists and 11 digs, while Chloe Bohl had nine kills.

Haffner finished the match with 12 digs and nine service points for the Wildcats. Josie Cerveny totaled nine service points and nine digs, while Kalayla Tucker had 13 digs.

Gresham's season was ended by top-seeded Three Lakes in a regional final on Oct. 23. Three Lakes won by scores of 25-12, 25-12, 25-12.

Valarie Cerveny had 15 total kills for the Wildcats in the loss, while Jessa Jensen added four kills and eight digs.

Haffner posted 15 digs, while Hannah Cerveny had 14 assists. Josie Cerveny contributed eight digs.

In other area volleyball postseason action, Shawano earned a win in Division 2.

The seventh-seeded Hawks rallied to a 25-18, 17-25, 19-25, 25-20, 15-13 win over No. 10 Lakeland Union on Oct. 19 in Shawano. The Hawks' season was ended by No. 2 Winneconne after losing by scores of 25-21, 23-25, 25-21, 25-7 on Oct. 21 in Winneconne.

Pulaski opened Division 1 postseason play on Oct. 21. The 10th-seeded Red Raiders lost by scores of 25-12, 19-25, 25-20, 25-19 against No. 7 Bay Port in Green Bay.

No. 14 Menominee Indian was topped by No. 3 Wittenberg-Birnamwood in a Division 3 regional playoff match on Oct. 19 in Wittenberg. The Eagles lost by scores of 25-13, 25-17, 25-14.

No. 13 Marion was swept by No. 2 Almond-Bancroft in a D4 regional match on Oct. 19 in Almond. The Mustangs lost by scores of 25-5, 25-14, 25-12.



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HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Pulaski wins regional title in thrilling fashion

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Pulaski High School boys soccer team won a Division 2 regional title after two shutout wins last week.

The top-seeded Red Raiders first postseason match came Oct. 19 against No. 8 Merrill. Pulaski left little doubt in a 10-0 victory.

The Red Raiders built a 7-0 lead by halftime, scoring four goals in the final four minutes of the first half to take control.

Austin Decker, Joe Wacholz and

Jack Ryan had two goals each for Pulaski, while Chase Ambrosius, Ben Uelmen, Dylan Carley and Ryan Drafz scored one goal each.

Oscar Aronsen was credited with three assists on the night. Trentin Dauk, Aidan Dauk and Alex Kouzov had one assist each.

Goalies Mason Baker and Gaven Haldemann combined to post the shutout for the Red Raiders.

Pulaski's second postseason match was a much tighter one, with the Red Raiders coming away with a 1-0 win

over No. 4 Wausau East in overtime on Oct. 23 in Pulaski.

Will Steeno was the hero for Pulaski, scoring the game-winning goal in the first period of overtime.

Baker made two saves to post the shutout. Pulaski outshot Wausau East 10-2 on the night.

Pulaski advances on to sectional play next and will host No. 3 Green Bay Southwest at 7 p.m. Oct. 28.

In their Fox River Classic Conference match this fall, Pulaski topped Green Bay Southwest 3-0.

FYI

This week's sectional match recaps can be found online at www.newmedia-wi.com.

In other area postseason action, Shawano and Gresham/Bowler were topped in their lone matches.

Shawano, a No. 6 seed, lost 2-1 to No. 3 Mosinee in a Division 3 regional semifinal match on Oct. 21 in Mosinee.

No. 17 Gresham/Bowler lost 1-0 to No. 16 Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian in a D4 matchup on Oct. 19 in Oshkosh.

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Rockhurst

Shawano Community High School graduate Averil Vomastic helped the Rockhurst University volleyball team to a 2-0 mark last week.

Vomastic posted nine attack kills, five digs and a block assist in the team's sweep of Truman on Oct. 21.

She recorded 18 attack kills, 13 digs, two aces and two block assists in the team's sweep of Quincy on Oct. 23.

UW-Eau Claire

Bonduel grad Isaac Garside caught a touchdown pass and led the UW-Eau Claire football team in receiving yards in the team's loss to UW-Oshkosh on Oct. 23.

Garside had a 15-yard touchdown reception in the fourth quarter. He caught seven passes for 88 yards in the contest, with a long reception of 35 yards.

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UW-Whitewater

Shawano grad Baylie Hansen helped the UW-Whitewater volleyball team to three more wins last week. The team is 23-1 on the season.

In a sweep of UW-Platteville on Oct. 20, Hansen totaled four attack kills. She had three attack kills and three block assists in a sweep of Cornell College on Oct. 22.

In the team's sweep of Wheaton on Oct. 23, Hansen finished with one dig and one attack kill.

UW-Green Bay

Wittenberg-Birnamwood graduate McKenna Metropulos opened her college career for the UW-Green Bay women's swim team Oct. 23 in a dual loss to the University of St. Thomas.

As an individual, Metropulos claimed second in the 100-yard

freestyle with a time of 55.06 seconds. She was fourth in the 50 freestyle (25.52).

Metropulos was also on the second-place finishing 200 medley relay that posted a time of 1:51.47. She also swam on the second-place finishing 400 freestyle relay team, which earned a mark of 3:39.41.

North Iowa Area

Oconto Falls graduate Samantha Coron recorded 16 assists, eight digs, a solo block, a block assist and three attack kills in the North Iowa Area Community College volleyball team's loss to Iowa Lakes Community College on Oct. 20.

For the season, Coron has accumulated 715 assists, 446 digs, 164 attack kills, 51 aces and 28 total blocks across 38 matches.

Winona State

Gillett grad and current Winona State women's cross-country runner Sylvia Hansen placed 81st at the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Championships on Oct. 23.

Hansen completed the 6K course in 25:14.59, which helped the team to a fifth-place finish.

UW-Oshkosh

Oconto Falls graduate Mac Winkler rushed for a touchdown and also was credited with three total tackles in the UW-Oshkosh football team's win over UW-Eau Claire on Oct. 23.

Winkler's touchdown was a 1-yarder in the fourth quarter. He finished with seven carries for 31 yards.

Two of his three tackles were solo ones. He also got credit for forcing a fumble.

MSU-Moorhead

Gillett grad Derek Hanson, who runs for the Minnesota State University-Moorhead men's cross-country team, took 90th at the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Championships on Oct. 23.

Hanson posted a time of 28:38.87 on the 8K course. His team finished eighth.

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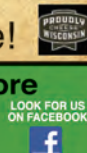
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Sacred Heart Catholic School fifth-grade students, from left, Ivan Kary, Logan Frechette and Addyson Fowler perform an adaptation of "Little Red Riding Hood." The class has been comparing fairytales to their adaptations. Students were tasked with coming up with adaptations of some of their childhood favorites. Others adaptations were of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" and "The Frog and the Seven Flies." After students wrote scripts and made props, they performed for the class.

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COLLEGE NOTES

University of Iowa

This fall's incoming undergraduate class at the University of Iowa — a group that includes Neely Goerlinger, of Clintonville — has yet again topped previous records in achievement with a higher average high school grade-point average, at 3.81, than any previous class. The average high school GPA for the classes of 2024 and 2023 were 3.78 and 3.76, respectively.

Goerlinger is majoring in university honors.

Southern New Hampshire University

Ashley Stelloh, of Shawano, has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's summer 2021 dean's list. Eligibility for the dean's list requires that a student accumulate an academic grade-point average of 3.5 and earn 12 credits for the term.

Ripon College

Logan Zeinert, class of 2022, participated in Ripon College's Theatre production of "After the Blast" by Zoe Kazan. The show took place Oct. 14-17, at the Benstead Theatre in the C.J. Rodman Center for the Arts at Ripon College. Zeinert is from Wittenberg, and his parents are Kurt and Susan Zeinert, of Wittenberg.

At Ripon, Zeinert majors in psychology and theater.

The futuristic drama was about Anna and her husband, Oliver, as they wait to be approved for "fertility" by a government agency so they may have a child. Anna struggles with her mental health, so Oliver brings home the latest technology for domestic aid: a talkative and caring robot to be a companion for Anna.

St. Norbert College

Omicron Delta Kappa welcomed 105 students from colleges and universities during September, including St. Norbert College students Kaitlyn Martin, of Pulaski, and Kori Halstead, of Shawano.

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

Bemidji State University

Taylor Nier, from Hatley, graduated with a bachelor of science in exercise science from Bemidji State University in Bemidji, Minnesota, during the 2020-21 school year.

Drake University

Hailey Gutowski, Sobieski, graduated from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, with a Bachelor of Music in vocal performance after the spring 2021 semester.

University of Iowa

Jacob Kokko-Ludemann, Lena, was one of 88 University of Iowa Doctor of Pharmacy students who recited the Oath of the Pharmacist and were officially welcomed into the profession and college during the College of Pharmacy's annual White Coat Ceremony.

UW-Eau Claire

Casey Fischer, an Abrams graduate of Oconto Falls High School, has been awarded a Freshman Honors Scholarship and Ralph E. Duxbury Biological Sciences New Student Scholarship from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

UW-La Crosse

The following area students completed degree requirements at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in May:

- Mikayla Pagel, Abrams, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in psychology.

- Brian Draheim, Lena, earned a Bachelor of Science in computer science, with an emphasis on embedded systems.

- Scout Gerndt, Mountain, received a Bachelor of Science in exercise and sport science with an emphasis in sport management.

- Jacob Gille, Sobieski, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in exercise and sport science on a pre-professional track.

- Sydney Ripley, Little Suamico, earned a Bachelor of Science in exercise and sport science on a pre-professional track.

- Corrina Romandine, Lena, received a Bachelor of Science in psychology, graduating with honors.

- Kathryn Witt, Lena, earned a Master of Science in education with a focus on student affairs administration in higher education.

Life Line Screening coming in November

Residents living in and around the Shawano area can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening.

Boarders Inn and Suites, W7393 River Bend Road, Shawano, will host this community event on Nov. 30.

Screenings can check for the level of plaque buildup in arteries, related to risk for cardiovascular disease,

stroke and overall vascular health; HDL and LDL cholesterol levels; diabetes risk; bone density as a risk for possible osteoporosis; kidney and thyroid function, and more.

Special package pricing starts at \$149, but consultants will work with visitors to create a package that is right for them based on age and risk factors. Call 877-237-1287 or go to www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.

Immunizations become victim of own success

There is a dangerous trend across the nation. Increasing numbers of Americans are rejecting vaccines. These “refusers” claim that vaccinations lead to serious adverse events. Specifically, some of these “refusers” say that Guillain-Barré syndrome is caused by vaccines. However, scientific research disputes this assertion.

A study published in Clinical Infectious Diseases examined patients who had a diagnosis of Guillain-Barré syndrome and the likelihood that the syndrome was associated to any vaccination. Data from the entire Kaiser Permanente Northern California population was studied. Medical researchers assessed all vaccinated individuals and Guillain-Barré syndrome diagnoses over an 11-year period. They compared the odds of vaccination to onset of Guillain-Barré syndrome with the odds of vaccination during the same time intervals in all vaccinated individuals in the entire Kaiser Permanente Northern California population.

This research team found no evidence of an increased risk of Guillain-Barré syndrome following vaccinations of any kind, including influenza vaccination. These results are consistent with several previous research studies.

According to the Mayo Clinic, Guillain-Barré syndrome is a disorder in which your body's immune system attacks your nerves. Weakness and tingling in your extremities are usually the first symptoms. These sensations can quickly spread,



BRIAN GRIEVES

eventually paralyzing your whole body. In its most severe form, Guillain-Barré syndrome is a medical emergency requiring hospitalization. The exact cause of Guillain-Barré

syndrome is unknown, but it is often preceded by an infectious illness such as a respiratory infection or the stomach flu.

There's no known cure for Guillain-Barré syndrome, but several treatments can ease symptoms and reduce the duration of the illness. Most people recover from Guillain-Barré syndrome, though some may experience lingering effects from it, such as weakness, numbness or fatigue.

Research dispels one of the commonly held beliefs among vaccine-refusing people that vaccines cause more harm than good. Immunization has been credited with the eradication or control of smallpox, polio, diphtheria, measles, mumps and rubella. Now patients are no longer worried about the diseases themselves. They're more worried about vaccine safety. Immunizations have become a victim of their own success.

Dr. Brian Grieves is a doctor of chiropractic with a master's in public health and a member of the Shawano Community Health Action Team. Call 715-524-8722 for more information.

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OPINION

GUEST COLUMN

Active citizenship what we need in Wisconsin

An understanding of civics — of the rights and duties of citizens — is essential to a well-functioning democracy. That means the effective teaching of civics is also essential. We want our children to grow up to be engaged citizens, to be critical consumers of information, to be actively involved in the civil discourse of this state and nation, to understand and participate in the processes of government and to vote.

Let's strengthen our commitment to civics education in Wisconsin by honoring the process of democracy and the independent and nonpartisan nature of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction. We do this by creating the Wisconsin Civics Advisory Council.

The Wisconsin Civics Advisory Council will harness the collective knowledge of DPI, thought leaders,



JILL UNDERLY

legislators, parents and — most importantly of all — the educators in the classroom who teach these lessons and reach our students every single day.

Tasked with developing high-quality instructional materials and professional development, as well as making recommendations to DPI and the legislature on any policy changes that would strengthen students' learning of civics, this council will be able to tap into the riches Wisconsin has to offer: the state, local and tribal histories found within our borders; the historical sites and museums that call Wisconsin home; and the movements that began

in halls of power and around dining room tables across our state.

This work stands strongly within our charge at DPI to advance public education and libraries in our state, and I look forward to being a part of leading this work and implementing the Wisconsin Civics Advisory Council's recommendations.

What could be more central than civics education in a state that holds the birthplace of the Republican Party, passed the first workers' compensation law to be upheld by the Constitution and was the first state in the nation to ratify the 19th Amendment affirming the right to vote for women? What could be more dedicated to the Wisconsin Idea than a strong, well-considered, bipartisan work group on civics?

What could be more important than

securing that the future leaders of our state and our country receive a civics education that is as rigorous, inclusive and as thorough as possible? We accomplish this through the Wisconsin Civics Advisory Council.

After all, it was Wisconsin's own Robert La Follette who, during his 1924 presidential campaign, said, "America is not made. It's in the making. ... Mere passive citizenship is not enough." We know our children understand this. They are engaged. They are hungry to learn more about civics. It is up to this agency to lead and to work with our school boards to ensure our children grow up to be well-informed and active citizens. That is how we move Wisconsin forward.

Jill Underly is the superintendent for the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mask mandate necessary despite objections

To the editor:

Recently, I read the Shawano Leader's coverage of a school meeting held at the end of September. At this meeting, several parents voiced strong opposition to the mandated use of masks through the end of October. One of the parents actually claimed that he had talked with our sheriff and mayor and claimed that both indicated that he had the right to contest this mandate legally.

Now, if the officials merely indicated that the right to sue exists, so be it. If they encouraged him to do so, shame on them.

The facts are that, due to spikes in COVID-19 cases, the board's decision was made for the overall health of the community. We constantly hear from whining parents that their freedom is being taken away. My point, is that you are not free to jeopardize my health because of your ignorance. Also, folks that voice these specious objections to mandates are also the folks that are led around like docile sheep by the toxic statements and actions of our former president and his minions.

People who want to jeopardize the health of others in the name of freedom, do exercise the following

freedom: Keep your children home.

Ken Kroenke, Shawano

Broken democracy leads to authoritarianism

To the editor:

When voters are asked what political party they vote for, they should ask themselves what kind of government do they really want? Do they want a government that protects the rights of individuals and cares about people, or one that puts money in the hands of corporations and the super wealthy?

At this juncture, our democratic government is being pushed from the right to make it more difficult for citizens to vote. This can only lead to an authoritarian form of government where voters' influence is minimal.

Some have lost faith in our democracy. Some think our government hasn't done anything to help them. Some spread the idea that Democrats are socialists, Marxists and even Communists.

The United States has a mixed economy that is based on capitalism. It has embraced necessary social programs and also provided private ownership of businesses. Would anyone want to do away with social security, Medicare/aid, public schools, public police, common defense or public roads?

With Marxism, there are social programs, but it can also lead to tyranny. Here, the capitalists are the ruling class; they live off the work of all the workers. They own the government, the army and the courts. Marxism's real goal is to overturn capitalism in favor of communism.

Communism is based on the idea of common ownership and the absence of any social classes. All property is shared, and all may benefit from everybody's work. In a Communist government, there is only one political party and there is control over worker production.

However, our government can have free education, free health care and state-run utilities without being Marxist or Communist. We can have the human infrastructure outlined in President Joe Biden's plan. Social programs like preschool for all children, fast universal internet and free post-secondary education are possible while still maintaining our freedoms.

If we want to continue to have a democracy, we need to trust that our elections are fair. Everyone should have an equal opportunity to vote, and the results should be protected from outside interests.

A broken democracy can only lead to an authoritarian type of government in which there is bound to be corruption by the few in power. Each

of us can influence the future of our country by thinking about the things that are important to them, to their families and to other citizens, and using their knowledge to vote wisely.

Jan Koch, Shawano

Support real heroes, not sports figures

To the editor:

What's wrong with our country? People pay high prices for sport events, for boats, motorcycles, campers, help pay the outrageous wages for our favorite sports team, when our police, firemen, EMTs, military men and women, doctors and nurses will never make that one-year salary their sports teams get in their entire lifetimes. We buy sports-team outfits without a thought, but we can't fly our flag proudly in our yards.

These men and women risk their lives daily and don't get the support they should from us. (I am so glad my son or daughter isn't in harm's way.)

There might be a time we won't have our volunteers to keep us safe, and then the draft will be back. Will those men and women we raise be up to that task? I don't think so! Show your pride in our country and the memory of the heroes who died to keep us safe.

Support the real heroes.

Virginia Bublitz, Oconto Falls

Swine experts speak out in November at online symposium through UW-Extension

The University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension and the Wisconsin Pork Association will host the 2021 Badger Swine Symposium via Zoom in November.

Speakers will present current topics on swine production beginning Nov. 3. Each session begins at 7 p.m. with a presentation followed by

a question-and-answer session until 8:30 p.m.

Sessions are:

- Nov. 3: Dr. Neil DeBuse, Minnesota Swine Reproduction Center — Working together to keep the Wisconsin herd healthy.
- Nov. 10: Dr. Jay Johnson, USDA Agricultural Research Service — In

utero heat stress, knowns, unknowns, and implications for the swine industry.

- Nov. 17: Dr. Laura Greiner, Iowa State University Swine Outreach and Extension and CALS — Managing production costs with feed costs.

There is no charge to participate, but pre-registration is required to allow access.

Registration can be made at <https://tinyurl.com/BadgeSwine2021> or by calling 608-723-2125 or 608-509-8436.

Shawano County Fair Housing Notice

Within Shawano County, individuals are to receive equal opportunity for housing regardless of:

- Race
- Lawful Source of Income
- Sex
- National Origin
- Sexual Orientation
- Ancestry
- Status as a Victim of Domestic Abuse, Sexual Abuse or Stalking
- Family Status
- Disability
- Age
- Color
- Religion
- Marital Status

Any individual who has been refused housing or otherwise discriminated against in the provision of housing on the basis of any of the above classes, can contact State of Wisconsin, Equal Rights Division at: <https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/er> or call 608-266-6860.

Community Development Block Grant - Northwoods Housing Region

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2022 Budget Town of Red Springs November 10, 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday November 10, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. The Town Board will hold a Budget Hearing for the 2022 proposed budget at the Town Hall. The Budget Hearing will be held pursuant to Sec. 60.12(1)(c) of Wis. State Statutes for the following purposes:

1. To adopt the town tax levy to be paid in 2022 pursuant to Sec. 60.10(1)(a) of the Wis. Statutes.

The following is a comparative summary of the Proposed 2022 Budget with the 2021 Amended Budget in the format required by Sec. 65.90(3)(b), Wisconsin Statutes. The entire detailed budget is available for inspection by contacting the Town Clerk, Gwen Olsen, at (715) 787-3356.

	AMENDED BUDGET 2021	PROPOSED BUDGET 2022	% CHANGE
EXPENDITURES			
General Government	60,600.00	58,900.00	-2.81%
Public Safety	36,226.00	37,358.00	3.12%
Public Works	280,404.00	282,256.00	0.66%
Health and Human Services	200.00	200.00	0.00%
Debt Service	0.00	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	377,430.00	378,714.00	0.34%
REVENUES			
Property Taxes	191,542	192,826	0.67%
Taxes (Other than Property)	1,000	1,000	0.00%
Intergovernmental	112,918	112,918	0.00%
Licenses and Permits	1,500	1,500	0.00%
Public Charges for Services	67,970	67,970	0.00%
Miscellaneous Revenue	2,500	2,500	0.00%
TOTAL REVENUES	377,430.00	378,714.00	0.34%

Respectfully submitted by the Town of Red Springs Board:
Chairman, Lonnie Schreiber, and Supervisors, Jennifer Morris, and Gary Olsen
Dated: October 19, 2021
Gwen Olsen
Town Clerk

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Before the Town of Hartland Planning Commission

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Monday, November 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hartland Town Hall, W3454 County Road BE, Bonduel, the Town of Hartland Planning Commission will hold a public hearing for the purpose of considering the following:

CU #2021-2: A Conditional Use request by Daniel and Christina Bontrager for a greenhouse. The parcel is located at W4686 County BE, Bonduel. The parcel number is 022-06420-0010 and is approximately 7 acres. The parcel is zoned Agricultural and Forestry General. Under Section 3.5 (2) B.8., of the Zoning Ordinance, a commercial greenhouse requires a CUP.

The hearing is open to the public and all interested parties are encouraged to attend. Contact Scott Schara, Zoning Administrator at 920-788-0829 for more information.

Posted October 29, 2021 at the Hartland Town Hall and www.townofhartlandwi.com by the Town Clerk. Posted October 29 and November 5, 2021 in the Shawano Leader by the Town Clerk.

WNAXLP

TOWN OF WESCOTT PLAN COMMISSION MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OFFICE AT N5794 OLD KESHENA ROAD TUESDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2021 AT 9 AM

- 1) CALL TO ORDER.
- 2) ROLL CALL.
- 3) REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 6, 2021 MEETINGS.
- 4) PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- 5) CORRESPONDENCE.
- 6) CU-4-21: KEVIN ZOGLEMAN REQUESTS CONDITIONAL USE APPROVAL TO CONSTRUCT AN ACCESSORY RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE PRIOR TO THE PRINCIPAL USE BEING ESTABLISHED WHICH IS TO EXCEED 1,008 SQUARE FEET IN AREA (PROPOSED SIZE IS 30' BY 56') WITHIN THE RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AND DESCRIBED AS BEING A PART OF THE SE1/4 SW1/4 DESCRIBED IN VOLUME 510 PAGE 292 OF COUNTY RECORDS SECTION 1 T27N R15E. TAX PARCEL #048-35340-0100. SITE ADDRESS IS N6912 BALSAM ROW ROAD.
- 7) DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE PARKING AND CAMPING RESTRICTIONS FOR RECREATIONAL USES, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT. AMENDMENT WOULD BE TO SECTIONS 285-25 (O) 1 & 2 AND ALSO SECTION 285-37 (B) OF THE TOWN CODE OF ORDINANCES.
- 8) CONSIDER AMENDING SECTIONS 285.40 (B) "PROCEDURES AND MEETINGS" AND 285.88 (B) "APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE" OF THE TOWN CODE OF ORDINANCES TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 985.02 (2) WI STATS "METHOD OF NOTIFICATION".
- 9) CONSIDER SETTING NEXT MEETING DATE IF DEEMED NECESSARY.
- 10) ADJOURN.

THE PLAN COMMISSION MAY CONSIDER AND MAKE A DECISION REGARDING EACH REQUEST WHEN THE PETITION IS MADE.

It is possible that members of and possibly a quorum of other governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above stated meeting to gather information; no action will be taken by any governmental body at the above stated meeting other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice.

POSTED TWO (2) PLACES ON OCTOBER 20, 2021

..... BY: ROBERT JACOBSON

- 1) TOWN WEBSITE
- 2) FIRE DEPARTMENT STATION

Town requests persons requiring assistance to enable attendance and participation to provide at least twenty-four-hour notice.

Written comments/correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author in order to be read into the record.

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Legals

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#1982
October 15, 22 & 29, 2021
CIRCUIT COURT FOR
MENOMINEE-SHAWANO COUNTIES
STATE OF WISCONSIN
BRANCH NO.
SHAWANO COUNTY
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Case No. 21CV30
Code No. 30404 Mortgage Foreclosure

Plaintiff:
Wolf River Habitat for Humanity, Inc.
-v.s-
Defendants:
Julie L. Schlichting
Defendant Mortgagor, and
Newcap, Nsighttel Wireless, LLC d/b/a Cellcom,
Creditbox.com. LLC,
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a Judgment of
Foreclosure entered in this action, the sheriff of Shawano
County, Wisconsin, will sell the described premises at public
auction as follows:
DATE: Nov. 10, 2021
TIME: 9:00 am

TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of successful bid
must be paid to Sheriff of Clerk of Court at sale in cash,
cahier's check or certified funds (personal check cannot and
will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must
be paid to the Clerk of Courts in cash, cahier's check or
certified funds no later than ten (10) days after the court's
confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is
forfeited to the Plaintiff.

PLACE: The East front entrance of the County Courthouse,
in the City of Shawano, Wisconsin.

DISCRPTION: Lot Five (5), Block Four (4), according to the
recorded Plat of Anderson's Plat of Wescott, in the Town of
Wescott, Shawano County, Wisconsin.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO: All delinquent real estate taxes,
assessments, penalties and interest, plus accrued taxes for
the year of sale from January 1st up to and including date of
sale.

SALE SET ASIDE: If the sale is set aside for any reason, the
Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the
deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse
against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's
attorney.

CONDITIONS OF SALE: Property will be sold □AS IS□
and purchaser shall pay all transfer taxes, recording fees and
costs of title evidence.

STREET/ROAD ADDRESS: N5607 N. Lafayette St.,
Shawano, WI 54166

TAX KEY NO: 048-40350-0280
Dated this 23rd day of June, 2021.

Adam Beber, Sheriff
Shawano County, Wisconsin.

*This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information
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from a debt collector.

Drafted By:
Aschenbrener, Woods, Lamia
Schmid, Chereskin & Sloma, S.C.
BY: J. Edison Woods, Jr.
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Shawano, WI 54166
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Fax 715-524-3526
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#2020
October 15, 22 & 29, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR91

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Richard G. Thompson
DOD 9/24/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 7/4/1941 and date of
death 9/24/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of
Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 135 School Court,
Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's
estate 1/25/2022.

5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse,
Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Registrar's Office.

Attorney Daniel J. Duke
HANAWAY ROSS, S.C.
345 S. Jefferson Street
Green Bay, WI 54301
920-432-3381
Bar No. 1020745
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Legals

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#2019
October 15, 22 & 29, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Order Setting Time to Hear Petition
for Special Administration
(Formal Administration)
Case No. 21PR89

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
James L. McGlin
DOD 10/24/2018
A Petition for Appointment of a Special Administrator was
filed.

THE COURT FINDS:
The decedent, with date of birth 7/04/1945 and date of death
10/24/2018, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of
Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 328 S. Warrington St.,
Cecil, WI 54111.

THE COURT ORDERS:

1. The petition be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse,
Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Branch 2, before Honorable
William F. Kussel, Jr., Court Official, on 11/15/2021 at
1:00pm.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The
petition may be granted if there is no objection.

2. Notice by publication is required.
Publication of this notice is notice to any interested persons
whose names or addresses are unknown.

The names and address of the following interested persons
(if any) are not known or reasonably ascertainable: Allison
McGlin; Zachary McGlin; Bruce McGlin; Karen Uhlenbrauck.
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability
to participate in the court process, please call 715-526-9347
prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court
does not provide transportation.

Please check with person named below for exact time
and date.

Attorney Robert D. Sweeney
P.O. Box 206
Seymour, WI 54165
920-833-6116
Bar No. 01020151
BY THE COURT:
/s/ William F. Kussel, Jr.
Circuit Court Judge 10/4/2021
WNAXLP

#2040
October 22, 29 & November 5, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for
Administration and Deadline for filing Claims
(Formal Administration)
Case No. 2020PR000042

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Keith R. Harrington
DOD 2/22/2020
A Petition for Formal Administrator was filed.

THE COURT FINDS:
The decedent, with date of birth 6/2/1949 and date of death
2/22/2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of
Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W8906 County Road A,
Shawano, WI 54166.

THE COURT ORDERS:

1. The petition be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse,
Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Branch 2, before Circuit Court
Judge/Circuit Court Commissioner Honorable William
Kussel, Jr., on 11/12/2021 at 2:00pm.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The
petition may be granted if there is no objection.

2. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's
estate is 1/18/2022.

3. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse,
Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202. Office of Probate Registrar.
4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for
final judgment.

5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose
names or addresses are unknown.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a
disability to participate in the court process, please call
262-782-5700 prior to the scheduled court date. Please
note that the court does not provide transportation.

Attorney Louis Dodulik
Mudroch & Dodulik, S.C.
P.O. Box 5246
Elm Grove, WI 53122
Bar No. 1024663
262-782-5700
BY THE COURT:
/s/ William F. Kussel, Jr.
Circuit Court Judge 10/11/21
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#2024
October 15, 22 & 29, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 2021CV000067

Plaintiff:
Nationstar Mortgage LLC
d/b/a Champion Mortgage
-v.s.-
Defendants:
The Estate of
Nancy B. Holewinski, et al.
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-
entitled action on August 2, 2021 in the amount of
\$194,162.84, I will sell at public auction, located in the main
lobby of the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main
Street, Shawano, WI 54166, on
November 10, 2021

At 9:00 AM, all of the following described premises, to wit:
LOT 13 OF J. J. HOF LAND COMPANY ADDITION NO. 2
TO THE VILLAGE OF KRAKOW, SHAWANO COUNTY,
WISCONSIN.

Street Address: N4849 Park Street, Krakow, WI 54137
Tax Key No. 601500130

THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD AS IS AND SUBJECT TO
ANY AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES, SUPERIOR LIENS
OR OTHER LEGAL ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK or
CERTIFIED FUNDS, payable to the Clerk of Courts (10%
down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of
Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not
received timely). Buyer must comply with minimum bidder
qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. /846.155. Buyer to
pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in
addition to the purchase price.

Adam C. Bieber
Sheriff of Shawano County, Wisconsin
Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
(414) 775-7700
50-21-00122
NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.
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#2025
October 15, 22 & 29, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR92

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
David R. Winter
DOD 9/26/21

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/17/1951 and date of
death 9/26/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of
Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 524 Fairview Way,
Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's
estate 1/26/2022.

5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse,
Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Register in Probate Office.
Sharon Greene-Gretzinger
503 S. Main Street
Shawano, WI 54166
Bar No. 1000837
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#2030
October 15, 22 & 29, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MENOMINEE TRIBAL COUNTY
Notice and Order for
Name Change Hearing
Case No. 21NC06

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Jerroed Michael Caldwell
By (Petitioner): Raeshene Marie Pocan
Notice is Given:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person
listed above:
From: Jerred Michael Caldwell
To: Jerred Michael Pocan
Birth Certificate: Jerred Michael Caldwell
It is ordered:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Menominee
County, State of Wisconsin:
Judge's Name: Bridget Long
Place: Menominee Tribal Courts
W3293 Wolf River Drive
Date: 11/12/2021
Time: 11:00AM
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#2028
October 15, 22 & 29, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR94

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Joanne M. O'Brien
DOD 7/7/21

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 4/25/1946 and date of
death 7/7/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of
Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1475 Birch Hill,
Shawano, WI 54166.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's
estate 1/27/2022.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse,
Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Register in Probate Office.
Sharon Greene-Gretzinger
503 S. Main Street
Shawano, WI 54166
Bar No. 1000837
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#2034
October 22, 29 & November 5, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR95

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Todd S. Lecoque
DOD 9/8/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 5/27/1960 and date of
death 9/8/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of
Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W818 Cuba Drive,
Krakow, WI 54137.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's
estate 1/27/2022.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse,
Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Registrar's Office.
Attorney Christina L. Peterson
Hanaway Ross, S.C.
345 S. Jefferson Street
Green Bay, WI 54301
920-432-3381
Bar No. 1045760
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#2035
October 22, 29 & November 5, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Order and Notice for Hearing on Petition for
Judgment Determining Descent
Case No. 21PR93

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Owen J. Mackin
DOD 1/4/1996
A Petition for Judgment Determining Descent of the Property
of the Decedent was filed.

THE COURT FINDS:
The decedent, with date of birth 4/7/1913 and date of death
1/4/1996, was domiciled in Pasco County, State of Florida,
with a mailing address of 8844 Forest Lake Drive, Port
Richey, FL 34668.

**Decedent had no domicile in Wisconsin. Property of
decedent is located in this county.

THE COURT ORDERS:
1. The petition be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse,
Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Branch 1, before Honorable
Katherine V. Sloma, Court Official, on 11/17/2021 at 3:30pm.
2. Publication of this order is notice to any persons whose
names or addresses are unknown.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability
to participate in the court process, please call 715-526-9352
at least 10 working days prior to the scheduled court date.
Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

Please check with person named below for exact time
and date.

Attorney Ross R. Kornowski
Davis & Kuelthau, S.C.
318 S. Washington St.
Suite 300
Green Bay, WI 54301
920-431-2233
Bar No. 1099283
BY THE COURT:
/s/ William F. Kussel, Jr.
Circuit Court Judge 10/8/2021
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#2023

October 15, 22 & 29, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for
Name Change Hearing
Case No. 21CV168

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:

Tayson Joseph Blackowl

By (Petitioner): Josephine Louise Pamonicut

Notice is Given:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: Tayson Joseph Blackowl

To: Tayson Joseph Pamonicut

Birth Certificate: Tayson Joseph Blackowl

It is ordered:

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin:

Judge's Name: William F. Kussel Jr.

Place: Shawano Co. Courthouse Br. 1

311 N. Main Street

Shawano, WI 54166

Date: 11/11/21

Time: 8:00 AM

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October 29, 2021
Notice of Public Sale

Lakeland Storage, 722 Waukechon St, Shawano, WI 54166.

Thursday, November 18, 2021 @ 12pm. Bidding is on the complete contents of the unit.

Owner- Talon Debroux Contents: toys, furniture, bags, totes

Owner- Emily Shondel Contents: clothes, boxes, fan, misc.

Owner- Scott Tesch Contents: furniture, totes, clothes

Owner- Daniel Labrado Contents: furniture, microwave, small refrigerator, misc

Owner- Matthew Carroll Contents: clothes, totes, car seat

Owner- Ofelia Ghent Contents: furniture, boxes

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#2041

October 29 & November 5 & 12, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 21PR90

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Hazel D. Collins

DOD 6/13/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 2/12/1926 and date of death 6/13/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W2694 St Hwy 22, Cecil, WI 54111.

3. All interested persons waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 1/25/2022.

5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Registrar Office.

Howard J. Eslien

P.O. Box 39

Oconto Falls, WI 54154

920-846-3261

Bar No. 1010465

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#2045

October 29 & November 5 & 12, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for
Name Change Hearing
Case No. 21CV180

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:

Jameson Howard Webb Lemke

By (Petitioner): Kaila Joe Rice

By (Co-Petitioner): Dylan Jay Schroeder

Notice is Given:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: Jameson Howard Webb Lemke

To: Jameson Jay Schroeder

Birth Certificate: Jameson Howard Webb Lemke

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: 11/24/21

Time: 11:00 AM

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#2046

October 29 & November 5 & 12, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MENOMINEE COUNTY
AMENDED PUBLICATION AMENDED SUMMONS
Case No. 21-CV-000003

The Honorable

William F. Kussel Jr.

Case Code 30404

(Foreclosure of Mortgage)

The amount claimed exceeds \$10,000.00

Plaintiff:

BMO Harris Bank, N.A.

successor in interest to M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank

1 Corporate Drive, Suite 360

Lake Zurich, IL 60047-8924

-vs.-

Defendants:

Thomas C. Haefs

1316 George St

Appleton, WI 54915-1129

Tricia L. Haefs

252 N Locust St Apt A

Versailles, KY 40383-1762

Legend Lake Property Owners Association Inc.

c/o Thomas Strebel, Registered Agent

N1024 Old South Branch Rd

Keshena, WI 54135-9589

The United States of America

c/o US Attorney

517 East Wisconsin Avenue

Milwaukee, WI 53202

&

c/o US Attorney General

950 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Rm B-103

Washington, DC 20530-0001

County of Menominee

W3269 Courthouse Ln

Keshena, WI 54135-9201

Added Defendants:

John Doe Haefs

252 N Locust St Apt A

Versailles, KY 40383-1762

Marcia Haefs

1316 George St

Appleton, WI 54915-1129

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

To each person named above as a defendant:

You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has

filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.

Within 40 days after October 29, 2021 you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the amended complaint.

The demand must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is P.O. Box 279, Keshena, WI 54315 and to Gray & Associates, L.L.P., plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 16345 West Glendale Drive, New Berlin, WI 53151-2841. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the amended complaint within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the amended complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the amended 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.

Dated this 21 day of October 2021.

Gray & Associates, L.L.P.

Attorneys for Plaintiff

By:

Robert M. Piette

State Bar No. 1018058

Case No. 21-CV-000003

16345 West Glendale Drive

New Berlin, WI 53151-2841

(414) 224-1987

Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.

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October 29, 2021

Notice of Pending Application for Proposed
Miscellaneous structure

Todd Leichte, 603 Cabrini Circle, West Bend, WI, 53095, has applied to the Department of Natural Resources for a permit to Miscellaneous structure. The project is located at W4997 Stark Rd., Shawano, WI 54166 in the NE of NE of Section 13, Township 27N, Range 16E in Town of W, Shawano County.

The project consists of removing the existing steel sheet seawall and installing 50 linear feet of angled concrete structure for shoreline protection from repeated severe ice shove extending inland from the water's edge. The concrete structure will be 8" thick reinforced with rebar or wire mesh and consist of a 6-8' face sloping at most 4:1 waterward from the bank with a 5' wide native vegetative buffer zone will

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extend the length of the project area along the shoreline.

The Department will review the proposal provided by the applicant and any information from public comments and the public informational hearing. The Department will determine whether the proposal complies with ss. 1.11, 30.12, and 30.208, Stats., and ch. NR 150, Wis. Adm. Code, and ensure that the required mitigation meets the standards in s. 281.36(3r), Stats. if the project impacts wetlands.

The Department has made a tentative determination that it will issue the permit for the proposed activity.

If you would like to know more about this project or would like to see the application and plans, please visit the Department's permit tracking website at <https://permits.dnr.wi.gov/water/SitePages/Permit%20Search.aspx> and search for IP-NE-2021-59-03298.

Reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.

Any person may submit comments and/or request a public informational hearing by emailing Nicole.Hays@wisconsin.gov or over the phone at 715-628-0069. If you are submitting general comments on the proposal, they must be emailed or verbalized within 30 days after the date this notice is published on the Department's website. If you are requesting a public informational hearing, the request must be emailed or verbalized within 20 days after the date this notice is published on the Department's website. A request for hearing must include the docket number or applicant name and specify the issues that the party desires to be addressed at the informational hearing. If no hearing is requested, the Department may issue its decision without a hearing. If a public informational hearing is held,

comments must be postmarked no later than 10 days following the date on which the hearing is completed.

The final decision may be appealed as indicated in the decision document.

Docket Number IP-NE-2021-59-03298

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

For the Secretary

BY: Nicole Hays

Water Management Specialist

Date: 10/19/2021

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October 29 & November 5 & 12, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A NUTRIENT
MANAGEMENT PLAN AND INTENT TO REISSUE A
WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION
SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0065846-02-0

Permittee: O'Harrow's Family Farm LLC, 6401 Company Lake Rd, Oconto Falls, WI, 54154

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Main Dairy - 6401 Company Lake Road, Oconto Falls, WI 54154

Spruce Farm - 8357 County Road K, Oconto Falls, WI 54154

Receiving Water And Location: Unnamed tributaries of Kelly Brook within the Little River Watershed, Oconto River Watershed, and groundwaters of the state

Brief Facility Description: O'Harrow's Family Farm LLC is an existing Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) that is owned & operated by Joel O'Harrow. O'Harrow's Family Farm LLC consists of 2 sites that are located at 6401 Company Lake Road & 8357 County Road K, Oconto Falls, WI O'Harrow's Family Farm LLC currently has 3,205 animal units (2,000 cows, 250 heifers, 650 calves) and is proposing

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to expand to 6,695 animal units (4,400 cows, 250 heifers, 1,300 calves) in 2025. No details outlining proposed structures for this expansion were submitted with the application. No Plans & Specifications were submitted for the proposed expansion. Therefore, this permit will only describe the existing facilities. The permit may need to be modified at the time of expansion to update sample points, schedules, or permit language associated with the expansion. O'Harrow's Family Farm LLC has a total of 4,066 acres available for land application of manure and process wastewater. Of this acreage, 785 acres are owned, and 3,281 acres are controlled though contracts, rental agreements or manure agreements.

The Department has tentatively decided that the above specified WPDES permit should be reissued.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Brian Hanson, DNR, 647 Lakeland Road, Shawano, WI, 54166, (920) 366-3302, Brian.Hanson@wisconsin.gov

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, the terms of the nutrient management plan, or the application, or to request a public informational hearing may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Anyone providing comments in response to this public notice will receive a notification of the Department's final decision when the permit is re-issued. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination. If no comments are received on the proposed permit from anyone, including U.S. EPA, the permit will be re-issued as proposed.

The Department may schedule a public informational hearing if within 30 days of the public date of this notice, a request for a hearing is filed by any person. The Department shall schedule a public informational hearing if a petition requesting a hearing is received from USEPA or from 5 or more persons or if the Department determines there is significant public interest. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit and fact sheet (if required), the operation's nutrient management plan and application may be inspected and copied at the permit drafter's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (920) 366-3302 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (15 cents per page for copies and 7 cents per page for scanning) will be charged for information in the file other than the public notice and fact sheet. Permit information is also available on the internet at:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/PublicNotices.html>.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be made to qualified individuals upon request.

NAME OF PUBLISHING NEWSPAPER: Oconto County

Times Herald

ADDRESS OF PUBLISHING NEWSPAPER: PO Box 87, Oconto Falls, WI 54154-0087

Date Notice Issued: October 27, 2021

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Menominee County Fair Housing Notice

Within Menominee County, individuals are to receive equal opportunity for housing regardless of:

- Race
- Lawful Source of Income
- Sex
- National Origin
- Sexual Orientation
- Ancestry
- Status as a Victim of Domestic Abuse, Sexual Abuse or Stalking
- Family Status
- Disability
- Age
- Color
- Religion
- Marital Status

Any individual who has been refused housing or otherwise discriminated against in the provision of housing on the basis of any of the above classes, can contact State of Wisconsin, Equal Rights Division at: <https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/er> or call 608-266-6860.

Community Development Block Grant - Northwoods Housing Region

OPINION PAGE POLICY

The Shawano Leader welcomes letters from its readers and wants to publish as many as possible. Letters should be no longer than 400 words and must be typed.

The editor reserves the right to edit letters for accuracy, brevity and clarity. Please avoid personal attacks. Only one letter per writer will be published in a 14-day period, and letters from new writers will be considered first over more frequent participants.

Longer pieces of up to 800 words will be considered for guest columns. All columns require a head shot of the author.

All opinion pieces must be signed by the author, and an address and telephone

number must be included for verification. No anonymous opinion pieces will be published under any circumstances.

Thank you letters will be considered for publication on community pages in the paper. The 400-word limit applies to thank you letters, as well.

The best and most expedient way to send letters is by email to editor@newmedia-wi.com. Put "letter to the editor" in the subject line and send the text in the body of the email.

Letters can also be sent by mail or delivered in person to 1464 E. Green Bay St., Shawano.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING YEAR 2022 CITY OF SHAWANO BUDGET SUMMARY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to section 65.90 of the Wis. State Statutes, and Acts amendatory thereof, the Committee on Finance of the Common Council of the City of Shawano has tentatively adopted the Budget for the year 2022 as hereinafter set forth, and that said Budget is available for inspection at the office of the City Clerk for said City of Shawano beginning with the date hereof.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that on WEDNESDAY, November 17, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. at Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, a Public Hearing will be held on said Budget, and will be presented to the Common Council following the hearing.

	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	Proposed 2022 Budget	% CHANGE
REVENUES:					
Taxes	\$2,778,616	\$2,962,168	\$3,026,887	\$3,121,982	3.14%
Special Assessments	\$477,682	\$490,919	\$443,400	\$456,246	2.90%
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$2,076,538	\$2,213,584	\$2,111,950	\$2,157,939	2.18%
Licenses and Permits	\$264,502	\$211,629	\$249,100	\$249,100	0.00%
Fines, Forfeits and Penalties	\$135,375	\$90,067	\$137,500	\$137,500	0.00%
Public Charges for Services	\$273,628	\$159,316	\$249,500	\$259,200	3.89%
Intergovernmental Service Charges	\$334,378	\$425,486	\$543,070	\$567,320	4.47%
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$91,845	\$330,317	\$46,093	\$46,093	0.00%
Other Financing Sources	\$1,445,186	\$802,036	\$903,673	\$927,604	2.65%
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$7,877,750	\$7,685,522	\$7,711,173	\$7,922,984	2.75%
EXPENDITURES:					
General Government	\$1,168,863	\$1,231,466	\$1,350,618	\$1,391,898	3.06%
Public Safety	\$3,220,286	\$3,255,483	\$3,489,904	\$3,562,221	2.07%
Public Works	\$1,853,689	\$1,819,938	\$1,811,114	\$1,843,263	1.78%
Other Transportation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA
Health and Human Services	\$59,665	\$72,723	\$69,819	\$71,345	2.19%
Culture, Recreation and Education	\$914,039	\$932,187	\$945,241	\$1,008,492	6.69%
Conservation and Development	\$43,065	\$61,322	\$44,477	\$45,765	2.90%
Transfers to Other Funds	\$400,974	\$62,384		\$0	NA
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$7,660,581	\$7,435,503	\$7,711,173	\$7,922,984	2.75%
TOTAL REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$217,169	\$250,019			
ESTIMATED FUND BALANCES	EST BALANCE 31-Dec-21	2022 BUDGETED REVENUES	EXPENSES	EST BALANCE 31-Dec-22	CITY TAX LEVY
GENERAL FUND	\$2,464,450	\$7,918,990	\$7,918,990	\$2,464,450	\$3,029,282
CITY/COUNTY AIRPORT FUND	-\$7,122	\$42,954	\$42,954	-\$7,122	\$42,954
CITY CAB FUND	\$114,704	\$382,187	\$382,187	\$114,704	\$9,000
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$50,807	\$3,198,160	\$3,198,160	\$50,807	\$2,178,377
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$20,937	\$2,498,600	\$2,498,600	\$20,937	\$0
TID FUND	-\$72,514	\$1,542,105	\$1,147,958	\$321,633	\$605,948
ENTERPRISE FUNDS	\$50,385,031	\$28,715,966	\$27,562,274	\$51,538,723	\$0
TOTAL BALANCE	\$52,956,293	\$44,298,962	\$42,751,123	\$54,504,132	\$5,865,561
Tax Rate Per \$1,000 of Assessed Value for City Purposes: Change Over Previous Year	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
	\$9.889	\$10.170	\$9.383	\$9.520	\$9.898
	\$0.600	\$0.281	-\$0.787	\$0.137	\$0.378

Special Charges of \$124.25 for garbage/recycling and \$39.75 for curbside services are applied to tax bills of all developed residential properties.

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**Shawano Municipal Utilities
2022 Operating Budget Summary**

	2019 ACTUAL	2020 ACTUAL	2021 BUDGET	2022 PROPOSED BUDGET
Electric Department				
Revenues:				
Operating Revenues	\$ 22,457,475	\$ 21,589,438	\$ 22,718,199	\$ 22,098,888
Other Revenues	344,225	379,571	221,181	201,680
Total Revenues	22,801,700	21,969,009	22,939,380	22,300,568
Expenses:				
Purchased Power	19,112,198	18,008,970	18,739,000	18,131,723
Operating & Maintenance Expenses	1,599,041	1,746,562	1,702,069	1,908,409
Depreciation	824,820	900,714	942,000	978,297
Taxes	696,969	786,288	747,040	810,323
Other Expenses	135,475	65,420	81,593	49,747
Total Expenses	22,368,503	21,507,954	22,211,702	21,878,499
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 433,197	\$ 461,055	\$ 727,678	\$ 422,069
Technology Department				
Revenues:				
Operating Revenues	\$ 298,829	\$ 293,963	\$ 286,157	\$ 318,598
Other Revenues	367	385	784	-
Total Revenues	299,196	294,348	286,941	318,598
Expenses:				
Purchased Services	19,651	19,445	19,700	26,160
Operating & Maintenance Expenses	113,729	113,486	112,802	144,211
Depreciation	79,595	44,694	94,620	44,253
Taxes	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	212,974	177,625	227,122	214,624
Net Income (Loss)	86,222	116,723	59,819	103,974
Appropriation to Municipality	(108,000)	(108,000)	(108,000)	(108,000)
Retained Earnings Increase (Decrease)	\$ (21,778)	\$ 8,723	\$ (48,181)	\$ (4,026)
Total Utility				
Revenues:				
Operating Revenues	\$ 22,756,304	\$ 21,883,401	\$ 23,004,356	\$ 22,417,486
Other Revenues	344,592	379,956	221,965	201,680
Total Revenues	23,100,896	22,263,357	23,226,321	22,619,166
Expenses:				
Purchased Power & Services	19,131,849	18,028,415	18,758,700	18,157,883
Operating & Maintenance and Other Expenses	1,712,770	1,860,048	1,896,464	2,102,367
Depreciation	904,415	945,408	1,036,620	1,022,550
Taxes	696,969	786,288	747,040	810,323
Total Expenses	22,581,477	21,685,579	22,438,824	22,093,123
Net Income (Loss)	519,419	577,778	787,497	526,043
Appropriation to Municipality	(108,000)	(108,000)	(108,000)	(108,000)
Retained Earnings Increase (Decrease)	\$ 411,419	\$ 469,778	\$ 679,497	\$ 418,043

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Have the Packers shifted their ways to keep Rodgers around?

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Green Bay Packers coach Matt LaFleur, center, talks with quarterbacks Aaron Rodgers, right, and Jordan Love during a timeout in a game against the Washington Football Team on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

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Pack's roster moves a change from the norm

The big story surrounding the Green Bay Packers coming into the season was how quarterback Aaron Rodgers felt neglected by the organization.



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When Rodgers returned to Green Bay for the team's training camp in late July, Rodgers spoke about wanting to be part of the conversation regarding potential free agent signings and felt he could be used as a recruiter.

"I think we can all understand, you know, Green Bay isn't a huge

vacation destination, people are coming here to play with me, to play with our team and knowing that they can win a championship here," said Rodgers at the time.

The quarterback went on to say that he thought he'd earned that right after playing with the organization for 16 years.

While there's been rumblings from time to time on potential landing spots for Rodgers should he leave Green Bay, most of the conversation has subsided, for now.

Winning can definitely cure any issues, but Rodgers also mentioned back in that July press conference that he was locked in and ready to help the team chase its big goals this season.

So is everyone inside the organi-

zation putting on a happy face for now, and then will show their true emotions once the season is over?

Only time will tell, but one thing you can say for certain right now is that Rodgers has been happy with how the team has constructed its roster to this point in the season.

Green Bay, like many teams around the NFL, was dealing with salary cap issues after last season ended, so not many names on the roster changed going into this year.

In the past, Green Bay has primarily built through the draft, while also priding itself on turning undrafted guys into key contributors to teams. I've seen a switch in their approach, with more veteran players and well-known names being brought in.

That could be a product of the possible impending departure of Rodgers and other key players and the organization wanting to go all in for this season before rebuilding after it. It could be that several key players — cornerback Jaire Alexander and outside linebacker Za'Darius Smith to name a couple — got injured, but in most cases in the past, those kind of impact players had been replaced by draft picks or players still trying to make a name for themselves.

Lastly, I think it could be a product of the organization trying to appease Rodgers, just like when it traded for wide receiver Randall Cobb. "Obviously without Aaron, I don't think we would probably be pursuing that, but he's still a really



Green Bay Packers outside linebacker Whitney Mercilus, right, sprints to catch Washington Football Team receiver DeAndre Carter during the team's matchup on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. Mercilus was the team's latest veteran free agent addition, something Rodgers was pleased with and something the organization hasn't done often in the past.

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good player,” said Packers General Manager Brian Gutekunst after making the trade.

Whatever the case might be, Rodgers has gone out of his way several times to talk about some of the newest additions to the team.

The Packers brought in middle linebacker De’Vondre Campbell during free agency. It wasn’t a splashy move, but it was an unusual one in that Campbell was an established veteran and had a proven track record in the NFL prior to being signed.

According to nfl.com, before the Packers signed him, Campbell had played in 75 games in his five-year career, including all 16 the previous four seasons. He’d racked up at least 88 total tackles in his 16-game seasons, with a high mark of 122 with the Atlanta Falcons in 2019.

He’s been a blessing for the Packers’ defense this season, and he led the team with 68 total tackles after seven weeks.

“You’ve got to look at De’Vondre and the production he’s had is just incredible,” said Rodgers after the win over Washington. “For a guy to not get a big deal, to not be a priority free agent and to step in and start and be the play caller on defense, and be so productive for us, it’s fantastic.”

After Alexander went on injured reserve a couple weeks ago, the Packers signed a couple of veteran cornerbacks instead of turning things over to some late-round draft picks or undrafted guys of their own.

Rasul Douglas was one of the pickups. The 26-year old is in his fifth NFL season and had 172 total tackles and five interceptions to his name before signing in Green Bay.

In his first two games, Douglas had nine total tackles, a pass breakup and a forced fumble.

“I thought Rasul did a nice job today, came back from getting banged up, and I thought he covered well,” said Rodgers after the Washington game.

With Za’Darius Smith out indefinitely, and fellow outside linebacker Preston Smith banged up too, Green Bay signed veteran OLB Whitney Mercilus.

The 31-year old Mercilus is playing in his 10th NFL season this year. In his career, he’s amassed 57 sacks and 335 total tackles.

“I’m a big fan of the Mercilus signing for a number of different reasons, but the way that Preston has played this year and his leadership and, obviously, the way that Rashan (Gary) has played, and then



Green Bay Packers linebacker De’Vondre Campbell, right, tackles Washington Football Team running back J.D. McKissic during the team’s matchup on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. Campbell was a veteran free agent pickup last offseason, and the move has sparked the Packers’ defense and caught the attention of quarterback Aaron Rodgers.

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bringing in a stud like Whitney, who’s motivated and can still play, I love him. I really like that signing,” said Rodgers.

What makes Rodgers comments on the team’s recent transactions even more meaningful is that he wasn’t asked about any of those guys, instead going on tangents to bring them up.

If the organization was making those moves to appease Rodgers, they best keep it up if they want him to be in Green Bay past this season. If the moves weren’t made in efforts to keep Rodgers in town, it appears the franchise has taken a different approach to constructing its roster.

In either case, the Packers are a better team because of the moves that have been made. It’s kept the pressure off many young players and put veteran players in the spotlight instead, and so far they’ve delivered.

At a recent press conference,

Rodgers mentioned how this season has reminded him of the team’s Super Bowl season in 2010. The 2010 season was marred with injuries, but the Packers brought in several key pieces and were somehow able to win the Super Bowl.

Obviously, Rodgers hates seeing his teammate go down with inju-

ries, but he won’t make excuses because of it. His expectation is still to win this year’s Super Bowl.

Like like his future in Green Bay, only time will tell what happens next.

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#	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	AGE	EXP.	COLLEGE
2	Mason Crosby	K	6-1	207	37	15	Colorado
7	Corey Bojorquez	P	6-0	217	25	4	New Mexico
8	Amari Rodgers	WR	5-9	212	22	R	Clemson
9	Jaylon Smith	LB	6-2	235	26	5	Notre Dame
10	Jordan Love	QB	6-4	219	22	2	Utah State
12	Aaron Rodgers	QB	6-2	225	37	17	California
13	Allen Lazard	WR	6-5	227	25	3	Iowa State
18	Randall Cobb	WR	5-10	195	31	11	Kentucky
19	Equanimeous St. Brown	WR	6-5	214	25	4	Notre Dame
20	Kevin King	CB	6-3	200	26	5	Washington
21	Eric Stokes	CB	6-0	194	22	R	Georgia
22	Shemar Jean-Charles	CB	5-10	184	23	R	Appalachian State
24	Isaac Yiadom	CB	6-1	190	25	4	Boston College
26	Darnell Savage	S	5-11	198	24	3	Maryland
28	AJ Dillon	RB	6-0	247	23	2	Boston College
29	Rasul Douglas	CB	6-2	209	26	5	West Virginia
31	Adrian Amos	S	6-0	214	28	7	Penn State
32	Kylin Hill	RB	5-10	214	23	R	Mississippi State
33	Aaron Jones	RB	5-9	208	26	5	Texas-El Paso
36	Vernon Scott	S	6-2	202	24	2	TCU
39	Chandon Sullivan	CB	5-11	189	25	4	Georgia State
41	Henry Black	S	6-0	204	24	2	Baylor
42	Oren Burks	LB	6-3	233	26	4	Vanderbilt
43	Hunter Bradley	LS	6-3	241	27	4	Mississippi State
44	Ty Summers	LB	6-1	241	25	3	TCU
50	Whitney Mercilus	LB	6-4	261	31	10	Illinois
51	Krys Barnes	LB	6-2	229	23	2	UCLA
52	Rashan Gary	LB	6-5	277	23	3	Michigan
53	Jonathan Garvin	LB	6-4	257	22	2	Miami
54	La'Darius Hamilton	LB	6-2	261	23	1	North Texas
58	Isaiah McDuffie	LB	6-1	227	22	R	Boston College
59	De'Vondre Campbell	LB	6-3	232	28	6	Minnesota
62	Lucas Patrick	G	6-3	313	28	5	Duke
67	Jake Hanson	C	6-4	296	24	1	Oregon
70	Royce Newman	T/G	6-5	310	24	R	Mississippi
73	Yosh Nijman	T	6-7	314	25	2	Virginia Tech
74	Elgton Jenkins	G	6-5	311	25	3	Mississippi State
76	Jon Runyan	G	6-4	307	24	2	Michigan
77	Billy Turner	G/T	6-5	310	30	8	North Dakota State
79	Dennis Kelly	T	6-8	321	31	10	Purdue

81	Josiah Deguara	TE	6-2	238	24	2	Cincinnati
84	Tyler Davis	TE	6-4	252	24	2	Georgia Tech
85	Robert Tonyan	TE	6-5	237	27	4	Indiana State
89	Mercedes Lewis	TE	6-6	267	37	16	UCLA
90	Jack Heflin	DL	6-3	304	23	R	Iowa
91	Preston Smith	LB	6-5	265	28	7	Mississippi State
93	T.J. Slaton	DL	6-4	330	24	R	Florida
94	Dean Lowry	DL	6-6	296	27	6	Northwestern
95	Tyler Lancaster	DL	6-3	313	26	4	Northwestern
96	Kingsley Keke	DL	6-3	288	25	3	Texas A&M
97	Kenny Clark	DL	6-3	314	26	6	UCLA
Reserve/Injured							
23	Jaire Alexander	CB	5-10	196	24	4	Louisville
25	Will Redmond	S	5-11	186	27	6	Mississippi State
47	Chauncey Rivers	LB	6-2	259	24	1	Mississippi State
49	Dominique Dafney	TE	6-2	243	24	1	Indiana State
55	Za'Darius Smith	LB	6-4	272	29	7	Kentucky
56	Randy Ramsey	LB	6-3	238	26	2	Arkansas
71	Josh Myers	C/G	6-5	310	23	R	Ohio State
83	Marquez Valdes-Scantling	WR	6-4	206	27	4	South Florida
Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform							
69	David Bakhtiari	T	6-4	310	30	9	Colorado
Practice Squad							
6	Kurt Benkert	QB	6-3	218	26	2	Virginia
11	J.J. Molson	K	5-11	180	24	1	UCLA
16	Chris Blair	WR	6-2	198	24	R	Alcorn State
27	Patrick Taylor	RB	6-2	217	23	1	Memphis
30	Shawn Davis	S	5-11	202	23	R	Florida
38	Innis Gaines	S	6-1	202	23	R	TCU
40	Tipa Galeai	LB	6-5	229	24	1	Utah State
45	Bronson Kaufusi	TE	6-6	270	30	3	Brigham Young
46	Steven Wirtel	LS	6-4	228	24	1	Iowa State
48	Kabion Ento	CB	6-1	187	25	2	Colorado
57	Ray Wilborn	LB	6-3	230	24	1	Ball State
64	Ben Braden	G	6-6	329	27	2	Michigan
78	Cole Van Lanen	T/G	6-4	305	23	R	Wisconsin
88	Juwann Winfree	WR	6-1	210	25	2	Colorado
98	Aaron Adeoye	LB	6-6	260	28	1	Southeast Missouri State
99	R.J. McIntosh	DL	6-5	286	25	4	Miami
Reserve/COVID-19 list							
17	Davante Adams	WR	6-1	215	28	8	Fresno State
86	Malik Taylor	WR	6-1	220	25	2	Ferris State

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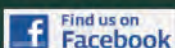
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PACKERS DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE



WR
Davante Adams
Equanimeous St. Brown



TE
Robert Tonyan
Tyler Davis



RT
Billy Turner
Dennis Kelly



RG
Royce Newman
Lucas Patrick



C
Lucas Patrick
Jake Hanson



LG
Jon Runyan
Lucas Patrick



LT
Elgton Jenkins
Yosh Nijman



TE
Mercedes Lewis
Josiah Deguara



QB
Aaron Rodgers
Jordan Love



RB
Aaron Jones
A.J. Dillon



WR
Allen Lazard
Randall Cobb

FYI

Rosters and depth charts are accurate as of Oct. 25, 7 p.m.

SCHEDULE

Sunday's Games
Cincinnati at N.Y. Jets, noon
Tennessee at Indianapolis, noon
L.A. Rams at Houston, noon
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, noon
Philadelphia at Detroit, noon
San Francisco at Chicago, noon
Carolina at Atlanta, noon
Miami at Buffalo, noon
New England at L.A. Chargers, 3:05 p.m.
Jacksonville at Seattle, 3:05 p.m.
Washington at Denver, 3:25 p.m.
Tampa Bay at New Orleans, 3:25 p.m.
Dallas at Minnesota, 7:20 p.m.

Monday's Game
N.Y. Giants at Kansas City, 7:15 p.m.

Teams on bye: Baltimore, Las Vegas.

Thursday's Game
N.Y. Jets at Indianapolis, 7:20 p.m.

DEFENSE



CB
Kevin King
Chandon Sullivan



DE
Dean Lowry
Tyler Lancaster



NT
Kenny Clark
T.J. Slaton



DE
Kingsley Keke
Jack Heflin



CB
Eric Stokes
Rasul Douglas



OLB
Preston Smith
La'Darius Hamilton



ILB
Krys Barnes
Oren Burks



ILB
De'Vondre Campbell
Jaylon Smith



OLB
Rashan Gary
Jonathan Garvin



S
Adrian Amos
Vernon Scott



S
Darnell Savage
Henry Black

STANDINGS

NFC East				AFC East			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Dallas	5	1	0	Buffalo	4	2	0
Washington	2	5	0	New England	3	4	0
Philadelphia	2	5	0	N.Y. Jets	1	5	0
N.Y. Giants	2	5	0	Miami	1	6	0
North				North			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Green Bay	6	1	0	Cincinnati	5	2	0
Minnesota	3	3	0	Baltimore	5	2	0
Chicago	3	4	0	Cleveland	4	3	0
Detroit	0	7	0	Pittsburgh	3	3	0
South				South			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Tampa Bay	6	1	0	Tennessee	5	2	0
New Orleans	4	2	0	Indianapolis	3	4	0
Atlanta	3	3	0	Jacksonville	1	5	0
Carolina	3	4	0	Houston	1	6	0
West				West			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Arizona	7	0	0	Las Vegas	5	2	0
L.A. Rams	6	1	0	L.A. Chargers	4	2	0
San Francisco	2	4	0	Kansas City	3	4	0
Seattle	2	5	0	Denver	3	4	0

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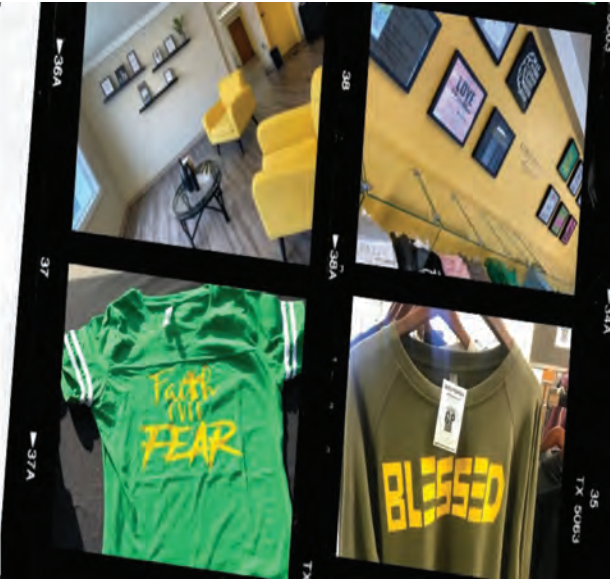
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REPORT CARD: OFFENSE

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

That the Green Bay Packers are off to a strong start shouldn't be a surprise. After all, during the first two seasons under coach Matt LaFleur, they went 26-6 in the regular season and advanced to two NFC Championship Games.

Nonetheless, to be in such a strong position following a lopsided loss to the New Orleans Saints in week one has been incredibly impressive.

All-Pro left tackle David Bakhtiari, All-Pro cornerback Jaire Alexander, Pro Bowl pass rusher Za'Darius Smith and Pro Bowl guard Elton Jenkins have been sidelined for significant periods of the season, as were big-play receiver Marquez Valdes-Scantling, rookie center Josh Myers and veteran cornerback Kevin King. Even outside linebacker Preston Smith's 102-game ironman streak came to an end.

"I feel good about where we're at," quarterback Aaron Rodgers said. "Not many people would have expected this, maybe looking at our schedule starting the season – definitely not after week one. So, I'm proud of our guys, the way we're playing, getting contributions from a lot of different guys who weren't necessarily on the roster maybe to start the season or were add-ons this year."

With that as a backdrop, here is our midterm report card for the Packers offense.

Quarterbacks

After a tumultuous offseason, it's been standard operating procedure for the three-time MVP. Rodgers



Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers, left, looks for an open receiver as offensive lineman Lucas Patrick (62) blocks for him during the team's win over the Washington Football Team on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. The Packers' offense hasn't hit its stride yet, but has done enough to rack up wins.

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has performed with his typical efficiency.

If you were wondering whether he was invested in the team, you got your answer in week three at San Francisco with an emphatic fist pump after connecting with Davante Adams to set up the game-winning field goal.

If you still weren't convinced, there was a similar reaction after Rodgers connected with Adams to set up another game-winning field-goal attempt at Cincinnati. Or, there was the iconic "I still own you!" celebration after clinching yet

another win at Chicago.

If anything, given his still-uncertain future, Rodgers is more invested in winning this season.

Rodgers hasn't been as dominating as he was last season. In 2020, he led the NFL in completion%age, touchdown%age, interception%age and passer rating.

This year, he's merely in the top 10 in each of those categories. With a revolving door of offensive linemen, he hasn't been as sensational but he's still the winning factor in most games.

There are two trouble spots that

must improve if this team is finally going to get back to the Super Bowl. First, his long-ball accuracy is hovering toward the bottom third of the league. The return of his offensive linemen and Valdes-Scantling should help. Second, when pressured, only rookies Trey Lance and Zach Wilson have been less accurate, according to Pro Football Focus.

Grade: A-

Running Backs

The tandem of Aaron Jones and A.J. Dillon have been as advertised. They're on pace to rush for more than 1,500 yards and top 2,200 yards from scrimmage.

In a surprise, the Packers were able to retain Jones in free agency. He's just so elusive. He ranks 13th in carries but seventh in missed tackles.

Maybe Jones will fall short of a third consecutive 1,000-yard rushing season but he's an elite receiving threat. He started the season catching 26-of-28 targets with four touchdowns in the first seven games.

Dillon is just so big and strong that he's getting yards even when it looks like he's been stalled. Rarely asked to catch the ball at Boston College or as a rookie, he caught four passes for 45 yards and one touchdown at Cincinnati.

Of the top 45 in carries, Dillon is 12th in average yards after contact on rushes and 11th in yards per pass route. Jones is 19th in yards after contact and 16th in yards per pass route. Both have fumbled twice. That problem has to be resolved ASAP.

Grade: B-



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Receivers

It's been The Davante Adams Show. The All-Pro receiver continues to dominate. Before being put on the COVID-19 list after the week seven victory over Washington, Adams had 52 of the 92 receptions (56.5%), 72 of the 133 targets (54.1%), 744 of the 1,230 yards (60.5%) and three of the eight touchdowns (37.5%).

Adams is unstoppable. Throw it short, he'll make the first defender miss. Throw it deep, he'll track it down. Throw it anywhere in the vicinity, he'll catch it.

Through week seven, he was tied for second in receptions and third in yards. He had only one drop; of the 10 players with 40-plus catches, he was the only player with less than two drops.

There hasn't been a consistent No. 2 receiver, much to the chagrin of fantasy football players, but there's generally been someone to step up alongside Adams.

Allen Lazard, LaFleur's "goon," relishes doing the dirty work. More than just a blocker, he caught five passes for 60 yards and one touchdown on one series against Washington.

Randall Cobb caught five passes for 69 yards and two touchdowns

against Pittsburgh.

Valdes-Scantling missed a big chunk of time with an injured hamstring after catching three passes for 59 yards and one touchdown vs. San Francisco.

Through seven games, the entire group had dropped only two passes (Adams and Cobb).

Grade: B+

Tight Ends

There were enormous expectations on Robert Tonyan following last year's breakout season.

In 2020, he caught 52 passes, scored 11 touchdowns, failed to catch only seven passes and had zero drops. In the first six games of this season, he caught 11 passes, scored one touchdown, failed to catch nine passes and had one drop.

Perhaps a 25-yard touchdown vs. Washington will get him going. A healthy offensive line would help, too, so he wouldn't have to help so much as a blocker.

Ageless Mercedes Lewis continues to block in the run game and run through defenders as a receiver. Amazingly, of the 47 tight ends with at least nine catches, Lewis is fourth in yards after the catch per catch. Defenders bounce off the 37-year-old like he's a 27-year-old.

More than the production, he is a wildly popular and respected team leader who is a model for everyone on the roster on how to do things the right way.

Josiah Deguara, a third-round pick last year, and Dominique Dafney, a former bouncer, need to stay healthy for this offense to hit its peak.

Grade: C+

Offensive Line

The best offensive lines are the ones that practice together and play together. That hasn't been the case with his unit. In the first seven games, Green Bay lined up with five starting quintets.

At times, it was the double whammy of little continuity and little experience. For week three against San Francisco, this was the line: left tackle Yosh Nijman (zero starts), left guard Jon Runyan Jr. (one start), rookie center Josh Myers (two starts), rookie right guard Royce Newman (two starts) and veteran right tackle Billy Turner.

Bakhtiari is one of the great offensive linemen in the NFL. Rodgers has called him a future Hall of Famer. And yet the Packers have won with Jenkins and even Nijman at left tackle.

FYI

A report card on the packers' defense, special teams and coaching staff can be found on pages 8-9.

Patrick won the starting job at left guard, only to suffer a concussion in the opener and be replaced by Runyan.

When Meyers went down, Patrick moved in at center. At least the right side of the line played together, though it's been a school-of-hard-knocks rookie year for Newman.

Generally, the group has been up to the task. Washington's defensive line, with four first-round picks, dominated the first half before Green Bay's blockers seized control.

Offensive line coach Adam Stenavich had big shoes to fill when he replaced James Campen and he's done it. The good news is Bakhtiari will be back at left tackle and Jenkins will return at left guard. That will solidify that side of the line and, in turn, should mean more opportunities in the passing game.

Grade: C+

First-Half MVP on Offense:

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First-Half Surprise: Nijman

Second-Half Key on Offense:

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REPORT CARD: DEFENSE, SPECIALISTS, COACHING

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

Here is our midterm report card for the Packers defense, special teams and coaching staff.

Defensive Line

After dominating the 2019 season, Kenny Clark suffered a groin injury in the 2020 opener at Minnesota. It took him three months to round into form. Healthy in 2021, he's returned to elite status.

Of the 70 interior defensive linemen with at least 100 pass-rushing snaps, he was eighth in ProFootball-Focus.com's pass-rushing productivity, which measures sacks, hits and hurries per pass-rushing snap. Of the 47 interior defensive linemen with at least 100 run-defending snaps, Clark was sixth in PFF's run-stop percentage, a metric that essentially measures impact tackles.

Only Clark, Pittsburgh's Cameron Heyward and Tennessee's Jeffery Simmons were in the top 10 in both metrics.

Dean Lowry, who many fans wanted to dump during the offseason to save some money against the cap, has had a quality season.

The key for the second half of the year will be third-year player Kingsley Keke, who had done almost nothing to start the season but had 1½ sacks against Washington. He's the player who has the largest potential for growth.

It will be interesting to see if fifth-round rookie TJ Slaton will eventually take run-defending snaps from veteran Tyler Lancaster.

Grade: C+

Outside Linebackers

The Smith Bros. – Za'Darius Smith and Preston Smith – were the driving forces behind the Packers' surprise run to the 2019 NFC Championship Game. The Packers returned to the title game in 2020, even though Za'Darius Smith wasn't quite as dominant and Preston Smith fell off the face of a cliff.

All offseason, the speculation was the Packers would release Preston Smith in a cost-cutting move. Good thing they didn't. Za'Darius Smith practiced only once in training camp and played only a little in week one before going on injured reserve and having back surgery. His season might be over.

While the stats might not show it, Preston Smith has had a strong bounce-back season. He's so good against the run.

The key, however, has been Rashan



Green Bay Packers punter Corey Bojorquez prepares to kick the ball during the team's win over the Washington Football Team on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. Bojorquez has improved the team's special team's unit, but it's still made far too many errors so far this season.

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Gary. The 2019 first-round pick has become an every-down force. Of the 73 edge defenders with at least 100 pass-rushing snaps, Gary was sixth in PFF's pass-rushing productivity and pressures.

The Packers were in trouble against lowly Washington before his sack/strip to start the second half. He's powerful and relentless, and he's not just focused on sacks.

With Za'Darius Smith, Chauncey Rivers and Randy Ramsey on injured reserve, Jonathan Garvin has emerged as a key role player after barely playing as a seventh-round rookie last year. Position coach Mike Smith raves about his intelligence and toughness.

Obviously, this unit would be better if Za'Darius Smith returns but the recent addition of 31-year-old Whitney Mercilus will provide some critical insurance.

Grade: B-

Inside Linebackers

Through seven games, De'Vondre Campbell and Colts All-Pro Darius

Leonard were the only players in the NFL with three-plus passes defended, two-plus interceptions and two-plus forced fumbles. He had that stat line along with ranking fifth in the league with 67 tackles (15 more than Leonard).

To think he was unemployed until deep into June is amazing. He's been the Packers' best defensive player this season and the best inside linebacker in a decade.

Campbell is a big, physical tackler. It might go unnoticed but when Campbell hits the man with the ball, he generally drops him on the spot rather than allowing him to fall forward for another yard or two. Those hidden yards add up.

In coverage, he might not be the most fleet of foot but he's got excellent instincts and length.

It's been a revolving door of mediocrity next to him with Krys Barnes, Oren Burks and veteran addition Jaylon Smith. To get around it, the Packers often line up with three defensive linemen, two outside linebackers, one inside linebacker and five defensive

backs.

Grade: B

Cornerbacks

An elite cover man, Jaire Alexander is one of the more irreplaceable players on the roster. When he suffered a shoulder injury on his fourth-down stick of 230-pound Steelers running back Najee Harris in week four, the entire season took a turn.

A string of top quarterbacks began on Thursday against Arizona and will continue with Kansas City's Patrick Mahomes, Seattle's Russell Wilson (depending on his injured finger), Minnesota's Kirk Cousins and the Rams' Matthew Stafford before the bye, then Baltimore's Lamar Jackson, Cleveland's Baker Mayfield and Cousins again during the final quarter of the season.

Can Green Bay's defense survive without one of the top defenders in the NFL?

Kevin King missed time with a shoulder injury, too, though that's hardly news. Injuries have been the theme of his career. The good news is first-round pick Eric Stokes was forced into a sink-or-swim role as the primary defender against the opponents' top receiver and hasn't sunk. There's been more good than bad.

If Alexander returns and Stokes continues to grow, this defense could be dangerous in January.

Chandon Sullivan got off to a slow start in the slot but has picked up the pace. Veteran Rasul Douglas, who was grabbed off Arizona's practice squad, has been a helpful addition.

Grade: C-

Safeties

One of the driving forces behind last year's run to the NFC Championship Game was the play of Adrian Amos and Darnell Savage during the second half of the season. They were superb down the stretch, eliminating big plays while creating big plays of their own. By season's end, they had combined for six interceptions and 21 passes defended.

In the first seven games of this season, they had one interception and six passes defended. If they can kick their play into high gear again, it would be a huge development.

At this point, Savage – a first-round pick in 2019 – remains an enigma. There are enough splash plays that he looks like a potential star. But there is so much mediocre in his play. Maybe that's just who he is – a decent starter but a disappointment in terms of draft status.

While Savage and No. 3 safety

Henry Black have missed too many tackles, Amos is Mr. Reliable in that regard. He's just so steady.

Grade: C

Specialists

At the end of training camp, general manager Brian Gutekunst acquired punter Corey Bojorquez and released JK Scott. From a punting standard, this was a home run of a transaction. Aside from one bad game against Cincinnati, Bojorquez has been tremendous.

One week, he had an 81-yard punt at Chicago. The next week, he deftly landed a pooch punt just inches from the goal line so it could be downed at the 3 against Washington. At risk of hyperbole, he's probably the best punter in franchise history.

On the other hand, the field-goal unit has been in a bit of disarray. While Scott wasn't a great punter, he was a tremendous holder. The change in the operation, along with some early protection issues, is a reason why Mason Crosby missed four field goals to start this season after missing just two the past two seasons combined.

On the block against Washington, the protection wasn't great but Crosby's kick barely got off the ground. The season could depend on getting the snap-hold-kick combination squared away.

Rookie Amari Rodgers already has two punt returns longer than Green Bay's best from last year. Fellow rookie Kylin Hill had a 41-yard kickoff return vs. Detroit but otherwise hasn't found any room.

Fourth-year long snapper Hunter Bradley was lucky to survive training camp but has been OK to start the season.

Grade: C

Coaching and Personnel

By the end of the Bears game in week six, the Packers had eight starters out with injuries. And yet they won that game, like they won almost every game during the first half of the season. So, while victories over Chicago and Washington lacked style points, the fact they won those games with so much firepower on the bench shouldn't be swept aside simply because of the mediocre competition.

Credit for that belongs to LaFleur and his coaching staff – specifically position coaches Stenavich, Mike Smith and Jerry Gray (defensive backs), whose groups have been hit hardest.

Meanwhile, general manager Brian Gutekunst has continued to supplement the roster with veterans. Against Washington, Douglas, Mercilus and Jaylon Smith combined to play 99 snaps on defense. They weren't even



Green Bay Packers defensive lineman Kingsley Keke, center, sacks Washington Football Team quarterback Taylor Heinicke during the team's matchup on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. Keke could help the Packers' defense take another step forward in the second half of the season. MORGAN RODE | NEW MEDIA

on the team at the start of October. The acquisitions of those three and Cobb are moves this team simply hasn't made over the years.

If you want to know what "all in" means, this season is the definition. Entering the offseason, the Packers were more than \$25 million over the salary cap. Gutekunst mostly kept the gang together for one more run by restructuring the contract of literally every veteran on the roster. Win or lose this year, they'll pay the piper for

that aggressive approach next year, when they're a projected \$46 million over the cap.

Grade: A

First-Half MVP on Defense:

Campbell

First-Half Disappointment:

Za'Darius Smith

Second-Half Key on Defense:

Keke

Rookie of the Half-Year: Stokes

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 Cincinnati @ NY Jets
 Jacksonville @ Seattle
 Washington @ Denver
 Tampa Bay @ New Orleans
 Dallas @ Minnesota
 NY Giants @ Kansas City Mon., Nov. 1

Tie Breaker Game: New England @ LA Chargers

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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score : New England 20 @ LA Chargers 31



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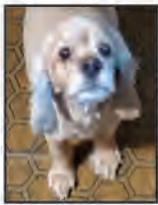
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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: New England 24 @ LA Chargers 31



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: New England 17 @ LA Chargers 23



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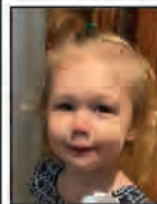
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Final Score: New England 17 @ LA Chargers 30



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Tie Breaker Game:

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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: New England 28 @ LA Chargers 14



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: New England @ 13 LA Chargers 24



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Green Bay	Houston	Dallas
Atlanta	Indianapolis	Kansas City
Buffalo	NY Jets	
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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: New England 28 @ LA Chargers 21



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: New England 17 @ LA Chargers 28



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: New England 27 @ LA Chargers 31



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Packers win 6th game in a row

Defense stout in red zone

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Green Bay Packers bumped their win streak to six after a 24-10 win over the Washington Football Team on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

It wasn't the prettiest of wins for the Pack, but all three phases made key plays in the victory.

With the Packers' running game struggling on the day, quarterback Aaron Rodgers completed 27 of his 35 attempts for 274 yards and three touchdowns. Receivers Davante Adams and Allen Lazard and tight end Robert Tonyan caught the touchdown passes.

Kicker Mason Crosby knocked in a 39-yard field goal in the fourth quarter after having a kick blocked earlier in the contest. Corey Bojorquez averaged 46.3 yards per punt, including one that pinned Washington inside its own 5-yard line. Green Bay also blocked a field goal attempt.

The visitors racked up 430 total yards of offense, but the Packers' defense held Washington out of the end zone in four red zone trips to help the team to victory.

Coach Matt LaFleur called it "another good team win" and added "there's still a lot for us to improve upon moving forward, but it sure does feel good to be 6-1."

Green Bay opened the contest on offense and marched 75 yards in 13 plays to grab the early advantage.

The 37-year-old Rodgers showed off his athleticism on the first drive, converting a third-and-11 with a 15-yard run up the middle of the field. He then avoided pressure and scrambled out of the pocket on a fourth-and-3 play before throwing back across his body to Adams, who made his way into the end zone for a 17-yard score.

Rodgers said he briefly thought about trying to pick up the first down by running, but realized he'd probably be short, so his attention turned back to Adams, who he'd wanted to go to the entire play. "I saw Davante kind of slide back inside and threw a good ball."

Washington answered with a quick touchdown drive, beating rookie cornerback Eric Stokes for a

40-yard touchdown to end the drive.

After forcing a three-and-out, Washington again was able to drive down the field. This time, the Packers defense was able to get off the field, setting up a 42-yard field goal attempt.

Rookie defensive lineman T.J. Slaton was able to block a low kick attempt, flipping the momentum back to the Packers.

"I thought that Slaton did a heck of a job getting the block on the field goal. That was a big play in the game," said LaFleur.

Washington was able to return the favor a few minutes later after the Packers got the ball to the opposing 16-yard line, as Crosby's 34-yard attempt was blocked.

The Football Team kept the momentum going when quarterback Taylor Heinicke ripped off a 38-yard run on the first play of the ensuing drive. The visitors gained seven yards on the next two plays, but back-to-back incompletions ended the drive.

The Packers regained control of the disjointed contest with a nine-play, 72-yard touchdown drive before the first half clock expired. The drive was all about Lazard, who made all five of his receptions across

those nine plays.

Lazard had an 11-yard reception to get the drive going before 7- and 13-yard receptions on back-to-back plays to help the team move the chains. He later hauled in a 19-yard pass to get the ball down to the 15-yard line. Lazard capped the drive with a 10-yard touchdown grab.

"Opportunities presented themselves and I was able to capitalize, so just thankful for those moments," said Lazard of the drive.

Green Bay's defense kept the momentum on the team's side when pass rusher Rashan Gary sacked and stripped Heinicke on the second play of the third quarter. Defensive lineman Dean Lowry fell on the loose ball to set the Packers' offense up at the Washington 27.

Three plays later, Rodgers hit Tonyan for a 20-yard touchdown pass to make it 21-7.

Tonyan expected Washington's safety to provide help to the linebacker across from him, but it never came.

"I saw the linebacker attached to me inside and I was like, 'This is the perfect look.' So I was hoping the ball was going to be there when I turned and it was," said Tonyan. "Good throw."



Green Bay Packers receiver Allen Lazard, second from right, carries the ball as tight end Robert Tonyan, second from left, blocks for him during a game on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

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The next few possessions of the game were about as wacky as you might see in the NFL.

Washington had a strong drive going and appeared to have scored on a 3-yard run from Heinicke, who dove into the end zone despite not really needing to. After a replay review, it was determined that Heinicke gave himself up, and when quarterbacks do that, they don't need to be touched down and the ball is instead marked down when a knee hits the ground.

So instead of a touchdown and one-score game, Washington's offense had to come back on the field and attempt to punch the ball into the end zone from inside the 1-yard line. The Packers' defense was up to the task, stopping Heinicke on a quarterback sneak play — it was the first red zone stop of the season for the Green Bay defense.

Middle linebacker De'Vondre Campbell was credited with a forced fumble of Heinicke on the play, and Gary recovered the ball.

After a 53-boot from Bojorquez, Washington's offense moved the ball inside the Green Bay 10. Again, the Green Bay defense was able to make a stop, forcing an incomplete pass on fourth down.



Green Bay Packers outside linebacker Rashan Gary, middle, tries to get in the passing lane of Washington Football Team quarterback Taylor Heinicke, right, as offensive lineman Cornelius Lucas blocks him during a game on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

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The Packers' offense then put together its final scoring drive, working 75 yards in nine plays before

Crosby's 39-yard field goal.

The big play of the drive was a 26-yard pass up the left sideline to

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Adams, who reached up at the last second to pull in the throw from Rodgers.

Washington had two more drives reach the red zone, and in each case, Green Bay kept the visitors out of the end zone.

Cornerback Chandon Sullivan intercepted a Heinicke pass on third down on one drive before the Packers' defense got sacks from Gary and defensive lineman Kingsley Keke to force a 45-yard field goal on the other possession.

"Just locked in, concentrated. Understanding things they like to do in the red zone and just trying to take it away from them," said Gary on the team's red zone defense.

"Series by series, we got better throughout the whole game."

Gary finished the contest with two sacks, four quarterback hits, the forced fumble and seven combined tackles.

Campbell led the defense with 13 combined tackles and forced two fumbles.

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Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers runs with the ball during the first quarter of the team's win over the Washington Football Team on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

Aaron Rodgers showed off his athleticism during the team's 24-10 win over the Washington Football Team. The 37-year-old quarterback rushed for 17 yards in the game, including this 15-yard run on the team's first drive, which ended in a touchdown pass to Davante Adams after Rodgers scrambled on fourth down.

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Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers slides to the ground after picking up a first down on his first quarter run against the Washington Football Team on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.



Green Bay Packers receiver Davante Adams, center, beats a pair of Washington Football Team defenders to the end zone for a touchdown in a game on Oct. 24 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

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Schools, bus companies need drivers

Companies and school districts offer incentives to raise employment

By **LUKE REIMER**

Reporter

School districts in Shawano County and Oconto County are looking for school bus drivers.

"We have very low employment," said Peggy Gordon, who is a terminal manager at Lamers Bus Lines and contracts with the Gillett School District.

Due to the low numbers of available drivers, school staff has been forced to drive students to both school and to athletic events.

Oconto Falls athletic director Jerry Moynihan is one of the staff members who is stepping up to make sure that students get to their games on time. He went through the process of obtaining a school bus driver's license last year.

"It is not the easiest thing to drive a school bus," said Moynihan.

He said the process to get a license to drive a school bus is rigorous.

"It is a challenge to driving these buses," said Moynihan. "You have to go through three weeks of training. There are tests that you have to take through the DMV, and I had to practice for two weeks."

He said there is an upside to driving the buses.

"The kids are excited to see me drive the bus," said Moynihan. "I will see the students in school and see the smiles on their faces when we get on the bus."

Other than sports games, Moynihan said that Oconto Falls has had problem with their morning and afternoon routes in bringing students to and from school.

"We have had to condense our routes," said Moynihan.

Gordon also mentioned that she has had to condense routes for the Gillett School District.

"We have gone down from eight to seven," said Gordon.

With the lack of drivers, Gordon said that she and Lamers has been accepting and reviewing applications.

"We are looking for people who have had their license for three years, have a good driving background and don't have a criminal background," said Gordon. "We have two interviews coming shortly for drivers."



Students climb aboard a Kobussen bus on Oct. 25 to be taken to school.

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Gordon said that in terms of getting student athletes to games on time and driving students home from school, drivers have had to drop students off at games early and go back to school to get everyone else home.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood superintendent Garrett Rogowski said the school district is also getting creative in how to get students to games on time.

"We have had to start games a little bit later," said Rogowski.

He added that as the school district has been looking for drivers, they are offering incentives.

"We are offering a competitive hourly rate," said Rogowski. "We are paying for training."

Gordon also mentioned that Lamers is offering positions for \$10/hour.

Ed Short, who is a terminal manager with Kobussen and contracts with Shawano and Bonduel, said that Kobussen has offered a \$1,500 sign-on bonus in the summer.

"We continue to offer our existing drivers a \$500 referral bonus," said

Short. "Coming up on Veterans Day, we are having an open house where the company will be offering up to a \$2,000 sign-on bonus. The Kobussens also enlisted a pay increase for the drivers."

Short said that if someone is interested in driving, more information can be found at www.kobussen.com.

"This is a great opportunity for moms, retired, or those with mornings or afternoons open and want to pick up some extra money," said Short. "Many think that a bus is too big to drive, but people are surprised to see others change their mind when they get in a bus."

Short added that he cannot pinpoint one reason why there is such a shortage for drivers.

"I don't think that you can point to one reason," said Short. "It has just been a perfect storm. There are so many factors that play into keeping someone from applying. Obviously, we continue to have COVID-19 concerns. There were also extra payments for unemployment. Some

people that we talked to said that, life is too short and they are going to fully retire."

Rogowski added that another reason that employment could be down is due to the limited scheduled.

"Maybe it is due to only driving for two hours in the morning and two hours in the evening," said Rogowski. "This job is attractive to those that have time."

Like Short, Moynihan believes that the issue comes from a number of factors.

"We had an employment decrease prior to the pandemic," said Moynihan. "COVID-19 was the tipping point."

Although the outlook looks bleak, some are saying that it will get better.

"We are getting creative and those who are driving are doing the best that they can," said Gordon.

"We are hopeful for more drivers," said Rogowski. "Our group now does a great job, but we are confident that we will get back to higher employment."

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Where are the workers?

Cutoff of jobless aid spurs no influx

By **CHRISTOPHER RUGABER, CASEY SMITH AND LARRY FENN**

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Earlier this year, an insistent cry arose from business leaders and Republican governors: Cut off a \$300-a-week federal supplement for unemployed Americans. Many people, they argued, would then come off the sidelines and take the millions of jobs that employers were desperate to fill.

Yet three months after half the states began ending that federal payment, there's been no significant influx of job seekers.

In states that cut off the \$300 check, the workforce — the number of people who either have a job or are looking for one — has risen no more than it has in the states that maintained the payment. That federal aid, along with two jobless

aid programs that served gig workers and the long-term unemployed, ended nationally Sept. 6. Yet America's overall workforce actually shrank that month.

"Policymakers were pinning too many hopes on ending unemployment insurance as a labor market boost," said Fiona Greig, managing director of the JPMorgan Chase Institute, which used JPMorgan bank account data to study the issue. "The work disincentive effects were clearly small."

Labor shortages have persisted longer than many economists expected, deepening a mystery at the heart of the job market. Companies are eager to add workers and have posted a near-record number of available jobs. Unemployment remains elevated. The economy still has 5 million fewer jobs than it did before the pandemic. Yet job growth slowed in August and September.

An analysis of state-by-state data by The Associated Press found that workforces in the 25 states that maintained the \$300 payment actually grew slightly more from May

through September, according to data released Friday, than they did in the 25 states that cut off the payment early, most of them in June. The \$300-a-week federal check, on top of regular state jobless aid, meant that many of the unemployed received more in benefits than they earned at their old jobs.

An earlier study by Arindrajit Dube, an economist at University of Massachusetts, Amherst and several colleagues found that the states that cut off the \$300 federal payment saw a small increase in the number of unemployed taking jobs. But it also found that it didn't draw more people off the sidelines to look for work.

Economists point to a range of factors that are likely keeping millions of former recipients of federal jobless aid from returning to the workforce. Many Americans in public-facing jobs still fear contracting COVID-19, for example. Some families lack child care.

Other people, like Rachel Montgomery of Anderson, Indiana, have grown to cherish the opportunity to spend more time with their families

and feel they can get by financially, at least for now. Montgomery, a 37-year-old mother, said she has become much "pickier" about where she's willing to work after having lost a catering job last year. Losing the \$300-a-week federal payment hasn't changed her mind. She'll receive her regular state jobless aid for a few more weeks.

"Once you've stayed home with your kids and family like this, who wants to physically have to go back to work?" she said. "As I'm looking and looking, I've told myself that I'm not going to sacrifice pay or flexibility working remotely when I know I'm qualified to do certain things. But what that also means is that it's taking longer to find those kinds of jobs."

Indeed, the pandemic appears to have caused a re-evaluation of priorities, with some people deciding to spend more time with family and others insistent on working remotely or gaining more flexible hours.

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planned. With Americans' overall home values and stock portfolios having surged since the pandemic struck, Fed officials estimate that up to 2 million more people have retired since then than otherwise would have.

And after having received three stimulus checks in 18 months, plus federal jobless aid in some cases, most households have larger cash cushions than they did before the pandemic. A result is that some people are taking time to consider their options before rushing back into the job market.

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MADISON — Wisconsin's unemployment rate for September remained unchanged at 3.9% for the sixth month in a row, the state Department of Workforce Development reported Oct. 21.

The report is the first since enhanced federal unemployment benefits expired on Sept. 6.

Republicans had argued that the benefit motivated people not to work, only worsening the state's worker shortage problem. But Democrats and labor force experts said the shortage, which has been a problem for years, was driven by a variety of factors.

Gov. Tony Evers, a Democrat, vetoed a Republican-authored bill that would have ended the benefits this summer. An attempt to override that veto failed in July.

Wisconsin's unemployment rate was better than the national average of 4.8% in September.

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On the national level, The number of Americans applying for unemployment benefits fell last week to a

new low point since the pandemic erupted, evidence that layoffs are declining as companies hold onto workers.

Unemployment claims dropped 6,000 to 290,000 last week, the third straight drop, the Labor Department said Oct. 21. That's the fewest people to apply for benefits since March 14, 2020, when the pandemic intensified. Applications for jobless aid, which generally track the pace of layoffs, have fallen steadily from about 900,000 in January.

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