



COVID-19 cases dropping in both counties

Officials with Shawano and Menominee counties are reporting that COVID-19 cases are showing a sharp decline from the first of the year.

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MISD asking voters to approve \$35M referendum

Officials want to see a new high school in Keshena, move the middle school into the high school building and expand the elementary school.

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Local wrestlers win state titles

Two girls from Bonduel and one from Shawano made history over the weekend by placing at the first girls state wrestling tournament.

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PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS PLAY BALL TO AID CANCER GROUP

Sacred Heart Catholic School's Andrea Walby (22) tries to wrest the ball away from St. Paul Lutheran School's Lexis Rank (11) during one of the basketball games that were part of the Hoopin' for Hope Pink Out Cancer Awareness Event held Jan. 29 at Sacred Heart. This is the fourth year for the event, and proceeds are going to Peace and Love for Alex, Inc., a nonprofit that provides financial help to families affected by cancer. **FOR THE FULL STORY, SEE PAGE 12.** LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA



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ECWRPC director provides county with annual update

Regional commission working to help small businesses thrive

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Melissa Kraemer-Badtke, executive director of the East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, provided her annual report to the Shawano County Board of Supervisors on Jan. 26.

"Over the past two years, we have been working at the commission to leverage in state federal funding for our core program areas," said Kraemer-Badtke. "Those core program areas include regional coverage of planning, economic development, transportation and our water quality management program."

Kraemer-Badtke said that in addition to these, ECWRPC also administers the NR135 non-metallic mining program for Shawano County.

"We recently received word from Calumet County that they would also like us to administer their program again," said Kraemer-Badtke. "There will be a contract that we are currently in the process of updating."

She said that the commission has been working with local communities in Shawano County, including Shawano.

"We recently completed their comprehensive plan and a bicycle-pedestrian plan for the community," said Kraemer-Badtke.

She added that the ECWRPC is working within the Town of Lessor, helping to update its comprehensive plan, which should be completed in the next couple of months.

The ECWRPC is working on

implementing a reorganization plan. According to Kraemer-Badtke, during this process it reduced the levy funds for each of their member counties.

"We currently have eight member counties, and here in Shawano County, the levy in 2020 was approximately \$49,452," said Kraemer-Badtke. "We have reduced that in 2022 to \$29,919, which is a difference of approximately \$20,000."

She said that even though ECWRPC has reduced its levy, it received additional federal funding for some of its program areas.

"The CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act is one grant that we received in Economic Development Administration," said Kraemer-Badtke. "We work with communities on implementing economic development initiatives to receive funding from the Economic Development Administration."

She said that the CARES Act funding is \$400,000 over two years. ECWRPC received this in 2020.

"This is for developing a resiliency plan for the region," said Kraemer-Badtke. "Recently we conducted a technical assistance program, where we worked with communities that applied for assistance."

Kraemer-Badtke said that it hired a consultant, Ayers Associates.

"They came out and did a one day visit with the communities to talk about areas where they wanted to implement additional economic development activity," said Kraemer-Badtke.

She added that it is doing another round of technical assistance and asked that if there are communities in Shawano County who would be interested, for the board to reach out to her.

In addition to the technical assistance program, she said that the ECWRPC is doing a continuity plan.

"With COVID-19, there are a number of things that we have to change and modify based on our policy and procedures," said Kraemer-Badtke. "We are taking a look at some of those pieces and including cyber security."

Kraemer-Badtke added that they are also receiving funding for the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Main Street Bounce Back program.

"The region received \$3 million to provide \$10,000 grants to small businesses that moved into recently vacant locations," said Kraemer-Badtke. "Those go to new or existing businesses or nonprofits."

She said that in Shawano County, ECWRPC has awarded 18 grants. It has approved over 200 grant applications throughout the region.

"Initially the program was for \$3 million, but recently we received a contract amendment for an additional \$3 million, which will give the region a total of \$6 million," said Kraemer-Badtke.

She said that these small business can use this money for mortgage payments and improvements.

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Life Line Screening coming to Borders Inn

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

Borders Inn and Suites, W7393 River Bend Road, Shawano, will

host the event on Feb. 26. 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.

Screenings are affordable and convenient. Pricing starts at \$149. Free parking is available.

Call 877-237-1287 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com for information or to register. Pre-registration is required.

CORRECTIONS

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Menominee working to protect from COVID-19

County has one of the highest vaccination rates in Wisconsin

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

COVID-19 cases in Menominee County have continued to decrease in recent weeks.

According to the Shawano County's health department website, as of Jan. 26 there was a total of 101 positive cases in Menominee County. With the 101 cases, Menominee County is one of the most vaccinated counties in the state, as 78.86% of the population has received at least one dose, while 74.54% of the population is fully vaccinated.

Dr. Amy Slagle, a family physician for the Menominee Tribal Clinic, attributes this high vaccination rate to the county's population working together in a timely manner.

"The Menominee community, in general, takes COVID-19 seriously," said Slagle. "Taking care of each other is a value in this community."

She said that the county has had a very organized and thorough vaccine rollout.

"We made sure that everyone



AMY SLAGLE

had easy access to vaccines," said Slagle. "We promoted it with a lot of public service announcements on every platform from social media accounts to emails to websites. We

even sent paper announcements out to elders."

Slagle said that this method is consistent with how the county has been communicating about COVID-19 since it started.

According to Slagle, another reason for this ability in working together is the history of the Menominee Tribe.

"The history of the tribe is survival," said Slagle. "They have a long history of being threatened by multiple threats. The response of the community is to do everything that they can to take care of each other and survive as a tribe."

That results of that show a very high vaccination rate, said Slagle.

"From the beginning, we were really in the top three (highest vaccinated counties) with Door County and Dane County," said Slagle. "Really what made the final push, was the tribe decided it was a priority to protect the tribal members. They offered a \$500

incentive for every tribal member to complete an immunization series."

With Slagle's position as a physician in the county, she said to see the tribe continuing to get vaccinated has a pleasant sight.

"It has been remarkably inspiring," said Slagle.

She added that the tribe is still working on getting booster shots more readily available.

"We are struggling a bit with boosters, we don't have the turnout for boosters yet that we would like to see," said Slagle. "It is really clear when we see why hospitals are still overrun with COVID. The booster shot is making a huge difference in keeping omicron from turning into a serious disease."

Slagle said that the tribe has seen a high omicron case rate as of recently.

"Omicron mutated over 50 times and vaccines are not necessarily preventing infection, they are preventing disease and death," said Slagle. "This has really been the point of vaccinations from the get-go."

Slagle said that, as vaccination and booster rates rise, she is happy where Menominee County is at in the response to COVID-19.

"Sure, as a physician, there is always more that we would like to see," said Slagle. "We would like to see the booster rate go up and we would like

to see pediatric vaccinations go up. We have had a fairly good pediatric vaccine response, so far."

Moving forward, the tribe has therapeutics available, like IV sotrovimab and oral pills. She said these come on limited basis due to the supply not being readily available.

"We are able to offer those to patients who are at really high risk," said Slagle. "People who would fall into this category include, those who are un-vaccinated, people on immunosuppressed medications, people who are being actively treated for cancer, people who have organ transplants, people who are morbidly obese and people with numerous medical problems."

Health officials in Menominee County will continue to spread the word about COVID-19 information through reaching out to the community through news outlets, emails and podcasts.

"In addition to this, we are also calling people who are overdue for their booster," said Slagle. "We are cold-calling people who need their boosters and vaccinations."

Slagle said that she remains grateful to work in a community that does not politicize this issue and trusts the medical research.

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COVID-19 cases in Shawano County declining

Health department still urging vaccinations

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

COVID-19 cases have started to drop by about half after an uptick in recent weeks in Shawano County.

Shawano County Health Director Terri Harmala provided the Shawano County Board of Supervisors an update on the COVID-19 numbers in the county during its meeting on Jan. 26.

"We have been expecting these numbers to be up, as we just went through the holidays," said Harmala.

Harmala said that over the past week, the health department has seen improvement in the number of people with COVID-19.

"Two weeks ago, we were at 987 positive cases over a seven-day period," said Harmala. "We are currently down to 490. That is really exciting."



TERRI HARMALA

She said that trend stayed true in Menominee County as well.

"For Menominee County, that was at 216, and they are down to 101," said Harmala.

Due in part to the holidays, she mentioned that the health department was prepared to see an increase in the number of cases.

"Right now, the cases are going in the right direction," said Harmala.

In regards to the amount of people checking into the hospital, she said that the health care staff has been continuing to work hard.

"I don't know what the hospitals are experiencing this week, but we do know that they have been busting at the seams over the last month," said Harmala.

She also said that getting people

vaccinated has been a point of emphasis for the health department and hospitals.

"It really does make a difference," said Harmala. "Over 50% of their patients are not vaccinated."

Board member Marvin Klosterman asked how many of the 490 cases are children.

"I don't have the exact numbers," said Harmala. "Most of them are — from what I have seen — in that 20- to 50-year-old category."

She added that a lot of the people who have contracted COVID-19 are at home, taking care of their symptoms, rather than coming into the hospital.

"A couple of weeks ago, they did not have kids in there at that time," said Harmala. "That is good news."

Board member Joe Miller asked if the numbers that Harmala had outlined were counted through testing.

"They are generated through the Wisconsin Department of Health Services," said Harmala. "So yes, that

would be gathered through testing. Home testing could definitely skew the results."

Board member Jerry Erdmann asked if she has seen a connection between people being vaccinated and the severity of COVID-19 cases.

"With the science and everything else, it is the ones who are not vaccinated that are ending up in the hospital with more severe cases," said Harmala.

Erdmann said he has heard the same thing from friends and family who work in the health care field.

According to the health department's website, 44.9% of Shawano County residents have completed their vaccination series. In the whole state of Wisconsin, 63.3% of the population has completed their vaccination series, while 70.1% of the state's population has at least one dose of the vaccine.

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PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jan. 31
Officers responded to 11 calls, including shop lifting at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; property theft on Madison Way.

Jan. 30
Officers responded to 12 calls, including a disturbance on Acorn Street; property theft on East Green Bay Street.

Jan. 29
Officers responded to 16 calls, including property theft on South Smalley Street; bail jumping on South Main Street; a domestic disturbance on South River Street; a controlled substance problem on South Main Street.

Jan. 28
Officers responded to 21 calls, including a controlled substance problem on East Richmond Street; disorderly conduct on South Smalley Street;

an assault on South Bartlett Street; harassment on South Main Street; a disturbance at The Store, 404 E. Green Bay St.; disorderly conduct on East Green Bay Street; car property damage on East Richmond Street.

Jan. 27
Officers responded to 25 calls, including harassment on South Union Street; child abuse on South Franklin Street; car personal injury on East Green Bay Street; trespassing on South Bartlett Street.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Jan. 31
Deputies responded to 32 calls, including a domestic disturbance on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Birnamwood; trespassing on Forest View Lane in the Town of Belle Plaine; harassment on South Warrington Avenue in Cecil; a

disturbance on North Cecil Street in Bonduel; one crash.

Jan. 30
Deputies responded to 15 calls, including disorderly conduct on Engel Drive in Shawano; two crashes, one involving deer.

Jan. 29
Deputies responded to 31 calls, including a disturbance on North Park Street in Bowler; operating while intoxicated on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Fairbanks; harassment on Menominee Drive in the Town of Wescott; a domestic disturbance on Northwestern Avenue in the Town of Angelica; five crashes.

Jan. 28
Deputies responded to 24 calls, including reckless driving on U.S Highway 45 in the Town of Aniwa; a domestic disturbance on School House Road in the

Town of Morris; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; bail jumping on Rustic Drive in the Town of Belle Plaine; reckless driving on County Road A in the Town of Bartelme; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Fairbanks; two crashes.

Jan. 27
Deputies responded to 29 calls, including an overdose on Schabow Street in Gresham; disorderly conduct on West Green Bay Street in Bonduel; a threat on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in Birnamwood; a burglary on North Warrington Avenue in Cecil; reckless driving on state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine; a burglary on County Road MMM in the Town of Richmond; a drug problem on Cedar Street in Eland; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland; one crash.

COURT NEWS

- Patrick A. Mays, 24, Shawano, was charged Jan. 24 with one count of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct and one misdemeanor count of bail jumping. Judge William Kussel Jr. set a signature bond of \$1,500 and scheduled a status conference for March 1.
- Riley T. Bosman, 19, Bonduel, was charged Jan. 24 with one count of possession of methamphetamine and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Kussel set a signature bond of \$5,000 and scheduled a status conference for Feb. 23.
- Justyn J. Metoxen, 40, Shawano, was charged Jan. 24 with one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct. Kussel set a signature bond of \$1,500 and scheduled a status

conference for March 1.

- John J. Waubanasum, 49, Keshena, was charged Jan. 24 with one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of bail jumping. Kussel set a cash bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Feb. 3.
- Colton D. Brede, 27, Bonduel, was charged Jan. 24 with one count of bail jumping. Kussel set a signature bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a status conference for Feb. 22.
- Lee M. Block, 43, Shawano, was charged Jan. 25 with one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct. Kussel set a signature bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a status conference for Jan. 28.
- Daniel D. Celkis, 36, Genoa City,

pleaded no contest Jan. 25 to one count of possession of narcotic drugs. One misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia was dismissed, but read into the record. Judge Katherine Sloma sentenced Celkis to 120 days in jail and two years of probation.

- Skylar M. Beck, 22, Sun Prairie, pleaded no contest Jan. 25 to one count of taking and operating a vehicle without consent. Kussel sentenced Beck to 90 days in jail, which was deemed as served, and two years of probation.
- Perry J. Waupoose, 56, Gresham, was charged Jan. 25 with one count of bail jumping, two misdemeanor counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Kussel set a signature bond of \$2,500 and scheduled a

scheduling conference for Jan. 27.

- Corey A. Drake, 44, Eland, was charged Jan. 28 with five counts of possession of a firearm by someone convicted of a felony, five misdemeanor counts of possession of THC and three misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia. Kussel set a cash bond of \$5,000 and a signature bond of \$5,000. He also scheduled a preliminary hearing for Feb. 3.
- Jesse M. Martin, 39, Shawano, pleaded no contest Jan. 28 to one count of strangulation and suffocation and one misdemeanor count of battery. Two counts of strangulation and suffocation and one misdemeanor count of battery was dismissed, but read into the record. Kussel sentenced Martin to one year in jail and three years of probation.

OBITUARIES

Judith A. Egge

Judith Ann (Sumnicht) Egge was a caring mother, sister, aunt and friend. She passed away Jan. 26, 2022, at the age of 73, after a short stay with Evergreen Hospice.

Judy was a talented gardener and loved spending time in the kitchen, cooking, canning and baking, especially when she could share it. She never tired of helping others, especially her family. Children would gather around Judy as she was young at heart and loved to make them laugh. She was passionate about her ancestry, having tirelessly documented centuries of genealogy and family history.

Judy was born to Leonard and

Lois (Radtko) Sumnicht on Sept. 9, 1948. Judy graduated from Bonduel High School and spent her talents at a variety of careers while raising her beloved son, Todd.

Judy is survived by her son, Todd; her furbaby, Priscilla; sisters, Mary Marquette and Alice (Dave) Glatz; brothers, Jim (Kathy) Sumnicht and Peter (Rhonda) Sumnicht; and many nieces and nephews, whom she loved.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Joel and Willy Sumnicht; and sister, Diane Bohm.

A celebration of Judy's life will be held in the summer months.

The family extends its thanks to Evergreen Health Services.

Irene L. Koeller

Irene L. Koeller, 93, of the Town of Larrabee, passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022, at Greentree Health and Rehabilitation Center in Clintonville.

Arlene C. Schultz

Arlene C. Schultz, of Tigerton, formerly of Menomonee Falls, passed away peacefully on Jan. 25, 2022.

She was the beloved wife of the late LaVern for 70 years. Loving mother to Linda (Earl) Flaskrud, Danny (Mary), Dave (Renda), Kathy (David) Tarantino, and Dale. Grandmother to Sara (Elliott) Lunde, Michael (Margaret), Nicholas Steffen, Danielle (Adam) Klimas, Bethany and Andrew (Lauren). Great-grandmother to Addison and Natalie Lunde, Brooklyn Robinson, Rhett Klimas, and Madalyn Schultz. Sister to Patricia Cederwall, the late Thomas MacKay, and the late James MacKay, all of Kenora, Ontario.

Further survived by other family and friends.

Arlene was very proud of her Canadian heritage and remained a Canadian citizen while residing in the United States for 70 years.

She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Nancy Michaelis for her special friendship and the care she provided to our mother.

Per Arlene's wishes, no services will be held. Arlene will be cremated and a private family burial will take place in the spring at Sunnyside Cemetery in Lannon.

Barbara E. Sawall

Barbara E. Sawall, 78, of New London, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2022, at Froedert Hospital in Milwaukee.

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

James A. Mueller

James "Jim" A. Mueller, 81, of Clintonville, passed away early Friday morning, Jan. 28, 2022, at Aster Assisted Living, Clintonville.

James "Jim" Arthur Mueller was born May 15, 1940, in Greenville, son to the late Roger and Almira (Thiele) Mueller. After graduating from Seymour High School with the class of 1958, Jim worked on the farm with his dad and assembled tractors with Kuehne Implement. He then served his country by joining the United States Air Force in 1960. He was first stationed at Hickam Air Force Base in Hawaii; from there he would travel to Vietnam during the war to bring supplies and set up military bases.

He was united in marriage to Alice Robley on Nov. 30, 1963, at Ascension Lutheran Church, Navarino. Later, Jim was stationed at Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio, Texas; this was during the Cuban missile crisis. After



Green Bay.

In the 1970s, Jim and Alice managed Imago Dei Village Church Camp, near Cloverleaf Lakes, and other Crossways Camp Ministries. He finally worked in sales at K&K Equipment, later known as Caroline Implement, for 27 years retiring in 2005. Jim helped his brother-in-law run and maintain the Navarino Ski Hill, which he did for many years after his retirement, making snow and grooming the slopes.

As a longtime member of Ascension Lutheran Church, Jim served as president multiple times, taught Sunday school, confirmation, bible

his honorable discharge in 1964, Jim returned to the area and worked for FWD Segrave as a draftsman and started a family, later working as a draftsman at Paper Converting,

study, and served as a lay minister. He had a very strong faith, and that faith also took him and Alice to Latvia for a time to start mission work. He took pride in maintaining "Big Jim's Buck Farm" as the family lovingly called his property; many trees were planted as well as food plots. He was a bit of a hunter, but really loved to watch the wildlife on his land. He also served on the board as treasurer with the Shawano County Fairgrounds for many years.

Jim will be remembered for his way of not getting flustered when things didn't go quite right, and for his kind-hearted, hard-working way he approached life and interacted with people.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Alice; sons, Mark (Corina) Mueller, Omaha, Nebraska, and Paul (Jessie) Mueller Oconomowoc; grandchildren, Amanda (Jacob) Korth, Emily (Mike) Houdek, Caleb Mueller, Dylan Mueller, Ryan Mueller, Lydia Mueller,

Isaac Mueller, and Genevieve Mueller; great-grandchildren, Erik and Layla Houdek and Crew Korth; sister, Judy Miller, Seymour; many nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents and his sisters, Delores Kaphingst and Betty Jentz.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 5, 2022, at Ascension Lutheran Church, Town of Navarino, with pastors Mark and Marcia Sabin officiating. Military honors will be conducted at the church by VFW Post 664, American Legion Post 63, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 63, and VFW Auxiliary Unit 664, all of Clintonville. Interment will follow at the parish cemetery. Visitation will start at 9 a.m. on Saturday at the church until the time of service.

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

An online guestbook is available at eberhardtstevenson.com.

Ellsworth G. Rasmussen

Ellsworth G. Rasmussen, 80, Colorado Springs, Colorado, passed away from various health issues Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022, at Central Memorial Hospital, Colorado Springs, surrounded by his daughters, Connie and April. He was born July 14, 1941, in Moline, Illinois, son of the late Harold and LaVerne (Vaughan) Rasmussen.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, James Rasmussen; sister, Lois Brennan; nephews, Eric Rasmussen, Anthony Robinson and Orlando Gibbs; granddaughter, Tiffany Haney; and great-grandson, Peter Perez.

Ellsworth attended St. Joseph's Catholic School, Phlox, and Antigo High School, where he met Barbara Jean Miller. They married Oct. 15, 1960,



and had Deborah and Connie Rasmussen. They divorced a few years later. He then married Dorothy Jean Garret on Dec. 9, 1972, and had April Rasmussen.

Survivors include his brother, Paul Rasmussen, Colorado; sister Bonita (Bonnie) Gibbs, Antigo; three daughters, Deborah (Raymond) Sanapaw, Keshena, Connie Rasmussen, Keshena, and April Rasmussen, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Ell is also survived by nephews Ernie (Amy) Rasmussen, Washington, Seth Rasmussen and Nathan Rasmus-

sen, Colorado, Mark (Pat) Robinson, William Brennan, Shane Gibbs (Cari), and James Gibbs of Wisconsin; nieces Robin (Greg) Verhasselt and DiAnn Robinson, of Wisconsin, and Sarah (Brian) Austad, of Massachusetts; grandchildren, Mark Haney, Dawn Haney, Andrea Wescott, Randall (Millie) Wescott, Melissa (Ruben) Wescott, Harlan (Heather) Peters Jr. and Nicole Peters-Corn (Vance); great-grandchildren, Daniel Webster Jr., Adrianna Alvarado, Aurelia Valencia, Darius Wilber, Mya Torres, Shaniah Torres, Ruben Torres Jr., Ketamiew Perez, Taylesia Haney, Chance Boivin, Chelcie Boivin, Jaxon Wescott, Carter Corn and Marcel Corn.

Ell was employed at various jobs throughout his life, but he particularly

loved his job as an elephant keeper at Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, Colorado Springs. He was a professional semi-truck driver and later retired. He enjoyed being outdoors, fishing and hunting. He also loved growing plants, especially cacti.

Cremation will be performed by Alternative Cremation, Colorado Springs. A celebration of life with picnic will be held Saturday, July 16, 2022 at 11 a.m. at Eleven Mile State Park, Colorado. Site #275 North Shore E Loop. RSVP to: araswolf72@gmail.com

The family would like to express its sincere appreciation to the staff at Central Memorial Hospital for taking such good care of Ellsworth.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to your favorite zoo.

Barbara M. Zabel

Barbara M. Zabel, 87, Cecil, died suddenly of natural causes Tuesday morning, Jan. 25, 2022 at home with her beloved husband and her dog, Sadie, by her side. The youngest child of 13 children was born Aug. 24, 1934, to Robert and Helen (Helm) Roehl in Lake Mills.

In 1950, she married the love of her life Robert "Bob" Zabel in Watertown where they enjoyed a life of farming. In 1964, they moved to Oconto Falls and raised their three sons and two



daughters. Barbara was employed at Community Memorial Hospital in Oconto Falls for 12 years. In 1993, they built their retirement lake home in Cecil, where many great memories were made. She had a strong love for her family, crocheting, reading, playing

musical instruments, especially the humstrum and cooking for her family and friends, making certain no one left hungry.

She is survived by her loving husband of 71 years, Bob Zabel; five children, James (Sue) Zabel, Terry (Bev) Zabel, Steven (Debbie) Zabel, Gina (Gaylin) Greetan and Sandy (Dan) Schroeder; five grandchildren, Tracy, Corina, Kyle, Zac and Hannah; seven great-grandchildren; one sister,

Florence Nass; special friends, Scott and Cindy Jansen; her sweet dog, Sadie.

She was preceded in death by her parents, 11 siblings and two cherished granddaughters, Terra Zabel and Taylor Tisch.

Visitation with the urn present was held Saturday, Jan. 29, 2022, at Jones Funeral Service in Oconto Falls.

Barbara will be greatly missed by her family and friends but stay in our hearts forever.

Barbara Ann Laux (Hertz)



On Monday, Jan. 24, 2022, we said goodbye to the best wife, mother and grandmother anyone could ask for, much too soon. Our beautiful Barbie passed away as peaceful as a flower, cuddled up with her adoring girls, Annie, Nicki and Peri, son-in-law Ben, and the love of her life, her husband Scott.

Barbara Ann was born on July 7, 1957, in Clintonville to Howard and Shirley Hertz. She attended Clintonville High School and

UW-Eau Claire, married her high school sweetheart and made our lives brighter for 64 years.

"Scooter and Babs" worked side-by-side at Laux Chiropractic Office for 40 years. Barbie was the heart and soul of the office and could handle anything with a smile. Barb "Flower," as the girls affectionately called her, had it all and will be greatly missed.

Life's simplest pleasures brought joy to

Barbie. You could find her lost in her flowers on a sunny day, camping with her Scottie, or all smiles hosting a sunset dinner for family and friends, a glass of wine in hand. For the past three years, Barbie's absolute pride and joy was her grandson, Archie, who lit up her life.

We plan to honor and celebrate her life every single day, though a celebration will take place when her flowers are in bloom.

Dozens travel to Gresham for ice fishing derby



Charlie Nietzer drops a fishing line into the water in hopes of winning the annual Gresham Lions Club ice fishing derby on Jan. 29.

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2 arrested after drug seizure in Keshena

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

A traffic stop in Keshena on Jan. 29 led to the arrest of at least two adults and seizure of a number of illegal drugs.

According to a news release from the Menominee Tribal Police Department, tribal and county Native American Drug and Gang Initiative (NADGI) officers were conducting extra patrol in an area of Keshena that had been identified as having a potential drug house. Officers were able to conduct a lawful stop on a vehicle that had been observed at this residence.

Menominee County K-9 Ruger conducted a sniff of the vehicle and gave a positive alert for illicit drugs being inside of the vehicle. Officers conducted a search of the vehicle and located illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia.

The NADGI officers were then able to obtain and execute a search warrant on the suspected drug residence in the School View Addition area of Keshena.

In addition to the adults in the residence, seven juveniles were identified as being at the house. In accordance with the tribe's Drug Endangered Children Program, Menominee Tribal Family Services was called to assist with the juveniles.

Based on items seized on the traffic stop and in the residence charges will be forwarded to the tribal prosecutors for delivery of a controlled substance (methamphetamine and fentanyl), possession of a controlled substance and maintaining a drug dwelling.

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Menominee Indian seeks \$35M referendum

School district plans to build new high school, expand elementary school, move middle school to Keshena

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Menominee Indian School District plans to ask voters April 5 to approve \$35 million in bonds to build a new high school, expand its elementary school and turn the existing high school into a middle school.

Facility issues have been a key topic of discussion for district officials and the Menominee Indian School Board for the last four or five years, according to Superintendent Wendell Waukau. One of those issues has been seeing enrollment increase — at a time when neighboring school districts are seeing its student population drop — and seeing Keshena Primary School get really crowded.

“Enrollment is going up, especially at the elementary school, which has created limited space,” Waukau said, noting that expanding the school is needed whether it’s attached to a referendum or not. “We started looking at remodeling options.”

From there, he said, the district looked at what to do regarding Menominee Indian Middle School. The school is in good condition, according to Waukau, but it’s an island unto itself in Neopit, while the primary school, district office and Menominee Indian High School are all in close proximity in Keshena.

“We started looking at all of these different scenarios and options,” Waukau said. “The building is in great condition, but the problem we run into trying to renovate at Menominee Indian Middle School is that we’re landlocked. We’ve got no place to go.”

Moving facilities around is already in progress, as the district office building next to Keshena Primary will be turning into an immersion school facility, where students are being taught in their native Menominee language. As a result, the district office is moving into its student health center temporarily.

“It added to that whole equation,” Waukau said. “It’s great to have a language immersion school right here in our community.”

The high school, built in 1983, has seen a number of improvements over the years and won’t need a



The current Menominee Indian High School could become the new middle school, if voters on April 5 approve a \$35 million referendum. The new high school would be located on 40 acres of land behind Save-A-Lot, which the school district is trying to get from the tribe.

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lot of work to be ready for use as a middle school. However, it lacks adequate restroom space, according to Waukau, and the gymnasium doesn’t have adequate seating for the various events it hosts.

“The conversation with the high school is, how can we redesign our schools to better meet the teaching and learning that our kids would benefit from?” Waukau said. “We talk about project-based learning or open classrooms and looking to find a better way for teachers to teach and kids to learn.”

Waukau noted that it was looking like it would require about \$30 million to renovate the existing high school to meet the needs, so it made more fiscal sense to build a new facility and have the current school be the new middle school.

The district is currently in talks with the Menominee Tribal Legislature to get 40 acres of land behind the Save-a-Lot grocery store, which

is adjacent to the existing schools in Keshena, to build the new high school, if voters give the green light. The legislature is expected to take final action later in February to approve having the high school on the land.

In exchange, the school district will provide the tribe with the current middle school building, valued at about \$11 million, according to Waukau. The tribe can then use the facility for its Menominee Tribal School, which is right now located further along state Highway 47 in Neopit.

“That would meet their school needs,” Waukau said. “It’s almost like a win-win, but we’re still in the process. It’s not an absolute yes. The tribe still has to sign off on it, but they’ve given their tentative approval that they want to do it.”

Once the final deal is signed on the 40 acres of land, the district plans to hold community meetings to discuss what the new high school will have, along with the renovation plans and

impact on the tax base.

“We’ve got to talk to folks in Keshena, talk to folks in Neopit and all of our community areas, along with our taxpayers,” Waukau said. “We need to talk to the kids. We need to talk to the parents.”

As for the expansion work for the primary school, Waukau estimates the district will need to add at least six more classrooms and a new gym area to cover potential growth over the next 10-20 years. He said the district is also considering having the fifth grade join the middle school students to help alleviate the growing pains, but that decision has not been finalized yet.

Waukau noted that the school district has under levied for a number of years, trying to be fiscally responsible, so now is the time to move forward with turning the schools into something that will benefit all students in the future.

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WENDELL WAUKAU, Menominee Indian School District superintendent, explaining one of the reasons for a \$35 million referendum

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Parochial schools in the pink for cancer event

Sacred Heart, St. Paul, St. James youth play basketball while raising money, awareness

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Sacred Heart Catholic School and its neighboring parochials, St. James and St. Paul Lutheran schools, pushed aside COVID-19 as the big health headline and played basketball Jan. 29 to raise awareness of another deadly illness — cancer.

It is the fourth year that the schools have come together for the Hoopin' for Hope Pink Out Cancer Awareness Event, back from a hiatus after the pandemic forced the cancellation of the 2021 event. Besides getting the schools' girls and boys basketball teams together for some fun and healthy competition, the event also reminded locals about the impact cancer has on communities and the need to raise money to help local organizations battling the disease.

According to Scott Marohl, athletic director at Sacred Heart, over 120 baskets were donated, a 30% increase from the last event, and at least 140 families and sponsors donated items to be sold or raffled off.

"This community comes together when you have events like this, so it's not surprising that so many gave," Marohl said. "I still had baskets coming in this morning from businesses. It was a very busy time but a very successful event."

All of the proceeds went to Peace and Love for Alex Inc., an organization formed by Mary Brennan in 2013 after she lost her son, Alex, to cancer. Although the organization is based in the Fox Valley, Marohl noted that Peace and Love for Alex has helped two families at Sacred Heart and another family from St. Paul in Bonduel.

"For families looking for help, Peace and Love for Alex is amazing," Marohl said, noting that Brennan attended the event. "It's not very often you can find a local organization like this that keeps everything in north-east Wisconsin."

The event started five years ago when a family approached Marohl about a member who had won the fight against cancer and was looking to start something that promoted breast cancer awareness. The month dedicated to education on breast cancer is usually in October, so Marohl wanted to do something that would get the schools' athletic programs involved and focus on the many different types of cancer people endure.



St. James' Nolan Kleinschmidt (14) races toward the basket followed by teammate Quin Harkey (22) as Sacred Heart's Braylon Rusch moves to try and cut him off during a basketball game Jan. 29 at Sacred Heart.

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Scott Marohl, athletic director for Sacred Heart Catholic School, talks about community giving during a ceremony for the fourth Hoopin' for Hope cancer awareness event held Jan. 29 at the school as a number of students listen while wearing pink shirts for the "Pink Out."

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"It started with just two schools. The first year, it was just St. James and Sacred Heart on a normal game night, and it was really successful," Marohl said. "The next year, we came through and thought, we could make this bigger."

That's what led to a Saturday tournament, and it wasn't long before St. Paul became involved. Marohl said, the first year, there were only 30 baskets donated, so the giving has quadrupled since then.

"It's just been successful all

around," Marohl said.

The only downside is that the event is becoming so big that it can't be contained within Sacred Heart anymore, with the gift baskets and other activities filling the halls of the school. Marohl said it's likely that future Hoopin' for Hope events will need to be moved to one of the public schools, which have more square footage.

"With over 120 baskets, we're starting to run out of room," Marohl said. "At the same time, it's nice to be here in our building, sharing our school and everything that we put into this event."

In a prayer during the ceremony recognizing cancer survivors, Marohl beseeched the Lord to provide comfort to those who are dealing with cancer and the family members that are giving support.

"Give all cancer fighters comfort when they are in pain," Marohl said. "Lay your healing hand and remove every cancer cell so they may be healed. Be with those families who have lost a family member or friend due to a fight with cancer."

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SCHS taking classic lit from page to stage

Students performing
'Little Women' for local
audiences this weekend

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Shawano Community High School is taking a classic piece of literature and bringing it to musical-loving audiences this weekend as it performs "Little Women," the show that hit Broadway in 2005.

The musical takes the two-volume semi-autobiographical novel written in the 1860s by Louisa May Alcott and turns it into a two-hour tale that focuses on four sisters and their unfolding lives during and after the Civil War. There's Jo, the character that is based on Alcott, an aspiring writer who dreams of being a published author. Intertwined with Jo's tale are the lives of her three sisters, the traditional Meg, shy Beth and romantic Amy.

For director Alex Konen, the story is expected to bring out local residents to see the show and bring back the tradition of an annual winter musical, something that had to be halted last year as the coronavirus pandemic caused a lot of school events to go on hiatus. Konen credited Matthew Fons, the new choir director for SCHS, with coming up with the idea of the classic novel as the school's return to a stage that had an in-person audience attached.

"Mr. Fons said, based on the talent pool we have, this would be a really good option," Konen said. "We looked at a lot of other shows, but looking at this, I had to agree that this is, number one, a great story, but then, number two, it's got everything we need in terms of an ability for (the group we have)."

Konen added that COVID-19 caused a lot of the students who had enjoyed performing in musicals during the winter and plays in the fall and spring to take a step back, but performing "Little Women" has brought many of those students back to the stage to tell a charming story to their parents and the community at large.

Konen said the local performance stays more true to Alcott's novel than it does the original Broadway musical.

"It's really first what is this play about, and then developing ideas from that," Konen said. "Jo is a storyteller; that's kind of her passion and dream



Jo March, played by Grace Stuewer, right, tells an animated story she's written, which is shown in silhouette in the background, while Mrs. Kirk, played by Katie Weiland, looks on.

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John Brooke, played by Gabriel Bohm, and Meg March, played by Leslie Lemerond, decorate an arch for a wedding during the second act of "Little Women."

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in life. We're trying to highlight that by showing bits of the story that either she's telling us or (in a way) that maybe you wouldn't see in the musical itself necessarily."

SCHS brings some of Jo's tales to life via a screen that shows action in silhouette, with witches and warriors doing what they do best as Jo narrates.

Being able to welcome students

into the high school auditorium is a big plus for Konen.

"This year, just being able to come back and have live audiences has been thrilling for me," he said, noting that the fall play was actually the first one since the pandemic started where he could have an audience. "Musicals are always just a bigger draw in general."

A number of parents were in at-

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: "Little Women"

WHEN: 7 p.m. Feb. 3-5, 2 p.m. Feb. 6

WHERE: Auditorium, Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B, Shawano

TICKETS: Adults \$12, seniors \$9, children \$6. Tickets can be purchased online at shawanotheater.ludus.com.

tendance for a dress rehearsal held on Jan. 29, and their reactions indicated to Konen that broader audiences will thoroughly enjoy "Little Women."

"Their laughter, their clapping, it's definitely added more energy to it," Konen said. "We've been working on this since the beginning of November, so seeing it all come to life and knowing there's going to be a live audience out there, and experiencing some of the emotions that I have watching some of the scenes now, I can just imagine how they'll (the audience) respond. I picture it something that people will walk away enjoying."

The novel "Little Women" is not a standard part of the SCHS English curriculum, according to Konen, but the school has a book club and has taken up reading the book this winter in conjunction with the musical.

"They put it on their reading list to get a feel for it," Konen said.

OPINION

GUEST COLUMN

Ballot drop boxes saved, but for how long?

Recently, a panel of judges stood behind Wisconsinites and decided that every one of us deserves the freedom to safely cast a ballot. Three judges representing the 4th District Circuit Court of Appeals blocked a prior ruling out of Waukesha that would have banned the use of ballot drop boxes ahead of the Feb. 15 primary election.

The now-halted Waukesha decision, made by conservative Circuit Court Judge Michael Bohren in early January, would have allowed voters to cast their ballot via drop box only if the box was located inside a clerk's office, which might be a slight inconvenience for some, but severely disruptive for thousands of other voters.

COVID-19 is still rapidly spreading across our communities. We're in the midst of a freezing, icy Wisconsin winter. For voters whose health is at risk and those with mobility challenges, this means that casting their vote in



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a drop box close to home could be their safest — and sometimes only — option.

Thankfully, the Court of Appeals ruling will make sure they have that option this February.

As representatives from Disability Rights Wisconsin said in a statement, many Wisconsinites with disabilities rely on voting absentee, whether in the mail or via drop box, due to ableist barriers that restrict their ability to vote in-person. Some might even rely on a caretaker or loved one to deliver the ballot on their behalf.

In a time filled with so much uncertainty as is, Bohren's ruling would have made the voting process that much more difficult to navigate, in turn disenfranchising thousands of Wisconsin

voters in next month's primary.

Voter suppression is an issue not unique to the Badger State. Here in Wisconsin, some right-wing politicians have proven eager to perpetuate rulings — like Bohren's — that threaten our fundamental freedom to vote.

Like Rebecca Kleefisch, former lieutenant governor under Scott Walker and current gubernatorial candidate, who voted absentee in 2020 by marking herself indefinitely confined, but now wants to remove that option for other Wisconsin voters.

So, while the Court of Appeals' decision this week is a step in the right direction, the road to end voter disenfranchisement — and ensure that every Wisconsinite can freely and safely cast a ballot that counts — still stretches on.

The Court of Appeals ruling will protect drop box access through the February primary, but it's still possible

that our access to drop boxes could be gutted ahead of the election in April.

Politicians like Kleefisch, with the help of judges like Bohren, are attacking our freedom to vote and working to sabotage our elections. This is our time to show up to vote, and to show we won't be silenced.

Making sure that options like easily accessible drop boxes, online registration, and early and absentee voting are there for us will help make sure all of us are heard.

This election cycle, we deserve leaders who will fight to ensure that all voters have an equal voice. It's time to stop the distractions and start investing in our well-being.

Together, we must ensure that every Wisconsinite can cast a ballot that counts.

Chris Walloch is the executive director at A Better Wisconsin Together, which describes itself as a state-based research and communications hub for progressives.

"It's time to stop the distractions and start investing in our well-being."

CHRIS WALLOCH, A Better Wisconsin Together executive director

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Yes vote helps get money out of politics

To the editor:

Residents of the Town of Red Springs have an opportunity to voice their opposition to the huge amounts of money that are in our politics. In the April 5 election, a yes vote on the ballot referendum would help to change that.

American citizens do not have a "government by the people and for the people." American citizens now have "government by corporations for corporations." The reason is the Supreme Court and Citizens United. The 2010 Supreme Court, in the case of Citizens United, the court ruled that money equaled free speech. This idea has been broadened to allow corporations to give unlimited campaign contributions in amounts vastly superior to what individual citizens can afford to give.

The Wisconsin United to Amend group has been working for a U.S.

Constitutional amendment stating that corporations are not people, do not have the inalienable rights of human beings, and money is not speech and therefore can be regulated in political campaigns.

Gathering dust in the Wisconsin Legislature are 166 resolutions and referenda that have already been passed in jurisdictions around the state. Over 57% of Wisconsinites have passed this resolution. Some of the area towns that have passed this resolution are: Shawano, Town of Wescott, Wittenberg, Green Bay, Appleton, Neenah, Menasha, Merrill, Wausau, and New London.

Wisconsin should join the other 21 state legislatures which have voted to say "Money does not equal speech" and "Corporations are not equal to people." The Wisconsin Legislature should listen to the citizens of Wisconsin as they express their voices so that we can make one large step forward to actual representative democracy.

It is important to support this

referendum on Tuesday, April 5. Vote yes.

Deanna Bisley, Town of Red Springs

Behnke's comments are not very Christian

To the editor:

Turn the other cheek?

As the founder and director of a ministry, I found myself astonished by what a fellow ministry leader recently said to his fellow citizens, including those he represents in the 89th Assembly District.

Cheat like the Democrats or bend the rules? Punch our governor in the face? Continuously refuse to accept facts as facts despite overwhelming evidence of a clean and fair election? All this by state Rep. Elijah Behnke, who attended Bible college?

I am amazed how Republicans wrap themselves in the American flag while creating God in their own image — and are now attempting to force Christian nationalism onto the rest of us while our embattled,

feeble democracy dies in darkness. Throughout this whole destructive process, every one of the Ten Commandments is continually broken, from the first to the 10th.

Many Republicans don't seem to realize there is a New Testament, a Sermon on the Mount, or a Golden Rule. This delusional madness occurs under the control and guidance of a maniacal, dictatorial ex-president who mirrors the anti-Christ more than the Second Coming we might all wish for.

Gov. Tony Evers is a kind, gentle, deeply-spiritual man with a reasonably-sized ego, unlike so many politicians. Anything he has ever done is in Wisconsin's best interests — and done through love.

I strongly recommend Elijah Behnke seek forgiveness from our governor and every one of his constituents in the 89th Assembly District for his abhorrent behavior — and start practicing love as taught by his religion.

Mark Smith, Oconto Falls

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HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

Bonduel's Berg and Sokolski each take 2nd at girls state tournament

Shawano's Novitski claims 5th place

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Bonduel's Hailey Berg and Maddy Sokolski and Shawano's Piper Novitski helped make history when competing in the first-ever WIAA Girls State Individual Wrestling Tournament on Jan. 29 at the La Crosse Center in La Crosse.

The trio made the most of their trips to state, with Berg and Sokolski each placing second and Novitski claiming fifth place.

Berg competed in the 120 weight class for Bonduel, while Sokolski was in the 132 class. Both wrestlers went 3-1 on the day, with their lone loss coming in the first-place match.

Berg had a bye to start her day before battling Milton's Adison Slama. Berg dominated the match and earned a 12-2 major decision win.

Berg pinned Wausau West's Ashley Danielson in 1 minute, 42 seconds in the quarterfinals. In the semifinals, Berg edged Plymouth's Brooke Schuenemann in a 7-6 decision.

The title match for Berg was a rematch with Florence/Niagara's Caitlyn Kelley. The two met at the Shawano Holiday Classic earlier this season, with Kelley winning by pin. This time, Berg was able to avoid the pin, but lost by major decision, 10-0.

"Overall, I feel like I wrestled pretty good. I worked hard all year to get to where I am," said Berg, a freshman. "I wish I would have scored a couple points in my final match, but I'm proud of myself for trying my best."

Berg left state with a 12-2 record for the season and plenty of motivation for the rest of her high school career.

"It will motivate me to get better and do even better next year, and keep improving on the things that I need to get better at," said Berg.

Sokolski, also a freshman, had a bye to start her day. Her first state



Bonduel's Hailey Berg, back, takes down Plymouth's Brooke Schuenemann in a 120-pound weight class semifinal match at the WIAA Girls State Individual Wrestling Tournament on Jan. 29 at the La Crosse Center in La Crosse. Berg won the match by decision and went on to take second place. STACY SCHIESL

match came against Whitewater's Ashly Xochipa, whom Sokolski pinned in 1:36.

The pin was a sign of things to come for Sokolski, who also pinned her quarterfinal and semifinal opponents. She secured a pin over Xavier's Anna Strand in 4:58 in the quarterfinals before a 3:19 pin over Middleton's Mattie Papenthien.

The three wins by pin set Sokolski up in a first-place match against Mineral Point's Kylie Rule. Sokolski was defeated by major decision, 9-0.

"I am very proud of myself for getting second place, but I do realize that means I have much to work on for next year," said Sokolski, who thanked her brothers Mitch and Max for teaching her everything she knows

about wrestling.

"I'll be more motivated next year to become better because I believe I am a strong girl and I will never settle for less," added Sokolski, who left state with an 11-1 record.

Novitski was a part of the 126 weight class, and also had a bye to start the day.

The Shawano freshman pinned Barron's Angela Zimmerman in 3:21 in her first match.

Novitski then was defeated in a 9-7 decision by Turner's Sydney Andrews in the quarterfinals. Instead of hanging her head, Novitski bounced back with three straight pins to end up placing fifth.

She pinned Reedsville's Ellie Kasper in 30 seconds before pinning

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Zimmerman in 3:53 in the consolation semifinals.

Novitski dominated the fifth-place match against Whitnall/Greendale's Brooke Harstvedt, nearly winning by technical fall before securing the pin at the 4:09 mark of the match.

"Taking fifth means a lot to me since I was going again a lot of seasoned and really good girls," said Novitski.

She's now ready to turn the experience of this year's state tournament into a big career and even better finishes in the years to come.

"Being only a freshman, fifth place at state championships means a lot and I hope in the coming years I'll be out there on the platform on mat one raising my hand to the crowd (in the first-place match)," said Novitski.

Novitski had a 16-2 record on the season after her state matches.

Being able to compete in the first-ever girls state tournament was a thrill for the three wrestlers.

"I have been wrestling since second grade and I've always wanted to have a girls division for when I got to high school, and the year I come into high school they make a division," said Novitski. "It was amazing to be a part of history and even just being there was an awesome experience for me, and I'm excited for next year."

With all three wrestlers being freshman, they are eager to become regulars at state as the girls tournament gains popularity.

"It's truly amazing to even be a part of this," said Sokolski. "As a freshman I'm happy I will have three more years to make my name known."

"It was really special to me because I am a part of something like this," said Berg. "I am happy that I am a freshman coming into this and I have three more years to get to the top of the podium."

ATHLETE PROFILE: BELAIRE VELE

Senior doing it all for Gresham boys team

The Gresham Community High School boys basketball team has high aspirations for the rest of its season. Senior Belaire Vele figures to play a big role in the team's success and has stuffed the stat sheet all winter for the Wildcats.

Through Jan. 30, Vele was averaging 13 points, 10.9 rebounds, 4.8 assists and 1.6 steals per game.

He's scored in double figures in 11 of the team's 12 games, with a season-high 21 points against Three Lakes on Jan. 25. Vele grabbed a season-high 17 rebounds against Gillett on Dec. 4 and had 15 boards against Tigerton on Dec. 16 and Northland Lutheran on Dec. 18.

Forty-five of Vele's 131 total rebounds have come on the offensive glass.

The senior dished out a season-high eight rebounds in the win over Northland Lutheran and tallied seven in the game against Tigerton and a win over Marion on Jan. 27.

Vele also had four steals against Tigerton. He blocked three shots against Three Lakes.

Along with his monster senior year in the making, he landed on the honorable mention team in the Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division after averaging 12 points, 6.3 rebounds, 5.1 assists and 1.7 steals per game for the season.

Q: When did your interest in basketball begin?

A: Elementary back when we played for coach Al's (Quinney) tournament team.

Q: What is your favorite part about the basketball season?

A: My favorite part about the basketball season is definitely the competition, I love the intensity and I love winning with my team.

Q: What has the game of basketball taught you over the years?

AT A GLANCE

ATHLETE: Belaire Vele

SPORT: Basketball

POSITION: Point guard

SCHOOL: Gresham Community High School

YEAR: Senior

A: Basketball has taught me to always be humble and stay a positive leader for my guys.

Q: You've had some really big games for your team this winter. To what would you attribute your success this season?

A: Patience and dedication are the big factors of the success so far this year and we just got to keep up the quick ball movement and we should be ready for a playoff run.

Q: Is there anything you hope to accomplish individually before the end of the season?

A: I hope we can accomplish a good record and really turn it up the second half of the season so we can get ready for a nice playoff run.

Q: After making a deep post-season run last year, what does this year's team need to do to find similar success?

A: To find similar success as last year's run we're going to need to be there in practice every night giving it our all. We need to play as a team and keep the ball moving quick, that's when we get the best offensive looks.

Q: As a senior, how do you try to lead the rest of the team?

A: As a senior I try to lead the team by example by practicing hard and keeping a great work ethic for the younger guys so they have something to look up to.

Q: When you step on the court, what is your mindset?

A: My mindset stepping out on the court is to win, get my guys good looks and to play well as a team.



Gresham's Belaire Vele dribbles during the team's Central Wisconsin Conference crossover game against Menominee Indian on Dec. 14 in Gresham.

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Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Gresham boys basketball team?

A: My favorite memory would have to be our playoff run last year. The intensity and the environment was something to remember forever.

Q: Favorite movie, TV show and musical artist?

A: Movie — "Polar Express." TV show — "Shameless." Musical artist

— Polo G.

Q: Name one thing about yourself that not many people know.

A: I can dunk.

Q: What are some things you hope to accomplish after graduating high school?

A: I hope to succeed in whatever I decide is next for me after high school and hope to always be happy.



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BONDUEL GIRLS BASKETBALL



The Bonduel girls basketball team boasted a 14-4 overall record through Jan. 31. HARMANN STUDIOS

The Bonduel girls basketball team is putting together another strong winter season. The Bears are in the hunt for a Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division title and have posted one of the

best records in the area.

The Bears currently have six regular season games remaining before hitting the playoffs. The team's home games are on Feb. 3 and Feb. 5.

BONDUEL BOYS BASKETBALL



The Bonduel boys basketball team had a 9-7 overall record through Jan. 31. HARMANN STUDIOS

The Bonduel boys basketball team sits in the top half of the CWC-East standings as the regular season begins to wind down. The Bears were 4-4 in conference

games as of Jan. 31.

The Bears have eight scheduled games left in the regular season, with home games on Feb. 12 and Feb. 17.

BONDUEL WRESTLING



The Bonduel wrestling team has 14 dual wins on the year through Jan. 31. HARMANN STUDIOS

The Bonduel wrestling team is nearing the end of its winter season. The Bears will compete in the Central Wisconsin Conference Tournament on Feb. 5 before embarking on postseason action.

Bonduel will compete in the Division 3 Lena Regional on Feb. 12 and Bonduel Sectional on Feb. 19 in Shawano. Individual state qualifiers will take part in the state tournament from Feb. 24-26 in Madison.

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COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Wisconsin Lutheran College

Bonduel High School graduate Kara Troxel helped the Wisconsin Lutheran College women’s basketball team to two blowout wins last week. In a 34-point win over Alverno on Jan. 25, Troxel tallied seven points, three assists and three rebounds in 12 minutes. She hit three field goals, including a 3-pointer.

Troxel recorded six points, two steals and two rebounds in nine minutes when WLC topped Rockford 70-39 on Jan. 29.

Pulaski graduate Trevor Stiede produced for the WLC men’s basketball team in a pair of close losses last week.

He hit a 3-pointer to score three points in nine minutes when the team lose 77-75 to Lakeland on Jan. 26. Stiede hit two triples, grabbed a rebound and dished out an assist in 10 minutes when the team lost 84-80 against Rockford on Jan. 29.

Saginaw Valley State University

Shawano grad Tori DePerry had two solid games to help the Saginaw Valley State University women’s basketball team to two wins last week. DePerry recorded 12 points, six rebounds, four assists and one block in 29 minutes when the team topped

Ferris State on Jan. 27. She contributed eight points, three assists and two rebounds across 24 minutes in the team’s 30-point win over Lake Superior State on Jan. 29.

UW-Stevens Point

Bonduel graduate Breanna Schnell and Menominee Indian graduate Guadalupe Corn each competed for the UW-Stevens Point women’s track and field team at the UW-Whitewater Squig Converse Invitational on Jan. 28 and 29.

Schnell placed 11th in the pentathlon. She claimed eighth in the 800 (2:46.88) and was ninth in the shot put (9.47 meters).

Schnell took 12th in the long jump (4.32 meters), 13th in the high jump (1.27 meters) and 14th in the 60 hurdles (11.93).

Corn finished 28th in the weight throw (11.56) meters and 32nd in the shot put (9.21 meters).

UW-Platteville

Pulaski graduate Kayla Lipsey took part in two events for the UW-Platteville women’s track and field team at Spartan Invitational on Jan. 29.

She made the finals in the 60 hurdles, taking sixth with a time of 10.08 seconds. Lipsey finished 19th in the 60 dash (8.6 seconds).

RECREATION SCOREBOARD

BOWLING

Lakeshore Lanes — Lakeshore Masters

Team	W	L
Golfside	132	44
Brother’s	101 1/2	74 1/2
Bamboo	100	76
Humana	98	78
Farfall Fanatics	93 1/2	82 1/2
Dearco Distributors	90 1/2	85 1/2
Launching Pad	88	88
Pin Pricks	79 1/2	96 1/2
Lakeshore Lanes	75	101
Rosie’s Railway	71	105
Shawano Auto Sales	68	108
Full Service Tents	59	117

High team scratch games (top 3): Golfside 744, Brother’s 737, Lakeshore Lanes 729.

High individual scratch games (top 7): Mark Cornish 289, Steve Hoffman 279, Carson Malueg 269, Kyle Ready 267, Jeremy Pederson 260, Bill Grosskreutz 258, Cody Lindal 257.

High team scratch series (top 3): Golfside 2,169, Brother’s 2,049, Lakeshore Lanes 2,032.

High individual scratch series (top 7): Mark Cornish 788, Steve Hoffman 751, Kyle Ready 739, Carson Malueg 734, Jeremy Pederson 714, Bill Grosskreutz 703, Paul Huebner 697.

Lakeshore Lanes — Guys and Dolls League

Team	W	L
SSI’S	91	49
9 Pin Tappers	89	51
10 Pin Strikers	87	53
The Aces	83	57
Newbees	81	59
Slingsers	80	60
Good Times	72	68
Any Old Thing	69	71

4 Amigo’s	65	75
Happy Old Farts	59 1/2	80 1/2
A Team	53 1/2	86 1/2

High individual game (women): Patricia Nathan 179, Mary Beth Pecore 176, Hilda Schultz 173.

High individual game (men): Roger Luchterhand 236, Clark Radatz 231, Scott Seymour 230, Charles Poling 215, Don Hudson 213, Arlan Nathan 213, Roger Strebig 209, Jim Schwaller 208, Chuck Robley 205, John Campbell 204, Kevin Longmore 202, Charles Poling 200.

Lakeshore Lanes — Him & Hers Couples

Team	W	L
Keglers	19	2
Brothers Pub Too	15	6
Brothers Pub	13	8
Buss Automotive	13	8
The Clothesline Boutique	12	9
The Farmers	12	9
Humana	11	10
MW Auto Body	9	12
Lunds Corner Bar	9	12
Gingerly Salon	9	12
CDH	2	19
Just 4 Fun	2	19

High individual scratch games: CJ Brauer 276, Bobby Reiter Jr. 257, Brad Weisnicht 247, Sharon Buss 246, Kevin Zuleger 246, Adam Sprague 245, Mary Metoxen 237, Bill Grosskreutz 237, Ashley Teetzen 234, Diane Durkee 216, Sandy Weisnicht 211, Mary Renik 208.

High individual scratch series: Brad Weisnicht 726, Dave Hackbarth 695, Kevin Zuleger 690, Bill Grosskreutz 687, CJ Brauer 659, Bobby Reiter Jr 655, Mary Metoxen 627, Diane Durkee 586, Ashley Teetzen 580, Sharon Buss 574, Mary Renik 535, Jessie VanDerLinden 527.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

BOYS BASKETBALL

Shawano 43

Seymour 42

Shawano edged Seymour in a Bay Conference tilt on Jan. 28 in Seymour. Michael Metcalf-Grassman scored 20 points to lead Shawano. He made 12 free throws on the night.

Bonduel 69

Amherst 54

Bonduel eased to a CWC-East win over Amherst on Jan. 28 in Amherst. Reece Stoltenow knocked down four 3-pointers and led Bonduel with 21 points. Charlie Tauchen hit three triples and added 20 points.

Noah Weier chipped in 11 points for the Bears. Jon Sell contributed seven points.

Gresham 55

Marion 46

Gresham knocked off Marion in a Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division clash on Jan. 27 in Marion.

Austin Sperberg hit five 3-pointers and led Gresham with 18 points. Corbin Welch added 12 points, while Belasaire Vele had 11.

Ethan Scheef led Marion with 18 points, while Parker Miller had 10 and Ryan Malueg nine.

Menominee Indian 67

Elcho 56

Menominee Indian controlled the second half to pick up a nonconference win over Elcho on Jan. 27 in Elcho.

Lloyd Reeves tallied 19 points to pace Menominee Indian. Isaiah Moss added 16 points.

WRESTLING

Turney duo leads

Menominee Indian at classic

Gregory Turney (145) and Asenex Turney (285) each placed third for Menominee Indian during the Dick Sorenson Door County Classic on Jan. 29 in Sturgeon Bay.

Gregory Turney pinned his first opponent before suffering a 7-4 decision loss. He bounced back with a pin in 4 minutes, 19 seconds in the third-

place match. Asenex Turney’s day started with a pin in 2:45 before being pinned. He responded with a pin in 4:16 in the third-place match.

Shawano 63

Green Bay United 16

Shawano eased to its fifth Bay Conference dual win after downing Green Bay United on Jan. 27 in Green Bay.

Noah Jones (152), West Bieber (160), Caden Young (170) and Jackson Smits (220) all won by pin for Shawano. Brady Glysch earned a wild 13-10 decision win at 285 pounds. Carsen Herm (145), Andrew Popp (182), Chase Nuthals (195), Brady Stomberg (106), Piper Novitski (126) and Drake Herm (132) all picked up forfeit wins.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Menominee Indian 58

Oneida Nation 46

Menominee Indian picked up a nonconference victory over Oneida Nation on Jan. 28 in Keshena.

Kaysha Wilber led Menominee Indian with 19 points. Mariah Fish added 17 points for the Eagles, while

Alezaha King chipped in 11 points.

Gresham 68

Marion 13

Gresham won a CWC-North game over Marion on Jan. 28 in Gresham.

Valarie Cerveney tallied 16 points to lead Gresham. Hannah Cerveney added 15 points, while Maddie Haffner had 14.

Josie Cerveney chipped in seven points for the Wildcats, while Janay Pecore-Kirkland had six.

Hailey Krueger scored nine of Marion’s points.

Bonduel 77

Menominee Indian 32

Bonduel cruised to a CWC-East win over Menominee Indian on Jan. 25 in Keshena.

Allaina Robaidek led a balanced Bonduel attack with 14 points. Ella Hischke and Hailee Thompson added 12 points each, while Macy Niles had 11 and Hailey Zernicke and Kylie Hoffman tallied 10 each.

Menominee Indian’s Kaysha Wilber tallied 13 points, while Mariah Fish added 11 points.

Monarch watchers wait for word from Mexico

For dedicated monarch lovers all across our area, even though it is the middle of winter and the butterflies have long since departed, all eyes are on Mexico as we anxiously await overwintering surveys in the cool, high mountains to get an idea of population trends.

Now that all of the monarchs have arrived in their breathtaking winter colonies in the mountains of central Mexico, we wait breathlessly as surveyors in the region enter these colonies and measure the number of acres of coverage and do their best to estimate monarch numbers that have made it safely to their winter destination.



ROB ZIMMER

The past decade or so has not been good. Each year, numbers of overwintering monarchs in Mexico have drastically declined. Yet monarch lovers and gardeners throughout our area are optimistic, as this past summer saw quite a large monarch presence here in Wisconsin and the fall migration seemed like a strong one.

Many gardeners here in our area grow plants specifically to help boost summer monarch populations locally. Whatever we can do here in Wisconsin gives a boost to the number of monarch butterflies that make it safely to Mexico. A larger summer and fall population increases the number of monarchs making the journey and, thus, a larger number that successfully migrates — despite a number of man-made and natural threats.

What can you do to help monarch numbers grow?

First, provide the monarch's preferred host plant, milkweed. This is sometimes a challenge for some gardeners as they are hesitant to grow aggressive common milkweed, which can command quite a presence in the yard and garden. Thankfully, there are many smaller, less aggressive and more compact milkweed species that can be grown that are just as good for monarchs.

Orange milkweed, often sold at garden centers as butterfly weed, is a perfect choice for our area as it loves dry, sandy soil and hot sun. It is also tolerant of clay soils once established. Orange milkweed is compact,



Monarch lovers wait for news each winter about the overwintering census in Mexico.

ROB ZIMMER

colorful and beneficial not only to monarchs but just about every species of butterfly and bee in our area, as well as hummingbirds. It is long-lasting, blooming from late May or early June all the way through September.

in elegant white.

In addition to milkweeds as host plants for the monarch caterpillars, it is important to provide many sources of nectar for the adult butterflies. This is especially important late in spring when monarchs first return

sunflowers, zinnias, cosmos, verbena, lantana, heliotrope, purple coneflowers and black-eyed susans are ideal.

Soon, we will know an estimate of the number of monarchs currently overwintering in the mountains of Mexico.

The news over the past month or so has been positive for western monarchs here in the United States. However, this is often misleading as the monarchs that overwinter in the western states are of a completely different population than our eastern monarchs. The number of western monarchs has no relation to the number of monarchs in the eastern states. Let's all hope for an increase in monarch numbers like we have seen this fall and winter in the western population that migrates to California.

“Whatever we can do here in Wisconsin gives a boost to the number of monarch butterflies that make it safely to Mexico.”

ROB ZIMMER

For those with heavier soils and wetter areas, swamp milkweed is ideal. This species may grow 3-5 feet tall, but is compact in size and produces flattened clusters of gorgeous two-toned flowers at the tips of the stems. Swamp milkweed, despite its name, will also grow in drier areas once it is established.

A beautiful miniature milkweed that is common in our area, but often goes unnoticed is whorled milkweed. This milkweed features dainty, fern-like foliage and blooms

and again late in summer and into fall, when the monarchs begin their journey south.

In May, not much is in bloom yet, so plants such as lupine, lilacs, columbine and others are important. Dandelions are an extremely important early season nectar source for monarchs, so considering letting them bloom.

After Labor Day, when monarch migration is in full swing, plants such as New England aster, goldenrod, joe-pye weed, ironweed,

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CLUB NOTES

Lena Lions

Julie Aubry was presented the Lena Lions Educator Award at the Lena Lions annual Christmas party Dec. 8 at the Holiday Inn in Kelly Lake by Lion Mary Koslowsky. The award is in appreciation for her dedication to education for more than 33 years.

Julie attended the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay on a basketball scholarship, where she earned a bachelor's degree in education. After graduation, Julie taught for one year at Holy Trinity in Oconto. In 1988, she started teaching fifth grade at Lena Elementary School in Lena. Thirty-three years later, she is still teaching fifth grade in Lena.

History, math, and science are her favorite subjects to teach. She is known for the awesome projects, plays, and activities she does with her students to make the subject matter more interesting. The annual fifth grade three-day trip to Camp U-Nah-Li-Yah is a highlight of her year. Julie created and organizes the bridging ceremony for her students completing fifth grade and moving on to junior high.

Over the years, Julie has coached track and volleyball. She is still a referee for junior high volleyball home games and tournaments.

Outside the classroom, she is the chairperson for the annual spaghetti supper, which raises money for scholarships, sponsored by the Lena Public School staff. She is also the social director at school where she plans the Christmas parties, retirement parties, and other social gatherings.

Julie, her husband, Doug, and their two girls, Alison and Carissa, love to camp and fish. They often host parties for the Packers or Badgers games. She also enjoys reading, playing cards, and spending time with family and friends.

Also at the party, Paul Huberty was presented with the Lena Lions Club Service Award by Lion Russ Glime. The award was in recognition of all that Paul has done for the club over the years. The club is especially appreciative for Paul's leadership in handling the big money raffle that is a part of the Lena Lions fish fry fundraiser.

Wabeno American Legion Sylvan Post 44

The Wabeno American Legion Sylvan Post 44 donated to many veteran homes and organizations such as Camp American Legion,



Paul Huberty, left, receives the Lena Lions Club service award from Russ Glime on Dec. 8.

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King Veterans Home, Iron Mountain Veteran Hospital, Milwaukee VA, Team Rubicon, American Legion Auxiliary (who also donates to many veteran and community organizations), High Ground Veteran's Camp, Vets for Vets, Vets Roll, Veteran Golf Outing (honoring World War II Veterans), the Community Health Fund Christian Food Pantry, and the Old Glory and Never Forgotten honor flights.

The post also runs many fundraisers such as Trump Lake Fish-o-Ree, Ribfest, Wienerfest, many gunless poultry shoots and the annual rifle raffle.

Post 44 is passionate about its community schools and gave out four \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors, donated to the high school music department, conducted a sixth-grade flag essay contest, held an elementary ice cream social and sent two individuals to Boys' State. It also held a flag presentation and a Veterans Day ceremony at the Wabeno elementary and high schools.

Post 44 served at many funerals (13 in 2020 and 12 in 2021). They marched in six parades, held a flag disposal ceremony and a Memorial Day ceremony at the Legion Veterans Memorial Park.

Post 44 is thankful for all its supporters and many businesses throughout all the surrounding communities. The post values its veteran and auxiliary members for the countless hours they volunteer to make all this happen. Let us never forget our veterans and always remember to help one another. Here's to a happy and healthy 2022.

Paul Bunyan Riders Snowmobile Club
Kurt and Pam Butler, of Lake-



Julie Aubry, left, received the Lena Lions Educator Award from Mary Koslowsky on Dec. 8.

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wood, recently retired from leadership positions in the Association of Wisconsin Snowmobile Clubs after many years of service as director (11 years) and representative (15 years) representing Oconto County. Pam was also involved with Kids and Adults On Snow, a youth branch of the AWSC. The couple were also board members of the Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance, where Kurt has served as president and Pam as secretary.

Kurt and Pam were presented

with a gift of appreciation from the club at the Paul Bunyan Riders Christmas Party on Dec. 14 at Halfway Bar. During their 34 years with Paul Bunyan Riders, Kurt served as trail boss (10 years) and Pam served as a longtime club secretary. Both have been an inspiration of service to the sport of snowmobiling.

Club Notes are a service provided by NEW Media to keep the community informed on what local organizations are doing. Organizations interested in sending news about their activities can contact NEW Media at news@newmedia-wi.com.



Paul Bunyan Riders Snowmobile President Dennis Pommering presents a gift to Kurt and Pam Butler for over 34 years of service to the club and the sport of snowmobiling.

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Toys for Tots comes through for local children

The Shawano County Toys For Tots campaign collected 4,329 toys and books in the area for its 2021 campaign.

Of those, 3,444 were gathered from the organization's collection boxes. The Bullpen Bar in Pulcifer raised funds and purchased 596 toys, and Half Price Books donated 289 books, which advanced the organiza-

tion's local focus on literacy.

In 2021, the Toys for Tots program provided new toys to more than 1,000 children in Shawano County.

An additional campaign was launched this year by coordinator Michael Johnston on behalf of the children located in five communities on the Menominee Reservation. This Toys for Tots program was made

possible through the relationship with the United States Marine Corps and its Native American program.

Because there was no primary source to support a traditional toy program, the program was supported in its entirety by the Marine Corps and their national supporters through the Toys for Tots Foundation. Over 3,230 toys were received

and distributed, of which 854 were in-kind donations received from national sponsors.

For information about Toys for Tots or to get involved, contact Johnston at 715-280-0991 or shawano.wi@toysfortots.org, or visit <http://shawano-wi.toysfortots.org> or <https://www.facebook.com/ShawanoAreaToysforTots>.

COLLEGE NOTES

UW-Madison

The University of Wisconsin-Madison has recognized students named to the dean's list for the fall semester of the 2021-2022 academic year.

- Birnamwood: Halle Pietz, College of Letters and Science, dean's list; Cole Schairer, College of Agricultural and Life Science, dean's list; Marcus Schroepfer, College of Agricultural and Life Science, dean's list; Mitchell Schroepfer, College of Agricultural and Life Science, dean's list

- Gresham: Aurora Arce, School of Human Ecology, dean's honor list

- Shawano: Erin Cerveney, College of Letters and Science, dean's list; Avery Dreier, College of Letters and Science, dean's list; Brandi Gueths, School of Education, dean's list; Alice Hoffmann, College of Agricultural and Life Science, dean's list

- Wittenberg: Lindsey Schwalbach, School of Nursing, dean's honor list; Maya Thiex, College of Letters and Science, dean's list

- Abrams: Kaelyn Allen, College of Letters and Science, dean's list; Haley Bell, College of Letters and Science, dean's list; Scott Russell, College of Engineering, dean's honor list; Michael VerVelde, College of Engineering, dean's honor list

- Lena: Noah Kokko-Ludemann, College of Letters and Science, dean's list; Dylan Nelson, College of Letters and Science, dean's list

- Mountain: Ellen Stojak, College of Letters and Science, dean's list

- Oconto: Balin Welch, School of Business, dean's list; Alayna Westenberg, College of Letters and Science, dean's list

- Oconto Falls: Saffron Mears, College of Letters and Science, dean's list; Bethy Olson, School of Human Ecology, dean's high honors; Autumn Payette, College of Letters and Science, dean's list; Emily Tomesek, College of Agricultural and Life Science, dean's list; Ethan Winkler, School of Education, dean's list

- Sobieski: Erica Peters, College of Engineering, dean's honor list

- Eland: Alex Nelson, College of Engineering, dean's honor list; Brian Nelson, College of Engineering, dean's honor list; Michael Nelson, College of Engineering, dean's honor list; Stetson Potrykus, School of Pharmacy, honor roll

Students who achieve at a high level academically are recognized by the dean at the close of each semester. To be eligible for the dean's list, students must complete a minimum of 12 graded degree credits in that semester.

UW-River Falls

The University of Wisconsin-River Falls fall semester dean's list honoring 1,670 students has been released. The following students made the list:

- Gillett: Hunter Poffinbarger, biology; Gabby Wellnitz, animal science

- Suring: Jada Janiak, animal science; Kylee Stelzer, animal science

- Birnamwood: Rikki Jo Koplit, marketing communications

- Bonduel: Kayla Ann Wagester, elementary education

- Mattoon: Chastidy Hayek, early childhood

- Shawano: Mallory Busch, elementary education; Emma Etten, animal science; Alexsis Montour, biomedical and health science

- Tigerton: Bridget Bazile, animal science

- Tilleda: Noah Bestul, agricultural education

To be named to the dean's list, a full-time undergraduate must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a scale of 4.0, or midway between an A and B average.

Northern Illinois University

Northern Illinois University announces its fall 2021 Dean's List students.

Students from Oconto Falls who achieved this honor include Hailey Kofoid, College of Business Dean's List; Hannah Kofoid, College of Business Dean's List.

To earn this distinction, students must meet a minimum semester grade

point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale in the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology or a minimum of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale in the colleges of Business, Education, Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Visual and Performing Arts.

St. Mary's University of Minnesota

The following undergraduate students were named to the first semester 2021 dean's list at St. Mary's University of Minnesota:

- Bonduel: Emma Toellner

- Shawano: Peyton Buerman

The list includes 417 undergraduate students who earned a grade point average of 3.6 or better on a 4.0 scale.

Marquette University

Local students have been named to the dean's list for the fall 2021 semester at Marquette University in Milwaukee:

- Bonduel: Christian Wilber, Bachelor of Science, accounting

- Cecil: Jared Wondra, Bachelor of Science, finance

- Shawano: Autumn Gull, Bachelor of Science, biomedical sciences

To make the dean's list, students must have earned at least 12 credits for the fall 2021 semester and have no disqualifying grades.

Knox College

Caitlin Johnson, of Little Suamico, has been named to the Knox College dean's list of distinguished students for the 2021 fall term.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must have earned at least 2.5 credits in the term, with a grade point average of 3.6 or better (on a 4.0 scale).

Carthage College

More than 600 students have been named to the Carthage College dean's list for the fall 2021 semester.

The following area students earned the achievement:

- Pulaski: Geovanni Virella-Torres

- Bonduel: Jayson Toellner

- Shawano: Claire Guenther

- Oconto: Aubree Bucheger

Dean's list honors are accorded to Carthage students who achieve a minimum 3.5 grade-point average while carrying at least 14 credit hours during a semester.

Western Technical College

Chase Reinke, of Pulaski, and Elizabeth Ausloos, of Oconto Falls, were named to the Western Technical College President's List of High Distinction for the Fall 2021 term. To be included on the president's list, students must achieve a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher and carry six or more credits in an associate's degree or technical diploma program.

Northern Michigan University

The following students have been named to the dean's list at Northern Michigan University for the fall 2021 semester.

Qualifying with a 4.0 grade-point average were:

- Abrams: Morgan Helmle

- Coleman: Kailey Klimek

- Crivitz: Nathan Graetz

- Pulaski: Madeline Stencil

Qualifying with a grade point average of 3.50-3.99:

- Crivitz: Kody Richlen

- Pulaski: Chase Olson

- Sobieski: Claire Kintop

UW-Milwaukee

The following individuals have been named to the dean's list at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee for the fall 2021 semester.

- Birnamwood: Lya Wendel, pathway advising

- Bonduel: Sydney Steinbach, letters and science

- Shawano: Jenifer Peralta Martinez, information studies

- Gillett: Camryn Long, business

- Lakewood: Haruki Toben, business

- Mountain: Anna Wood, education

- Oconto: Lauryn Nerenhausen, nursing

- Oconto Falls: Natalie Brauer, pathway advising; Taylor Tousey, business

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CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT to allow Kent Koehler to install 14 solar panels on his roof at 35 Ashberry Lane, Shawano, WI per City of Shawano Municipal Code Section 10-27(5)(b), as a conditional use. The property is located in the Single Family District (SR-4) zoning district. (Legal description: City of Shawano Plat Ashberry Acres Lot 10, tax parcel #281-403500090).

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

Lesley Nemetz
City Clerk
City of Shawano

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Gresham Scholarship Fund cancels annual banquet again

At the Gresham Scholarship Fund Board of Directors meeting in January, it was decided to cancel plans for the annual fundraising banquet, which was scheduled for March 26.

This has been the third consecu-

tive banquet to be canceled, according to spokesman Robert Klopke. He said the organization is hoping that the COVID-19 pandemic will soon be brought under control, so that a banquet can be scheduled and completed next year.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Housing Authority of Shawano County will hold a public hearing regarding its plan for the 2022 Capital Funding Award. The public will have access to the projects planned for 2022. The Hearing will be held at the office on March 15, 2022 from 10:00AM – 12:00PM. The Office is located at 1259 Engle Drive in Shawano Wisconsin. Please call the office (715-526-6960) with any questions.

Jeff Theis
Executive Director

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Special Board Meeting

6:00 PM Bonduel High School/JH School Library Media Center
January 3rd, 2022

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Board President Dennis Bergsbaken at 6:00 p.m. All Board members were in attendance, except Nate Burton.

The following motions were made, seconded, and carried to approve:

-To adjourn to closed session as authorized under Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(a) for the purpose of deliberating as a quasi-judicial body in a matter concerning student disciplinary action.

-To reconvene to open session.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Board Clerk, Greg Borowski

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The Shawano County Highway Commission will accept sealed quotes until 8:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 for the following:

Quote #1

Bituminous Paving Mix Material for asphalt paving projects to include Bituminous Paving Mix Material for County LRIP projects located on CTH D, CTH E, CTH C, and CTH MMM.

Bid specifications may be obtained at the Shawano County Highway Office, 3035 E. Richmond St., Shawano, WI 54166 or by calling 715-526-9182.

The Shawano County Highway Commission reserves the right to reject any and all quotes, to waive irregularities and informalities therein and further reserves the right to award the contract in the best interests of the County.

SHAWANO COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMISSION
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Owner requires Bidders to be pre-qualified for this project in accordance with the Wisconsin Statutes 66.29(2). Qualifications shall be delivered to the Engineer, not less than 5 days prior to the bid deadline. The Owner's decision as to the prequalifications shall be final.

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No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after the scheduled opening of bids without the consent of the City.

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No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after the scheduled opening of bids without the consent of the City.

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BY: Bruce Milavitz, Mayor
Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk
Scott Kroening, Public Works Director

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January 21 & 28 & February 4, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice Setting Time to Hear Application
And Deadline for Filing Claims
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR01

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Virginia M. Ashenbrenner
DOD 12/11/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
 2. The decedent, with date of birth 7/29/1949 and date of death 12/11/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W16110 Dent Creek Road, Tigerton, WI 54486.
 3. The application will be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Probate, before Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar, on 2/15/2022 at 9:00 AM **You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.**
 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 4/20/22.
 5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Probate.
 6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.
- If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
- James E. Aschenbrener
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Shawano, WI 54166
715-524-6258
Bar No. 1008896
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January 28, February 4 & 11, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR09

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Hazel M. Beifuss
DOD 12/4/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
 2. The decedent, with date of birth 8/27/1939 and date of death 12/4/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 102 S. Warrington, Apt. A, Cecil, WI 54111.
 3. All interested persons waived notice.
 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 5/6/2022.
 5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Office of the Probate Registrar.
- Attorney James E. Aschenbrener
P.O. Box 146
Shawano, WI 54166
715-524-6258
Bar No. 1008896
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February 4, 11 & 18, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for
Name Change Hearing
Case No. 22CV09

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:

Bianca Alexis Neville
By (Petitioner): Bianca Alexis Neville
Notice is Given:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Bianca Alexis Neville
To: Bianca Alexis Raddant
Birth Certificate: Bianca Alexis Neville
It is ordered:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin:
Judge's Name: Judge William Kussel
Place: Shawano County Court House Branch 2 311 N. Main St.
Shawano, WI 54166
Date: 3/7/2022
Time: 8:30 AM
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January 21 & 28 & February 4, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
BRANCH 2
SHAWANO COUNTY
NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE
Case No. 12CV92

Plaintiff:
ROBERT A. HUGHES
Vs.

Defendant:

DIANE M. SCHULTZ

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment entered in Riverside County, CA Case No. INC 050848 on March 19, 2007, and docketed in Shawano County, WI Case No. 07FJ4 on May 7, 2007, the sheriff of Shawano County, Wisconsin, will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:

DATE/TIME: February 9, 2022 at 9:00 AM

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

PLACE: The East front entrance of the County Courthouse, in City of Shawano, Wisconsin, 311 N. Main Street.

DESCRIPTION: Lot One (1), Vol. 9 Certified Survey Maps, Page 127, as Doc. No. 556545, Map No. 2467; said map being part of Lot Nine (9), Block Two (2), and a private alley of Sommers unrecorded Plat of West Beach, located in Government Lot Two (2), Section Twenty-one (21), Township Twenty-seven (27) North, Range Sixteen (16) East, in the Town of Wescott, Shawano County, Wisconsin.

Being Parcel No. 048-21220-0100 containing 0.47 acre

SALE IS SUBJECT TO: All mortgages, liens, 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.

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

ADDRESS: W6427 Webers Point Road
Dated this 4th day of January 2022.

Adam Bieber

Sheriff Shawano County, Wisconsin

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. This communication is from a debt collector.

Drafted By:

Paul Black

8289 Tulane Avenue

St. Louis, MO 63132-5019

(715) 853-9100

Fax: 888-866-5707

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Notice Setting Time to Hear Application
And Deadline for filing Claims
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR10

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Russell A. Stoehr

DOD 10/19/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/16/1927 and date of death 10/19/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of P.O. Box 110, Gresham, WI 54128.
3. The application will be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, before Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar, on March 22, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. **You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.**
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 5/9/2022.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526-9347 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

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January 21 & 28 & February 4, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR05

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Stephen R. Schuettpeiz

DOD 8/3/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
 2. The decedent, with date of birth 1/5/1951 and date of death 8/3/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 609 Maiden Lane, Shawano, WI 54166.
 3. All interested persons waived notice.
 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 4/28/2022.
 5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
- James E Aschenbrener
P.O. Box 146
Shawano, WI 54166
715-524-6258
Bar No. 1008896
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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR07

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Jerry L. Weisnicht

DOD 12/24/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
 2. The decedent, with date of birth 5/12/1960 and date of death 12/24/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N4482 Riverview Road, Shawano, WI 54166.
 3. All interested persons waived notice.
 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 05/3/2022.
 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 St
Shawano, WI 54166
715-526-2401
Bar No. 1000837
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January 21 & 28 & February 4, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR02

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Nancy Carpenter

DOD 12/20/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 5/21/1936 and date of death 12/20/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W5059 St Hwy 156, Bonduel, WI 54107.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 4/20/2022.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Office of the Probate Registrar.

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January 21 & 28 & February 4, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR04

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Diane L. Kaczmarowski

DOD 10/4/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
 2. The decedent, with date of birth 5/31/1941 and date of death 10/4/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W1545 Strupp Road, Krakow, WI 54137.
 3. All interested persons waived notice.
 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 4/27/2022.
 5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202. Probate Office.
- Attorney Rebekah J. Cheslock
Menn Law Firm, Ltd.
200 E. Wisconsin Street
Seymour, WI 54165
920-833-2356
Bar No. 1095202
WNAXLP

#2167

February 4, 2022
CITY OF SHAWANO
APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following has applied for a license in the City of Shawano. The application will be acted upon at the February 9, 2022, City of Shawano Common Council meeting at Shawano City Hall, 127 South Sawyer Street, Shawano, WI.

Name and address of applicant:

COMBO "CLASS B" BEER/CLASS "B" LIQUOR LICENSE

Alex and Andres LLC, (dba Diablo Taqueria Restaurant); agent Alejandro Morales; 1045 E. Green Bay Street, Shawano, WI

Dixons Torchlite LLC; agent Jody Dixon; 1276 E. Green Bay St., Shawano, WI

Lesley Nemetz

City Clerk

City of Shawano

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January 28 & February 4 & 11, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for
Name Change Hearing
Case No. 22CV10

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:

Ivan Allen Machmueller

By (Petitioner): Ivan Allen Machmueller

Notice is Given:

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

From: Ivan Allen Machmueller

To: Ivan Paul Korth

Birth Certificate: Ivan Allen Machmueller

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: 2/28/2022

Time: 8:15 AM

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The Shawano County Chamber of Commerce 95th annual celebration and Awards was held Jan. 27 at The Gathering in Shawano. Award winners shown receiving their honors are, from left, Amy Stuber, Service Business of the Year, Cornerstone Chiropractic and Wellness; Michael and Idell Johnston, Distinguished Citizen of the Year award winners; and Tumbleweed owner Yvette Wilber, Retail Business of the Year winner.

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Pandemic assistance available for hog farmers

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced a new program to assist hog farmers who sold hogs through a negotiated sale during the period in which these farmers faced the greatest reduction in market prices due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Spot Market Hog Pandemic Program (SMHPP) is part of USDA's Pandemic Assistance for farmers initiative and addresses gaps in previous assistance for hog farmers. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) will accept applications through Feb. 25.

SMHPP provides assistance to hog farmers who sold hogs through a negotiated sale from April 16 through Sept. 1, 2020. Negotiated sale, or negotiated formula sale, means a sale of hogs by a producer to a packer under which the base price for the hogs is determined by seller-buyer interaction and agreement on a delivery day. USDA is offering SMHPP as packer production was reduced due to the COVID-19 pandemic due to employee illness and supply chain issues, resulting in fewer negotiated hogs being procured and subsequent lower market prices.

"Previous pandemic assistance used flat rates across the hog industry, and this didn't take into account the various levels of harm felt by different farmers," said FSA Administrator Zach Ducheneaux.

The department has set aside up to \$50 million in pandemic assistance funds through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act for SMHPP.

To be eligible, the producer must be a person or legal entity who has ownership in the hogs and whose production facilities are located in the United States, including U.S. territories. Contract farmers, federal, state and local governments, including public schools and packers are not eligible for SMHPP.

SMHPP payments will be calculated by multiplying the number of head of eligible hogs, not to exceed 10,000 head, by the payment rate of \$54 per head. FSA will issue payments to eligible hog farmers as applications are received and approved.

Eligible hog farmers can apply for SMHPP by completing the FSA-940, Spot Market Hog Pandemic Program application. Additional documentation may be required. Visit farmers.gov/smhpp for a copy of the Notice of Funds Availability, information on applicant eligibility and information on how to apply.

Applications can be submitted to the FSA office at any USDA Service Center nationwide by mail, fax, hand delivery or via electronic means. Hog farmers can also call 877-508-8364 to speak directly with a USDA employee for assistance.

Winter challenge centered on books about racism

Shawano County Library is holding a community winter challenge as people read "Stamped from the Beginning" by Ibram X. Kendi during February.

The reading challenge will run Feb. 1-28. Participants can register for the challenge at <https://shawanolibrary.beanstack.org/reader365> or by using the Beanstack Tracker app. There are also several family-friendly companion books available to read, including "Stamped" by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi; "Stamped (for Kids)" by Sonja Cherry-Paul, Jason Reynolds, and Ibram X. Kendi; and "Antiracist Baby" by Ibram X. Kendi.

A panel discussion about antiracism will be held on Feb. 24 at 6:30 p.m. at Shawano Public Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano. The discussion will be led by local experts Shannon Holsey, president of the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians, and Angel Saavedra Cisneros, Ph.D., assistant professor of political science at St. Norbert College.

The books and discussion center on the history of racism in the United States and how people can identify and quell those tendencies within themselves.

For information, contact the library at 715-526-3829.

COACHING POSITION AVAILABLE

The School District of Bowler has the following coaching positions available:

Assistant Baseball Coach

If you are interested in any of the above positions, please submit a letter of interest to:

Jeff DePerry, Athletic Director
Bowler School District
500 South Almon Street
Bowler, WI 54416

You may also apply by email to jeffdeperry@bowler.k12.wi.us.

WNAXLP**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BONDUEL**

BONDUEL, WISCONSIN 54107

Regular Board Meeting

7:00 PM Bonduel High School/Junior High Library Media Center
February 7, 2022

Agenda

1. Call to Order— (Posting Notice: **February 3, 2022** the agenda for the meeting was sent to the Shawano Leader, WTCR radio, and the clerks of the municipalities within the District's boundaries. Copies were also posted on the bulletin boards in the District Office, Bonduel High School office, Bonduel Elementary School, the Bonduel State Bank, and the Village of Bonduel Office). Please visit our District website on the Fridays before Board meetings at www.bonduel.k12.wi.us for the most up to date agenda.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Appearances:
4. Approval to Deviate from the Order of the Items on the Agenda.
5. Approval of Minutes.
6. Approval to Pay Bills.
7. New Business—Action Items
8. Discussion.
9. Reports.
10. Meetings to Attend.
11. Adjourn to Closed Session.
12. Reconvene to Open Session.
13. Adjourn.

WNAXLP**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BONDUEL**

BONDUEL, WISCONSIN 54107

Regular Board Meeting

7:00 PM Bonduel High School/JH School Library Media Center
January 3rd, 2022

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Board President Dennis Bergsbaken at 8:03 p.m. All Board members were in attendance, with the exception of Nate Burton. Also in attendance were administrators and staff.

The following motions were made, seconded, and carried to approve:

- For approval of minutes of the December 20th, 2021, Regular Meeting.
- For Voucher approval of checks numbered 107641 through 107693 and ACH payment 21220117 for the period of 12/18/2021 through 12/31/2021 in the amount of \$160,954.04.
- For Co-Curricular voucher approval of check number 32067 in the amount of \$189.90.
- To approve the staff hire as presented.
- For the NEOLA Policy Approval, First Reading.
- To approve the two Northland Playground proposals and allow Elementary students to choose the winner between the two Northland proposals.
- To approve the Peterson Family Donation.
- For the Donation Approval of \$29,000 from Jim Popp to be used for a CNC Press Brake for the Tech. Ed. Department.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42.

Board Clerk, Greg Borowski

WNAXLP**Notice of Public Test on Electronic Voting Equipment**

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Angelica will conduct a pre-election public test on the required electronic voting equipment to be used at the **Spring Primary Election** for the **Pulaski School District to be held February 15, 2022**. Anyone is welcome to attend.

The public test will take place on Monday, February 7th @ 4:00 p.m. at the Angelica Town Hall, N3285 County Road C, Pulaski, WI 54162

Due to the small amount of voters in the Pulaski School District that reside in the Town of Green Valley, Town of Lessor or Town of Maple Grove, residents in those towns will all be voting at the Town of Angelica Town Hall on February 15, 2021. The Town of Angelica Town Hall address is N3285 County Road C, Pulaski, WI 54162.

WNAXLP**MENOMINEE INDIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
OFFICIAL NOTICE****NOTICE TO ELECTORS RELATING TO BOND ISSUE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that on January 21, 2022, at a meeting of the School Board of the Menominee Indian School District, the following resolution was adopted pursuant to Section 67.05(6a)(a)2. of the Wisconsin Statutes:

INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
\$35,000,000

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the Menominee Indian School District, Menominee and Shawano Counties, Wisconsin, that there shall be issued, pursuant to Chapter 67, Wisconsin Statutes, General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$35,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing a new high school, converting the existing high school to a middle school, improvements to the elementary school and equipment acquisition related to said projects.

The District electors may inspect the Initial Resolution at the District offices during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Geradette Richmond
District Clerk
Menominee Indian School District
N522 STH 47-55
Keshena, WI 54135

WNAXLP**LEGAL NOTICE****NOTICE SHAWANO COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALE**

Applications for Appraisal having been made and following Real Estate having been appraised, sealed bids will be received at the office of the County Treasurer Until 2 o'clock P.M., Tuesday, February 22, 2022, for the purchase of each parcel of property described below in accordance with the Wisconsin Statutes, Section No. 75.69:

All bids should be submitted in a special envelope marked "Sealed Bid". Envelopes and bid blanks are obtainable at the Office of the County Treasurer, Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin. Each bidder must designate the amount he/she is offering for the following real estate description. No bid will be accepted for less than the minimum bid. All Payments must be made by certified check, money order, or cashier's check. No personal or business checks will be accepted. The bid payment must equal at a minimum ten percent (10%) of the bid amount as earnest money. The successful bidder's earnest money shall be non-refundable. The unsuccessful bidder's earnest money will be returned within 45 days of the public opening. Successful bidders will be given a Quit Claim Deed to the property from Shawano County upon full payment. Payment in full will be due by cashier's check or bank money order no later than March 22, 2022. Shawano County reserves the right to reject any or all bids on the property and to be able to accept the bid it deems to be most advantageous to the County. All properties are subject to local zoning and building codes. The parcels and/or buildings are sold in an "as is" condition. Shawano County assumes no liability for any condition of the properties listed.

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