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Menominee give \$15,000
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Randall Chevalier, intergovernmental affairs manager for the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, holds up a \$15,000 check from the tribe that he presented to the Shawano Common Council on Oct. 12. The contribution will go toward the city's \$2.5 million downtown plaza, which is now being called The Naberhood.

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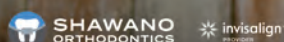
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Bonfire explosion injures multiple Pulaski students

Incident took place during PHS homecoming weekend

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Pulaski community is rallying around each other after a bonfire exploded and injured an undetermined number of people.

Lt. Chris Madle, Shawano County's emergency management director, said on Oct. 18 that the sheriff's department has been collecting statements in an effort to piece together what happened at a bonfire located in the Town of Maple Grove, but he estimated it's something that's not going to be resolved quickly.

"We don't have anybody in custody. Nobody's been arrested," Madle said. "We're still collecting statements, and we're hoping to meet with as many as we can to figure out who was there, what happened, what led up to the events of this happening. Our detectives are still working to piece this puzzle together. Unfortunately, this isn't going to be something that we'll have wrapped up in a day or a week because there are so many people involved."

The bonfire took place about 10 p.m. Oct. 14, but the Shawano County Sheriff's Department reported that the Brown County Dispatch Center contacted them early the next morning regarding several people showing up with burns at area hospitals. According to Detective Craig Rekoske, one of the victims told hospital officials that the injuries were from a bonfire explosion at a home on Cedar Drive in the Town of Maple Grove.

The sheriff's department reported that at least 17 victims have been located up to this point. However Mallory Kinchen, who is doing an online fundraiser through www.spotfund.com, indicated that at least 30 students and alumni in the Pulaski Community School District were injured at the bonfire during the district's homecoming

weekend. Further, it was reported that six were burned badly enough to need to be transported to St. Mary's Hospital's burn center in Milwaukee.

Several GoFundMe pages for various individuals indicated a container of gasoline was thrown onto the fire, but that has not been confirmed by law enforcement.

Rekoske reported that an accelerant was applied to the fire, which caused it to expand out of control.

The request for information and support was echoed on Facebook by the Pulaski Police Department.

"As a close-knit community, this is where we need to rely on each other to come together and provide information and assistance," the Facebook statement read. "Our thoughts and prayers are with those who have been affected by this."

Kinchen's Spot Fund effort is hoping to raise at least \$2,000 to provide gas and restaurant gift cards for the families whose loved ones are in the St. Mary's burn unit. She said she is working with the school district and village police to make sure those cards get to the right people.

The district put out a statement on Facebook recommending students and families in need of support contact crisis lines for Shawano County at 715-526-3240 or Oconto County at 920-496-7000 to speak with mental health and grief counselors.

Multiple detectives are gathering further details, but the school district is not permitting sheriff's officials to interview students on school grounds. Detectives were expected to conduct interviews in the afternoon and evening of Oct. 19 at the Pulaski Police Department, 585 E. Glenbrook Drive, Pulaski.

Madle said that being able to interview anyone present at the bonfire sooner rather than later would have been preferable, but he

understood the district's decision.

"Obviously, it would have made it easier for us to interview all the kids at the same spot at the same time, but we understand their decision. Hence, we were able to make the arrangements with the police department in Pulaski to at least get interviews set up there," Madle said.

Madle said the department believes there were anywhere from 30-40 total people at the bonfire, including other witnesses who were not injured. There is also no indication of the severity of all of the injuries, but the sheriff's department reports some critical cases, along with some victims already being released from the hospital as of Oct. 17.

Madle said there were indications that underage drinking was taking place at the bonfire but indicated detectives are more interested in who was involved with the explosion instead of issuing citations for alcohol consumption.

"We are trying to assure people that is not our a priority," Madle said. "We're just trying to identify who was there and what happened."

Superintendent Allison Space did not return a call from NEW Media seeking comment, instead releasing a statement by email. She wrote that the district is encouraging anyone with information to step forward, but its main mission is "staying focused on student learning."

"This is a law enforcement investigation, and while the district will cooperate and encourage anyone with information to cooperate, our responsibility is to focus on maintaining the educational environment of our schools," Space wrote. "This is an unprecedented situation, but it is in times of crisis that the Pulaski community has shown time and again that we will pull together to overcome."

CORRECTIONS

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Neighbors worry about park after dark

Franklin Park becoming area for gang attacks, underage drinking, homeless

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Franklin Park has become a wonderful venue for Shawano as the site for the FRESH Project Farmer's Market, Thursdays at Franklin and other activities.

That's when there's daylight in the community. When the sun goes down, however, the park is shrouded in enough darkness that make it a haven for undesirables, according to neighbors living adjacent to it.

Sue Scheinert, who lives on Franklin Street near the park, approached the Shawano Common Council on Oct. 12 and urged it to increase the lighting around the park to serve as a deterrent to crime.

"From the bandstand to Presbyterian (Street), it is very dark down there, and we need more lighting," Scheinert said. "We've discussed that in the past with various neighbors. It's a big safety issue, and security cameras need to be put in place."

Scheinert noted that other city parks have security cameras and adequate lighting in place, and she expressed disappointment that such measures weren't implemented when the park was created on the old school site back in 2018 when the bandstand was built.

Scheinert recounted an incident that happened in the middle of the night on homecoming weekend where three teens were out walking and were jumped by a gang of other teens. She said one of the teens had his cellphone, shoes and jacket stolen, while another was badly beaten.

"The ambulance had to be called. That child wound up with a severe concussion," Scheinert said. "I don't know at this time if there are any lasting effects from it, but we can't have that."

Scheinert also indicated that her neighbors have claimed underage drinking has been taking place at the park and that "vagrants" have been sleeping there at night.

"This is going to be a black eye on our city," Scheinert said. "The police can't be everywhere at once. They're doing their best."

Scheinert noted the efforts to have the park a hub of activity with bands playing in the summer and the farmers market using the site on Saturdays, so the last thing she wants is for people to be afraid of it.

"That is a beautiful park. We have wanted that for years," Scheinert said. "Now let's get some security. Let's get some lights up in there. Let's get some cameras going so we can see what's going on."

Scheinert also read a letter from Joyce Kotschi, another person living on Franklin Street close to the park. Kotschi wrote that discussions had been held when the area was just a field to put in lighting and security cameras to deter criminal activity, but they never came to fruition.

"We that live in the neighborhood are proud of Franklin Park and the many wonderful activities that take place there," Kotschi wrote. "However, safety issues remain a great concern."

Kotschi also noted that when the park was built, there were assurances that dogs would not be allowed on the property. However, dogs were not allowed in any of the parks at the time Franklin was constructed, and the city has since relaxed its stance on their presence in the parks system.

"I cannot even count the number of people that go to the park for the intention of running their dogs," Kotschi wrote. "Many let their dogs defecate on the lawns on the way to the park, as well as in the park, and no, not many are picking up after them."

Scheinert added that she has seen a dog be attacked by another dog during one of the band performances and noted the animals can't handle the noise that such concerts generate in close proximity. She also noted that she had to clean the park of dog feces and cigarette butts before a neighborhood watch meeting could take place.

"There are areas where you can get rid of that, but people simply do not care, apparently," Scheinert said.



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COURT NEWS

• James W. Lyons Jr., 43, Gresham, was charged Oct. 10 with one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer. Judge Katherine Sloma set a cash bond of \$500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 18.

• Charges against Bill Moua, 42, Menasha, were dismissed Oct. 10 on prosecutor's motion, including one count of operating while intoxicated (fourth offense), one count of possession of methamphetamine, one count of operating with a restricted controlled substance (fourth offense), one count of operating with prohibited alcohol content (fourth offense), one misdemeanor count of carrying a concealed weapon, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer, one misdemeanor count of operating a firearm with intoxicated, one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked and one misdemeanor count of possessing/illegally obtaining a prescription.

• Jamie C. Kakkak, 47, Stanley, pleaded guilty Oct. 11 to one count of operating while intoxicated (fifth or sixth offense), two

counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer and one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Kakkak pleaded no contest to one count of driving/operating a vehicle without consent (second or subsequent offense). One count of operating with prohibited alcohol content was dismissed on prosecutor's motion, and one count of bail jumping and three misdemeanor counts of bail jumping were dismissed, but read into the record. Sloma sentenced Kakkak to 40 months in prison and four years of extended supervision.

• Anthony L. Perez, 38, Shawano, was charged Oct. 12 with one count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), one count of possession of drug paraphernalia to manufacture, compound, convert, produce or store methamphetamine, one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked, one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia and two misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Sloma set a cash bond of \$750 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 18.

• Shayliyah D. Tourtillott, 25, Keshena,

was charged Oct. 12 with one count of possession of drug paraphernalia to manufacture, compound, convert, produce or store methamphetamine, one misdemeanor count of possession of THC and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a signature bond of \$750 and scheduled a status conference for Nov. 22.

• Ethan J. Novak, 31, Abbotsford, was charged Oct. 12 with one count of second-degree recklessly endangering safety, one count of operating a vehicle to flee/elude an officer, four counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer and one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Sloma set a cash bond of \$2,500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 25.

• Victoria Dixon, 32, Keshena, pleaded no contest Oct. 12 to one count of possession of amphetamines (greater than 10-50 grams), with intent. One count of possession of methamphetamine and two misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia were dismissed, but read into the record. Sloma sentenced Dixon to one

year in jail and four years of probation.

• Kyle W. Newton, 32, Keshena, pleaded no contest Oct. 13 to one count of possession of narcotic drugs, five counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer and one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer. Five counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia was dismissed, but read into the record.

In another case, Newton pleaded no contest to one count of bail jumping.

In another case, Newton pleaded no contest to two misdemeanor counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of possession of a controlled substance. One count of possession of narcotic drugs and two misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia were dismissed, but read into the record.

Sloma sentenced Newton to 180 days in jail.

• Alex J. Cassidy, 34, Algoma, pleaded no contest Oct. 14 to one count of possession of methamphetamine. Sloma sentenced Cassidy to six months in jail and three years of probation.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Oct. 17

Officers responded to 26 calls, including criminal damage on West Picnic Street; disorderly conduct at Subway, 1230 E. Green Bay St.; a domestic disturbance on South Lafayette Street; disorderly conduct on South Sawyer Street.

Oct. 16

Officers responded to 19 calls, including disorderly conduct on South Lutz Street; a disturbance on East Lieg Avenue; a theft attempt on South Washington Street; trespassing on Waukechon Street; a threat at Taco Bell, 1266 E. Green Bay St.; reckless driving on East Green Bay Street;

a domestic disturbance on South Franklin Street; a domestic disturbance on South Evergreen Street.

Oct. 15

Report was not available by press time.

Oct. 14

Officers responded to 18 calls, including an intoxicated person on Pearl Avenue.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Oct. 17

Deputies responded to 35 calls, including reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Richmond; identity theft on Wolf River Road in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on

state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Washington; four crashes, two involving deer.

Oct. 16

Deputies responded to 36 calls, including a drug problem on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; property damage on Maple Street in Birnamwood; a probation violation in Mattoon; reckless driving on on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; a fleeing/pursuit on Fourth Street in Mattoon; three crashes, two involving deer.

Oct. 15

Deputies responded to 30 calls, including a drug problem on Lake Drive in

the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Morris; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Seneca; harassment on South Prouty Street in Wittenberg; four crashes, three involving deer.

Oct. 14

Deputies responded to 28 calls, including criminal damage on Oak Avenue in the Town of Richmond; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Angelica; property damage on Highview Road in the Town of Herman; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; operating while intoxicated on County Road G in the Town of Grant; four crashes.

OBITUARIES

Carl Arthur Williams was born March 11, 1940, in the Town of Bar-telme. He passed away Oct. 4, 2022, at the Veterans Home in King after an extended fight against cancer.

He was cremated and there will be a celebration of his life at the American Legion Post 431 in Three Lakes at 2 p.m. Oct. 22. Be sure to wear your best trucker hat to honor Carl's memory with his family and friends. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Puppies Behind Bars, <https://puppiesbehindbars.com>, a favorite charity of Carl's.

Carl was preceded in death by his father, Carl Grant Williams;

mother, Marcella Rose Minnie Mal-ueg Williams; stepmother, Marjorie Williams; and his sister, Judy Loken.

He is survived by his two daughters, Aislinn Wil-liams (Pat Purdy) and Maranda Williams; his ex-wife, Linda Wil-liams (née Horton); his sisters, Pat David-son, Judi Dankmeyer, Joanne Johnston, Sue Reil, Lori Ory (Dan), Wendy Williams, Linda Wil-liams; and brothers, Wayne Singer, Greg Williams (Gail), Steve Kala-men (Nikki).



Carl A. Williams

Carl graduated from Shawano High School and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps from 1958-1964. After completing his service, he moved to Milwaukee, and eventually relocated to Three Lakes, where he operated numerous businesses, charities and started his family. His last bar was The Warehouse, on Gogebic Street. He was a lover of nature, animals and his community in the great North-woods.

The Maple Crest Funeral Home of Waupaca assisted the family with arrangements. www.maplecrestfuneralhome.com.



Eugene P. Fenn

Eugene "Gene" P. Fenn, 89, passed away Friday, Oct. 7, 2022. A former resident of Seymour and Shawano, he moved to Oakdale, California, in 2011 to be closer to his daughter.

Born Oct. 20, 1932, in Green Bay to the late Earl and Lois (Echtner) Fenn, Gene grew up in Seymour where he graduated from Seymour High School in 1950, then attended business school in Green Bay for 2½ years.

He was a licensed insurance agent for 20 years, treasurer and assistant secretary of the Shawano Savings and Loan Association for 15 years, with a lifetime of accounting and income tax preparation. He was



a past member of the Independent Insurance Agents of Wisconsin, past president of the Seymour Bowling Association and past member of the Holy Name Society, St. John's Catholic Church, Seymour.

Gene is survived by his wife of 68 years, Joyce (Liethen), married Aug. 21, 1954, at St. John's Catholic Church, Seymour. They were avid bowlers and followers of the Green Bay Packers and Wisconsin Badgers and enjoyed the family cottage on Shawano Lake in earlier years.

Gene enjoyed fishing, gardening and do-it-yourself projects. They would later live year-round on Shawano Lake for 32 years before moving to California.

He is also survived by three children, Steve Fenn (Val), of Rice Lake, David Fenn, of Rothschild and Lori (Robert) Lubeck, of Oakdale, California; six grandchildren, Susan (Jeff) Okonkowski, of South Lyon, Michigan, Mike (Sara) Fenn of Milwaukee, Taylor Fenn (Riley), of Sturgeon Lake, Minnesota, Ryan (Jen) Glaeser, of Oakdale, California, Michael (Karli) Glaeser, of Oakdale, California, and Daniel Lubeck, of Oakdale, California; and eight great-grandchildren, Savannah and Jona-

than Okonkowski, Aiden and Olivia Fenn, Ezekiel Glaeser and Madison, Kendall and Matthew Glaeser.

He was preceded in death by son, Thomas (Aug. 22, 1967 to June 21, 1977); his parents, Earl and Lois (Echtner) Fenn; and his in-laws, Clarence and Naureen (Komp) Liethen.

Private family services will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made in Gene's memory to Community Hospice Foundation, 4368 Spyres Way, Modesto, CA 95356.

Franklin and Downs Funeral Home in Modesto, California, and Valley Crematory are assisting the family with arrangements.

John Sippel Sr.

John Sippel Sr., 86, of the Town of Washington, passed away at his home Saturday morning, Oct. 15, 2022, under the care of his family and ThedaCare at Home Hospice.

John was born June 24, 1936, in Fond du Lac as the son of the late Nicholas and Margaret (Goesser) Sippel. As a young man, he served his country in the United States Air Force. John was stationed in Laredo, Texas, where he was united in marriage to Evangeline "Eva" Guardjo.

The couple returned to Wisconsin where John was employed as a painter, mainly working on barns



and houses. For the bulk of his working career though, John was employed as a machinist for Tecumseh Products in Sheboygan Falls. He retired at age 62 and

moved to Shawano Lake, where the couple built their home.

John then worked at American Marine in Shawano for quite a few years, mainly overseeing operations in the warehouse. Although he kept busy working on projects around his home, John was very much an avid outdoorsman. He loved shar-

ing stories from his hunting trips out West and looked forward to the fall season every year.

John is survived by his children, John Charles Sippel Jr., Cecil, Dorcas Ann (Mark) Grosnick, Watertown, Jeffrey Steven Sippel, Sheboygan, Paul Daniel Sippel, Sheboygan Falls, and Patricia Ann (Patrick) Abney, Menasha; 11 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; siblings, Ronald (Jane) Sippel, Rosemary Yekenewicz and Judy Schmitz; and sister-in-law, Judy Sippel.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Eva; an infant daughter, Deborah Ann Sippel; siblings, Alice (Alois) Blonigen, Ralph Sip-

pel, David Sippel, Gordon (Mary) Sippel and Gerald (Deloris) Sippel; and brothers-in-law, Peter Yekene-wicz and Roger Schmitz.

A gathering of family and friends will take place from noon to 2 p.m. followed by committal and urn placement, on Friday Oct. 21, 2022, at Greenlawn Memorial Park, 6706 Superior Ave., Kohler. Military honors will be conducted at the cemetery at 1:30 p.m. by members of the United States Air Force.

The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory in Clintonville is assisting the family with the arrangements. An online guestbook is available at eberhardt-stevenson.com.

Naomi D. Kassube

Naomi D. Kassube, 81, of Wittenberg, died on Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022, at Homme Home of Wittenberg under the care of Compassus Hospice.

Naomi was born on April 29, 1941, in Minot, North Dakota, the daughter of Erich and Dorothy (Jackson) Klaus.

On Dec. 27, 1959, Naomi married LaVerne Kassube. They later divorced.

Naomi worked as a cashier and manager at Wittenberg Mobil for many years. She enjoyed bowling and softball and played into her 50s in the old timers league. Naomi was an avid reader and loved spending time with her family.

Naomi is survived by three children, David (Jan) Kassube, of Marion, Keith (Carolyn) Kassube, of Wittenberg, and Kristi (Dean) Watters, of Tigerton; four granddaughters, Jessica Kostner, Kimberly (Cody) Schmidt, Katie (Taran Molnar) Watters and Anna Watters; three step-grandchildren, Tad (Heather) Velte, Ty Schmidt and Tara (Tony Do) Schmidt; two great-grandchildren, Simon and



Saylor Kostner; one step-great-grandchild, Myles Velte; one brother, Lee (Joanne) Klaus, of Weston; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Naomi was preceded in death by her parents and her two sisters and brothers-in-law, Drusilla and John Kraft and Elaine and Ralph Erickson.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wittenberg. The Rev. Matthew Christians will officiate. Burial will be in the parish cemetery. Visitation will be on Saturday from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the church.

Schmidt and Schulta Funeral Home in Wittenberg is assisting the family with arrangements.

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

Lawrence D. Wetzel

Lawrence D. Wetzel, 61, of Racine, passed away at his residence on Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2022.

Larry was born in Shawano on March 21, 1961, to Leonard and Lois (nee Hawkins) Wetzel. He was a 1979 graduate of Shawano High School and a 1982 graduate of the Wisconsin School of Electronics. Larry was employed with GE, Federal Mailing Systems, and The Courtney Company.

Big Lar, as his family and friends called him, was truly a gentle giant. He was a kind-hearted man who made him easily approachable. His career took all over the world and he never failed to bring home souvenirs for his family and friends. He had a love for German shepherds, especially his babies Bella and Bear. Larry had a passion for cars that started with his 1970 Pontiac LeMans. He was a fan



of NASCAR racing. In his younger years, he was active in the New Berlin Jaycees. Larry enjoyed going on fishing trips, gardening and downhill skiing.

He will be deeply missed by his mother, Lois Wetzel; sister, Lori Wetzel; brother, Lee (Mary) Wetzel; nephew and niece, Lucas Wetzel and Stephanie (Jacob) Stilen; and great-nephews Dennis and Wesley Stilen. Larry is further survived by other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Purath-Strand Funeral Home and Crematory, Racine. 262-639-8000. www.purath-strand.com.

OBITUARIES

Dessie Arlene Adams, 93, passed away on Oct. 5, 2022, at Rocky Knoll Health Care Center, where she has resided since April 2016. Her previous residence was on Frederick Street in Plymouth.

Dessie was born April 14, 1929, in a farm house in Juneau County near Wonewoc. She was a daughter to the late Preymer and Dessie Mary (Sutherland) Rynes. At the age of 3, her family moved to a farm near Camp Douglas. When she was 5 years old, they moved to Vernon County and settled near Ontario and Mount Tabor, known as "Johnny Cake." She attended Fairview Primary School. Dessie always admired the beauty of the hills and valleys of the region.

Dessie graduated from Ontario High School in 1946. After graduation, she moved to Madison and worked at Rennebohm's Drug Store on State Street from 1947 to 1955. This is where she met Oren Edwin Adams, the love of her life.

On June 30, 1948, at St. Joseph's



Catholic Church in Mount Tabor, Dessie married Oren.

In 1955, they moved to Plymouth. This is when they purchased Fifrick's Drug Store at 227 E. Mill St. While raising seven children, she decided to become a stay-at-home mother. As her children grew, Dessie worked at the pharmacy. She continued to work and retired in 2002.

Throughout her life in Plymouth, Dessie was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church.

Survivors include two sons and three daughters, Steven (Bette Rae), Robert (Sara), Deborah Reilly, and Helen Adams, all of Plymouth, and Margaret (Pete) Zimmermann, of Jackson; one brother: James (Bernadette) Rynes, of Ontario; grandchildren, Ryan (Joanna) Reilly, Christopher (Katie) Reilly, Nicole

(Aron) Pankow, Amy (Alan) Barrows, Chad Adams, Jordan (Stephanie) Adams, Mitchell (Lori) Adams, Lindley (William) Mauer and Alaina (Dillon) Harvey; and great-grandchildren, Aiden Reilly, Zayda and Sophia Pankow, Elizabeth, Allison and Henry Barrows, Wilson and Kennedy Adams, Owen Reilly, Grace and Charlotte Mauer and Mitchell and Addi Baumann.

She is also survived by many other nieces, nephews and family friends.

Dessie was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Oren; son, Edward; daughter, Jane; son-in-law, William Reilly; grandson, Jamie Reilly; brother, Floyd Rynes; two sisters, Helen West and Joy Elizabeth Rynes; four brothers-in-law, Allen Adams, Robert Adams, Bob West and Felix Zalewski; and four sisters-in-law, Charlotte Adams, Margaret Adams, Elaine Zalewski and Marie Rynes.

Mass of Christian burial will be held at St. John the Baptist Catholic

Church in Plymouth at noon on Friday, Oct. 21, 2022. The Rev. Philip Reifenberg, pastor of the church, will officiate. Visitation will take place at the church from 10 a.m. until time of Mass. Private family burial will be held Monday, Oct. 24, 2022, at the parish cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial in Dessie's name to St. Vincent de Paul Society, John Wayne Cancer Institute or the Leukemia Society of Wisconsin.

The Suchon Funeral Home and Cremation Services is serving the family. For online condolences, please visit www.suchonfh.com.

Dessie's family would like to send a very special thank you to the nurses and staff at Rocky Knoll Health Care Facility and Sharon S. Richardson Hospice for all the care and compassion given to her over the years. Thank you to all the employees and customers of Adams Pharmacy for all of your support over the many years in business; you were all part of our family.

Donald Melbauer Sr.

Donald Melbauer Sr., 89, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022. He was born Aug. 21, 1933, in the Town of Belle Plaine to Charles and Frances (Muraski) Melbauer.

Don attended Sacred Heart Catholic Grade School in Shawano and graduated from Shawano High School. He enlisted in the United States Air Force during the Korean conflict and proudly served four years before earning an honorable discharge.

Don attended Green Bay Badger Business College for two years with a major in accounting and business. At Northern Shoe in Pulaski, he first worked scheduling production and then as a purchas-



ing agent where he purchased all raw materials. On Aug. 19, 1961, he was united in marriage to Nancy Kort at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Shawano.

Nancy passed away in 2010 after 49 years of marriage.

Nancy and Don owned and operated Melbauer's Boat Livery on the north shore of Shawano Lake where they rented boats and motors and sold fishing bait, gas and oil. Don was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the American Legion in Shawano. On April 20, 2013, Don married Marilyn Leisten at Sacred

Heart Catholic Church in Shawano — his wife of nine years.

Don is survived by his wife, Marilyn Leisten, of Shawano; four children, Marsha McDowell, of Summerville, South Carolina, Charles (Tammy) Melbauer, of Pulaski, Donald Melbauer Jr., of Shawano, and Christine (Mark) Soquet, of Abrams; four grandchildren, Brittney (Andrew) Dillenburg, of Shawano, Jennifer (Craig) Knaup, of Shawano, Taylor McDowell, of Madison, and Rachelle McDowell, of Sonora, California; and great-granddaughters, Mya Melbauer and Brynlee Dillenburg, both of Shawano.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy Kort; his granddaughter, Staci McDowell; brother, Charles Melbauer; and sisters, Ruth

Graves and Beverly Moede.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Shawano with the Rev. Scott Valentyn officiating. Visitation will be held at Swedberg Funeral Home in Shawano from 5-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, 2022. A parish wake service will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Visitation will continue at the church on Saturday from 9 a.m. until the time of service. Entombment will be at Sacred Heart Mausoleum with military rites by the Shawano American Legion Post No. 117.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Shawano County Humane Society in Don's name.

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Linda A. Hanley

Linda A. Hanley, 61, of Underhill, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday evening, Oct. 9, 2022, at ThedaCare Medical Center-Shawano.

Linda was born on Feb. 16, 1961, in Los Angeles, California, a daughter of Bethany (Warren) Griffiths and the late Donald Griffiths. She attended school in California, and graduated from Cuesta College in San Luis Obispo County, California. On May 11, 1988, Linda was united in



marriage to Talbot Hanley at the Montana De Oro State Park in California. The couple moved to Wisconsin in 1992. Linda enjoyed photography and crocheting.

Survivors include her husband, Talbot Hanley; her children, Der-

rick Hanley and Cameron (Marissa) Hanley; her grandchildren, Carson, Kaden, Bailey, Kyla and Cashton; her mother, Bethany Griffiths; and her brother, Larry (Kathy) Griffiths.

She was preceded in death by her father, Donald Griffiths.

A memorial service for Linda will be held on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022, at

6 p.m. at Mickelson Funeral Service in Shawano. Pastor Moira Finley will officiate. Visitation will begin at 5

p.m. and continue until the time of service.

Mickelson Funeral and Cremation Service Inc. is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share

online condolences at www.mickelsons.com.



MIHS camera captures armed trespasser

Scare results in increased police presence at schools

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Security cameras at Menominee Indian High School captured the image of what looked to be a person potentially with an assault rifle and potentially a handgun on Oct. 12.

According to Menominee Indian School District Superintendent Wendell Waukau, the security cameras caught the individual outside of school hours in the early morning hours of Oct. 12. He did not specify a time. He added that nobody was hurt and that the damage to school property is still being assessed.

After school activities, including

sports practices were shortened, in order to get students and staff home before dark. The Menominee Tribal Police department also enforced the juvenile curfew of 9 p.m.

Waukau said that local law enforcement are still investigating and searching for the individual.

"Of course, we involved our law enforcement and right now, we have had increased police presence in our school, at the end of the day and also an increased police presence around our high school throughout the evening," said Waukau.

He added that there will be increased police presence at all Menominee Indian athletic events.



Security cameras at Menominee Indian High School captured what appeared to be an individual holding a firearm on Oct. 12. School officials do not believe the individual to be a student and a heightened police presence will be at the school during school hours and after.

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"That is what we are trying to give our students and our families and our community — ensuring that law enforcement is here, keeping our kids safe and at the same time, we understand that there is a police investigation to where they are out looking for an individual," said Waukau. "We don't know who it is, but we don't believe it is a student."

Menominee Indian High School put out a post on Facebook at 2:23 p.m. on Oct. 12, providing pictures of the security camera footage. Waukau said that another Facebook post would be shared Oct. 13 in the afternoon with an

update on the investigation.

He added that the investigation is in the police's hands.

"We obviously have to concentrate at school, we have athletic events, its homecoming — we have a lot going on," said Waukau. "We are going day-by-day, knowing that our main mission is to keep kids safe and engage them in learning. That is what we need to continue to do."

NEW Media has contacted the tribal police for further information, but has not received a response.

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Trial date set in endangering safety case

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

A trial date has been set for a homeless man charged in connection to a June 20 recklessly endangering safety incident in the Town of Washington.

LaNathan Wallace was charged with one count of second degree recklessly endangering safety, 10 counts of bail jumping, two misdemeanor counts of battery and two misdemeanor counts of disorderly conduct.

During a pre-trial hearing on Oct. 14, attorney Daniel Mitchell informed

Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge Katherine Sloma that Wallace had filed for a speedy trial demand before Mitchell was appointed as the public defender.

"I think that we need to set a trial date sooner than later," said Mitchell.

Due to Wallace being charged in two other incidents, one charge being bail jumping and the other being throwing/expelling bodily substances as a prisoner, Mitchell said that at Wallace's previous court date, he had talked to the state about joining the matters.

"I don't know how (the state) plans to proceed on those cases — if they are join-able or not," said Mitchell.

Assistant District Attorney Laura Nelson said that the request for a speedy trial was placed on Aug. 3.

"I hope you understand that I have to discuss discovery with you — I don't know that any attorney in the world would be prepared by Oct. 26," said Mitchell, asking Wallace to consider delaying the trial. "I am asking that you perhaps reconsider the speedy trial and at least give me time to prepare, so we have a chance here."

Wallace agreed to push the trial back to allow Mitchell to prepare for it.

"It was filed on Aug. 3, which then pushes us back to Nov. 3," said Sloma. "The next suggested date was Nov. 22."

In an effort to join the matters for a trial, Sloma scheduled trial for Jan. 18-20 for each of the three cases. She also scheduled a final pre-trial hearing for all three cases for Dec. 9 at 11:15 a.m. Wallace is currently being held on a \$50,000 cash bond.

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Man charged with OWI requests competency evaluation

By **LUKE REIMER**
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A Little Chute man who was charged in connection to a Sept. 2 automobile accident requested a competency hearing before moving forward with the case.

Cody A. Sabel, 35, was charged with one count of operating while

intoxicated (fifth or sixth offense), one count of causing an injury while operating while intoxicated (second or subsequent offense), one count of first degree recklessly endangering safety and one count of second degree endangering safety.

If convicted, Sabel faces 10 years in prison and \$25,000 in fines for each charge of OWI and second-de-

gree recklessly endangering safety, six years and \$10,000 for causing an injury while intoxicated, and 12½ years and \$25,000 for first-degree recklessly endangering safety.

"I did see a motion come in earlier this week, requesting a competency evaluation," said Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge Katherine Sloma.

Sloma asked attorney Christine Bruen if they want to move forward with the competency evaluation, to which she replied yes.

Due to the length that it takes to get results back, Sloma scheduled a status conference for Dec. 6 at 1:30 p.m.

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Pulaski schools bursting at the seams

\$69.8M capital referendum expected to ease space at elementary schools, expand tech ed at PHS



The number of students in class has not grown as the student population has grown at Hillcrest Elementary School, but the school has had to divide larger classrooms in order to have enough classrooms.

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By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Anyone who has been to Hillcrest or Sunnyside elementary schools in the Pulaski School District can see they are bursting at the seams.

Storage closets are becoming learning spaces. Larger classrooms are being divided into smaller classrooms. Art and music classrooms are being relegated to gymnasiums or other spaces because the classrooms are needed for core classes. Student populations are growing at a time when neighboring school districts are seeing declines. Old locker rooms are serving as closets while closets are providing one-on-one space for special needs students.

It is because of these reasons and more that the school district is asking voters Nov. 8 to approve a capital referendum for \$69.8 million that will be used to build extended areas of the two schools, add on more technical education space to Pulaski High School and update all of the schools in the district in terms of security and safety.

The tax rate will be increased by \$1.28 per \$1,000 of equalized valuation if the capital referendum passes, which means a property worth \$100,000 will see school taxes go up \$128. The current tax rate is \$6.32, dropping over \$3.50 in the last decade, and even if it were to stay where it is, tacking on the capital referendum tax and the anticipated 58-cent operation-

al referendum tax would still keep the tax rate below where it was in 2019.

Hillcrest and Sunnyside are the closest schools to the Green Bay area, serving Hobart, Howard and the southern tip of Oconto County. Hillcrest currently has 375 students and is past capacity now with temporary classrooms currently in place behind the original building, while Sunnyside with 500 students is reaching capacity.

Kris Wells, Hillcrest's principal, noted that the school's music teacher had been shuffled in recent years to share the art room and the gymnasium because student growth required putting regular classrooms in the original music space.

"This year, with the portables in

place, we were able to give the music teacher her own classroom," Wells said. "I think we've been creative. This is my 11th year here at Hillcrest, and I'd say when I started, there were 250 students, so around the last 10 years, we grew around 120 students. It's exciting to see that people want to come to Hillcrest — whether they live here or whether they open enroll."

Wells added that there used to be two teachers for every grade level, but now there are three.

"That means six additional classrooms that we've had to find," she said.

The portable classrooms required the district to put extended systems into place, with electric, water, sewer, security cameras and locks and more,

according to Nick Phillips, the facilities director for the district. While the portables are filling the need for now, long-term use would be cost prohibitive, which is why he and other district officials feel a permanent extension for Hillcrest is necessary.

“Our PA (public address) system is out here,” Phillips said. “Our mass notification system is out here. It’s not treated any differently than the building itself. If the fire alarm goes off there, it’s going off out here, too.”

Phillips noted that the district is paying \$6,000 a month for the use of the portable classrooms, and it cost the district an additional \$100,000 to get them in place.

“With the lead times and state approval required, there was no way to have a permanent structure in place,” he said, noting that even if the voters green-light the referendum next month, the projects will not be completed until 2025, which means at least another 2½ years of innovative shoehorning. “We’re making space out of space that was never intended for learning.”

Growth continues to be a factor at Sunnyside, too. Phillips noted there are new subdivisions going up in the towns of Chase and Little Suamico, and the school is close to Brown County’s border, as well, allowing nearby homes in Hobart to bring their children to the school.

“It’s a great problem to have, but we’re just running out of space,” Phillips said. “Bathrooms are a major issue, too. We have one set of bathrooms here (on the lower level) and one set upstairs, and that’s it.”

The renovations and extensions at the two elementary schools also include areas that can be used as outdoor learning spaces while letting natural light get into some of the interior classrooms that don’t currently have windows.

“The little kids, they come upstairs for lunch and recess, but then they are downstairs the rest of the day,” Phillips said. “That faces challenges in learning. We have no window wells downstairs. There’s just no natural lighting at all.”

The high school is not needing any additional classroom space, but when it was built in 1998, the technical education space was adequate for the machinery of the times. However, technical education has exploded in scope, and the existing space can no longer hold the equipment needed to give students choices about future careers, according to Phillips.

“They are offering unbelievable programming,” he said. “They offer the metal shop, wood shop, automotive. There are so many different



Office spaces have been transformed into smaller classrooms for special education students at Hillcrest Elementary School. The growth has passed capacity at Hillcrest, with portable classrooms installed behind the school to accommodate the students. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA



With closets serving as learning areas, all school supplies have been relegated to this one closet at Hillcrest Elementary School. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

machines and equipment out there, and we want to offer that. Pulaski has prided itself with being hands-on through tech ed, farming community. To keep up with it, we need to expand.”

Sunnyside, along with Lannoye and Fairview elementary schools, are also operating on wells, so the district plans to upgrade the water systems at the three schools.

Additionally, the district plans to upgrade the parking lots at all of the elementary schools, as many of

them are too small to handle dozens of vehicles at one time arriving at the school. Phillips calls the drop-off and pick-up times at the elementary schools as “organized chaos.”

“Upgrades at all of the schools are needed — there’s definitely some different finishes that we need to make,” Phillips said. “This (referendum) is going to touch every school. There’s no school left behind, I can tell you that.”

Growth is expected to continue for the foreseeable future, and district of-

BY THE NUMBERS

Pulaski School District tax rates:

2013-14:	\$9.83
2014-15:	\$9.77
2015-16:	\$8.84
2016-17:	\$8.61
2017-18:	\$8.47
2018-19:	\$8.47
2019-20:	\$8.47
2020-21:	\$7.63
2021-22:	\$6.32
Projected (if referenda pass):	\$8.18

AT A GLANCE

Hillcrest Elementary School

Current student population:	375
Student population capacity:	303-332
Sunnyside Elementary School breakout subhead	
Current student population:	500
Student population capacity:	452-484

Source: Pulaski School District

officials expect the other schools might need to expand in the future. However, a community survey indicates the taxpayers are only willing to pay for so much now, so the district is trying to take care of the most urgent needs now.

“If you drive around the communities, you see the growth coming,” Phillips said. “We’re not planning for the next one or two years, we’re planning for the future.”

Mandela Barnes talks campaign in Keshena

Barnes rallies behind making sure voices of Native American communities are heard

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes appeared Oct. 17 at the College of Menominee Nation on his campaign trail for a spot in the United States Senate.

Democrat Barnes is hoping to prevent U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson, R-Wisconsin, from continuing with a third term. During the meet-and-greet, Barnes began his speech by saying he enjoys coming to the Menominee Reservation.

"It is not my first time here, and it certainly won't be my last time here," said Barnes. "It has always been a welcoming and enjoyable experience. I hope everyone gets to experience it, and I wish more people would take the time to come up here and visit. A lot of people don't, and a lot of people couldn't care less about what is happening in tribal communities all across Wisconsin."

Growing up in a household with a school teacher and a third-shift factory worker as parents, Barnes paid homage to his humble beginnings, saying that his parents gave him the opportunity to run for the Senate.

"This is why I am able to even consider running for the United States Senate — I want everybody in this state, especially in our tribal communities on reservations, to at least have the same opportunities that I have had," said Barnes. "That is what it is all about. Opportunities have been denied for far too many people and its because we have too many self-serving, out-of-touch politicians in office. People who don't understand what our life is like."

When talking about his beliefs, Barnes pointed to climate change as "the greatest threat of our existence."

"We have an opportunity to work together — to come together — to push back and actually win this fight," said Barnes. "Only when we listen to the voices of folks who actually have been doing the work for so long."

Barnes said that when he took the oath of office for lieutenant governor, he promised to make Wisconsin a better place for everybody to live in. He pointed out that those demographics included tribal communities.

"I said that we are going to leave the core principles of equity and sustainability," said Barnes. "(Those



Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes shakes hands with visitors to the Culture Building at the College of Menominee Nation on Oct. 17, during his campaign trail for the United States Senate. At the meet-and-greet, Barnes put a strong emphasis on promising to make Native American voices heard in Washington.

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Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes, back right, speaks to a group of college students and staff from the College of Menominee Nation during his campaign stop for a spot in the United States Senate.

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are) two things that have been missing from state government. (Those

are) two things that people didn't want to take the time to consider because it made them uncomfortable. The relative comfort from folks who are making those decision has led to the discomfort of the majority, and that is why it is time to step up and make our voices heard."

Barnes said that he was proud that he was a part of the group to make Indigenous People's Day a holiday in Wisconsin.

"I am proud that we are an administration that one, respects tribal sovereignty, but also wants to acknowledge the myriad of injustices, but also to give an opportunity to rectify," said Barnes. "That means bringing people into the conversation."

Barnes said that if citizens want to have an impact on the government, they need to change the people that they send to Washington D.C.

"For folks growing up right here in Menominee, I want you to know that this is something that you all

can be one day," said Barnes, implying himself. "In all honesty, if I start messing up in my job, please do run against me, because that is what accountability looks like."

In 2018, Barnes became the first African-American to serve as Wisconsin's lieutenant governor. He pointed to the election as proof that anyone can make a difference.

"I hope that serves as a reminder to anybody who felt like they couldn't make a difference — to anybody who feels like their voices don't matter," said Barnes.

He also paid homage to the strong Native American tradition that is rooted in Wisconsin and acknowledged the hardships.

"There is so much for us to be proud of and yet, we still have many hardships," said Barnes. "Through all of those struggles, I can promise and I can assure you that I will be a fighter for you in Washington."

The election takes place on Nov. 8.

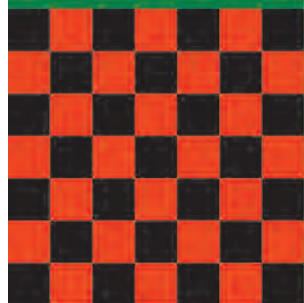
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Shawano downtown plaza gets its identity

Menominee tribe contributes \$15K toward plaza expenses

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The downtown plaza for Shawano now has an official name after the Shawano Common Council voted unanimously Oct. 12 to call it The Naberhood.

That decision came shortly after Randy Chevalier, intergovernmental affairs manager for the Menominee

Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, stepped up at the beginning of the meeting and presented Mayor Bruce Milavitz with a \$15,000 check to help pay for the \$2.5 million plaza.

"This was a contribution that (the Menominee Tribal Legislature) had passed some time ago and, for whatever reason, got misplaced or forgotten," Chevalier said at the meeting. "We saw

that this needed to get done, so we're here to present you with the check."

As for the name, city officials had been discussing several potential ideas, according to City Clerk Lesley Nemetz. Council members made their own suggestions and recommended that the city get public input on the suggested names. The Naberhood received 158 votes from about 300 cast, she said.

"There was a pretty clear front-runner from the beginning," Nemetz said. "The Naber name really resonated with some people in the community because of its historical significance in the area."

The idea for the unusual spelling for "neighborhood" came about because the old Naber building was demolished in order to create the plaza.

Nemetz said having The Naberhood take the lead from the begin-

ning allowed the city to work on sign designs that were presented to the council. She noted a curving glyph underneath the N in Naberhood would be indicative of the Wolf River, which makes up much of Shawano's identity. There was also a rendering of the former Naber building above the name.

"We were able to work with a local marketing designer who provided us with a couple of options," Nemetz said.

Council members liked the idea but were less than thrilled with the fonts that were used.

"Personally, I didn't care for the font," Milavitz said.

Nemetz and City Administrator Eddie Sheppard both noted that design work is still in progress and what was shown to the council was only one example of what the signage would look like.

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Randall Chevalier, left, intergovernmental affairs manager for the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, gives Shawano Mayor Bruce Milavitz a \$15,000 check from the tribe to help pay for the downtown plaza.
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ABC	College Football Scoreboard (N)	College Football Minnesota at Penn State. Beaver Stadium. (N)							News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(:35) Weird Earth (:35) Investi-gate TV	(:05) The Song "Classic Hits" (N)	(:35) Storm of Suspicion (N) (:35) Opry (N Same-day Tape)			
9 WAOW 2 WBAY															
CBS	Game Time With Boomer NewsChannel 7 at 6	Discover Wisconsin (N) Inside Edition Week-end (N)	The Real Love Boat "As Solid as the Rock of Gibraltar" The couples answer personal questions.			48 Hours			48 Hours			Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) HS Sports Xtra (N) (:35) Beat the Odds	(:05) Boondock Nation (:05) The Song "Classic Hits" (:35) Friends (:35) Opry (N Same-day Tape)	
5 WFRV 7 WSAW															
FOX	FOX College Football Extra (N)	The Big Bang Theory Wheel of Fortune	The Masked Singer "Andrew Lloyd Webber Night" Performing Andrew Lloyd Webber songs.			(:02) LEGO Masters "Out on a Limb" Making LEGO treehouses.			The Big Bang Theory Fox 11 News at 9 (N)	The Big Bang Theory Seinfeld	Beat Shazam "Grandma's Got Game!" Teams of family members compete.	S.W.A.T. An escaped convict plans to kill Tan. Jeopardy!	The King of Queens Doug loses his driver's license.		
55 WZAW 11 WLUK															
NBC	NBC26 News at 6pm (N) Inside the Huddle	Paid Program Wheel of Fortune	Quantum Leap			Dateline NBC			Saturday Night Live			News Newswatch 12 Saturday	(:29) Saturday Night Live		
26 WGBA 12 WJFW															
PBS	The Carol Burnett Show Tim Conway and Mama Cass Elliott.		Sister Boniface Mysteries "Love and Other Puzzles" A woman is found dead.			Shakespeare and Hathaway -- Private Investigators "Too Much of Water" Frank and Lu investigate a drowning.			Bancroft Elizabeth must choose her loyalties.			Prime Suspect: Tension on Masterpiece Jane faces harsh realities in her life.		American Anthems "Soldier on All Fours" The War and Treaty creates a ballad.	
20 WHRM 36 WLEF 38 WPNE															
32 WACY 45 WTPX	Family Feud	Two/Half Men	Chicago Fire			Chicago P.D. "Fagin"			Am Housewife	Am Housewife	The Simpsons	Family Guy	Family Guy	S.W.A.T.	
	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit			Law & Order: Special Victims Unit			Law & Order: Special Victims Unit			Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	
CW	The Big Bang Theory The Good Doctor	The Big Bang Theory Bernadette and Howard watch Raj's dog.	Criss Angel's Magic With the Stars "The Greatest Levitation of All Time" (Series Premiere) Corbin Bleu and Miles Brown. (N)			World's Funniest Animals Hopping horses; rambunctious rats.			The Rookie The Liquidator	** The Craft (1996, Horror) Robin Tunney.	The National Desk (N) (Live)			TMZ (N)	To the Rescue Tommy learns how to drive a pet taxi.
14 WCWF 34 WYOW															

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, OCT. 21

OCOTO: Painting Circle, 4:15-7 p.m., The Cafe Lounge LLC, 202B Main St. Painting class for little ones; \$10 for canvas.

NAVARINO: Halloween Happenings at Hogwarts, 5:30-8 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. \$5; come in costume or “muggle” clothes. Inflatable table games, candy, themed photo booths, Harry Potter decorations.

CHASE: Revenge Haunt, 7-11 p.m., Chase Stone Barn, 8246 County Road S. Immersive haunted house experience; not intended for children. \$20. revengehaunt.com

OCONTO: Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap," 7 p.m., Park Avenue Playhouse, 408 Park Ave. themachickanee-players.org

SATURDAY, OCT. 22

BIRNAMWOOD: Schairer's Autumn Acres, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., 194 Western Ave., weekends through Oct. 31. Horse-drawn wagon rides, corn mazes, petting zoo, sunflower field.

OCOTO: Stage Acting Workshops,
10 a.m. to noon, Park Avenue Theatre, 408
Park Ave. Hosted by Machickanee Players.

BONDUEL: Farmtoberfest, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Porter's Patch, W4314 State Highway 156. \$10. Corn maze, hayrides, crafts, pick your own pumpkin. Weekends through Oct. 30.

CECIL: Unveiling of the 400th Shawano County Barn Quilt, 11 a.m. to noon, W5701 Lakeview Road.

ABRAMS: Spooky Hike, 6-8 p.m.,
Machickanee Ski Trail BlackBerry Ramble,
6625 Timberline Road. Costumes encour-
aged. Trail is unlit; bring headlamps or
flashlights.

WITTENBERG: Pretty in Pink Designer Purse Auction, 7-10 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. Tickets \$50. 715-581-3772 or emk1@att.net

CHASE: Revenge Haunt, 7-11 p.m.,



There's still time to be scared silly as the Revenge haunted house is still ushering in victims, er, visitors at the Chase Stone Barn, 8246 County Road S in Oconto County.

Chase Stone Barn, 8246 County Road S.
Immersive haunted house experience; not
intended for children. \$20. revengehaunt.
com

OCOTO: Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap," 7 p.m., Park Avenue Playhouse, 408 Park Ave. themachickanee-players.org

SUNDAY, OCT. 23

BONDUEL: Farmtoberfest, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Porter's Patch, W4314 State Highway 156. \$10. Corn maze, hayrides, crafts, pick your own pumpkin. Weekends through Oct. 30.

BIRNAMWOOD: Schairer's Autumn

Acres, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., 194 Western Ave., weekends through Oct. 31. Horse-drawn wagon rides, corn mazes, petting zoo, sunflower field.

OCONTO: Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap," 2 p.m., Park Avenue Playhouse, 408 Park Ave. themachickanee-players.org

MONDAY, OCT. 24

OCONTO: Book Club, 5-6 p.m., The Cafe Lounge LLC, 202B Main St. All ages welcome.

FRIDAY, OCT. 28

BIRNAMWOOD: Pumpkin Stroll

6-9 p.m., Schairer's Autumn Acres, 194 Western Ave. 100-plus themed carved pumpkins in the corn maze.

CHASE: Revenge Haunt, 7-11 p.m., Chase Stone Barn, 8246 County Road S. Immersive haunted house experience; not intended for children. \$20. revengehaunt.com

SATURDAY, OCT. 29

BONDUEL: SPYRT Craft Sale, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. Paul Lutheran School, 240 E. Green Bay St. Silent auction, crafters and vendors, Ladies Aid bake sale, chili and ham and cheese sandwich lunch, \$1 admission (not including lunch).

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		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	
ABC		8 News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N) 14	Shark Tank (N) 14 (DVS)		(01) 20/20 (N) 14				8 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) 8 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! 14		(37) Nightline (N) 14	
8 WAOW 2 WBAY		8 Action 2 News at Six (N)												
CBS		8 Local 5 News at 6:00	8 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 14	S.W.A.T. "Maniak" (N) 14		Fire Country "Work, Don't Worry" A building collapses. (N) 14		Blue Bloods "Life During Wartime" (N) 14 (DVS)		8 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 8 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) 14		(37) The Late Late Show With James Corden 14	
5 WFRV 7 WSAW		8 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	8 Inside Edition (N) 14											
FOX		MLB on FOX Pregame (N) 14 (Live) 14		2022 World Series Game 1: Teams TBA. (N) 14 (Live) 14						8 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) 14		8 Last Man Standing 14 11 (07) The King of Queens 14	8 Last Man Standing 14 11 (07) The King of Queens 14	8 The Goldbergs 14 11 (35) The King of Queens 14
55 WZAW 11 WLUK														
NBC		8 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 14	8 Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune "America's Game" (N)	College Bowl "Semifinals" BYU vs. Columbia; UGA vs. Penn State. (N) 14		College Bowl "Championship" Columbia vs. University of Georgia. (N) 14		Dateline NBC 14		8 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 8 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 14		(37) Late Night With Seth Meyers 14	
26 WGBA 12 WJFW		8 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) 14												
PBS		PBS NewsHour (N) 14		Here and Now "Election Special 2022"	Here and Now	Broadchurch News of the attack spreads.		Summer of Rockets Field puts the home under protection. 14 (Part 5 of 6) 14		Independent Lens "TikTok, Boom." The cultural influences of TikTok. 14 (DVS)		David Holt's State of Music Tray Wellington; Lakota John Locklear. 14		
20 WHRM 36 WLEF 38 WPNE														
32 WACY		Family Feud (N)	Two/Half Men	High School Football (N) (Live)					My News at 9	NBC 26 Tonight	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Mom 14	
46 WTPX		Hawaii Five-0 "Kupouli 'Ia" 14		Hawaii Five-0 "Ho'oma'ike" 14			Hawaii Five-0 "Na Pilikua Nui" 14		Hawaii Five-0 14	Hawaii Five-0 14	Hawaii Five-0 14		Hawaii Five-0 14	
CW		11 MLB on FOX Pregame (N)	11 The Big Bang Theory 14	Penn & Teller: Fool Us "Four Fools and Counting?" Yann Yuro; Helen Coghlan. (N) 14		Whose Line Is It Anyway? "Darren Criss 2" (N) 14	Whose Line Is It Anyway? Guest comic Jonathan Mangum. 14	11 Fox 11 News at Nine on CW 8 The Liquidator	11 The Big Bang Theory 14 8 Chicago P.D. 14	11 The National Desk (N) (Live)	11 The National Desk (N) (Live)	11 Seinfeld 14 8 black-ish 14	11 Young Sheldon 14 8 Family Guy 14	
14 WCWF 34 WYOW		8 Divorce Court (N)		8 Divorce Court 14										

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OPINION

For the Novitiate's future, pull back the curtain

For years, the Novitiate in Gresham had been a hollowed-out ruin haunted by some harrowing history. Once a site for those with faith to delve deeply into that faith and serve God, it was irrevocably changed when it became a site for racial tension and violence in 1975, and after that, it has remained largely abandoned.

That has changed in the last couple of years, as new owners have taken charge of the property and are working to restore not only the 180 acres of land but the last remaining building identified as part of the Novitiate. Recently, that mansion played host as one of the sites for Miles of Art, with almost a dozen artists setting up tables in and out of the mansion and exposing the public to a site that only a few have traipsed on during the past two years.



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It had been over 10 years since I'd been out to the site, having done a story on an author chronicling the history of the Novitiate, and the mansion that we walked around during the interview was not something to write home about, marred by graffiti and other damage. When I went to the mansion for Miles of Art, the inside was still looking a mess, but the outer shell definitely looked like better days are to come. Looking at it from the banks of the Red River, it doesn't even look like it has a construction fence around it.

According to the website, www.greshamnovitiate.com, the new owners are working with local stakeholders and the surrounding community to find a new purpose for what is now being a dubbed "A Healing Ground."

My suggestion to the owners would be to turn the land into a site for performing and visual arts. If some painters, quiltmakers, basket weavers and other artists could make a ruined interior look dazzling, just imagine how amazing the artwork would look inside a restored building, hanging on



The Novitiate is looking much improved today than it has in the last few decades, and the new owners still have much planned for restoring the mansion that is the cornerstone of the property.

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freshly rebuilt and repainted walls or on display on some beautiful tables, maybe something crafted by technical education students from local high schools.

Having just an art gallery is not enough, however. The site also screams for the need for performance artistry. Despite being one of the poorer segments of the state, rural parts of northeast Wisconsin enjoy their theatrical productions. As examples, I put forth the Nancy Byng Community Theater in Abrams, the Park Avenue Playhouse in Oconto, the Mielke Arts Center in Shawano and the WOW-SPACE in Wittenberg.

Imagine driving through the countryside at dusk past farmland and open fields to a shining beacon in the night as the moon shines on the waters of the Red River and you prepare for a night nestled with a wonderful story brought to life. There's nothing more healing than live theater, and there's something about seeing a performance in a building steeped with history.

The owners could invite outside

performers to do shows at the site, and not necessarily limited to plays or musicals. What about comedians, local bands, even book authors? While the aforementioned sites play host to local theater troupes, the Novitiate wouldn't need to limit itself, especially if the owners hope to put the Gresham area out there as a spotlight destination. The site could also be a second site for the local groups, if they were interested in collaborating.

Some could argue that there's already a performance venue in that area via the North Star Casino. However, many of the shows are for ages 21 and older, thus requiring parents to find a babysitter instead of hauling the children along for some family-friendly fun. Also, while the casino attracts big-time artists like LeAnn Rimes and Tracy Byrd, the Novitiate could be a venue for local musicians and artists to make their mark.

Even if it's not decided to use the mansion for performing arts, there are 180 acres of land available for usage. Perhaps an outdoor

amphitheater would fit just as well at the Novitiate, or even building a brand new facility. The site used to have a number of buildings on it before everything — save the mansion — was demolished.

There's one other aspect the owners should consider if they make the Novitiate into an artist haven. The site is historically known for a time when relations with the Menominee were poor. Perhaps the Menominee could be part of an arts venue, bringing out their artists, crafters, pow wow dancers and any performance artists they'd care to showcase. If this is truly to be a healing ground, bringing in the Menominee is a first step to making that happen.

The Novitiate is located in a pristine area of beauty, and once the mansion is restored and rebuilt, I know it will look even more amazing. Once that happens, a site for performance and visual arts would be the cherry on top.

Lee Pulaski is the city editor for NEW Media. Readers can contact him at lpulaski@newmedia-wi.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Murray best choice to elect to legislature

To the editor:

I met Ben Murray six months ago. As a fellow veteran, I was impressed by this personable young man who had already served in Navy submarines and intelligence gathering for 11 years.

Ben Murray believes in an honest day's work for an honest day's pay. Wisconsin is the smallest state in the country with a full-time salaried Legislature plus generous perks. Yet, the Legislature only met for two months this year. In 2020, they did not pass any legislation for over 300 days.

Ben Murray believes in majority rule with minority protection, unlike our current Legislature that rigs the voting maps so completely that Democrats often win the statewide vote, yet get only one-third of the legislative seats. In moral terms, this is called stealing and most certainly not one person, one vote.

Ben Murray believes in representing all the people, not just those with a narrow mindset. If the governor calls for special sessions because a majority of Wisconsin citizens are being ignored in issue after issue, Ben believes in listening, not gaveling in and out in 20 seconds.

Ben Murray believes in common sense science and sustainability. As a reasonable person, he knows that we shouldn't poison our earthly home through our gluttonous behavior. This applies to the shared air that we breathe, the shared water that we drink, the collective food that we grow, and the massive waste products we generate.

Please elect Ben Murray for the 36th Assembly District on Nov. 8.

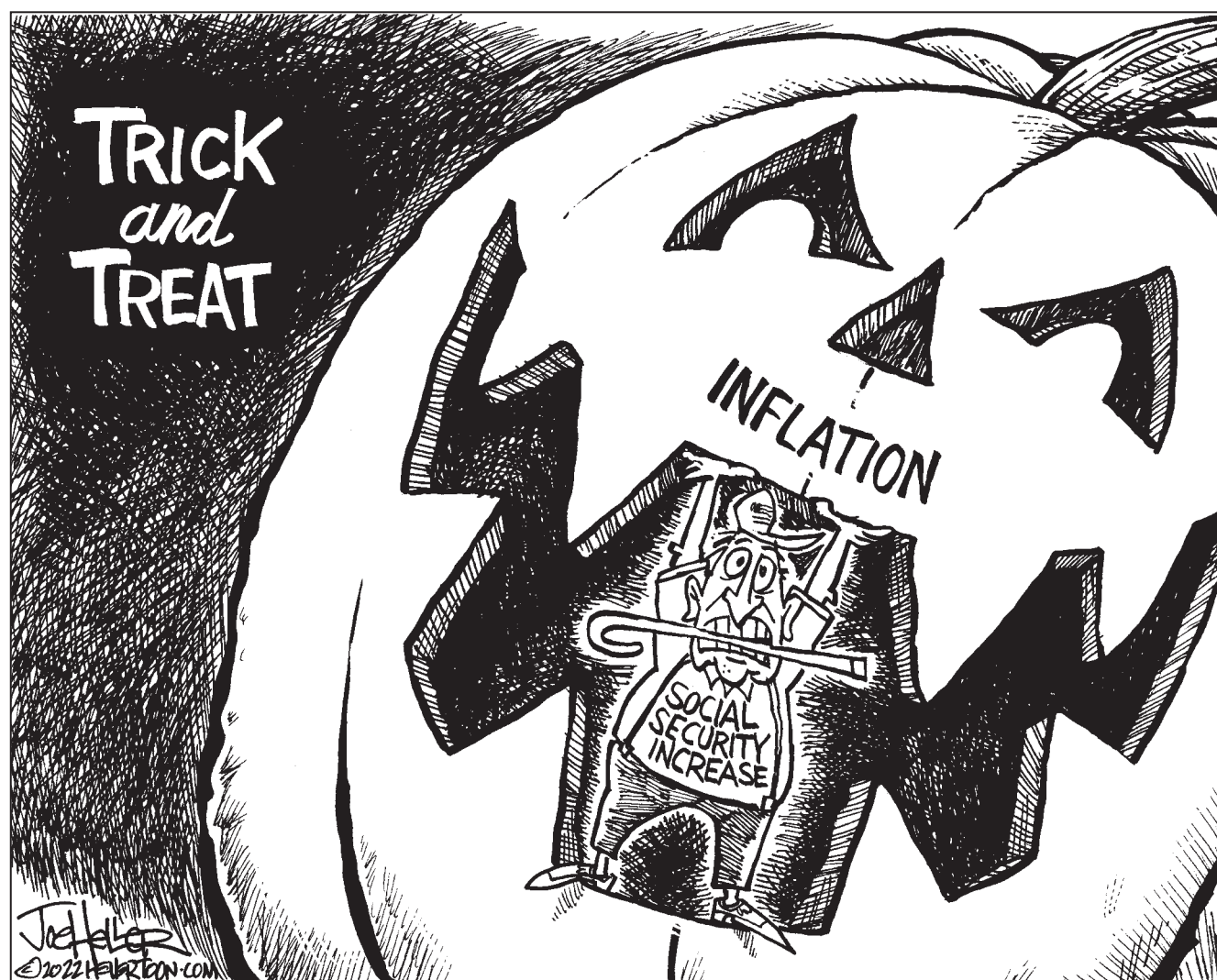
Mark Smith, Oconto Falls

If overcrowded, why let non-resident students in?

To the editor:

On Oct. 4, Pulaski School District representatives came to Hobart's village board meeting to answer questions about the district's upcoming referendum. Unfortunately, many questions remain.

First, why are non-resident students from outside the district still allowed to open enroll into school buildings that are already overcrowded? While the school district publishes pictures of teachers at



Hillcrest Elementary using storage closets as office space, and portable trailers installed as classrooms, there are currently 66 non-resident students from outside the district enrolled at that school.

The school district published a Community Growth and Projections Report dated Nov. 4, 2021, which projects enrollment over the period from 2021 to 2035. Hillcrest Elementary is projected to increase 46 resident students over this 14-year period.

Why does the school district's referendum proposal double the size of Hillcrest School for an increase of only 46 resident students? Wouldn't a more cost-effective solution be to deny open enrollment to non-resident students? Should taxpayers in the Pulaski School District pay for building expansion to accommodate students who don't even live in the district? The village's plans for development in northern Hobart have been well-known for over 10 years, so the school district can't claim this enrollment crisis snuck up on them.

The same questions should be asked regarding the district's propos-

al for Sunnyside Elementary, which, according to the report, currently has 40 non-resident students from outside the district, and a projected increase of 90 resident students over 14 years. The proposal also doubles the size of this school.

So while we are being asked to double the size of two elementary schools (Hillcrest and Sunnyside), both Fairview and Glenbrook elementary schools are projected to remain below each building's lower limit capacity through 2035, and the Lannoye Elementary School won't exceed its lower limit capacity until 2035. Does this plan maximize the efficient use of existing buildings?

Additionally, why isn't the pool at the middle school removed and that space repurposed for the projected enrollment increase at that building? The age, cost and inefficiency of that pool has been a concern for decades, so why hasn't this been offered as a solution?

The upcoming Pulaski School District referendum crumbles under the weight of its own data. The district wants \$69.8 million for school building expansion and improvements, yet

its own data raises many questions as to why this much money is really needed. Read the report and vote on Nov. 8.

Donna Severson, Hobart

Memorial for police chief needs some rehab

To the editor:

As a young teenager growing up in Oconto Falls, it was a time when most people respected the law and those who enforced it. The Falls had one of the best police officers in Bob Hammond.

When my wife and I visited last weekend, I was shocked to see that the memorial to that man is in serious need of some TLC. I believe the city is responsible for maintenance of local memorials, so please clean up the site. Those of us who remember Chief Hammond (who never had a driver's license) can tell stories about how he loved people, always had a pleasant word to say and, as he was walking the streets, if he pointed at a passing car and blew his whistle, they would stop.

Matt Ingram, Dayton, Ohio

Support group helps blind, visually impaired



Carolyn Melcher, president of the Shawano Blind and Low Vision Support Group, makes a circular motion with her white cane during the Shawano Common Council meeting Oct. 12. The motion signals to motorists that a blind person intends to cross the street.

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City proclamation for White Cane Safety Day draws attention to those who cannot see

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Proclamations from the city of Shawano recognizing certain days and issues are fairly common, but a proclamation regarding White Cane Safety Day — which is Oct. 15 each year — brought out a special guest.

Carolyn Melcher, who heads up the Shawano Blind and Low Vision Support Group, spoke to the Shawano Common Council on Oct. 12 about why such a day is necessary to draw attention to those who are unable to see clearly. She unfolded her white cane and explained that many blind people utilize them when they are not able to get a guide dog that can lead them around obstacles.

"I can't see if cars are coming because I'm legally blind. It makes it a

little easier for me to be here because I can't see all of you," Melcher said, getting laughs from the council.

Melcher demonstrated how blind people indicate to motorists that they are about to cross the street by holding her cane out straight and making a circle in the air. She noted that many are unaware of what the signal means, and that is why a campaign like White Cane Safety Day is necessary.

Alderman Kevin Barkow admitted he did not know what the signal indicated, and he said there were probably many others who don't know how best to be aware of blind people.

"Some people deal with the visually impaired a lot, but I don't see them on the road very often," Barkow said.

Melcher encouraged people to offer assistance to anyone who is visually impaired. The simple gesture of

offering an elbow for them to hold is one way, she said.

"Then we're instructed to make sure we'll tell them to give it back to them," Melcher said.

Melcher said that when she heard that the proclamation was being made, she knew she had to be there. She also asked the council members to let anyone they know who does not have full sight that her support group, which is part of the Wisconsin Council of the Blind and Visually Impaired, exists and welcomes all who might need a little help.

"We meet together once a month to support the blind and visually impaired and to give everybody information about how to make our lives easier with all kinds of things that they make now," Melcher said.

She noted that, when she first be-

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: Shawano Blind and Low Vision Support Group

WHEN: 2 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month

WHERE: Shawano Public Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano

CONTACT: Carolyn Melcher, 715-851-1076

came president for the support group, a retired optometrist contacted her and offered his services.

"I said, 'Come on,'" Melcher said.

The proclamation notes that the law gives right of way to pedestrians carrying a white cane or using a guide dog. It also notes that motorists must keep their vehicles at least 10 feet away to allow blind people to cross the street freely in order to avoid injury.

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Court finds probable cause in drug case

Green Bay man bound over for trial in Wescott incident

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Probable cause was found in a case relating to a drug arrest in the Town of Wescott on Sept. 16.

Geran D. Metko, 37, Green Bay, was charged Sept. 30 with one count of possession of amphetamine (greater than 50 grams), with intent, one count of possession of methamphetamine, one count of possession of narcotic drugs, one count of maintaining a drug trafficking place, one count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), 12 counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of bail jumping.

Metko appeared in court on Oct. 17 for a preliminary hearing, where Shawano County sheriff's deputy Cody Vigue shared his experiences, from questions from District Attorney Greg Parker, on the day that Metko was apprehended. He said that he responded



GERAN METKO

to call of a woman in distress in a vehicle outside of a residence.

"She had advised that the reason the vehicle was in the roadway, was because it had a flat tire," said Vigue. "I asked her how it

happened and she said she was at the residence with her boyfriend, Geran Metko, they had some kind of dispute in the early mornings of that day and she was trying to pull out of the driveway and leave, but Geran had came up and slashed her tires."

Vigue said that the homeowner allowed him to search the garage portion of the home in hopes of locating of Metko.

"There is a main resident house and the garage next to it that is not attached and is turned into some type of living quarters," said Vigue. "I lead a small team in there to look for him. As I went around the foot-end of the bed, it looked like someone was attempting to get underneath it. At that time, I did not know for sure that it was Geran —

I gave them commands to show their hands and stand up, and it was Geran."

He noted that although he did not find anything of interest, other deputies allegedly found baggies of substances that tested positive for THC, methamphetamine and fentanyl, along with pills, a scale and Metko's wallet and cellphone.

Parker asked Vigue how he can notice when drugs are used for personal use, as opposed to other options.

"For personal use, we usually see smaller quantity amounts," said Vigue. "Maybe two grams max of methamphetamine, a really low gram of fentanyl (and) up to an ounce of marijuana is usually considered personal use, I would say in my professional opinion."

Parker then asked if 14.2 pounds of methamphetamine and 34.8 grams of THC, numbers consistent with Metko's criminal complaint, were likely for personal use, to which Vigue responded that he thought those numbers were high.

Defense Attorney Mackenzie Christensen then cross-examined Vigue, asking if police presence was common at the residence of where Metko was found.

"They have been mostly drug com-

plaints," said Vigue. "We have located people and drugs inside of the residence and have used a search warrant in the past on drug-related issues. We consistently see our local drug users/sellers at this residence."

According to the criminal complaint, the owner of the residence stated that none of the drugs were theirs, which prompted Christensen to ask if the drugs were in plain view, or how the drugs were found. Vigue replied that drugs were located on the side of the bed, as well as in the closet of the separated garage, where Metko was found. Christensen then asked if any of Metko's personal items were located in the closet, to which Vigue replied that there wasn't.

"There is nothing to indicate that he had any knowledge of what was located in this garage," said Christensen. "He was there one night, maybe two."

Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge Katherine Sloma ruled that probable cause was found and bound Metko over for trial. Sloma scheduled an arraignment for Nov. 16 at 1:30 p.m.

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Man charged with robbery waives preliminary hearing



ANDREW SLAETS

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

A Greenville man waived his preliminary hearing for an alleged armed robbery in Keshena, during his appearance over Zoom in court on Oct. 18.

Andrew J. Slaets, 35, was charged July 27 with one count of armed robbery with threat or force, two counts of first-degree recklessly endangering safety, one misde-

meanor count of theft of movable property less than or equal to \$2,500, and one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct.

Represented by attorney John Carroll, Slaets elected to waive his preliminary hearing, to which Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge William Kussel Jr. advised Slaets that he has a right to it.

"Does (Andrew Slaets) understand that if I accept his waiver, the court will find probable cause, bind this matter over and he will

not have another chance for a preliminary hearing in this matter," said Kussel, signaling to Carroll.

Slaets confirmed that he signed and gave consent to waive his preliminary hearing.

Kussel accepted the waiver, ruled that probable cause was found and bound the matter over for arraignment on Dec. 1 at 1:30 p.m.

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US Cellular Shawano facility transitions to Cell Plus agency

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

The US Cellular store in Shawano, located at 704A E. Green Bay St., recently celebrated a ribbon-cutting as it transitioned to an agency store on Oct. 11.

"This location was a corporate location for about 2½ years," said Cell Plus Area Sales Manager Alan

Abrahamson. "US Cellular had asked us (Cell Plus) to basically transition that store to an agency location. Our agency is called Cell Plus."

According to Abrahamson, Cell Plus is a US Cellular agent location based out of Baraboo.

"They asked us to grow in the Green Bay market," said Abrahamson. "Our mission statement is that

we exist because of the power of our human connections."

Abrahamson added that as a part of that mission statement, Cell Plus officials try to be as involved in the community as possible.

"They support us; we support them," said Abrahamson. "Being involved in parades, community events — that is one of our main focuses in 2023."

He continued by saying Shawano residents should not expect the store to change or function differently than the past.

"People can expect more customer service when they come in," said Abrahamson. "That is what we are based on. That is our core foundation at Cell Plus."

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ThedaCare, Prevea spread word on breast cancer

Tips, podcast expected to make folks more aware on prevention

October is recognized as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. During this time, health care systems and organizations aim to provide education, resources, support and prevention information regarding the disease.

“Early detection is important because there are more treatment options available and a better chance of survival when breast cancer is caught early,” said Charissa Williams, a ThedaCare hematology and oncology specialist. “Studies show there’s a more than 90% survival rate, if the tumor is caught early.”

Regular self-breast exams are one way to detect a cancerous tumor. A breast cancer screening is another way. Mammograms can spot tiny tumors, making it more likely to catch the disease at an earlier stage.

“For most women, screening mammography is a safe and effective way to detect breast cancer early,” Williams added.

Medical organizations vary on the best age to start screening mammograms (some say as early as age 40) and how often to repeat them. The Centers for Disease Control and



COLETTE SALM-SCHMID

Prevention has a comparative chart, “Breast Cancer Screening Guidelines for Women,” to better sort out the timing and frequency of mammogram screening based on your particular situation.

“It is important to discuss your individual screening guidelines with your primary care provider,” said Williams. “For example, those who have a strong family history or certain genetic mutations (BRCA1 or BRCA2) often have earlier screening guidelines than the general population.”

Women might also help minimize their chances of developing the disease by modifying their lifestyle. However, Williams notes there are some risks factors that cannot be changed: age, family history, genetics, race and being a woman.

“There are several modifiable factors that can increase your breast cancer risk, including obesity, poor diet, lack of physical activity, alcohol and tobacco use and certain types of hormone replacement therapy,” she said.

To reduce your risk of breast cancer, Williams suggests forming these



CHARISSA WILLIAMS

habits:

- Maintain a healthy weight.
- Eat a healthy diet.
- Exercise regularly, at least 150 minutes per week, or better yet, moving four to seven hours per week, at a moder-

ate or intense level.

- Limit alcohol to one drink per day.
- Breastfeed for new mothers.
- Reduce postmenopausal hormone replacement therapy.

There are more than 3.8 million breast cancer survivors in the United States.

Prevea Health is also getting the word out about breast cancer and has announced a new episode of its podcast, Plug in to Health.

The episode, “Breast Cancer: Don’t just be ‘aware.’ Take action!” features Dr. Colette Salm-Schmid, Prevea breast surgeon and champion for breast cancer prevention, detection and treatment. Salm-Schmid outlines the important steps women can take, including getting a mammogram, in helping to prevent this disease which is expected to impact nearly 300,000 women in the United States this year alone.

AT A GLANCE

The American Cancer Society (ACS), offers these statistics about breast cancer:

- Among cancers in American women, breast cancer is one of the most diagnosed, second only to skin cancer.
- Breast cancer makes up about 30% of all female cancer cases.
- In 2022, nearly 340,000 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer; more than 43,000 women will die from the disease.

Although the incidence rates of breast cancer have increased slightly in recent years (0.5% per year), the death rates in older women (age 50 and older) have gone down by 1% per year.

As someone on the front lines of breast cancer every day, Salm-Schmid is also very knowledgeable about some of the best ways folks can support a loved one who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

“One of the most important things we can do — and something that is often overlooked — is to first process our own feelings about the news that a loved one has been diagnosed with breast cancer,” Salm-Schmid said in the new episode.

“Breast Cancer: Don’t just be ‘aware.’ Take action!” is available now on Plug in to Health, which can be accessed at no cost on all major podcasting platforms including Apple and Spotify. It is also available at www.prevea.com/podcast.

Recommendations for cancer checks have changed

As men begin to age, they may begin to wonder about the appropriate time to begin screening for certain health conditions, including prostate cancer.

“Over time, there have been changing recommendations whether or not to screen for prostate cancer,” said Dr. Chelsey McNabb-Pender, an outpatient internal medicine physician at ThedaCare-Encircle Health. “Scientific data has not yet clearly proven that the benefit of screening outweighs the potential harms.”

Although the benefits of getting screened seem straightforward and could detect a cancer earlier, leading to a better outcome, there are some potential downsides.

“Screening may lead to false positive results that lead to unnecessary biopsies, when a patient did not actually have cancer,” McNabb-Pender said. “There is also risk of over-diagnosis or over-treatment.”

In some cases, prostate cancer can be slow-growing and may not lead to death or cause bothersome symptoms, she said. In other cases, the cancer can be aggressive. The American Cancer Society notes that for American men, prostate cancer is the second leading cause of death, behind lung cancer, killing about one man in 41. However, the five-year survival rate when the disease is caught early is very high.

Professional medical societies such as the ACS, the American College of Physicians, the American Urological Association and the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force now agree that the best approach to starting screening is a shared decision between a physician and their patient. Those discussions normally should begin for men between the ages of 50 to 55.

African-American men and Caribbean men of African descent should discuss with their providers whether to begin screening earlier as the dis-

ease occurs more often in this population, and often at a younger age. While about one in eight white men will develop prostate cancer in their lifetimes, one in seven African-American men will develop the disease and are more than twice as likely to die from it.

“If a man has a strong family history of prostate cancer diagnosed at younger than 65 years old, earlier screening may be considered,” McNabb-Pender said. “Other factors, such as a patient’s health status, will also to take into account.”

According to the ACS, risks for developing prostate cancer can include:

- Age. Six in 10 cases of prostate cancer are found in men over the age of 65.
- Race. More cases occur in African-American and Caribbean men of African descent.
- Geography. North American men are among those at greater risk.
- Family history. Most prostate

cancers occur in men without a family history of the disease, but a diagnosis in a close family relative — a father or a brother — more than doubles a man’s risk.

• Inherited gene mutations. The BRCA1 and BRCA2 gene mutations that are associated with an increased risk of breast and ovarian cancer are also associated with prostate cancer. Men with Lynch syndrome have an increased risk of certain cancers including prostate cancer.

• Chemical exposures. Some evidence shows a link between firefighting chemicals and prostate cancer, and there may be a link with Agent Orange exposure as well.

“Deciding when to screen for prostate cancer is an important discussion to have with your provider at your annual wellness visit,” she said. “By discussing things together, you can make the best choices for screening going forward.”

Best treatment for skin cancer is prevention

Despite promising new treatments for the most common cancer in American — skin cancer — physicians say prevention remains the best medicine.

With an estimated one in five Americans developing skin cancer in their lifetime, doctors want to shine a brighter light on the importance of skin cancer screenings, even as we see less of the sun in the upcoming seasons.

“The best time of year for skin cancer screenings is anytime,” said Dr. Kathleen Hemauer, an oncology/hematology specialist at the Theda-Care Regional Cancer Center. “This is especially true for people at the greatest risk for the disease.”

According to Hemauer, those at greatest risk for developing skin cancer include those who are 50 or older, have fair skin, are immunosuppressed, have a history of multiple moles or sunburns, or have a personal and/or family

history of skin cancer.

Hemauer suggests all people regularly do skin exams at home, especially when the skin is covered up in the fall and winter months. She said an easy way to remember what to watch is by following the ABCDE Rule. This includes:

- Asymmetry
- Borders that are uneven
- Colors that come in multiple shades
- Diameter greater than ¼ inch (size of a pencil eraser)
- Evolving (or changing over time) marks on the skin

Skin cancer can occur anywhere on the skin, even under fingernails and toenails. Most commonly it occurs in places that are exposed to the most sun, including the scalp, face, arms, and legs.

“If you spot any skin concerns, talk with your primary care provider or dermatologist and consider a skin cancer screening,” Hemauer said.

“Be sure to take note of any spots on your skin you may be concerned about ahead of time.”

Full skin exams are typically performed by a dermatologist – head to toe. Skin cancer screenings typically take about 15 minutes, if nothing suspicious is found.

“Skin cancer is common, and when it’s caught early, it can be easier to treat,” Hemauer said.

Most skin cancer patients have tailored treatments, which includes surgery to remove the affected area, radiation, chemotherapy, and in most recent years, targeted therapy and immunotherapy.

“There is ongoing research in the use of immunotherapy and targeted treatments for skin cancer, which is very exciting in improving outcomes for our patients, especially those in the advanced stages of the disease,”

Hemauer said. “Immunotherapy better detects and destroys cancer cells using a person’s own immune system. The treatment is helping patients with both melanomas (the most serious of skin cancers) and nonmelanomas such as advanced squamous cell and basal cell skin cancers.

Other skin cancer prevention measures Hemauer recommends include avoiding the sun during peak hours — even in the winter; covering as much skin as possible to avoid sunburns; using sun protection with SPF 15 or greater; applying sunscreen every two hours to protect against UVA and UVB radiation; and avoiding indoor tanning.

Hemauer also noted that most skin lesions and moles are not cancerous, but it’s always best to get checked out to be sure.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:

The Village of Bonduel discovered a discharge of untreated wastewater on Porter Road on 10/12/22. The discharge began at approximately 7:00am on 10/9/2022 and was ceased at 5:30pm on 10/12/22. It was determined that this discharge was caused by a force main valve failure. The WDNR, Regional Treatment Facility and appropriate entities have been notified and corrective actions are being implemented. Further information can be obtained by calling the Director of Municipal Operations at 715-758-8779, **WNAXLP**

GRESHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND BUDGET HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Gresham School District’s Annual Meeting and budget hearing will be held on Monday, October 24, 2022 at 6pm in the Media Center of Gresham School located at 501 Schabow St., Gresham WI, County Shawano, pursuant to Sec. 120.08(1) of the Wisconsin Statutes. The budget in detail may be examined at the school office during regular business hours. Posting Date October 14th, 2022 and October 21st, 2022.

Pat Pleshek
Gresham School District Clerk

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NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

The Specialized Transportation Assistance Grant Application for 2023 is scheduled for a public hearing on Wednesday, **November 9, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Menominee Transportation Center**, located at W2727 Our Children’s Road, Keshena Wisconsin. The Public hearing will be held for the purpose of receiving comment for Menominee County / Tribe’s proposed plan for spending the allocation of \$95,866.00 authorized under Section 85.21 of the Wisconsin Statutes to implement elderly and disabled transportation programs.

Those persons unable to attend the hearing and wishing to submit comments in advance may do so by mailing their comments prior to the hearing to:

Gary Pyawasay, Director of Transit Services Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin P.O. Box 910 Keshena, WI 54135-0910
(715) 799-3222 x1707

The application will be available for public inspection at the Menominee Transportation Center, W2727 Our Children’s Road, Keshena, Wisconsin. Persons with disabilities that require special accommodations wishing to attend the hearing should contact the person listed above prior to November 9, 2022. The location of the hearing is handicapped accessible. **WNAXLP**

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

PROJECT: BALL PARK ROAD RECONDITIONING
TOWN OF SENECA, SHAWANO COUNTY
TRIP ALLOCATION PROJECT

BID DEADLINE: 5:30 PM, November 10, 2022

NOTICE: Sealed proposals for resurfacing of Ball Park Road will be received by the Town of Seneca.

TIME: Sealed bids will be received by the Town of Seneca, at the Town Hall, Tilleda, WI, until 5:30 PM, local time, on November 10, 2022 at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

BIDS: All bids shall be addressed to Raymond Rigsby, Clerk, Town of Seneca, PO Box 85, Tilleda, WI 54978. Bids may be mailed to the clerk at the above address for receipt prior to bid deadline, or bids may be presented at the Town Hall immediately prior to the time stated for bid opening. The bids shall be enclosed in an opaque envelope clearly identified as “PROPOSAL FOR BALL PARK ROAD RECONDITIONING”, marked with the name and address of the bidder. All bidders shall bid in accordance with, and shall bid upon the Proposal Forms included in the Bid Documents.

BID DOCUMENTS: Bid Documents may be examined at the office of the Engineers. Complete sets of Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Engineers, Nordin Design Group, Inc., N5841 Hwy. 47-55, Shawano, WI 54166.

QUALIFICATIONS: Owner requires Bidders to be pre-qualified for this project in accordance with the Wisconsin Statutes 66.29(2). Qualifications shall be delivered to Engineer, not less than 5 days prior to the bid deadline. Bidders who have submitted satisfactory qualifications for a previous project during calendar 2022 will not be required to submit separate qualifications for this project.

BID SECURITY: Each proposal must be accompanied by a cashier’s check or bid bond duly executed by the bidder as principal and having as Surety thereon a company qualified to act as Surety in the State of Wisconsin. The Bid Security shall be not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid, which shall be forfeited to the Town of Seneca in the event that the successful bidder fails to enter into a Contract and to furnish satisfactory Performance and Payment Bonds within ten (10) days after Award of Contract.

BID REJECTION: Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive irregularities in the bidding, and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interests of the Town of Seneca.

Published by the authority of the Town of Seneca.

By: Carolyn Jolitz, Chairperson
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October 21, 28 & November 4, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
HON. KATHERINE SLOMA

Money Judgment: 30301 The amount claimed exceeds \$10,000.00
Other Contracts: 30303 Wis. Stat. /810 Repelvin
CASE NO. 22-CV-120

Plaintiff:
COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION
PO BOX 107
ANTIGO, WI 54409
-Vs-
Defendant:
JOSEPH CARROLL
10 KNOKE ST.
GRESHAM, WI 54128
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN,
To each person named above as a defendant:
You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.
Within **40 days** after the date of first publication, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The Court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano, WI 54166, **and** to Galanis, Pollack, Jacobs & Johnson, S.C., plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 839 North Jefferson Street, Suite 200, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. You may have an attorney help or represent you.
If you do not provide a proper answer within **40 days**, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
DATED at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on October 10, 2022.
GALANIS, POLLACK, JACOBS & JOHNSON, SC
Attorneys for Plaintiff
/S/ Electronically signed
Joshua J. Brady
WI State Bar No. 1041428
P. O. Address:
839 N. Jefferson Street, Suite 200
Milwaukee, WI 53202
Telephone: (414) 271-5400
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#2439

October 21, 28 & November 4, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Summons
Judge Katherine Sloma
Foreclosure of Mortgage: 30404
Case No. 2022CV000121

Plaintiff:
Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company
N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets
Management Series I Trust
c/o PHH Mortgage Corporation
14405 Walters Road, Suite 200
Houston, TX 77014
-Vs-
Defendant:
Rosemary Gregor
a/k/a Rosemary R. Gregor
W3541 County Road BE
Bonduel, WI 54107
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN,
To each person named above as a defendant:
You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The complaint, which is also served upon you, states the nature and basis of the legal action.
Within 40 days after October 21, 2022 you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the complaint. The court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is Shawano County Courthouse 311 N Main St., Shawano, WI 54166-2198, and to Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C., plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 200, Burr Ridge, IL 60527. You may have an attorney help or represent you.
If you do not provide a proper answer within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may

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October 21, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
NOTICE IN REPLEVIN
Case Code 31003
Case No. 22-SC-442

To: GABRIEL ZEPEDA
You are hereby notified that a summons and complaint has been issued to recover possession of the following described goods and chattels, to wit: **2013 SUBARU IMPREZA - VIN: JF1GV7E6ZDG004530** of which I, the plaintiff am entitled to the possession, and which you have unjustly taken and unlawfully detain from me.
NOW, THEREFORE, unless you shall appear in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, located in the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street in the City of Shawano, State of Wisconsin, on November 1, 2022 at 1:00 P.M. before the calendar judge or any other judge of said court to whom the said action may be assigned for trial, judgment will be rendered against you for the delivery of said property to the plaintiff and for damages for the detention thereof and for costs.
Dated at Milwaukee, WI this 10th day of October, 2022.
COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION
Plaintiff
By: Joshua J. Brady, Attorney
State Bar# 1041428
839 N. Jefferson St., #200
Milwaukee, WI 53202
Tele: 414-271-9556
PO No.: 7786.16
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#2440

October 21, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Publication Summons and Notice
(Small Claims)
Case No. 2022SC000479

Plaintiff(s):
Cash Link USA LLC
1901 W 47th Place
Suite #1
Mission, KS 66205
-Vs-
Defendant(s):
Dakota Madosh
1331 S. Union Street
Shawano, WI 54166
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.

Publication Summons and
Notice of Filing

TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):
You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above.
The lawsuit will be heard in the following small claims court: Shawano County Courthouse
Telephone Number of clerk of court: 715-526-9347
Address: 311 N. Main St
Address: Branch 2
City: Shawano, WI 54166
on the following date and time:
Date: 11/8/2022 Time: 1:00 p.m.
If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
You may have the option to Answer without appearing in

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October 21, 28 & November 4, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MENOMINEE COUNTY
Amended
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR08

court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court **before** the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county.
Sign here. Enter your phone number and date.
Electronically Signed by Emma N. Schaefer
Date: 10/12/2022
Dobberstein Law Firm, LLC
225 S. Executive Dr. Suite 201
Brookfield, WI. 53005
262-641-3715
Bar No. 1116788
WNAXLP

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Marilyn R. Berghs
DOD 1/25/2021
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/1/1931 and date of death 1/25/2021, was domiciled in Lee County, State of Florida, with a mailing address of 5721 Fox Lake Dr., Unit 5, Fort Meyers, FL 33907.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 1/18/2023.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
Ashley E. Lillesand
2212 E. Moreland Blvd, Ste 200
Waukesha, WI 53186
414-409-7306
Bar No. 1063235
DATE SIGNED: October 11, 2022
Electronically signed by Gwen Hoffman
Probate Registrar
WNAXLP

#2443

October 21, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
PORTAGE COUNTY
Publication Summons and Notice
(Small Claims)
Case No. 2022SC000484

Plaintiff(s):
Onemain Financial Group, LLC.
601 NW Second Street
Evansville, IN 47708
-Vs-
Defendant(s):
Jennifer L. Buch
W15348 Main St
Tigerton, WI 54486
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-346-1364 x5 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

Publication Summons and
Notice of Filing

TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):
You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above.
The lawsuit will be heard in the following small claims court: Portage County Courthouse
Telephone Number of clerk of court: 715-346-1364 x5
Address: 1516 Church Street
Address: Branch 2
City: Stevens Point, WI 54481
on the following date and time:
Date: 11/8/2022 Time: 7:30 a.m.

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court **before** the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county.
Sign here. Enter your phone number and date.
Electronically Signed by Emma N. Schaefer

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October 7, 14 & 21, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR95

Date: 10/14/2022
Dobberstein Law Firm, LLC
225 S. Executive Dr. Suite 201
Brookfield, WI. 53005
262-641-3715
Bar No. 1116788
WNAXLP

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Otto Kositzke
DOD 9/1/2022
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 11/12/1928 and date of death 9/1/2022, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W11533 County Road M, Marion, WI 54950.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 1/10/2023.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202 Probate Office.
Michael Steber
385 Williamstowne
Delafield, WI 53018
262-646-4850
Bar No. 1005518
DATE SIGNED: 9/26/2022
Electronically signed by Gwen Hoffman
Probate Registrar
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#2534

October 14, 21 & 28, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
BROWN COUNTY
Notice Setting Time to Hear Application
and Deadline for Filing Claims
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22 PR 363

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
WESLEY WILLIAM SMITS
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 4/3/1985 and date of death 5/31/2022 was domiciled in Brown County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1492 Overland Rd., Hobart, WI 54313.
3.The application will be heard at the Brown County Courthouse, Green Bay, Wisconsin, Room 160, before Cheryl A. Young, Probate Registrar, on October 31, 2022 at 9:45 a.m.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 1/6/2023.
5. A claim may be filed at the Brown County Courthouse, Green Bay, Wisconsin, Room 160.
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 920-448-4275 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
Wm. J. Vande Castle
VANDE CASTLE, S.C.
303 S. Jefferson St.
Green Bay, WI
(920) 822-8232
Bar No. 1016919
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#2512

October 14, 21 & 28, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 2022CV000025

Plaintiff:
U.S. Bank National Association,
-Vs-
Defendants:
Estate of Mary Duley; City of Shawano CDBG;
City of Shawano Housing Rehabilitation Program,
NOTICE OF ADJOURNED SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on May 10, 2022, in the amount of \$47,954.57, I will sell at public auction in the sale held in the main lobby of the Courthouse, located at 311 North Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166-2198, on November 9, 2022, at 09:00 AM, adjourned from September 14, 2022, all of the following described premises, to wit:
The East 60 feet of Lots Seven (7) and Eight (8), Block Thirty

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(30), according to the recorded Danks & Richmonds Plat of the Village, now City, of Shawano, Shawano County, Wisconsin

Tax Key No. 281 451502120

Address: 413 West Eagle Street, Shawano, WI 54166

THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD SUBJECT TO ALL LEGAL ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE:

1. At the time of sale: a downpayment (CASH or CASHIER'S CHECK only) in an amount not less than 10% of the successful bid; and

2. No later than ten (10) days after the Court confirms the sale:

a. The balance due on the sale;

b. The amount of the transfer fee due under Section 77.22, Wis. Stats., if any; and

c. The amount of the fee due under Section 59.43(2), Wis. Stats., to record the deed and any other document required for such recordation.

DATED: September 12, 2022.

Bass & Mogulowsky, S.C.

Attorneys for Plaintiff

/s/ Adam Bieber

Sheriff of Shawano County, Wisconsin

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October 7, 14 & 21, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR96

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Gary L. Bohm

DOD 12/15/2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 8/13/1956 and date of death 12/15/2021, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W2298 Beech Drive, Bonduel WI 54107.

3. All interested persons waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 1/13/2023.

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

James E. Aschenbrener

P.O. Box 146

Shawano, WI 54166

715-524-6258

Bar No. 1008896

DATE SIGNED: 9/30/2022

Electronically signed by Gwen Hoffman

Probate Registrar

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#2532
October 14, 21 & 28, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 2022CV000063

Plaintiff:

Reverse Mortgage Solutions, Inc

-Vs-

Defendants:

Estate of William H. Mau, et al.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on August 1, 2022 in the amount of \$72,498.38, I will sell at public auction, located in the main lobby of the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166, on

November 9, 2022

At 9:00 AM, all of the following described premises, to wit: LOTS 5 AND 6, AND THE SOUTH 10 FEET OF LOTS 7, 8 AND 9; ALL IN BLOCK 54 OF THE VILLAGE OF MATTOON, SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.

Street Address: 1021 4th Street, Mattoon, WI 54450

Tax Key No. 151 700501810 & 151 700501820

THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD

AS IS AND SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES,

SUPERIOR LIENS OR OTHER LEGAL ENCUMBRANCES.

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

Adam C. Bieber

Sheriff of Shawano County, Wisconsin

Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C.

Attorneys for Plaintiff

(414) 775-7700

50-22-00356

NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.

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October 21, 28 & November 4, 2022

STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT

SHAWANO COUNTY

Notice and Order for

Name Change Hearing

Case No. 22CV000164

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:

Samantha Jo Welch

Notice is Given:

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

From: Samantha Jo Welch

To: Samantha Jo Schelk

Birth Certificate: Samantha Jo Welch

It is ordered:

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

Judge's Name: William F. Kussell Jr

Place: Branch 2, 311 N. Main St.

Shawano, WI 54166

Date: 11/28/22

Time: 8:15 AM

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#2533
October 14 & 21, 2022
Notice of Public Hearing
Planning, Development and
Zoning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, November 2, 2022
@ 9:00 AM

Shawano County Courthouse,

Rooms A, B & C

Members: Ken Capelle,

Jeremy Gretzinger, Kathy Luebke, Theresa Serrano,

Michael Stupecky

Z-8-22: Glenn R and Patsy Krueger request zone change on 3.031 acres of land from FP, Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District to A-R, Agriculture Residential Zoning District pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Section X.1.10(4) and Section X.2.01(1) to Section X.3.01(2) for the purpose of combining land to parcel #018-36410-0020 (property address N2639 W Range Line Road) which is currently zoned A-R. Property is located and described as commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 36; Thence South 00°30'47" West along the East line of the Southeast 1/4, 987.95 feet; Thence North 89°13'12" West, 397.07 feet to the Northeast corner of Lot 1 of Certified Survey Map Number 1675, Recorded as Document Number 505714; Thence North 89°19'08" West along the North line of said Lot 1, 530.06 feet to the Northwest corner of said Lot 1; Thence South 00°31'18" West along the West line of said Lot 1, 328.79 feet to the monumented South line of said Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; Thence North 89°15'30" West along said South line, 401.59 feet to the monumented West line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; Thence North 00°27'05" East along said West line, 328.36 feet; Thence South 89°19'08" East, 401.99 feet to the point of beginning located in the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 36, T26N R13E. Being part of tax parcel #018-36410-0010. Town of Grant. Currently vacant land.

Z-9-22: Mike Hoffman, Hoffman Land Surveying, agent for Richard L and Judith A Rothe, Vendor and Timothy J and Melissa L Marta, Vendee, request zone change on 2.95 acres of land from FP, Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District to A-R, Agriculture Residential pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Section X.2.02 to Section X.3.02 for the purpose of constructing a single family dwelling. Property is located and described as commencing at the South _ corner of Section 21; thence N88°46'08"E, along the South line of the SE1/4 of said Section, 610.00 feet; thence N00°20'24"E, 739.84 feet; thence S82°19'44"E, 146.20 feet to the point of beginning; thence S89°39'36"E, 260.00 feet; thence S00°20'24"W, 520.00 feet; thence N78°46'28"W, 264.76 feet; thence N00°20'24"E, 470.00 feet to the point of beginning, located as part of the SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Section 21, T26N R12E. Being part of tax parcel #014-21430-0010. Town of Fairbanks. Currently vacant land.

NOTE: Any person may appear at the public hearing and be heard and/or submit comments to be read into the record for Committee consideration. Correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer.

Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766

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

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BBB offers tips for finding contractors

Even before the pandemic, the United States and Canada had a shortage of qualified contractors.

However, the COVID-19 pandemic and supply chain issues have made hiring for home remodel and repair projects even harder — and it's likely to get worse.

BBB has the following tips if you are having trouble finding a contractor for your home improvement project.

- Understand the challenges. It's normal for specialized subcontractors, such as electricians, to prefer to work for general contractors. That means they can get repeat work instead of depending on one-time projects. Your project may not be high on a contractor's priority list. Accepting this fact and knowing your search may take time can ease some of your stress.

- Be prepared to pay more. Be realistic when it comes to how much your project will cost. Don't be surprised if bids on your project are considerably more expensive than what you would have expected it to cost pre-pandemic. Being willing to pay more for materials and quality work will make you more attractive to contractors.

- Be a good communicator. If you communicate clearly and create a comfortable working environment for contractors, they will be more willing to take on your project.

- Find contractors by asking other contractors. Beyond asking your friends, neighbors, and family members for recommendations, you can also ask for references from contractors you know. For example, if you're looking for an electrician, ask your plumber if they can recommend someone.

- Be flexible with evening and weekend work. You may be able to find a contractor who is moonlight-

ing while working a 9 am-5 pm, Monday-Friday job. Perhaps this person is building up a client base before starting their own business, or they simply want the extra income.

- Start looking before you need someone. If your neighbor gets a stellar kitchen remodel from a quality contractor, get their contact information, even if you aren't planning a kitchen remodel just yet. This contact information can reduce your search time when you are ready to hire a contractor.

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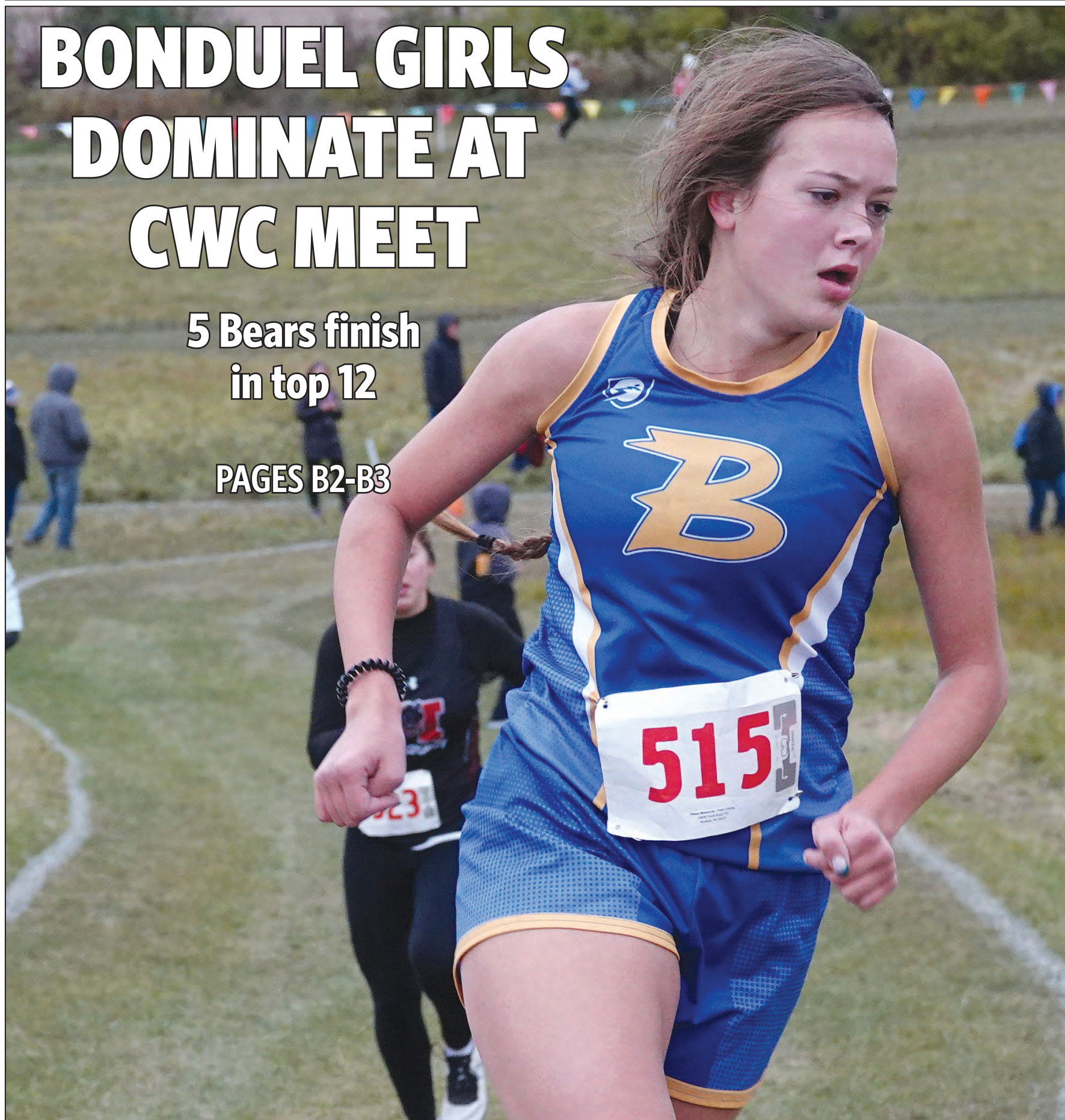
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BONDUEL GIRLS DOMINATE AT CWC MEET

**5 Bears finish
in top 12**

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Bonduel's Kendra Troxel runs during the Central Wisconsin Conference Meet on Oct. 17 in Rosholt.

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Bonduel's Joselyn Bohm navigates the course during the Central Wisconsin Conference Meet on Oct. 17 in Rosholt.

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HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Bonduel girls win CWC title

Witt-Birn's Salvesen 2nd in girls race

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

ONLINE

Full results from the meet can be found on www.athletic.net.

The Bonduel High School girls cross-country team dominated the field to win a team title at the Central Wisconsin Conference Meet on Oct. 17 in Rosholt.

Bonduel placed first with just 35 points, comfortably ahead of second-place finishing Weyauwega-Fremont (60).

"I knew we could do it; our team is very strong this year," said Bonduel's Ashlyn Kurey on the title. "We just had the mentality to go out and do our best and, no matter what, we're proud of our team. We knew we could do it so we knew we could push ourselves."

Kurey was one of four girl runners from Bonduel to place inside the top 10. Kurey came in third in 20 minutes, 25.38 seconds.

Teagan Engel, Kendra Troxel and Mariah Wondra were the next three Bears across the finish line, taking seventh, eighth and ninth, respectively. Engel completed the course in 20:38.67, with Troxel finishing in 20:52.92 and Wondra at 21:16.39.

Joselyn Bohm capped the team score by placing 12th in 21:29.2

Cierra Schnell (22:14.16), Hailey Berg (24:19.53) and Anna Beaumier (25:24.32) also ran for the Bonduel girls.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood freshman Rory Salvesen continued her big freshman season with a second-place individual finish. She completed the course in 20:11.19 and helped the girls team finish fifth with 136 points.

"It's kind of hard when you're not with someone to pace you throughout the race. So you kind of just listen to your body and try to keep going," said Salvesen on her race. "Then it helps when people are yelling out times to know where you are timewise, to see if you got to pick it up or slow down. My

mom is always telling me who is behind me and how I got to pick up there; it helps."

Jayden Zeinert and Danica Tomson were the next two Witt-Birn girls to cross the finish line. Zeinert came in 24th in 23:04.34, with Tomson in 29th in 23:39.79.

Annika Resch (26:58.46) and Ave Hegewald (27:28.06) rounded out the team score by placing 51st and 55th, respectively. Amelia Bessert (29:29.76) also ran for the Chargers.

Marion and Menominee Indian also had runners in the meet but not enough girls on the teams to qualify for a score.

Urijah Reeves (22:45.3) and Mariah Fish (24:42.43) placed 20th and 39th, respectively, for Menominee Indian.

Bridget Much (27:25.22) came in 53rd for Marion.

In the boys race, Pacelli won the team title with 38 points. Bonduel was the highest-finishing area team, coming in sixth with 127 points. Witt-Birn was eighth with a mark of 170.

Ben O'Brien placed seventh to lead the Bonduel boys and make the all-conference first team. He completed the course in 17:19.66

"I was hoping to get first team, and I got my goal. I feel very proud of myself because I got second team all-conference last year and have been improving a lot this year," said O'Brien.

Race Anvelink wasn't too far behind O'Brien, claiming 12th in 17:59.69. Ayden Dunst placed 25th in 19:01.16.

Griffin Uelmen (20:44.98) and Ben Reisner (20:49.82) capped the team score, taking 49th and 50th, respectively. Keaton Bahr (25:17.83) also ran for the Bears.

Witt-Birn's Craig Wendel (19:44.99), Mason Meverden (19:48),

Ian Salvesen (19:57.42) and Jonas Bushman (20:05.86) all finished within six spots of each other. Wendel claimed 34th, Meverden took 36th, Salvesen came in 37th and Bushman was 39th.

David Fons (21:02.4) capped the team score by placing 51st. Hayden Miller (21:35.5), Owen Schultz (21:45.25) and Taras Guk (21:52.29) also ran for the Chargers.

Menominee Indian, Gresham/Bowler and Marion all had individual runners in the boys race.

Isaiah Moss led a four-runner group from Menominee Indian,

taking 23rd in 18:58.08. Lloyd Reevis (19:17.65) finished 27th, Barron Waupoose (19:32) claimed 28th and Francis Delabrau (20:28.8) was 46th.

Gresham/Bowler's Bryson Nelson finished 24th with a time of 19:00.65. Kevin Miller (24:51.01) placed 71st, while Kobe Miller (26:20.86) was 76th.

Tristan Herro (22:36.72) and Jesse Trebus (24:50.2) represented Marion, finishing 63rd and 70th, respectively.

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Wittenberg-Birnhamwood's Rory Salvesen works her way up a hill during the Central Wisconsin Conference Meet on Oct. 17 in Rosholt.

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HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL



The Wittenberg-Birnamwood volleyball team holds up four fingers after winning the CWC-East title for a fourth straight season after taking down Weyauwega-Fremont on Oct. 11 in Weyauwega.

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Witt-Birn, Gresham win conference titles

Teams have dominated conferences the past several seasons

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood and Gresham volleyball teams capped perfect runs through their respective Central Wisconsin Conference divisions to claim conference titles on Oct. 11.

Witt-Birn finished off a 7-0 run through the CWC-East with a hard-fought 3-1 win over Weyauwega-Fremont in Weyauwega. The Chargers won by scores of 26-24, 22-25, 25-20, 26-24.

"We all held ourselves accountable this season in all of the positions that we were in or that we played in," said Witt-Birn senior Reese Rogowski. "We never gave up in all the games we played and didn't let the pressure get in our heads no matter how close the game was. And it definitely helped that

we had a great team connection on the court since we had the experience of playing with each other last year."

"I really think that this year our team had great chemistry and we all fed off of each other's energy," said Allison Linke, another Charger senior. "It comes down to putting in the work every day at practice and leaving it all out on the court and fighting for every point. We never take any team for granted and we play to our best ability each time we step on the court."

London Metropulos and Rogowski powered Witt-Birn against Weyauwega-Fremont with 25 and 15 attack kills, respectively. Metropulos also led the team with four aces, while Kiara Deruchowski had three.

Metropulos capped a monster match with six total blocks and 13 digs. Rogowski had a team-leading 14 digs,

while Payton Foster and Deruchowski had 13 each. Linke chipped in 12 digs.

Foster led the Chargers with 21 assists, with Lilly Betry adding 18 assists.

The title marked the fourth straight year the Chargers have turned in the best conference mark, meaning any of the six seniors on the team knew nothing but conference titles at the varsity level.

Gresham also has ruled the CWC-North for the past several seasons, with a shortened season in 2020 being the only thing standing between the team's seniors having four titles of their own. The team only has two seniors, but since the duo entered high school, the Wildcats have not lost a conference match.

Gresham swept White Lake in White Lake to finish off its perfect 5-0 run through the conference this fall.

The Wildcats won by scores of

25-15, 25-18, 25-14.

"We were able to win the conference title again this year because we all worked really hard this year," said senior Chloe Bohl. "All of us work really well together and are all very close with each other — I sometimes even refer them to family. Whenever there is a problem we always talk about it and figure out ways to make it better."

Bohl led Gresham with eight kills against White Lake, while Jessa Jensen had seven.

Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes tallied 14 assists, seven service points and six aces for the Wildcats. Maddie Haffner finished with 11 service points.

Witt-Birn and Gresham will look to carry over strong regular seasons to the postseason. Witt-Birn is a No. 1 seed in Division 3, while the Wildcats are a No. 2 seed in Division 4.

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HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL



Pulaski's Emma Quinnell, left, and Mallory Walton leap up to try blocking the ball during a conference win over Green Bay Preble on Oct. 13 in Pulaski.

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Pulaski ends regular season on positive note

Red Raiders win by sweep in FRCC finale

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Pulaski High School volleyball team has been hampered by injuries and illnesses this fall season, but was able to end the regular season on a positive note.

After winning the final two sets to rally past Sheboygan South on Oct. 11, Pulaski cruised to a 25-8, 25-20, 25-15 sweep of Green Bay Preble on Oct. 13 in Pulaski.

"It was a great feeling," said Pulaski senior Gianna Logue. "The past couple weeks have been tough. We've been battling injuries, sicknesses, illnesses, whatever it may be, but today was a great team win. We all came out here ready to fight. We played as a team, we played for each other."

The win was even more special for the Red Raiders as the team celebrated its five seniors. It was the seniors that led the way most of the night.

Logue finished with eight attack kills and three total blocks. Senior Hailey Wiedeman posted a team-leading 21 digs, while also contributing five assists and two aces.

Senior Ashton Birr recorded 11 digs, while senior Mallory Walton posted four attack kills. Olivia Pozza, the team's fifth senior, is one of the players that was injured this season, and has instead served as a manager for the team.

"Our season has definitely been a rollercoaster, so this is a great achievement to end our (regular) season," said Wiedeman. "Our whole team worked well together and that just brought out the win in us."

"This year has been a struggle with a lot of people injured, including myself, but we're coming back so much stronger," said Birr. "Every time somebody gets hurt, somebody steps up and right in. Our team is gelling, we all get along great. So to come up with a win (going) into the regional game, it's great. We just need to keep this energy up and work well together as a team."

Set one was all Pulaski, with

Preble only scoring back-to-back points on two occasions.

Emma Quinnell and Alexia Thibodeau got Pulaski going with a couple of early kills before Logue and Emily Bruss scored a couple points. An ace from Thibodeau made it a 15-3 Pulaski advantage.

Walton and Lauren Kellner later added in kills as the Red Raiders ran away with the first set.

Set two was more of a challenge for Pulaski, especially after falling behind 3-0. Despite several kills from Logue, the Red Raiders continued to either trail or be tied for the first 20-plus points.

Pulaski gained control of the set with a 6-0 run as Birr served. Thibodeau chipped in a couple more kills on the run.

The hosts led the rest of the set, fighting off Preble's comeback efforts. Logue added a couple more kills to her total to help the Red Raiders prevail.

"They put up a fight, they came back swinging," said Logue. "Finishing like how we did is a huge confidence boost. We want to peak at

this time, so we're looking forward to the postseason."

Set three saw Pulaski fall behind 2-0 before using a 5-0 run to take a lead it would never relinquish. Quinnell, Kellner and Thibodeau had kills on the run before an ace from Wiedeman and Preble error capped it.

Preble was able to hang around for awhile before Pulaski went on a 4-0 run to go up 17-9. The Red Raiders didn't let off the gas and eventually wrapped up the match on a kill from Bruss.

Behind Logue's team-leading eight attack kills, Pulaski was pretty balanced. Thibodeau tallied six kills, while Bruss, Kellner and Quinnell joining Walton at four kills.

Bruss led the team with 22 assists and added 11 digs. Thibodeau had nine digs.

Pulaski will now gear up for the postseason, first traveling to Hortonville on Oct. 20. The Red Raiders capped the regular season with a 16-21 record and a 4-5 mark in the FRCC.

ATHLETE PROFILE: MACY NILES

Bonduel senior accomplishes career milestone

Bonduel High School senior Macy Niles is winding down her volleyball career. She recently achieved a big personal achievement after reaching 1,000 career digs.

Niles topped 1,000 digs in the team's sweep of Rosholt on Oct. 6 in Bonduel. Niles recorded 22 digs on the night.

Along with serving as a strong defender and being the team's libero, Niles is a strong server for the Bears.

Q: When did your interest in volleyball begin?

A: My interest in volleyball began in sixth grade, and since then my love for the sport has continued to grow.

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

A: My favorite part about the volleyball season is forming an unbreakable bond with my teammates. I love the excitement that is brought to the court every game and the energy my teammates and I have for one another after a good play is made.

Q: As the postseason gets started, what does the team need to do well to keep winning matches?

A: To continue winning matches in the postseason, we need to have strong communication on the court. We need to focus on getting our serve receive and defense passes up to the setter so our hitters are able to put the ball away. Most importantly, we need to know our potential and play to the level we know we can.

Q: What's helped the team to the successful year it's had?

A: Our team has built a very strong connection which has really helped lead us to a successful season. Also, our defense has been good this year allowing us to put the ball away more. In games, we know how to pick each other up, and we are constantly supporting and cheering each other on.



Bonduel's Macy Niles serves the ball during a CWC-East match against Wittenberg-Birnamwood on Sept. 13 in Bonduel.

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Q: You recently reached 1,000 digs for your high school career. What does that milestone mean to you?

A: Reaching 1,000 digs this year was a very exciting goal to meet. Especially after missing the first few weeks of the season due to a hand injury, reaching this goal felt very accomplishing. I have worked my hardest in every game and practice since freshman year to get up as many balls as possible, so this has just showed me how much my hard work has paid off.

Q: What do you enjoy doing the most on the court and why?

A: On the court, I really enjoy

passing a perfect ball to my setter followed by a kill from one of my teammates. I love being able to celebrate a good play with my teammates because it really brings up the energy and enthusiasm on the court. I especially love playing defense against hard hitters because nothing is more exciting to me than getting a dig off of a hard-hit ball.

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

A: To lead my team, I try to be the loudest and most positive teammate I can possibly be on and off the court. I constantly communicate with my teammates on the court, letting them know where the ball

AT A GLANCE

Athlete: Macy Niles
Sport: Volleyball
Position: Libero
School: Bonduel High School
Year: Senior

is coming from every play, and I'm always cheering them on throughout every game.

Q: Before a match starts, do you or the team have any routines or rituals you go through?

A: Before every match, my team and I turn off the lights in the locker room and join in a circle. We hold hands and scream/sing two songs: "Flowers" and "All I Want." Then we do a team prayer and break it down.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Bonduel volleyball team?

A: My favorite high school memory of competing on the volleyball team was playing St. Mary Catholic in the playoffs last year. Our team chemistry during that game was outstanding. The support we gave each other on the court and all the support we received from our community that night was the best I've ever experienced in a game.

Q: Favorite movie, TV Show, and musical artist?

A: Movie — "Purple Hearts." TV show — "Outer Banks." Musical artist — Luke Combs.

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

A: Most people don't know that I was born with a broken collarbone.

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

A: After graduating high school, I hope to continue my schooling at UW-Milwaukee and graduate with a degree in architecture. I also hope to continue my love for the sport by playing club volleyball in college.

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ATHLETE PROFILE: JOSH KRISTOF

Lena senior loves making defensive plays

The Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy football co-op has turned its program around during the last few years. While the co-op has certainly improved on offense, its defense has also stepped up its level of play, with senior Josh Kristof being a big reason why.

Kristof has been an all-conference linebacker since his freshman season. He made the MONLPC 8-player honorable mention team as a freshman.

Kristof made the team's all-conference list again as a sophomore, when the conference didn't distinguish between first, second or honorable mention teams.

As a junior, Kristof was a first-team all-conference linebacker. He was also named the Defensive Player of the Year for his efforts.

Now a senior, Kristof also serves as a running back for the co-op.

The Lena/STAA football team opens up postseason play Oct. 21 at Gibraltar.

Q: When did your interest in football begin?

A: As long as I can remember, I've always loved the game of football.

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

A: My favorite part about the football season would be game day and the adrenaline rush I get when I am on defense.

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

A: Football has taught me to be a leader and be confident in my ability to play well in each game.

Q: What's helped you become the strong defensive player you are?

A: My coaches pushed me to become the best defensive player that

AT A GLANCE

Athlete: Josh Kristof
Sport: Football
Positions: Middle linebacker, running back
School: Lena High School
Year: Senior

I can be. I started playing linebacker freshman year and didn't know what I was doing. The coaches teaching me and my commitment to being the best contributed to being the strong defensive player I am today.

Q: What is your favorite thing to do on the football field and why?

A: My favorite thing to do on the football field would be hitting people. Being aggressive is my biggest strength, and taking out that aggression on the field is the best.

Q: The team has enjoyed two really strong years in a row. How much fun has it been to be part of those teams to end your high school career?

A: It has been so much fun the past two years, and it is great to see the support of the fans that come to our games. I couldn't ask for a better team to be with for my senior year, and I wish them the best for when us seniors are gone.

Q: As a senior, how did you help lead the rest of the team?

A: I am confident in our team's ability to win each and every game, and it rubs off onto the younger kids. Their energy on the sidelines makes the game so much fun. During practice, I also push the other guys to do their best because I think that you practice how you play.

Q: Before a game starts, do you or the team have any routines or rituals you go through?

A: I always give the pregame



Lena/STAA's Josh Kristof chases down a ball carrier during a nonconference matchup against Suring on Aug. 25 in Suring.

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speech before our games to hype up the team and set the tone for the game.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Lena/STAA football team?

A: My favorite memory so far would be winning our first home playoff game last year. The whole town was there cheering us on, and it was an unforgettable experience.

Q: Favorite movie, TV show and musical artist?

A: Movie — "Silence of the

Lambs." TV show — "Stranger Things." Musical artist — Ice Nine Kills.

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

A: I can solve a Rubik's cube in under a minute.

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

A: I hope to go on and play football in college and study business. I would also like to get at least a 3.5 GPA in college.

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HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Pulaski caps regular season with 2 dominant wins

Red Raiders pick up 2 FRCC victories

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Pulaski High School boys soccer team ended the regular season with a couple of lopsided Fox River Classic Conference wins in Pulaski.

On Oct. 11, the Red Raiders eased to a 6-1 victory over Ashwaubenon. Pulaski then rolled to an 8-0 win over Manitowoc Lincoln on Oct. 13.

In the win over Ashwaubenon, Pulaski scored four goals in the opening half.

Dylan Carley opened the scoring in the 19th minute by knocking in a free kick from about 30 yards out. Three minutes later, Ian Janus scored on a penalty kick to make it 2-0.

Jack Ryan scored an unassisted goal in the 35th minute before Corbin Tackmier scored off a Hunter Kobylarczyk assist in the 36th minute.

Ashwaubenon scored first in the second half, but Pulaski tacked on two goals to seal up the win.

Hudson Schultz scored in the 66th minute off a Harrison Gwidt assist. Austin Decker then netted a goal in the 78th minute, with Luke Hanstedt earning the assist.

Mason Baker and Gaven Halde-

mann each spent time defending the net for Pulaski, with each goalie being credited with two saves.

Pulaski outshot Ashwaubenon 18-2 in the contest.

The Red Raiders then outshot Manitowoc Lincoln 29-1 a few days later. Baker and Haldemann again both played to post the shutout.

Pulaski grabbed the lead on a Maddox McKeefry goal in the third minute. Hayden Burkel assisted on the score.

Hanstedt then scored in the sixth minute off an Austin Lipsey assist before Chase Ambrosius set up a Carley goal in the 10th minute to give the hosts a quick 3-0 lead.

Burkel scored in the 41st minute to make it 4-0, with Ambrosius again getting an assist. Burkel then set up a Carley goal in the 44th minute.

McKeefry scored off a Schultz assist in the 53rd minute, making it 6-0. Hanstedt and Decker scored unassisted goals in the 57th and 61st minutes, respectively, to close out the match.

With the two wins, Pulaski capped the regular season with a 15-4-1 overall record and 5-3-1 mark in the FRCC.

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Pulaski's Luke Hanstedt passes the ball to a teammate during a conference match against Ashwaubenon on Oct. 11 in Pulaski.

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Chet and Emil's Wednesday Business

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CWAA	11	4
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S and M Tool	8	7
Kessen Auto Body	5	10
Kropf's Meat	5	10
Chet and Emil's	4	11
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High team scratch games: Karcz Lending 1,073, S and M Tool 1,018, Chet and Emil's 964.

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High team scratch series: Karcz Lending 3,074, S and M Tool 2,971, Chet and Emil's 2,708.

High individual scratch series: Doug Kunst 726, Jeremy Praslowicz 606, Shawn Walkush 580.

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Team W L		
Cady Home	11 1/2	4 1/2
Chet and Emil's	7	9
Banner Banks	6 1/2	9 1/2
Star Campsite	6	10

High team handicap games: Star Campsite 737, Chet and Emil's 726, Cady Home 714.

High individual scratch games: Cindy Mortenson 187, Christy Clark 185, Tracy Anderson 185, Kim Zeller 181, Alicia Schinzel 178, MaryGene Salveson 167.

High team handicap series: Cady Home 2,099, Chet and Emil's 2,011, Star Campsite 1,960.

High individual scratch series: Tracy Anderson 523, Alicia Schinzel 489, Christy Clark 483, Cindy Mortenson 473, Kim Zeller 459, Courtney Tryba 451.

Chet and Emil's Tuesday Commercial

Team W L

White Insurance	11	4
Clark Construction	9	6
Chet and Emil's	8	7
Kautza Excavating	8	7
Schmidt Schulta	6	9

High team scratch games: Chet and Emil's 1,141, Kautza Excavating 1,060, Clark Construction 1,029.

High individual scratch games: Brian Rew 266, Tim Lemke 256, Jared Szezs 252.

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HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Shawano girls 2nd, boys 3rd at conference

Hendricks, Onesti place 4th individually

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Shawano Community High School cross-country teams performed well at the Bay Conference Championship on Oct. 15 in Shawano.

The Shawano girls placed second with 51 points, only behind Xavier (34). The Shawano boys team tallied 75 points to take third, finishing behind Xavier (43) and West De Pere (49).

Bailey Hendricks and Lily Guenther paced the girls team, placing fourth and fifth, respectively.

Hendricks completed the course in 19 minutes, 53.9 seconds.

"Many things contributed to how I ran today. My team is a key factor

in this, especially Lily Guenther. Lily pushes me to my limits and helps me to be a stronger runner. She is always encouraging and supportive," said Hendricks.

"Another essential thing that helped me going into this race was having physical and mental goals set. I believe that having those set goals helped me to do so well."

Guenther posted a time of 20:03.4.

"Honestly, today wasn't my strongest race, so I was really lucky to have a teammate like Bailey to run with," said Guenther. "It's really reassuring that even if I do not have my best race, our team will be OK because we can rely on each other for support and motivation."

Grace Chelberg and Maci Beyer

also placed in the top 15 for the Hawks. Chelberg was ninth in 20:22.6, with Beyer in 15th in 21:00.

Adalyn Barkley (21:34) took 22nd, while Anabelle Schroeder (21:43.5) was 23rd. Lauren Harkey (22:18.3) claimed 26th, with Trinity Popelka (23:15.3) coming in 32nd.

"Finishing second at our conference meet proved that our team's hard work is paying off," said Hendricks. "I also believe that finishing second will help the girls team get into the right mindset to run well and achieve greatness at sectionals."

The Shawano boys' top finisher also came in fourth. Ethan Onesti turned in a time of 16:31.2.

"Before the race, I made a personal goal that I was going to achieve in the race," said Onesti. "Most of the race I had a lot of adrenaline running through me,

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so I used it to help me achieve my personal goal."

Will Chelberg claimed sixth in 16:51.9.

"The cold weather was definitely something we had to contend with in terms of warming up," said Chelberg. "I went out strong and tried to stay with the leaders and was happy with my finish."

Andon Chelberg finished 10th in 17:33.6. Connor Chelberg placed 23rd in 18:25.8.

Quinn Olson (19:03.3) came in 34th for the Hawks. Jaymin Boivin (19:33.2) claimed 37th, and Aidan Preston (20:12.1) was 42nd.

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COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

Grand Canyon University

Wittenberg-Birnamwood graduate Wyatt Dickman competed in four events for the Grand Canyon University men's swim team during a dual loss to Arizona on Oct. 15.



WYATT DICKMAN

Dickman placed sixth in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 57.62 seconds and was seventh in the 200 breaststroke in 2:11.46.

Dickman was also on the fourth-place finishing 200 freestyle relay (1:27.88) and fifth-place finishing 200 medley relay (1:33.14).

Carroll University

Pulaski High School graduate Jake Binkowski recorded three total tackles in the Carroll University football team's win over Elmhurst on Oct. 15.

Binkowski had one solo tackle and two assisted tackles. He also broke up a pass.

Ripon College

Gillett grad Angela Mosconi placed 15th while representing the



ANGELA MOSCONI

Ripon women's cross-country team during the Wisconsin Private College Championships on Oct. 15.

Mosconi turned in a time of 24:55.2.

Witt-Birn grad Lauren Bahr competed in three events for the Ripon women's swim team during a one-point dual loss to Loras on Oct. 15.

Bahr placed second in the 50 freestyle (27.62) and 100 backstroke (1:08.89). She was on the second-place finishing 200 freestyle relay (1:51.73).

UW-La Crosse

Pulaski grad Maggie Hernandez turned in a couple strong performances to help the UW-La Crosse women's soccer team to two wins last week.

In a 5-0 win over Luther on Oct. 12, Hernandez was credited with two assists. Two of her three shots were on goal.

She attempted two more shots in the team's 7-0 win over UW-Stout on Oct. 15.

Colorado Mesa University

Pulaski grad Sadie Kelley tied for



SADIE KELLEY

24th place while golfing for the Colorado Mesa women's team at the Farmers Insurance Samuel Proal Invite on Oct. 10-11.

Kelley turned in a round of 81 on day one before an 82 on the second day.

UW-River Falls

Shawano grad Gage Timm recorded a solo tackle in the UW-River Falls football team's loss to UW-Platteville on Oct. 15.

Timm now has six total tackles on the season.

UW-Eau Claire

Bonduel graduates Isaac Garside and Parker Bohm each played in the UW-Eau Claire football team's loss to UW-La Crosse on Oct. 15.

Garside rushed twice for 34 yards, caught seven passes for 105 yards and returned two kickoffs for 24 yards. He caught touchdown passes of 15 and 4 yards.

Bohm had two total tackles in the contest, one solo and one assisted. He also served as the long snapper on three kick attempts.

Oconto Falls graduate Autumn

Canavera and Gillett graduate Ryann Wagner ran for the UW-Eau Claire women's cross-country team at the Augustana Interregional Invitational on Oct. 15.

Canavera placed 41st in 24:29.9, while Wagner took 111th in 27:28.1.

UW-Whitewater

Bonduel graduate Jessica LaBerge tied for 46th place while golfing for the UW-Whitewater women's team at the 2022 WIAC Championship on Oct. 7-9.

LaBerge fired rounds of 93, 90 and 91 to finish with a combined score of 274.

Whitewater won the WIAC title for the sixth straight season.

Concordia-St. Paul

Pulaski graduate Andrew Egnarski tallied a team-leading 10 total tackles during the Concordia-St. Paul football team's loss to Minnesota Duluth on Oct. 15.

Egnarski finished with six solo tackles and four assisted tackles.

UW-Green Bay

Shawano grad Grace Beyer placed 216th while running for the UW-Green Bay women's cross-country team at the Bradley "Pink" Classic on Oct. 14.

Beyer completed the course in 23:22.8.

HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Gillett boys, girls dominate M&O Meet

Tigers' Kaczmarek, Alex Peterson place 1st

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Gillett Secondary School cross-country teams each placed first at the Marinette & Oconto Conference Meet on Oct. 13 at Big Stone Golf Course in Three Lakes.

While the competition for the team titles wasn't too contested, Gillett really proved its dominance with a number of strong individual finishes.

The top three finishers in the boys race were all Gillett runners. Alex Peterson continued his special senior season with a first-place finish in 16 minutes, 24.7 seconds.

While Alex Peterson was able to ease to the conference title, he did get a great test from Crandon's Taylor Karcz. Crandon was competing in the Northern Lakes Conference Meet, which was run at the same time as the M&O Meet.

"I was pushed today by Taylor, so that helped me stay focused the whole race," said Peterson. "Today I definitely felt that I raced a complete race. My focus was to push harder the third mile, and I accomplished that for sure."

Gillett's Evan Peterson was next across the finish line, completing the course in 17:29.6.

Bradyn Wendorff came in third for the Tigers, posting a time of 17:38.8. Six Tigers ended up placing in the top 11.

The Gillett boys scored 17 points to take first, comfortably ahead of Coleman (49) and Oneida Nation (71).

"Bradyn, Evan, and I finishing one, two, three is super awesome," said Alex Peterson. "I've never seen that done at conference before, and to be a part of that my senior year is so special with the guys I get to run with. They have such great attitudes that whatever we put our minds to, we will accomplish. This time it meant winning a conference title."

"These finishes definitely spark a fire for me and both teams because of what we know we're able to accomplish," said Evan Peterson. "With sectionals coming up, I and the team are ready to run our hearts out to make it to state. The state bid won't be handed to us, so we're prepared to face what it takes to make the dream of state come true."

Gillett's Carleigh Kaczmarek won the girls race in 20:32, and was one of six Tigers to place inside the top 10.

"I was able to place first by working hard all season and giving it my all no matter what," said Kaczmarek. "Coach and I knew what I would have to do to get it done and I did that. It means a lot knowing all of the time and dedication through all of the years has finally paid off."

"It's even better that our girls team has and boys team won it too. Especially our girls team winning four straight as a team feels so much better than just winning it by myself. I wouldn't have wanted my last conference (meet) to go any other way. This was a great step forward for my team and I next week."

The Gillett girls scored 20 points, with Suring (38) the only other team to score.

Sophia Limberg (22:16.6) and Cheyenne Krueger (22:24.5) placed third and fourth, respectively, in the girls race for Gillett. Laney DeBauch (23:05.3) finished sixth.

Lily Hansen (23:29.4) and Kasey Hansen (23:55.7) took eighth and ninth, respectively. Megan Wagner (40:59.4) was the team's other runner in action and earned big praise from coach Bill De Jung after completing her second race of the season after dealing with health issues this fall.

Back in the boys race, Gillett's Scott Herroux (19:45.6) and Nash Stange (19:59.2) capped the team score by placing eighth and 10th, respectively.

Chase Anderson (20:02.1) was the 11th-place finisher. Zander Davis (22:08.2) and Virgil Herzog (23:40.8) also ran for the Gillett boys.

The Suring girls finished second behind a second-place individual finish from Georgia Gerndt. She posted a time of 21:20.8.

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Full results from the M&O Meet can be found at wi.milesplit.com.

"I have been working to start my races off faster and keep that pace until I settle in a good spot. I just keep my eyes on the girl in front of me and go for it," said Gerndt. "When I turn around the last corner and see the timer, I know I can finish faster than I'm going and it also pushes me to keep beating my last PR (personal record)."

Ginger Gerndt came in seventh in 23:17.3. Hailey Thomson (24:40.8), Allyson Seibert (25:06.5) and Morgan Suring (25:28.1) placed 11th, 12th and 13th, respectively. Samantha Seibert (27:20.9) also ran for the Eagles.

The Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy co-op just missed out on qualifying for team scores with four runners in the boys and girls races.

Dylan Comins led the boys team with a seventh-place finish in 19:19.6. Mason Belongia grabbed ninth in 19:48.4. Reed Hosking (20:04.6) and Erik Kosch (20:08.5) placed 12th and 14th, respectively.

For the girls co-op, Haley Van Ark led the team with a 16th-place finish in 26:00.7.

Miriam Alberts (27:42), Chaela Rabas (29:13.2) and Kali Fischer (32:05.3) took 18th, 19th and 20th, respectively.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

6 area teams awarded spots in postseason

Witt-Birn will host level one game

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Six area high school football teams earned spots in the postseason. The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association revealed brackets during a one-hour live program on Bally Sports Wisconsin on Oct. 15.

Pulaski, Shawano, Oconto Falls, Wittenberg-Birnamwood and Bonduel made the 11-player field, while the

Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy co-op was part of the 8-player field.

Pulaski is a No. 5 seed and will play in the Division 2 field. The Red Raiders will travel to take on No. 4 Marshfield at 7 p.m. Oct. 21.

A Pulaski win would either send the team to No. 1 River Falls or it would be hosting No. 8 La Crosse Central on Oct. 28.

Shawano got a No. 7 seed in Division 3. The Hawks will travel to No. 2 Mosinee at 7 p.m. Oct. 21.

With a win, Shawano would next travel to No. 3 Rice Lake or No. 6 Merrill on Oct. 28.

Oconto Falls also received a No. 7

seed, but in Division 4. The Panthers will open the postseason at No. 2 Freedom at 7 p.m. Oct. 21.

Oconto Falls would either travel to No. 3 Berlin or No. 6 Denmark on Oct. 28 if it won its first-round game.

Witt-Birn picked up a No. 3 seed in Division 5 and will be the lone area team hosting a game in level one of the postseason. The Chargers host No. 6 Kiel at 7 p.m. Oct. 21.

With a win, Witt-Birn would either host No. 7 Sturgeon Bay or head to No. 2 Kewaunee on Oct. 28.

Bonduel is a No. 6 seed in Division 6. The Bears open the postseason at No. 3 Crivitz at 7 p.m. Oct. 21.

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Full playoff brackets can be found at wiaawi.org/Sports/Fall/Football/Tournament.

A win would mean Bonduel either hosts No. 7 Weyauwega-Fremont or travels to No. 2 St. Mary's Springs on Oct. 28.

Lena/STAA is a No. 4 seed in the 16-team field for 8-player football. The co-op will head to No. 1 Gibraltar at 7 p.m. on Oct. 21. Gibraltar is the only team that beat Lena/STAA during the regular season.

With a win, Lena/STAA would either head to No. 2 Florence or No. 3 Wabeno/Laona on Oct. 28.

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5	Sunday, October 9	vs New York Giants (London)	8:30 a.m.	FOX
6	Sunday, October 16	NEW YORK JETS	*12 p.m.	FOX
7	Sunday, October 23	at Washington Commanders	*12 p.m.	FOX
8	Sunday, October 30	at Buffalo Bills	*7:20 p.m.	NBC
9	Sunday, November 6	at Detroit Lions	*12 p.m.	FOX
10	Sunday, November 13	DALLAS COWBOYS	*3:25 p.m.	FOX
11	Thursday, November 17	TENNESSEE TITANS	7:15 p.m.	prime video
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HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

Diefenthaler, Krause enjoy state experience

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Pulaski High School girls tennis No. 1 doubles team of Madeline Diefenthaler and Ruth Krause dropped their lone match at state, but enjoyed the experience and now have memories that will last a lifetime.

The Red Raider duo lost 6-2, 6-0 to Greendale's Natasa Pupovac and Katarina Zrnic on Oct. 13 at Nielsen Stadium in Madison.

"The match at state truly was a once in a lifetime opportunity for me," said Diefenthaler, a senior. "Ruth and I both tried to just let it all sink in. The minute you walk in, there's a bunch of people and courts. It's pretty intimidating when you first look at it.

"We tried to get over our anxiety fast and do our best to adapt quickly. Ruth and I competed very well. We put our all into the match and had fun

playing. Every game in the match was close, it was a shame that we made just a couple more errors than the other side. We still had an amazing experience together though and it was an incredible way to end our season together."

Krause echoed similar thoughts after seeing her freshman season wrap up at state.

"The match was definitely overwhelming for many reasons. However, once Maddy and I walked through the gate to the courts, all my nerves went away," said Krause. "The Nielsen (Stadium) in Madison was a great atmosphere to experience as a freshman. Both Maddy and I played our best, even when things weren't going so well. Overall, I had fun playing with Maddy and having our families and coaches cheer us on."

Diefenthaler said that the Pulaski duo faced off against their coaches to

prepare for state, playing both indoors and outdoors.

"Getting to play against our coaches was a really fun competition and experience," Diefenthaler said. "One day we would win, and the next they would. Back and forth we were all fighting for bragging rights before state."

Krause said the lead-up to state was a bit intimidating because "we didn't know what to expect and the level on play that we would have to take on."

The freshman added that while practice got tough, the duo got through things by knowing they belonged at state.

"Then actually playing at state was amazing and breathtaking," said Krause. "You have so much riding on one match or one point that you freak out. But you realize having fun and staying positive out rules the loss."

The No. 1 doubles team capped the

season with a 15-10 record.

The senior, freshman pairing was a unique one, but one that worked out. It did leave the two players with different mindsets after wrapping up state, as one high school career is over and the other just getting started.

"Getting to go to state this year meant the world to me," said Diefenthaler. "It truly was an unbelievable experience. It was a great start to the end of my senior year. After all of my hard work since I was little, it really meant a lot to show that it really did pay off."

"After playing at state as a freshman, I have become stronger as a person and a player," said Krause. "This experience will definitely help later on in my tennis career. I will never forget the nerves leading up to this moment and them all floating away when I served the ball."

HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Oconto Falls girls 2nd at conference behind duo

Boys team places 4th

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Oconto Falls High School girls cross-country team placed second at the North Eastern Conference Championships on Oct. 15 in Marinette.

The girls team tallied 62 points, only behind Freedom (44).

The Oconto Falls boys finished fourth with 91 points. Little Chute (49), Luxemburg-Casco (58) and Freedom (83) finished ahead of the Panthers.

The girls team was led by the duo of Brooke Hodkiewicz and Hannah Ludemann.

Hodkiewicz finished the race in 21

minutes, 3.9 seconds to place seventh.

"At this point in the season, it is mostly mental. We've put in a lot of work over the past couple of months, and we're ready. I try not to get ahead of myself and focus on the present," said Hodkiewicz. "When you see something you want, you go get it. It's not going to come on its own."

Ludemann came in ninth in 21:15.3.

"Finishing strong allows me to show what I have been training for," said Ludemann. "I use all that I have left in me to make each race the best. Hopefully my confidence can keep me going for the next races to come."

Hailey Delzer wasn't far behind Hodkiewicz and Ludemann, placing 12th in 21:33.2. Maddy Przybylski took

16th in 22:11. Mackenzie Lotto capped the team score by placing 20th in 22:22.3.

Sydney Bell (22:48.1) and Ava Hodkiewicz (23:05.6) also ran for the girls team.

Ben Adams and Griffin Kopke led the Oconto Falls boys team by placing fourth and ninth, respectively.

Adams completed the course in 17:39.3.

"I work hard all season, and it's starting to pay off," said Adams. "I started fast and paced myself with the front runners. I continued this through the race. I felt good throughout the race."

Kopke posted a time of 18:19.

"Although I was disappointed in my

finish and missing first team (all-conference), I was still all-around proud of my time and run," said Kopke. "There are some things I learned from this race, and that will probably motivate me going into next Saturday's race. It's going to have to be today and stronger next week. I know we might be far off in our race times, but we want state. Today was good, but we are pumped for sectionals."

Evan Yuma (18:26.7) placed 11th for the Panthers. Brant Laluzerne (19:53.8) and Emerson Rice (19:56.5) claimed 34th and 35th, respectively.

Layton Rickert (21:28.7) and Garrett Ganter (21:41.8) rounded out the boys seven-runner team.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Wisconsin offensive tackle Logan Brown dismissed from team

By **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Wisconsin offensive tackle Logan Brown has been dismissed from the team because of an "internal incident," interim coach Jim Leonhard

said Oct. 13.

Brown, a former five-star recruit, had tweeted late Oct. 12 that he was entering the transfer portal.

"The reality of what happened is there was an internal incident here

within the program and Logan Brown was dismissed from the program," Leonhard said. "It was not a choice. He was dismissed from our program."

Leonhard, who took over for the fired Paul Chryst on Oct. 2, didn't de-

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tail the incident that led to Brown's exit.

HIGH SCHOOL SWIM

Fun a priority in Pulaski's FRCC loss to Bay Port

Schmidt wins 200 IM for Red Raiders

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Pulaski High School girls swim team decided to have some fun during its Fox River Classic Conference dual against Bay Port on Oct. 11 in Pulaski.

With the season winding down and postseason right around the corner, the Red Raiders decided to switch up swimmers' events. The final score of the dual finished with the larger Bay Port team winning 120-50, but the goal of the night — which was also parents' and senior night — was more about the team members enjoying themselves.

"For them, it was all about having a fun time and having something a little bit different to do," said Pulaski coach Nick Haydon.

The coach hopes the fun night helps in the final weeks of the season.

"It's a little bit of a break in the mental game, too," he said. "When they are used to swimming those same events that they are the best at, it's kind of nice to sometimes give them a rest from that, especially if they've hit a little bit of a plateau. It gives them a little break and then we can go into the next meet with a fresh mindset."

Even while swimming in some dif-



Pulaski's Brynn Rybicki swims the 200 IM during the team's dual against Bay Port on Oct. 11 in Pulaski.

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ferent events then they were accustomed to, Pulaski swimmers were still able to turn in some strong finishes on the night.

Senior Taya Schmidt won the 200-yard IM in 2 minutes, 28.76 seconds for the team's top finish.

"Well, I don't really swim that event, so I didn't really go in with any expectations for it really," said Schmidt. "I just kind of swam, tried to keep my pace. I swim the 50 free and breast, so I just tried to push on those strokes to kind of carry me, I guess."

Schmidt was also part of the second-place finishing 200 medley relay team. The team was rounded out by Grace Duffrin, Abi Roberts and

Angelina Fulgione and posted a time of 2:13.75, less than two seconds off the top-finishing time.

Schmidt came in second in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:13.45.

In Duffrin's first individual event of the night, she placed second in the 200 freestyle with a time of 2:09.47. She later claimed second in the 100 breaststroke in 1:20.19, about a second off the top time.

"I think it really lifts our spirits because we're not stressed out about what our time's going to be. We're just out there to race and have fun and try to win," said Duffrin on what swimming in different events does for the team. "Even though it's not our events,

we're not really trying to win but we still just try our best."

The Red Raiders different approach was especially evident in the 200 freestyle relay, where the team of Schmidt, Fulgione, Roberts and Duffrin swam an IM instead.

"That's something we'd never do on a normal day, but we got to do it today," said Duffrin.

Roberts and Fulgione claimed second and third place in the 50 freestyle, posting times of 30.4 and 30.43, respectively.

Brynn Rybicki turned in a third-place finish in the 500 freestyle after completing the race in 6:04.68.

Rybicki teamed up with Maddy Grell, Brynn Kapla and Olivia Krueger for a third-place finish in the 200 freestyle relay after posting a time of 2:09.6.

"I think it just puts everyone in a better mood because they get to do something they don't usually get to do. It's lots of fun," said Schmidt on the team's approach to the dual.

"We don't expect everyone to do the greatest that they can do. It just puts everyone in a good mood because there's no pressure really."

Following the dual, the Red Raiders had just one meet remaining before the season's most important events arrive. Pulaski is at the FRCC Meet on Oct. 29 and then has sectionals Nov. 4-5.

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HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Opolka, Nowak guide Pulaski at FRCC Championships

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Pulaski High School girls cross-country team placed fifth and the boys eighth at the Fox River Classic Conference Championships on Oct. 13 at Seven Lakes Golf Course in Manitowoc.

The girls team came in fifth after scoring 125 points. The Red Raiders finished behind Notre Dame (44), Green Bay Preble (53), De Pere (62) and Bay Port (122).

The Pulaski boys finished eighth with 224 points. The team finished behind Notre Dame (35), Bay Port (68), De Pere (75), Green Bay Preble (92), Manitowoc Lincoln (117), Ashwaubenton (158) and Sheboygan North (181).

The Pulaski girls team saw both

Angela Opolka and Olivia Stedl finish inside the top 20.

Opolka led the team with a 14th-place finish in 20 minutes, 35 seconds.

"I was really excited to run this race," said Opolka. "After walking the course, I could really see some good opportunities for passing people on hills and around corners. As we started the race, it was pretty cold. I did not go out super fast, just tried to get a good base on my race."

"I started to go faster and pass people after mile one. Around halfway through the race, it started hailing on us. It really helped me to focus through the race. I was following two girls from Notre Dame and was able to pass them on the last 400 meters to come in 14th and make second team all-conference."

Stedl came in 18th in 20:47.2.

"Since it was the conference meet, I really tried to get out fast and reach my goal of the second team all-conference award," said Stedl. "I got honorable mention last year, so I wanted to move up this year. It was a hard race, we had to run in 40 degrees, rain and hail — some of the worst conditions ever. But we all pushed through it and finished strong."

Emerson Fabry was the next girls finisher, taking 23rd in 20:52.4. Rachael Allen (21:47.1) placed 34th, while McKenna Lowery (21:47.9) was 36th to cap the team score.

Grace Goodness (21:50.7) and Ella Krueger (24:03.6) also ran for the girls team.

Dayne Nowak was the boys team's top finisher, claiming 29th in 18:05.7.

"Though I did not place well

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overall, I was happy with the placement in my age group (9th grade)," said Nowak. "I, along with my teammates, found the weather abominable as there was sleet and nearly freezing temperatures."

Peyton Yaw placed 41st with a time of 18:32.4, while Arden Gillen was 53rd in 19:12.7. Griffin Nowak (19:23.7) and Dayne Groth (19:26.8) capped the team score by placing 56th and 57th, respectively.

Thomas Murphy (19:50.8), Brody Zeinert (20:12.6) and Enrique Strange (21:08.7) also ran for the boys team.

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HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

VOLLEYBALL

Shawano takes 2nd at Bay Tournament

Shawano topped New London (25-14, 25-21) and West De Pere (20-25, 25-16, 15-12) before losing to Xavier (22-25, 25-18, 15-12) to place second at the Bay Conference Tournament on Oct. 15 in Green Bay. By defeating Xavier in the first set, Shawano became the only Bay Conference team to win a set against Xavier all season.

Against New London, Alix Heath, Coral Cook and Megan Dillenburg each served three aces for Shawano. Abby Bystol and Leah Nordin each posted seven attack kills. Heath led the team with 21 assists, while Dillenburg had nine digs.

Nordin posted 10 attack kills against West De Pere. Heath recorded 25 assists, while Dillenburg had 10 digs and two aces.

Bystol posted a team-leading five attack kills against Xavier. Cook served four aces, Heath totaled 15 assists and Sam Richter had nine digs.

Suring finishes 2-0 at triangular

Suring knocked off Niagara (25-22, 13-25, 25-20, 25-20) and Wausaukee (27-25, 23-25, 25-22, 23-25, 15-8) during a triangular on Oct. 13 in Suring.

Suring's Christine Sleeter recorded 31 total kills, 17 assists and six aces across the two matches. McKenzie Chesterfield tallied 18 total kills, while Bailey Stuart had 10 total kills and five aces.

Macie Reed finished the night with 19 assists and eight total kills for the Eagles. MaShya Seefeldt posted 10 as-

sists and nine digs, while MacKenzie Bailey served three aces.

Gresham 3

Menominee Indian 0

Gresham capped its regular season with a 25-22, 25-20, 25-20 sweep of Menominee Indian on Oct. 13 in Keshena.

Chloe Bohl led Gresham with 12 kills, while Jessa Jensen chipped in six kills.

Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes led the Wildcats with 16 assists. Josie Cerveney tallied 13 service points, while Maddie Haffner had seven digs.

Bonduel 3

Algoma 0

Bonduel knocked off Algoma by scores of 25-23, 25-16, 25-18 on Oct. 13 in Algoma.

Hailee Thompson totaled 23 assists and four kills for Bonduel, while Macy Niles had 12 digs and three aces.

Audrey Weier posted nine kills for the Bears. Josie Anvelink chipped in seven kills.

Gillett wins pair at triangular

Gillett defeated St. Thomas Aquinas Academy (25-16, 25-9, 25-13) and Oneida Nation (25-13, 25-10, 23-25, 25-21) during a triangular on Oct. 13 in Gillett.

Hailey Elsner led Gillett with 22 total kills on the night, while Halle Fisher tallied 17 and Bella Matczak 11. Reece Franti posted a team-leading 16 digs, while Cilena Guns had 12. Mia Soper and Fisher tallied 10 digs each and Elsner had eight.

Guns also served nine aces on the night, with Elsner and Soper at six aces each.

Witt-Birn 3

Antigo 0

Wittenberg-Birnamwood eased to a 25-12, 25-8, 25-21 nonconference win over Antigo on Oct. 13 in Antigo.

London Metropulos and Reese Rogowski each had eight attack kills for Witt-Birn, while Metropulos also had nine digs.

Payton Foster posted 12 assists, nine digs and two block kills for the Chargers. Kiara Deruchowski served 16 times, including seven aces. Melaina Granquist contributed three block kills, while Layla Huffman had two block kills.

Tigerton 3

Marion 0

Tigerton knocked off Marion by scores of 25-13, 25-21, 25-18 in a CWC-North match on Oct. 11 in Marion.

Skyler Hauser tallied 14 total kills, 10 digs and eight service points for Tigerton. McKenzie Hoffman added 17 assists and 10 service points, while Samantha Suehring had 15 digs and 11 service points.

Abby Swartz chipped in six attack kills and nine digs for the Tigers. Jade Selle recorded seven digs, while McKenzie Miller had 12 service points and six digs.

GIRLS SWIM

Witt-Birn 88

New London 82

Wittenberg-Birnamwood won the final event of the night to emerge victorious over New London in a Bay Conference dual on Oct. 10 in Wittenberg. The dual was tied going into the final event, but with a first- and third-place finish, the Chargers knocked off

a larger New London team.

The Witt-Birn 200-yard medley relay team of Jessica Storlie, Reese Dickman, Faith Resch and Andrea Powell opened the night with a top finish in 2 minutes, 8.98 seconds. Annika Resch then won the 200 freestyle (2:21.33) before Dickman had the top time in the 200 IM (2:30.77).

Faith Resch followed by winning the 50 freestyle (26.3) before Dickman claimed the top time in the 100 butterfly (1:13.02). Faith Resch then won the 100 freestyle (57.58).

After New London won the next few events, Annika Resch got the Chargers back in a groove by winning the 100 breaststroke (1:21.78). The 400 freestyle team of Faith Resch, Annika Resch, Dickman and Olivia Bessette then teamed up for first in 4:04.61 to help the hosts prevail.

FOOTBALL

Algoma 48

Suring 12

Suring dropped a Peninsula Conference 8-player contest to Algoma on Oct. 14 in Suring.

Cody Schrank and Seth Scrivens rushed for Suring's two touchdowns in the game. Scrivens led the team with 122 rushing yards.

Trent VanDenElzen led Suring's defense with nine solo tackles.

Crivitz 35

Oconto Falls 6

Oconto Falls couldn't slow Crivitz in a Northwoods Conference clash on Oct. 14 in Crivitz.

Carter Hill rushed for a touchdown in the fourth quarter for Oconto Falls' lone score.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Wisconsin outlasted by Michigan State in double OT

By BOB TRIPI

The Associated Press

Quarterback Payton Thorne threw a 27-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver Jayden Reed in the second overtime to lift Michigan State to a 34-28 victory over Wisconsin on Oct. 15 in East Lansing, Michigan.

The win snapped a four-game losing streak for the Spartans (3-4, 1-3 Big 10). It is the first loss for Wisconsin's interim coach Jim Leonhard who replaced Paul Chryst two weeks ago.

The game-winning throw was set up after Michigan State's Jacoby

Windmon stripped the ball from Braelon Allen on the first play of the second overtime and defensive tackle Dashaun Mallory pounced on the ball. Three plays later, Thorne hit Reed in the right corner of the end zone with the game-winner.

"They had walked their (line-backer) up off the edge," said Thorne who completed 21 of 28 passes for 265 yards. "We really hadn't seen that look all day. So I'm thinking he's probably coming, and even if he's bluffing, they might be bringing something from the other side which on the play we called it's not great."

Thorne continued: "So I saw (Reed) was out there, looked like he had single coverage. So I said screw this, let's protect this thing up and throw and let's go get in the end zone. He did a great job coming down with the ball."

On the first play of the first overtime, Reed threw a 25-yard touchdown pass to Keon Coleman at the goal line, giving the Spartans a 28-21 lead.

Wisconsin's Graham Mertz tied the game when he connected with Chimere Dike on a 25-yard scoring pass.

After Michigan State took a 21-14

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lead, Mertz marched the Badgers 52 yards to even the game at 21 with 2:04 remaining on his 3-yard touchdown pass to Keonte Lewis.

On the ensuing possession the Spartans had an opportunity to win the game in regulation by driving to the Badgers' 29-yard line. However, a bad snap on a 37-yard field goal forced holder Bryce Baringer to throw a pass that was intercepted by John Torchio.

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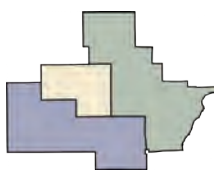
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Library staff reading stories that can be accessed by phone

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Library assistant Claire O'Brien uses a microphone and computer software to create an audio version of a children's book Oct. 12 at the Shawano County Library. That story will become part of the library's new Stories on a Cloud system.

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Listen to a story on a cloud

Shawano County Library presents alternative way to enjoy good stories

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Parents not wanting to read that bedtime story for the 100th time and those who prefer audiobooks to turning the pages of actual books are getting some good news.

The Shawano County Library has started a new program called Stories on the Cloud, which features library staff reading from a variety of books as yet another way to connect with patrons.

"Especially during the pandemic times and shortly after, we were looking for different ideas of interacting with patrons," said Kristie Hauer, library director. "We were looking at how to offer services in a different way, offer services at a distance from the library or from each other."

In 2021, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction offered grant funding for libraries to develop hybrid service models, according to Hauer, and the county submitted its proposal and received \$50,000 for a number of programs, one of them being Stories on the Cloud.

"Shawano County Library was one of 20 in the state that received these grants," Hauer said. "There were a lot more requests, so we were fortunate."

Hauer said she got the idea from seeing other libraries implement similar programs, but another catalyst was meeting a vendor at a library conference that promoted audio stories.

Library staff members choose the stories and record them via a microphone and computer software and then load the MP3 files to the server. The library is allowed to have up to 99 active files at one time, and even though there are only 14 selections at the moment, Hauer expects that stories will rotate in and out to give people a selection.

Anyone can dial 715-304-3400 and select from the stories as many times as they want. It requires no apps, special equipment or even the internet. The service is not limited to library patrons and is open to everyone.

"When patrons call into the number here, toll-free, they will hear a welcome message, and then it will take them through the menu, like, press one to hear this story or press two to hear this story," Hauer said.



Shawano County Library assistant Claire O'Brien has enjoyed reading children's stories and loading them to the Stories on a Cloud system. O'Brien has headed up the library's workgroup that is recording stories for patrons and other members of the community to enjoy.

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Library assistant Claire O'Brien has contributed her vocal talents for a number of the stories currently available, and she has enjoyed the experience so far.

"It's a really exciting opportunity," O'Brien said. "We have a small work group that's kind of working on it together that I'm heading up, and we have assigned a few stories to each of us just to get started. We want to see what the response from the community and see what it is they're looking for. It'll be good to interact with the

community and get that feedback."

Most of the current selections are classic children's tales, including selections from the Boxcar Children series and Dr. Seuss' "Green Eggs and Ham," but the library is planning to expand its repertoire.

"We're hoping to load poems for National Poetry Month and chapters of adult novels," O'Brien said.

She noted that some of her colleagues were worried about how their voices might sound reading the stories, but she was unfazed.

"This is what my voice sounds like, and I've accepted it. It's been with me for 31 years," O'Brien said. "It's been really cool to go through the process of recording them and uploading them."

O'Brien added that her first recording for the library was "Where the Wild Things Are" by Maurice Sendak because that's her child's favorite story to hear.

"I basically went with what I knew already," O'Brien said.

The library is using the recording software Audacity, which allows staff members to easily record and edit segments that might not have been as quality as they would like without having to record the whole file again.

"You can even record it on your phone, just any MP3 file and upload it to their site," O'Brien said. "It's a very simple user interface. There's not a lot of bells and whistles, and there's no graphics and advertising."

While the service might seem like it was set up more for when health and weather prevented the library from operating, Hauer said it's just as useful for patrons who might be out of town or unable to access the library.

"It seems like a nice service for parents and kids, or for grandparents and kids," Hauer said.

The library is looking at expanding the options, according to O'Brien, even including reading books in other languages or uploading a fact of the day.

"We can do famous speeches and jokes. It doesn't have to be just a story," O'Brien said. "You can upload any story you want — within library standards — not just children's books and novels."

Hauer noted that Stories on a Cloud could also be a supplement to the library's abundant youth reading programs and could even promote those programs to new residents and visitors.

O'Brien said the library is also looking at reading the first chapter of novels and then suggesting if they like the beginning of the book that it's available for checkout at the library.

"It's just an introduction to try something new that you wouldn't have picked off the shelf, but to hear someone read it to you," O'Brien said.

JW returns to door-to-door ministry

Officials say reception from community has been encouraging

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Shawano residents can continue to expect the occasional knock on their door, as members of the Jehovah's Witnesses have recently gone back to door-to-door ministry.

Jehovah's Witnesses suspended door-to-door ministry in March 2020 due to the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic. During the time that door-to-door ministry was suspended, Jehovah's Witness members instead wrote letters and met virtually for ministry.

"I started referring to it as the big 30 — the 30 months where we weren't involved in our in-person ministry," said Jehovah's Witnesses National Spokesman Matt Oleman. "I think that all of us, regardless of Jehovah's Witnesses, or otherwise, had a challenging 30 months with the pandemic and everything that was going on."

The decision to go back to door-to-door ministry revolved around COVID-19 testing, vaccines and other prevention and response prevention methods being more readily available.

"With all of those things, we finally decided after all of those 30 months away, now was time for us to return to really what is core to our goal of reaching people in the neighborhood to try and get them a positive message," said Oleman.

Oleman said that JW members have been participating door-to-door ministry for close to 100 years. He said that even during wars, the ministry stayed in place.

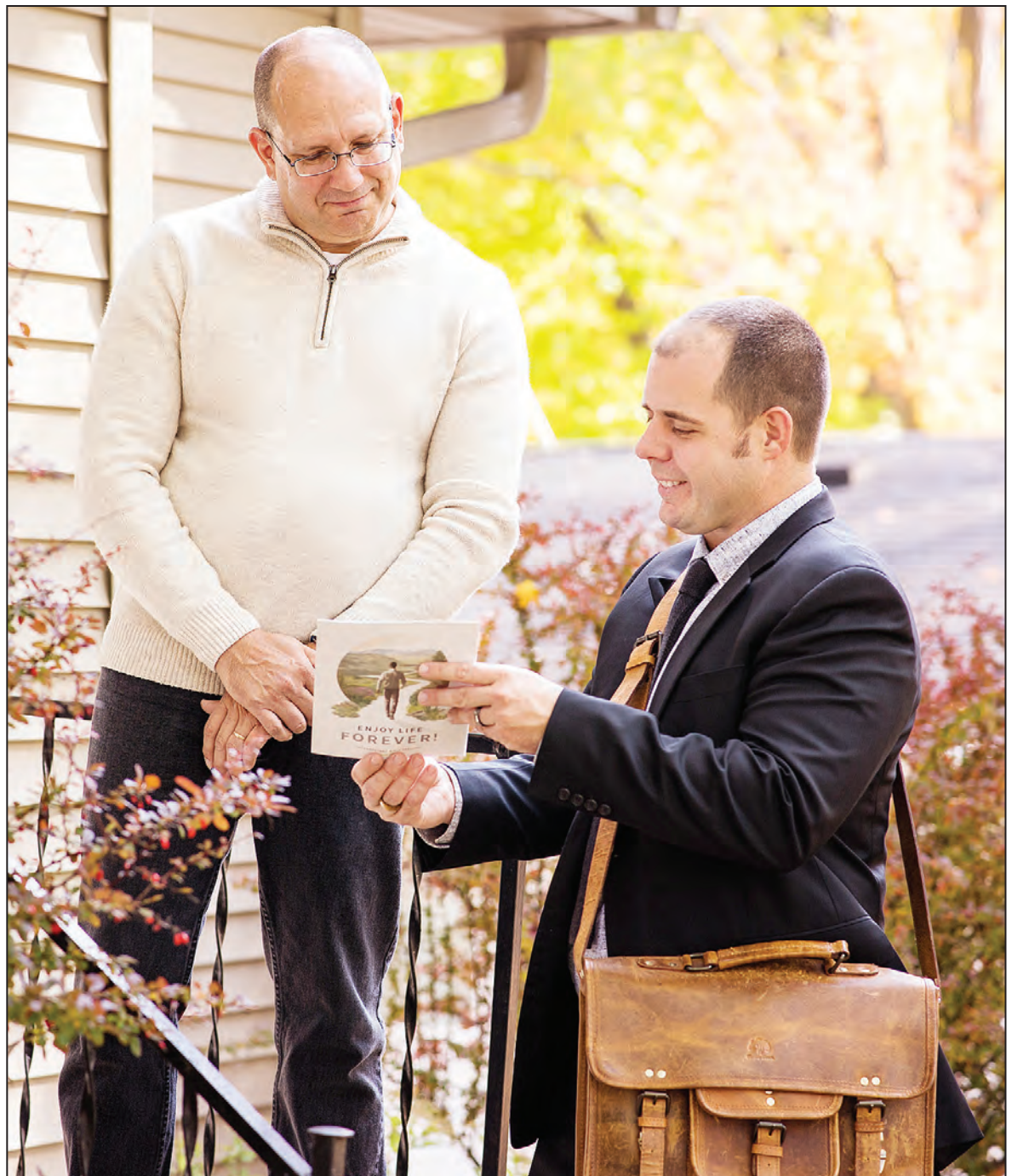
"A pandemic was something that over those 100 years, at least in this country, was something that we never have faced," said Oleman. "Really as a globe, I don't think since the Spanish flu, there has been something that was this significant."

Going back to door-to-door ministry has been a bright spot for JW members, something that has been received well by the public on a national level.

"I was out there just a few days after we returned," said Oleman. "One gentleman asked where we have been. That just tells you people were so used to us coming — everyone is going to make the decision of how they feel being approached at their door, but the general consensus from the friends that I have talked to, is that the community is happy to see us back."

Shawano JW minister Jacob Wheeler echoed Oleman's words about returning to in-person ministry, saying, that he feels great about going back.

"I was eager to get back preaching that way — that is what I have done most of my life," said



Shawano Jehovah's Witness minister Jacob Wheeler, right, meets a Shawano resident during his door-to-door ministry. Jehovah's Witnesses recently went back to door-to-door ministry after 30 months, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Wheeler. "The first day out I had some nervous feelings, to be honest, maybe wondering if our neighbors would be comfortable or welcoming to us coming back. Due to the nice responses though so far, those feelings quickly went away. It felt normal."

Wheeler said that Shawano residents can expect the same door-to-door ministry as they were used to before the pandemic.

"I would say that there is not a ton that we are doing differently," said Wheeler. "We still send the Bible's message that we really want people to benefit from. The Bible has so many principles that can help during these tough times. Really, due to the pandemic too, we are

really focusing on respect for people — giving them that space and asking if they are comfortable."

The response hasn't just been positive on a national level, but Wheeler said that Shawano residents have embraced seeing the door-to-door ministry again.

"I think the response has been great in our community," said Wheeler. "People have been very friendly and welcoming of our visits. Even if they rejected our visit or a future visit, they still express appreciation. That has been encouraging to see that appreciation."



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KATHRYN HENNES

I recently went on a trip out west to North Dakota. I needed a recharge or a reboot to calm my busy mind. I found my reboot sitting on the bank of the Missouri river watching the breathtaking sunrise and sunset. The sounds of nature and silence gave me the moments of peace and serenity that were greatly needed — just seeing what God in his infinite wisdom had created for us.

Some of you will say, "I don't have time for doing those things." Please take the time to do it. We as humans need to really breathe deeply and feel God's presence. God will give us the reboot we need to face life's challenges.

When I look into the sky or at the animals and creatures around me, I am convinced that this beauty was created by a higher power, and for me, that is God. I cannot imagine how the scientific theories of planets colliding and an explosion could have caused the beautiful and amazing surroundings.

For many years, I was caught up in the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Working full time, taking care of my children, maintaining a household. I never really took the time to see the beauty and blessings that surrounded me. It seemed that there just was not enough time in the day to accomplish all the tasks that needed to be done. I just couldn't solve all the problems that occurred. I needed to breathe deeply. I just wanted to escape life and all its problems and turmoil.

My husband and I moved up here to the Gillett area from the Richfield area last year. My husband had bought his homestead in the country or what was once the country. There was no more peace and quiet with a car speeding by every 20 seconds. God heard our prayers and



While buffalo are not a common sight in Wisconsin, they do provide quite a view for visitors to North Dakota.

KATHRYN HENNES



Seeing the deer cross close to home can be relaxing as the sounds and sights of nature are a reminder to achieve spiritual bliss.

KATHRYN HENNES

blessed us with our current home here about 150 miles north from where we used to reside. We are now in God's country.

I can sit on my front deck or back deck and listen to the sounds of

nature. I can now take those deep breaths and calm myself down. I can relax at last. I am finally truly enjoying the trees turning color and the cooling temperatures in the mornings and evenings.

I am now embracing the peace and serenity that has eluded me for many years. We invite our family and friends to visit and stay in our guest room so we may share the serenity we enjoy so much.

Stop and breathe now, before it is too late. If you can't find peace or serenity in your surroundings, go for a ride to the country. When you do take that ride, find a small park or a spot by the river and get out of the car, look around you and breathe the fresh air. Look at the beautiful creations God has put in front of you to know how truly blessed you are today. Just for a few moments, close your eyes, take in a deep breath and relax. I hope you will find the peace and serenity, if only for a few moments that you will need to continue your life's journey.

Bless you.

Kathryn Hennes is a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother and lifelong Wisconsinite. Her passion for writing started in high school. She writes inspiring and motivational stories on her many life experiences.

FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Corn harvest in full gear as days shorten

"Check to see if the corn is dented," says he.

We were unloading a truck-full of freshly cut wood, the aroma thick and heavy with a deep woody smell, the hemlock especially fragrant. The field of corn was within reach of our neatly stacked and growing pile. We have harvested hemlock, mostly maple, some elm, some beech, a little basswood and just a bit of popple, because it burns too fast.



KAY REMINGER

Wait — this article isn't about wood. It's about corn.

"What? How?"

His rhythmic motion of reaching/stacking/reaching/stacking came to a screeching halt as he gazed at me in amazement.

"You've been a farmer your whole life, and you don't know how to check if a cob of corn is dented?" So he proceeded, with some prompting, to explain. "If a kernel of corn looks pushed in, it's dented. That means it's dry enough to store. Otherwise, it'll mold."

I must point out that some of my farm stories button up quite nicely with dual input over here. He ascertains some particulars, and I ad lib. On any vacation trips and/or farm runs, I'm sure to bring my notebook and pen along. When we are together in a vehicle, he has nowhere to run. I pepper him with questions. His inevitable first response is an exasperated, "You know this stuff!"

When we were farming back in the day, we would fill a silo. This was always done with high expectation on his part. He loved harvesting corn and, as we go on our travels now-days, he farmer goosenecks at all the corn fields — checking to see how dry they are or if they're still green, how big the cobs are and so on. I watch the road.

Before harvesting our own corn, we had used a battery-operated corn tester that determined moisture content. We'd husk off a cob or two here and there in different fields and, nudging the kernels off, pour them into the tester. The lower the moisture, the more money we'd make because we didn't have to get it dried down at the



Corn stalks are already 10 feet high, as shown through the back window of Kay Reminger's home.

KAY REMINGER

feed mill where it was stored.

Big dryer bins run on propane. Dried-down costs were charged per bushel; the dryer the corn, the better. Sometimes the weather doesn't allow that. This is why you might see corn standing when winter blows in. Farmers allow the corn to complete a dry-down to avoid excess fees at the feed mill.

Corn can be harvested in a variety of ways. We have 10-foot high stalks in the field right next to our house. This particular field will be combined (shell corn) or it may be chopped for corn silage. Chopped corn can get stored in silos, or in plastic encased silage bags (those big white rows of feed) or piled in a mound. If it's piled in a mound — which, depending on cow needs, could be at least 10 to 15 feet high or more — a pack tractor is used.

This tractor, loaded with extra pounds to add weight for more packing power, can weigh up to 30 tons. This gets driven up and down the mound, over and over, packing the feed tight, creating a density in order to preserve the feed. After it's packed tight, it gets covered with a large sheet of heavy-duty plastic and topped with hundreds of sliced sidewall tires laid flat to hold the cover in place.

In order to chop corn for silage it must test out under 70% moisture content and, ideally, the cob should be dented. (Refer to aforementioned dent lesson.) Corn for silage should not be harvested when it's too wet, otherwise it juices and can potentially produce a lethal gas. Neither, however, should it be too dry, otherwise it won't ferment.



This cob has dented corn, which indicates it's dry enough to be stored for the winter. If the corn is not dented and it's stored, mold could develop.

KAY REMINGER

Years ago when we were still filling silo, I'd chop and my husband would unload. As the feed reached the top, he'd have to climb up, leveling it off and then my job would switch to unloading. He'd have to drive the wagon up to the blower because I could never get it close enough. (I could drive a tractor that was hooked onto a chopper and back it up to the wagon, but not drive a wagon up to the blower for the life of me.)

Leveling off a silo was the worst job on the farm, as far as I was concerned. My biggest fear was that he would be overcome with gas, pass out unbeknownst to me and I'd bury him alive as I kept blowing silage up. When I got done unloading, I'd leave the blower running on low to keep the air circulating up there. Cranking my neck way back, I'd stare at that top window of the silo, willing him to wave. What a relief when I'd see his hand.

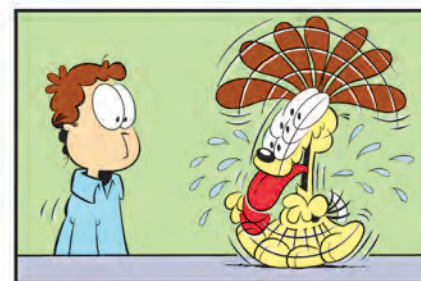
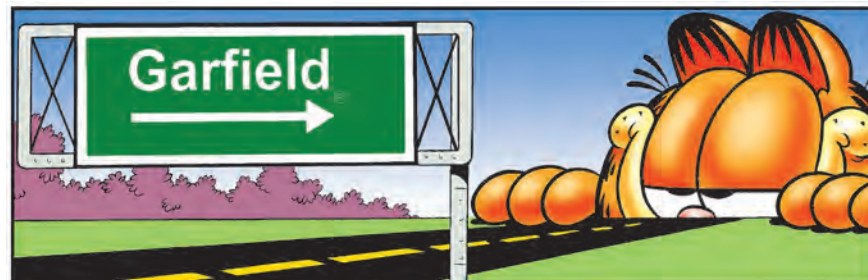
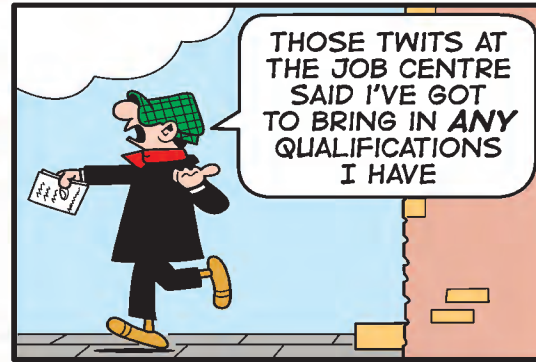
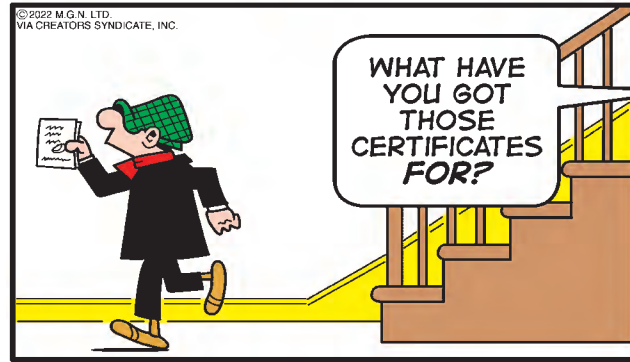
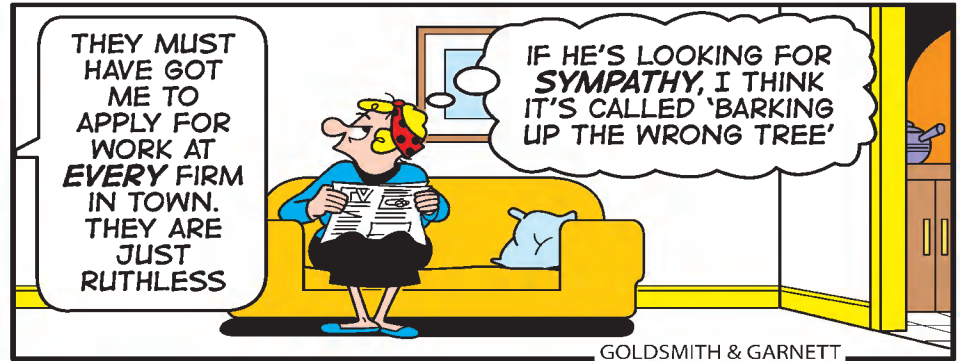
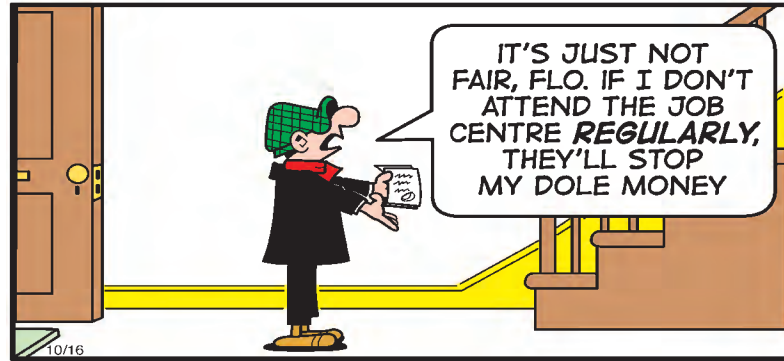
Just now the harvest is in full gear and many farmers with wide, 10- to 12-row corn choppers, along with semis loaded with produce, are traveling to and from the farms. Have patience. They feed us.

("Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and He will establish your plans." Proverbs 16:3)

Kay Reminger was born and raised on a dairy farm, and she married her high school sweetheart, who happened to farm for a living in Leopolis. Writing for quite a few years, she remains focused on the blessings of living the ups and downs of rural life from a farm wife's perspective.

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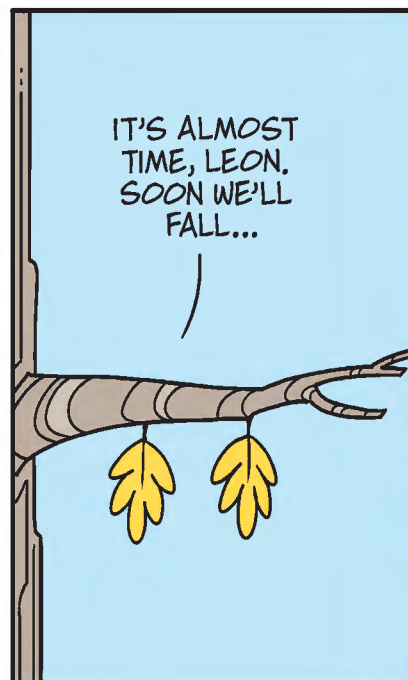
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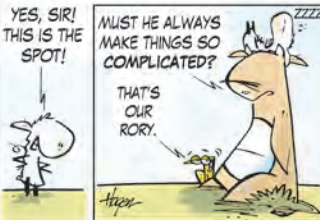


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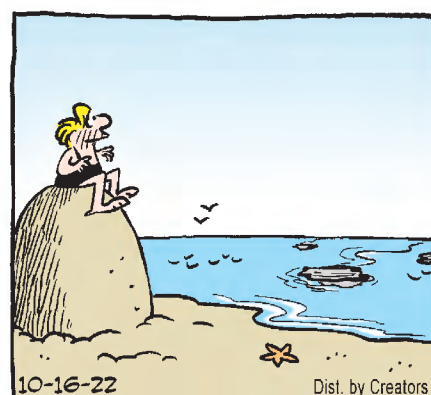
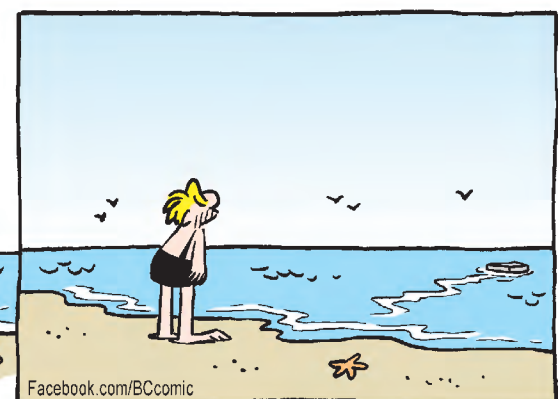
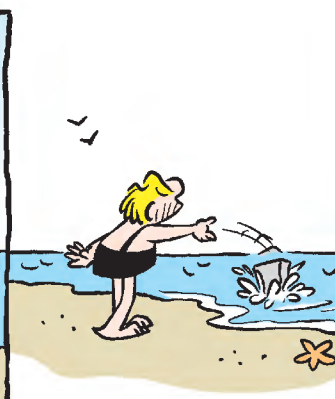
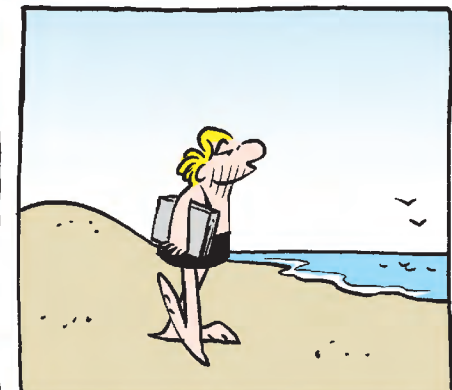
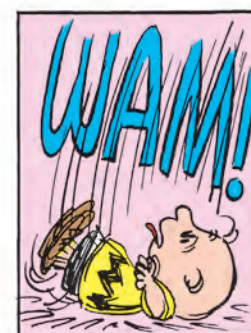
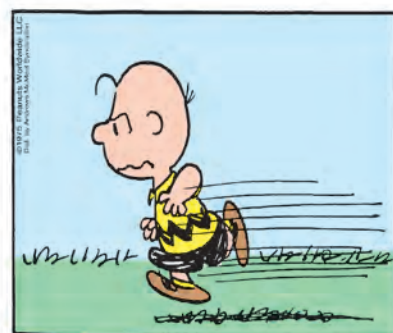
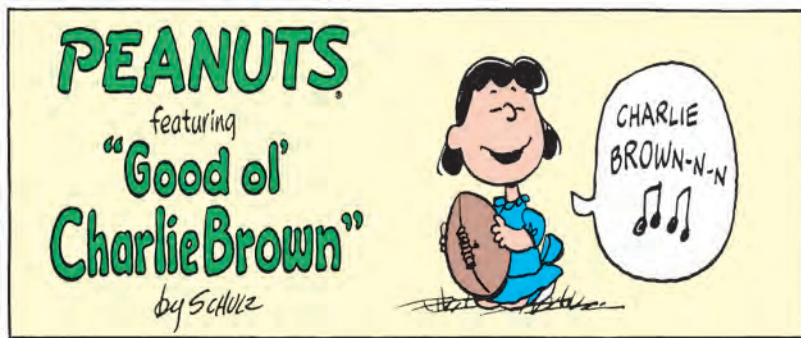


Puzzle Answers

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Now's the time to bury bulbs in your garden

With October comes peak spring bulb planting season. October is the best time to plant as the soils are beginning to cool and the bulbs are readily available. Be sure to get your selection now, either from a local garden center or online. There are so many wonderful, colorful, delightful bulbs to tempt gardeners that are planted now for an amazing spring showcase of bloom.

Many garden centers are filled with a huge selection of colorful bulbs. Fall planted bulbs for spring color include such traditional varieties as tulips, daffodils, allium, hyacinth, fritillaria and others.

Of course, tulips and daffodils are well-known and come in a variety of different styles and bloom times. Some of the other bulbs are lesser-known, but equally dramatic and charismatic in the garden during the spring season.

Here are some tips for planting bulbs this fall for an amazing display come spring:



ROB ZIMMER

When shopping for tulips and daffodils, be aware that, with each of these, you can select bulbs that bloom early in the season, mid-season and late in the season. For example, there are tulips that bloom early (April), tulips that bloom in the middle of the season (early to mid-May) and tulips that bloom late in the season (sometimes into June). These bloom times should be indicated on the package. For the longest bloom season, select a variety from each of these three bloom periods. That way, you will have bulbs

Plant a variety of different bulbs for the best display. You can mix and match them, almost like a wild flower garden, or keep them in their own colorful drifts and masses of bloom.

in bloom from April into June.

Plant bulbs in masses for the best showcase. Instead of using a bulb planter and digging single holes in straight rows, use a shovel and dig out a hole 1 to 3 feet wide and stuff it full of spring bulbs. Whether you use all the same bulb or a variety of different types, you will create a more vivacious and lively display in the spring by planting in masses. Experiment with different shapes, as well. Plant in a large oval or teardrop shape for a drift of stunning beautiful color in spring.

Take advantage of pre-mixed color combinations and blends for an amazing effect. Many bulb companies now offer bulb mixtures or blends in color combinations that are easy to plant and come up looking beautiful in spring. For example, there are combinations of pink and purple, red white and blue, red and white, purple and white, and all different mixtures. Some of these mix bulbs of different types together.

These blends allow you to mix it up without having to spend a lot of time or money sorting through individual varieties. Many of these blends, like the pink lemonade mix of pink tulips and yellow daffodils, are simply beautiful.

Many gardeners plant bulbs in and among their perennials, so that when the perennials begin to leaf out in May and June, they will hide the leftover foliage of the bulbs. Sometimes, daffodil foliage and tulip foliage can look unsightly for a few weeks, but it is necessary to allow the foliage to continue to feed the bulb. Planting bulbs among hostas, daylilies and other perennials can help hide this unsightly foliage until it withers away.

Mix and match colorful bulbs this fall for a beautiful spring display that will be so welcomed during March and April when they begin to emerge and bloom and brighten the garden with the season's first color.

MARRIAGES

OCONTO COUNTY

Dillon Daniel Brown and Stephanie Lea Tilot, both of the Town of Little Suamico, Sept. 26, 2022.

Darian Riley Kostreva, of the Town of Abrams, and Mariah Hope Potter, of Ashwaubenon, Sept. 26, 2022.

Todd Alan Schoenwalder and Katelin Michelle Devasure, both of the Town Little Suamico, Sept. 26, 2022.

Blake Clinton Benjamin and Mary Pearl Ringel, both of the Town of Little Suamico, Oct. 3, 2022.

Joseph Daniel Sickel and Melissa Marie Muska, both of the Town of Little Suamico, Sept. 13, 2022.

Peter Aaron Otradovec and Harrison Harold J. Sehres, both of the Town of How, Sept. 13, 2022.

Harvey Robert Wellnitz and Amanda Marie Steinfeldt, both of the Town of Morgan, Sept. 13, 2022.

Eric Michael Thomson and Candice Rose Ann Lewandowski, both of the Town of Mountain, Sept. 17, 2022.

William Jeffrey L. Tachick and Samantha Jinii Koski, both of the Town of Breed, Sept. 19, 2022.

Christopher Lee Stein and Brittany Diana Lingenfelter, both of Peshtigo, Sept. 19, 2022.

Bennett Joseph Lippert and Alexandria Pearl Clark, both of Oconto Falls, Sept. 19, 2022.

Brady Edward Bostedt and Carli Mae Meyer, both of Oconto, Sept. 20, 2022.

Daniel Stuart Micoley and Heather Celina Micoley, both of the Town of Spruce,

Sept. 20, 2022.

Brett Allen Milhans and Emily Ann Bork, both of Gillett, Sept. 24, 2022.

Thomas Earl Larson, of the Town of Stiles, and Julie Ann Sylvester, of Oconto, Sept. 25, 2022.

Vincent James Basile and Hannah Jean Shimek, both of Oconto, Oct. 3, 2022.

Christopher Lucas Mueller and Ryan Marie Nelson, both of Oconto, Oct. 4, 2022.

Andrew Gilbert Olson and Darcie Dee Ermis, both of the Town of Breed, Oct. 4, 2022.

Daniel Lewis Wentz, of Pulaski, and Noreen Adele Cota, of Cecil, Oct. 7, 2022.

Joseph Dean Kitslaar and Stephanie Janine Paape, both of the Town of Little Suamico, Oct. 9, 2022.

Christopher Michael Stuhr and Casey Ellen Lewis, both of the Town of Lakewood, Oct. 9, 2022.

SHAWANO COUNTY

Kendall Steven Block II and Cherish Renee Moss, both of Shawano, Sept. 26, 2022.

Wesley John Bloomer, and Sarah Lynn Baker, both of Shawano, Oct. 15, 2022.

Samuel Robert Boivin, of the Town of Waukechon, and Hannah Marie Hass, of Shawano, Oct. 28, 2022.

Lucas Dewey Capelle and Stephanie Marie Calaway, both of the Town of Green Valley, Sept. 17, 2022.

Steven Arthur Carroll and Olivia Paige Beilke, both of the Town of Red Springs, Oct. 8, 2022.

Jeffrey Allen Durow and Tracy Jean Wilquet, both of the Town of Washington, Oct. 1, 2022.

Chanden Allen Genke and Jadeyn Lee

Gretzinger, both of the Town of Herman, Sept. 17, 2022.

Joshua Matthew Ginzl and Riley Marie Bonnin, both of the Town of Black Creek, Oct. 1, 2022.

Matthew Wayne Golnick and Makayla Donae Wainman, both of Shawano, Sept. 17, 2022.

Nathan Robert Griesbach and Casey Rae Schultz, both of the Town of Maple Grove, Sept. 24, 2022.

Aaron Lee Gutt and Samantha Sue Harrison, both of the Town of Almon, Sept. 24, 2022.

Aaron John Hoffman and Courtney Lee Lievrouw, both of the Town of Belle Plaine, Sept. 30, 2022.

Ryan Thomas Hoffman and Rochelle M. Jahnke, both of Shawano, Sept. 17, 2022.

Zachary Michael Jadin and Kayla Marie Duchateau, both of the Town of Angelica, Oct. 1, 2022.

Cullin James Kowalczyk and Elizabeth Ann Miller, both of Shawano, Oct. 1, 2022.

Tyler Christopher Lardinois and Noley Jean Graves, both of the Town of Green Valley, Sept. 24, 2022.

Austin Michael Lee Loberg and Ashley Ann Pfeiler, both of Clintonville, Oct. 8, 2022.

Mason Elliott Moesch and Francesca Marie Rabas, both of Shawano, Oct. 8, 2022.

Alex Joseph Noble and Savana Rose McIntyre, both of the Town of Wescott, Sept. 9, 2022.

Trenton William Nolan and Brooke Margaret Surber, both of the Town of Wescott, Oct. 8, 2022.

Chad Michael Nooyen and Dominicka Lewicki, both of the Town of Black Creek, Sept. 24, 2022.

Brian Jay Retzlaff, of Shawano, and Brenda Lee Wendler, of the Town of Belle Plaine, Oct. 22, 2022.

Greg Alan Riesenberger and Sarah Faye Scheibe, both of the Town of Belle Plaine, Sept. 24, 2022.

Robert Raymond Rigsby and Barbara Jean Novitski, both of the Town of Seneca, Oct. 8, 2022.

Christopher Edward Schantz and Karissa Lynn Steif, both of Shawano, Oct. 8, 2022.

Larry H. Seay and Jennifer Anne Jauquet, both of Shawano, Sept. 17, 2022.

Bradley Joe Stankowski and Barbara Jo Below, both of Clintonville, Sept. 10, 2022.

Cody Kenneth Stonebrook and Grace Elizabeth Boylan, both of Bonduel, Oct. 15, 2022.

Timothy James Szulczewski II and Brooke Lyn Hilliker, both of the Town of Grant, Oct. 1, 2022.

Cody James Thomack and Kaitlyn Marie Schallock, both of the Town of Pella, Sept. 29, 2022.

Dakota Lambert Thompson and Margaret Lee Butzen, both of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Sept. 3, 2022.

Mark Allen Vigue II and Samantha Jo Fredrick, both of the Town of Wescott, Oct. 1, 2022.

Chad David Weise and Megan Rose Entringer, both of the Town of Hartland, Sept. 17, 2022.

Brett Michael Wilson and Emilee Lynne Ellis, both of Shawano, Nov. 11, 2022.

Latest barn quilt has quite a fowl theme

Greg and Debbie Bernitt have sponsored Shawano County's 397th barn quilt that is on display on a barn on their 20-acre farm at 542 State Road in Birnamwood.

Even prior to the Bernitts purchasing the farm in 2014, it was known as Mallard Acres, so that is what they named their quilt pattern. The quilt, which features a mallard duck in the center, was painted by Judy Kunst, who is the grandmother of one of Greg and Debbie's sons-in-law, Shane Schmidt.

After living in Galloway for 36 years, Greg and Debbie thought about moving to the Appleton area, but Greg was not excited about the idea of living out his retirement years in a subdivision, so when he heard about the property in Birnamwood coming up for sale, he contacted the owner to see if they could come and see it. Although the buildings, especially the house, were not in great condition, Greg, who has worked in construction for 37 years, thought it had potential, so they made the purchase.

Immediately upon moving in, reconstruction of the house was started. During the construction, the Bernitts tried to preserve the integrity and charm of the farmhouse and the property. The house was almost completely gutted, plumbing and electrical wiring were updated, and

a new master bedroom, master bathroom, entry, and laundry were added. Demolition of the lower level created an open concept kitchen, dining area and living room.

To preserve the barn, a metal roof was added, windows were replaced and a potting shed was added to the barn's east end. Since completion of the farmhouse, Greg and Debbie have enjoyed working the land to add a variety of food plots, a garden, an apple orchard and a pumpkin patch to improve the quality of the soil and preserve the land. They also cleaned and enlarged the existing pond, adding huge rocks as the border.

Greg and Debbie raised four daughters, three of whom are married and have six children among them. The girls bring their families to the farm often and the grandchildren treasure their time there.

The Bernitt property was established in 1857 and exchanged hands several times until Leonard and Mary Oppen purchased the house in 1963. Leonard farmed the property with six dairy cows and fields of corn, oats and soybeans. They raised 11 children in the house that had five bedrooms and one bathroom. After Leonard died in 2014 at the age of 87, Mary moved into an apartment in Birnamwood in September that year and still resides there. She enjoys visiting the farm from time to time.



Greg and Debbie Bernitt are shown with Shawano County's 397th barn quilt on their farm at 542 State Road in Birnamwood.

JIM LEUENBERGER

Backpacks ease loads when they're used properly

Backpacks are a practical and useful way to get textbooks and supplies to and from school, and when used properly, they should ease children's load, not make it worse.

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, there was an estimated annual average of 1,200 backpack-related injuries to children under 19 years old treated in emergency rooms from 2019 to 2021.

In recognition of National School Backpack Awareness Day, Aspirus Health aims to help educate parents, caregivers and students about health risks of backpacks that are too heavy or worn incorrectly.

"Common backpack-related injuries that we see in kids include neck pain, back pain and shoulder



MEGAN STANKOWSKI

pain," said Megan Stankowski, Aspirus Health physical therapist. "These are avoidable, but it may require parents to observe and gently remind their kids to make some adjustments to how they use their backpacks."

The American Academy of Pediatrics and the Pediatric Orthopedic Society of North America offers some tips for parents to help children wear their backpacks safely and correctly:

- Choose the right backpack. Your child's backpack should have two broad, padded shoulder straps, a padded back, a waist or

chest strap, and compartments. These features help distribute the weight of the contents more evenly throughout the body.

- Educate your child about proper backpack wear. Keep straps on both shoulders and use the waist strap. Adjust straps to fit snugly.

"Backpacks will probably need to be readjusted seasonally, loosening it up with a winter jacket and then tightening it back up in the spring," Stankowski said.

- Pack safely. Help your child understand how to distribute the weight properly. Put the heaviest items low and near the center of the back. Make sure the bottom of the backpack rests in the curve of the lower back.

- Check the weight. Make sure your child is not carrying more than 15% of his or her body weight

in their backpack. If you notice them leaning forward to support the backpack's weight, then it's too heavy.

- Lighten the load. Encourage your child to clean the backpack weekly and take out unneeded items, store items in a locker at school when possible, and take only what's needed to school. Carrying heavier items in their arms will also alleviate some of that extra weight.

"If a child starts showing signs of injury from wearing the backpack incorrectly, the first thing the parent should do is adjust the backpack and make sure it's fitting correctly," Stankowski said. "Check that they are packing and lifting it properly. If nothing is helping, they should seek help from their primary care provider or physical therapist."

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Shawano woman selected for WFBF leadership event

Fifteen agricultural leaders have been selected to participate in the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Leadership Institute, including Amanda Williams from Shawano.

This year-long leadership training program's mission is to develop strong and effective agricultural leaders.

"Today's farmers and agriculturists must take the lead to be advocates for their farms and agribusinesses," said WFBF Senior Director of Member Relations Wendy Kannel. "The institute gives participants the skills and confidence necessary to lead the future of farming and agriculture in their county Farm Bureau, local community and beyond."

The WFBF Leadership Institute consists of five, multi-day sessions that provide hands-on learning on agricultural issues, leadership development and speaking skills, interaction with Farm Bureau staff and government leaders at the state and national levels and networking with other participants. The class capstone event will be a trip, with the WFBF board of directors, to Washington, D.C., in June 2024.

Farm Bureau members interested in applying for the 2025 class can contact Kannel at 608-828-5719 or wkannel@wfbf.com.

Theater auction to help with roof, sound system

Abrams Spotlight Productions Inc. is seeking donations for its on-line virtual auction.

The ASPI Spotlight Auction begins at noon Dec. 8, and ends at 8 p.m. Dec. 11.

Anyone interested in donating prizes, auction baskets, money or gift certificates is encouraged to call 920-826-5852 or email theater.aspi@gmail.com. Donations are due Nov. 21, and pick-up service is available.

The theater is operated solely by volunteers, and proceeds from the auction will help to bring high-energy, live entertainment to the community. ASPI currently is running capital campaigns for its sound system and its roof.

ASPI is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that presents musicals, comedies and dramas at the Nancy Byng Community Theater in Abrams. Learn more at <https://abramsspotlightproductions.com>.

FRESH Project announces winter farmers market

The FRESH Project's Winter Market and Craft Show will return the second Saturday of the month from November through March with vendors offering locally grown foods and homemade crafts.

The market will be held at the First Presbyterian Church, 100 Presbyterian St., Shawano, on the following Saturdays — Nov. 12, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 11 and March 11.

To participate, farmers, crafters, artists and bakers are encouraged to register at www.thefreshproject.org by clicking on the vendor application tab to access the application form.

"We are always excited about having an alternate event that includes the community and provides family-friendly fun," said Executive Director Dave Mendoza. "Vendors will also be able to provide cooking demonstrations and answer any questions shoppers may have."

For information, call 715-526-5206.

Neurologist joins Prevea center in Oconto Falls

Prevea Health has announced that neurologist Dr. Yousaf Ajam will be joining Prevea's neurological care teams in Green Bay, Oconto Falls and Sturgeon Bay.

Ajam is a board-certified neurologist who sees patients at the Prevea Oconto Falls Health Center, 853 S. Main St, Oconto Falls. He specializes in comprehensive neurological care with a special focus in epilepsy and clinical neurophysiology (EEG and neuro monitoring).

"I primarily see patients with seizures, strokes, Parkinson's disease, migraines and a host of other neurological conditions," said Ajam. "I like to take my time with my patients and explain why they feel the way they do. I then focus on discussing the treatment process, so my patients can understand what is truly going on within their body before, during and after treatment."

Ajam is a graduate of the Shifa



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Glowing with education

Lane Brunker, a third grade student at Sacred Heart Catholic School, plays with a flashlight and solves multiplication problems on Sept. 30 as his class earned a Glow Day. The students filled their class marble jar for good choices, and earned a day full of glow-in-the-dark activities.

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College of Medicine, completed his training in neurology at University of Texas Medical Branch and is fellowship trained in clinical neurophysiology, epilepsy track, at the New York-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center. He is certified eligible for the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.

Appointments with Ajam can be made by calling 920-272-1610.

Lakewood library gets \$8,000 in donations

Lakes Country Public Library recently received an anonymous \$10,000 matching donation offer to help fund its much-needed building renovation and expansion. As of

the second week of October, more than \$8,000 has been received from dozens of donors.

Contributions can be sent to Lakes Country Public Library, 15235 State Highway 32, Box 220, Lakewood, WI 54130. Write "Building Fund" on the memo line for checks. Donors may also visit lakescountrylibrary.org to donate online or to take the virtual tour of the new building, including floor plan. Donations of any size are appreciated and fully tax-deductible.

Around the Community is a roundup on local events, honors, awards and more. Organizations interested in sending news about what they're involved with can contact NEW Media at news@newmedia-wi.com. Items with a specific date like an event should be sent at least two weeks before it takes place.

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Green Bay Packers coach Matt LaFleur, left, talks with defensive lineman T.J. Slaton on the sidelines during the team's loss to the New York Jets on Oct. 16 in Green Bay.

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Lack of offense holding Green Bay back

Green Bay ranks 23rd in total scoring in NFL

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Through six weeks of the 2022-23 NFL season, the Green Bay Packers have scored just 107 points, good for about 17.8 points per game, and 23rd in the league in total points.

The low scoring is not the full reason for the Packers having just three wins in six games, but the dropoff in offensive production is not doing the team any favors. The Packers have yet to put together a game where all three areas of the team, offense, defense and special teams, have performed to winning standards.

While there were valid questions surrounding the offense in the offseason, not many people would have predicted the Packers to struggle as much as they have on that side of the ball. During his press conference after Green Bay's 27-10 loss to the New York Jets, quarterback Aaron Rodgers detailed that the offense needs to simplify.

"(The offense is playing) very inconsistent, and that is why I think we need to simplify things," said Rodgers. "Because on the couple of drives we did move the ball, it was very simple things. Very simple plays, no motion."

While simplifying the offense may be a solution to becoming more consistent, the Packers may find trouble simplifying the offense, as veteran wide receiver Randall Cobb was forced out of the game against the Jets with an ankle injury.

While Cobb has produced just 257 yards on 18 receptions, most of his damage has come on third down.

With Cobb almost being used in a safety blanket type of role, someone will need to step up to fill that spot. With Christian Watson nursing a hamstring injury and Sammy Watkins on injured reserve, the Packers might be quickly running out of options to help fill the vacant role.

As the trade deadline looms on Nov. 1, speculations are starting to



Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers, center, is surrounded by a group of New York Jets defenders after a sack in Green Bay's loss to New York on Oct. 16 in Green Bay.

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arise on if the Packers are going to make a move for another offensive weapon.

Names like Carolina Panthers wide receiver D.J. Moore and free agent wide receiver Odell Beckham Jr. have been floated around as possible acquisitions. Even with the roster as it is, Rodgers believes that the Packers are a Super Bowl winning team.

"We need Sammy back. I think that is happening here pretty soon," said Rodgers. "(General Manager) Brian (Gutekunst) and I have had a number of conversations. I trust him and his staff that if they feel like they need to add that they will. I think there's enough on this team to be a successful team."

Having dealt with injuries to both Watson and Watkins, the Packers have been short to find sparks in the offense. Since both receivers play that field-stretching role, big plays have been hard to come by for Green Bay. In fact, Rodgers is just 6-for-22 on passes of 20 yards or more.

While the big play is eluding the Packers every week, running

back Aaron Jones was once again nowhere to be seen with the ball in his hands against the Jets. Recording just 12 touches during the game, only nine of them came on the ground. Green Bay has seemingly struggled with consistently using their run game this season, only recording two rushing touchdowns, with one of them coming from Watson.

"Yeah, that's not good enough," said Packers head coach Matt LaFleur, when questioned about Jones receiving just three carries in the first half against the Jets.

Jones absence from the offense has been puzzling, as the sixth-year running back has proven that he is one of the better runners in the NFL, with 42 career rushing touchdowns.

The state of the offensive line may need to take some blame for that though, as the play of the unit as a whole has left a lot to be desired this year.

Jets defensive tackle Quinnen Williams took over the game, as he recorded four tackles and two sacks. To help combat his dominant

performance, LaFleur made the switch at right guard from Royce Newman to Jake Hanson. That was quickly changed though as Hanson went down with an injury.

Tackle David Bakhtiari, who has either been out or limited for the last year and half played the entire game before the starters were taken out. While that is a good sign for the offensive line, it presents a problem. Backup tackle Yosh Nijman has shown that he is capable of playing starter snaps in the NFL.

"I think that everything is on the table," said LaFleur, when asked if using Nijman is an option.

If the Packers went the route of moving Nijman to right tackle, they could transition Elgton Jenkins back to guard, a position that he has thrived at in the past. One thing is certain though, some problems that the Packers are having on the offense start with the offensive line. Keeping Rodgers upright will lead to more success from the offense, granted the wide receivers and running backs can effectively contribute as well.



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2	Mason Crosby	K	6-1	207	38	16	Colorado
6	Dallin Leavitt	S	5-10	195	28	4	Utah State
7	Quay Walker	LB	6-4	241	22	R	Georgia
8	Amari Rodgers	WR	5-9	212	23	2	Clemson
9	Christian Watson	WR	6-5	208	23	R	North Dakota State
10	Jordan Love	QB	6-4	219	23	3	Utah State
12	Aaron Rodgers	QB	6-2	225	38	18	California
13	Allen Lazard	WR	6-5	227	26	4	Iowa State
16	Pat O'Donnell	P	6-4	220	31	9	Miami
18	Randall Cobb	WR	5-10	195	32	12	Kentucky
20	Rudy Ford	S	6-0	200	27	6	Auburn
21	Eric Stokes	CB	6-0	194	23	2	Georgia
22	Shemar Jean-Charles	CB	5-10	184	24	2	Appalachian State
23	Jaire Alexander	CB	5-10	196	25	5	Louisville
24	Tariq Carpenter	S	6-3	230	23	R	Georgia Tech
25	Keisean Nixon	CB	5-10	200	25	4	South Carolina
26	Darnell Savage	S	5-11	198	25	4	Maryland
27	Patrick Taylor	RB	6-2	217	24	2	Memphis
28	AJ Dillon	RB	6-0	247	24	3	Boston College
29	Rasul Douglas	CB	6-2	209	27	6	West Virginia
31	Adrian Amos	S	6-0	214	29	8	Penn State
33	Aaron Jones	RB	5-9	208	27	6	Texas-El Paso
45	Eric Wilson	LB	6-1	230	28	6	Cincinnati
50	Zach Tom	OL	6-4	304	23	R	Wake Forest
52	Rashan Gary	LB	6-5	277	24	4	Michigan
53	Jonathan Garvin	LB	6-4	257	23	3	Miami
55	Kingsley Enagbare	LB	6-4	258	22	R	South Carolina
56	Jack Coco	LS	6-2	248	24	R	Georgia Tech
58	Isaiah McDuffie	LB	6-1	227	23	2	Boston College
59	De'Vondre Campbell	LB	6-3	232	29	7	Minnesota
63	Rasheed Walker	T	6-6	324	22	R	Penn State
67	Jake Hanson	C	6-4	296	25	2	Oregon
69	David Bakhtiari	T	6-4	310	31	10	Colorado
70	Royce Newman	T/G	6-5	310	25	2	Mississippi
71	Josh Myers	C/G	6-5	310	24	2	Ohio State
73	Yosh Nijman	T	6-7	314	26	3	Virginia Tech
74	Elgton Jenkins	G	6-5	311	26	4	Mississippi State
75	Sean Ryan	T/G	6-5	321	22	R	UCLA

76	Jon Runyan	G	6-4	307	25	3	Michigan
81	Josiah Deguara	TE	6-2	238	25	3	Cincinnati
83	Samori Toure	WR	6-1	191	24	R	Nebraska
84	Tyler Davis	TE	6-4	252	25	3	Georgia Tech
85	Robert Tonyan	TE	6-5	240	28	5	Indiana State
87	Romeo Doubs	WR	6-2	204	22	R	Nevada
89	Marcedes Lewis	TE	6-6	267	38	17	UCLA
90	Jarran Reed	DL	6-3	307	29	7	Alabama
91	Preston Smith	LB	6-5	265	29	8	Mississippi State
93	T.J. Slaton	DL	6-4	330	25	2	Florida
94	Dean Lowry	DL	6-6	296	28	7	Northwestern
95	Devonte Wyatt	DL	6-3	304	24	R	Georgia
97	Kenny Clark	DL	6-3	314	27	7	UCLA
99	Jonathan Ford	DL	6-5	338	24	R	Miami

Reserve/Injured

11	Sammy Watkins	WR	6-1	211	29	9	Clemson
40	Tipa Galeai	LB	6-5	229	25	2	Utah State
51	Krys Barnes	LB	6-2	229	24	3	UCLA

Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform

32	Kylin Hill	RB	5-10	214	24	2	Mississippi State
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Reserve/Non-Football Illness

72	Caleb Jones	T	6-9	370	23	R	Indiana
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Practice Squad

17	Ramiz Ahmed	K	5-11	193	27	1	Nevada
19	Danny Etling	QB	6-3	222	28	1	LSU
34	Micah Abernathy	S	6-0	195	25	1	Tennessee
35	Corey Ballentine	CB	5-11	196	26	4	Washburn
39	Tyler Goodson	RB	5-9	197	21	R	Iowa
41	Benjie Franklin	CB	6-0	172	26	R	Tarleton State
43	Kiondre Thomas	CB	6-0	186	24	1	Kansas State
48	DQ Thomas	LB	6-2	216	23	R	Middle Tennessee State
49	Kobe Jones	LB	6-3	255	24	1	Mississippi State
54	La'Darius Hamilton	LB	6-2	261	24	2	North Texas
57	Ray Wilborn	LB	6-3	230	25	1	Ball State
80	Shaun Beyer	TE	6-5	250	25	1	Iowa
86	Travis Fulgham	WR	6-2	211	27	3	Old Dominion
88	Juwann Winfree	WR	6-1	210	26	3	Colorado
96	Jack Heflin	DL	6-3	304	24	2	Iowa
98	Chris Slayton	DL	6-4	307	26	1	Syracuse

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2	Dyami Brown	WR	6-0	195	22	2	North Carolina
3	William Jackson III	CB	6-0	189	29	7	Houston
4	Taylor Heinicke	QB	6-1	210	29	5	Old Dominion
5	Tress Way	P	6-1	220	32	9	Oklahoma
6	Joey Slye	K	5-11	213	26	4	Virginia Tech
8	Brian Robinson	RB	6-1	228	23	R	Alabama
10	Curtis Samuel	WR	5-11	195	26	6	Ohio State
11	Carson Wentz	QB	6-5	237	29	7	North Dakota State
14	Sam Howell	QB	6-1	220	21	R	North Carolina
15	Dax Milne	WR	6-0	190	23	2	BYU
17	Terry McLaurin	WR	6-0	210	27	4	Ohio State
20	Bobby McCain	S	5-9	196	29	8	Memphis
22	Darrick Forrest	S	5-11	200	23	2	Cincinnati
23	J.D. McKissic	RB	5-10	195	29	6	Arkansas State
24	Antonio Gibson	RB	6-2	220	24	3	Memphis
25	Benjamin St-Juste	CB	6-3	200	25	2	Minnesota
29	Kendall Fuller	CB	5-11	198	27	7	Virginia Tech
31	Kamren Curl	S	6-2	198	23	3	Arkansas
34	Christian Holmes	CB	6-1	205	24	R	Oklahoma State
35	Percy Butler	S	6-0	191	22	R	Louisiana
37	Rachad Wildgoose	CB	5-10	191	22	2	Wisconsin
39	Jeremy Reaves	S	5-11	200	26	3	South Alabama
40	Tariq Castro-Fields	CB	6-1	197	23	R	Penn State
41	Jonathan Williams	RB	6-0	217	28	6	Arkansas
51	David Mayo	LB	6-2	240	29	8	Texas State-San Marcos
52	Jamin Davis	LB	6-3	234	23	2	Kentucky
53	Trai Turner	G	6-3	320	29	9	LSU
54	Camaron Cheeseman	LS	6-4	237	24	2	Michigan
55	Cole Holcomb	LB	6-1	240	26	4	North Carolina
58	Shaka Toney	DE	6-2	238	24	2	Penn State
59	Jon Bostic	LB	6-1	245	31	10	Florida
60	Nick Martin	C	6-4	299	29	7	Notre Dame
68	Andrew Norwell	G	6-6	310	31	9	Ohio State
69	Tyler Larsen	C	6-4	335	31	7	Utah State
72	Charles Leno Jr.	T	6-3	302	31	9	Boise State
75	Chris Paul	G	6-4	324	23	R	Tulsa
76	Sam Cosmi	T	6-6	309	23	2	Texas
77	Saahdiq Charles	T	6-4	322	23	3	LSU
78	Cornelius Lucas	T	6-8	327	31	8	Kansas State

82	Logan Thomas	TE	6-6	250	31	8	Virginia Tech
85	Cole Turner	TE	6-6	240	22	R	Nevada
87	John Bates	TE	6-6	259	24	2	Boise State
88	Armani Rogers	TE	6-5	225	24	R	Ohio
89	Cam Sims	WR	6-5	220	26	5	Alabama
90	Montez Sweat	DE	6-6	262	26	4	Mississippi State
91	John Ridgeway	DT	6-5	321	23	R	Arkansas
92	Daniel Wise	DT	6-3	285	26	2	Kansas
93	Jonathan Allen	DT	6-3	300	27	6	Alabama
94	Daron Payne	DT	6-3	320	25	5	Alabama
95	Casey Toohill	DE	6-5	254	26	3	Stanford
96	James Smith-Williams	DE	6-4	265	25	3	North Carolina State
97	Efe Obada	DE	6-6	265	30	5	European football league

Reserve/Injured

46	Milo Eifler	LB	6-2	225	24	1	Illinois
66	Willie Beavers	G	6-5	322	29	2	Western Michigan
71	Wes Schweitzer	G	6-4	300	29	7	San Jose State
73	Chase Roullier	C	6-4	312	29	6	Wyoming
80	Curtis Hodges	TE	6-8	240	23	R	Arizona State
98	Phidarian Mathis	DT	6-4	312	24	R	Alabama

Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform

99	Chase Young	DE	6-5	264	23	3	Ohio State
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Practice Squad

19	Marken Michel	WR	5-11	191	29	1	UMass Amherst
26	Corn Elder	CB	5-10	185	28	6	Miami
32	Jaret Patterson	RB	5-8	195	22	2	Buffalo
36	Danny Johnson	CB	5-9	190	26	5	Southern University
45	De'Jon Harris	LB	6-0	245	24	1	Arkansas
47	Khaleke Hudson	LB	6-0	220	24	3	Michigan
56	Will Bradley-King	DE	6-3	254	24	1	Baylor
57	Donovan Jeter	DT	6-3	325	23	R	Michigan
61	Keaton Sutherland	G	6-5	316	25	3	Texas A&M
62	Alex Akingbulu	OT	6-5	300	24	1	Fresno State
63	Wes Martin	G	6-3	315	26	4	Indiana
64	David Bada	DT	6-4	293	27	1	
67	Aaron Monteiro	T	6-7	320	25	1	Boston College
79	Benning Potoa'e	DE	6-3	290	26	1	Washington
83	Kyric McGowan	WR	5-11	198	22	R	Georgia Tech
86	Alex Erickson	WR	6-0	195	29	7	Wisconsin
64W	Christian DiLauro	T	6-6	300	27	1	Illinois

Practice Squad/Injured

74	Nolan Laufenberg	G	6-3	312	23	1	Air Force
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AT WASHINGTON COMMANDERS (2-4)

WHEN: noon, Sunday
WHERE: FedExField
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Satellite Radio (WTMJ feed)

THE SERIES

Packers vs. Commanders
All-time, regular season: 20-15-1
All-time, postseason: 2-1
All-time, at Washington: 9-11
Streaks: The Green Bay Packers have won four out of the last six meetings against Washington, but are just 2-3 at Washington since 2010.
Last meeting, regular season: Oct. 24, 2021, Packers won 24-10 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. Quarterback Aaron Rodgers threw three touchdowns in the win for the Packers.

SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time	TV
Sept. 11	at Minnesota	Loss 23-7	
Sept. 18	vs. Chicago	Win 27-10	
Sept. 25	at Tampa Bay	Win 14-12	
Oct. 2	vs. New England	Win 27-24 (OT)	
Oct. 9	vs. N.Y. Giants (London)	Loss 27-22	
Oct. 16	vs. N.Y. Jets	Loss 27-10	
Oct. 23	at Washington	noon	FOX
Oct. 30	at Buffalo	7:20 p.m.	NBC
Nov. 6	at Detroit	noon	FOX
Nov. 13	vs. Dallas	3:25 p.m.	FOX
Nov. 17	vs. Tennessee	7:15 p.m.	Prime
Nov. 27	at Philadelphia	7:20 p.m.	NBC
Dec. 4	at Chicago	noon	FOX
Bye week			
Dec. 19	vs. L.A. Rams	7:15 p.m.	ESPN
Dec. 25	at Miami	noon	FOX
Jan. 1	vs. Minnesota	3:25 p.m.	CBS
Jan. 7/8	vs. Detroit	TBD	TBD

OFFENSE

WR

Romeo Doubs
Samori Toure

RB

Aaron Jones
A.J. Dillon

QB

Aaron Rodgers
Jordan Love

WR

Randall Cobb
Amari Rodgers

WR

Allen Lazard
Christian Watkins

TE

Mercedes Lewis
Robert Tonyan

RT

Elgton Jenkins
Rasheed Walker

RG

Royce Newman
Sean Rhyan

C

Josh Myers
Jake Hanson

LG

Jon Runyan
Zach Tom

LT

David Bakhtiari
Yosh Nijman

DEFENSE

DE

Dean Lowry
Devonte Wyatt

NT

Kenny Clark
T.J. Slaton

DE

Jarran Reed
Devonte Wyatt

CB

Eric Stokes
Keisean Nixon

CB

Jaire Alexander
Rasul Douglas

OLB

Preston Smith
Jonathan Garvin

ILB

De'Vondre Campbell
Isaiah McDuffie

ILB

Quay Walker
Eric Wilson

OLB

Rashan Gary
Kingsley Enagbare

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Carson Wentz
Taylor Heinicke

WR

Jahan Dotson
Cam Sims

WR

Curtis Samuel
Dax Milne

TE

Logan Thomas
John Bates

RT

Sam Cosmi
Cornelius Lucas

RG

Saahdiq Charles
Trai Turner

C

Nick Martin
Tyler Larsen

LG

Andrew Norwell
Chris Paul

LT

Charles Leno Jr.
Cornelius Lucas

DEFENSE

DE

Montez Sweat
Casey Toohill

DT

Daron Payne
Daniel Wise

DT

Jonathan Allen
Efe Obada

DE

James Smith-Williams
Shaka Toney

CB

Kendall Fuller
Rachad Wildgoose

CB

Benjamin St-Juste
Tariq Castro-Fields

CB

William Jackson III
Christian Holmes

OLB

Jamin Davis
Jon Bostic

MLB

Cole Holcomb
David Mayo

S

Kamren Curl
Darrick Forrest

S

Bobby McCain
Percy Butler

SCHEDULE

Thursday's Games
New Orleans at Arizona, 7:15 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Cleveland at Baltimore, noon
Tampa Bay at Carolina, noon
Atlanta at Cincinnati, noon
Detroit at Dallas, noon
N.Y. Giants at Jacksonville, noon
Indianapolis at Tennessee, noon
Green Bay at Washington, noon
N.Y. Jets at Denver, 3:05 p.m.
Houston at Las Vegas, 3:05 p.m.
Seattle at L.A. Chargers, 3:25 p.m.
Kansas City at San Francisco, 3:25 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Miami, 7:20 p.m.

Monday's Games
Chicago at New England, 7:15 p.m.

Next Thursday's Games
Baltimore at Tampa Bay, 7:15 p.m.

Teams on bye: Buffalo, L.A. Rams, Minnesota, Philadelphia

STANDINGS

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





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NOTEBOOK

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

Line issues

For years, the Green Bay Packers' high-flying offense was driven by Aaron Rodgers but powered by fine offensive lines.

This year, the line is a fine mess.

While left tackle David Bakhtiari has started four consecutive games and appears to be getting better with each week, the rest of the line has fallen on hard times. Those issues came to a head in Sunday's loss to the New York Jets. Rodgers was sacked four times and took nine quarterback hits, and Aaron Jones and A.J. Dillon combined to average just 3.2 yards per carry.

Right guard Royce Newman, in particular, had a bad day. He had a hand in two of the Jets' sacks. At one point, coach Matt LaFleur had seen enough. For the two-minute drill before halftime, Newman was benched in favor of Jake Hanson. The Packers drove to a field goal but Hanson suffered a biceps injury during the drive. Newman was back for the second half.

Right tackle Elgton Jenkins had a bad day, too. Coming off a strong performance in London vs. the Giants, he was penalized three times and gave up a few pressures vs. the Jets. A Pro Bowler at left guard in 2020 and a standout at left tackle in 2021 before suffering a torn ACL, the combination of coming back from a major injury and a new position has been a challenge.

How will the Packers line up against the Washington Commanders on Sunday? Will they give Newman another shot at right guard and stick with Jenkins at right tackle? Will rookie Zach Tom replace Newman? Or will Jenkins move from right tackle to right guard and will Yosh Nijman get his shot at right tackle?

Throughout his tenure, LaFleur has preached the importance of getting the "best five" on the field. Nijman, with 10 quality starts at left tackle in 2021 and 2022, is one of the best five linemen. But is he part of the best combination?

Nijman hasn't played right tackle since he was at Virginia Tech. With Bakhtiari missing all of 2021 and a big chunk of 2022 when you factor in the offseason practices, training camp and start of the regular season, the Packers had to lock Nijman in at left tackle.

Even with Bakhtiari's return, Nij-



Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers, center, is hit during the team's loss to the New York Jets on Oct. 16 in Green Bay. The Packers' offensive line has struggled in recent weeks and might be shuffled around in the games to come.

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man played extensively against the Buccaneers in week three and the Giants in week five. He just hasn't played a lot of right tackle; he hasn't played it at all in a game.

Moreover, can the Packers realistically move Nijman to right tackle when he might be needed at a moment's notice at left tackle? That seems about as ideal as running Newman back out there given his year two regression.

"I think everything's up for discussion," is all LaFleur would say on Monday.

Jenkins said Monday was about watching film and trying to fix all that was wrong. He's not sure where he'll line up when the team hits the practice field on Wednesday.

"I'm not opposed to any position at this point – especially with these

past two weeks. Whatever helps the team and whatever helps us win, I'm with it," he said.

There are issues beyond personnel. The Jets didn't need to blitz to ruin Green Bay's day. Their front four looped players from left to right and right to left. It's exactly what the Packers expected; Rodgers said they do that 50% of the time in certain situations. But it's as if the Packers had never seen it.

"That was extremely frustrating," center Josh Myers said. "Those are situations we pride ourselves on, being really good at. And we weren't. So, to come back in here and watch that was extremely frustrating."

Those issues need to be resolved quickly. While the Commanders are only 2-4, their defensive line includes three first-round picks:

Daron Payne and Jonathan Allen as the tackles and Montez Sweat as one of the ends. They've combined for 10½ sacks and 29 quarterback hits. As a unit, Washington is fourth in sack percentage.

Alexander walks the walk

Cornerback Jaire Alexander wanted more one-on-one opportunities. He got them against the Jets. Lining up against the their best receiver, rookie Garrett Wilson, for most of the game, Alexander delivered a superior performance. Wilson caught 1-of-5 passes for 8 yards and Alexander broke up three passes.

He had only one pass defended, an interception against Chicago, through the first five games.

"He just went out there and competed every play, and he was

challenging, contesting,” LaFleur said. “I was super-proud of his performance.”

Thanks, Dad

Jon Runyan Sr. started 192 games at right tackle during his NFL career. Following a stint in politics, he was named the NFL’s vice president of rules and policy administration in 2016. His job is to hand out punishment, whether it’s suspending Tampa Bay receiver Mike Evans before a big Packers-Buccaneers game, or to fine players for rules violations.

One player who he fined was his son, Packers left guard Jon Runyan, for a leg-whipping infraction against the Giants in London. The cost? \$5,215. The elder Runyan notified his son via text before sending him the official letter from the league.

“I was thinking about getting him a nice Christmas present this year,” Runyan said with a smile on Monday, “but, with all that money taken away from me, I’m probably not going to be able to. So, oh well, I’ll give it to him next year.”

The two have not discussed the fine.

“I didn’t want to give him the satisfaction of knowing that,” he said.

According to ESPN, it might be the first time in NFL history that a father has fined his son.

“Yeah, I did keep the letter,” Runyan said. “I put it in my nightstand drawer. I don’t know what I’m going to do with it. Some people were telling me that I should frame it or something like that. I did keep it, though.”

Cobb avoids break

When a couple Jets defenders rolled across his legs during the third quarter on Sunday, receiver Randall Cobb thought he’d suffered



Green Bay Packers receiver Allen Lazard, left, reaches out to try and catch a pass during a game against the New York Jets runner on Oct. 16 in Green Bay.

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a broken ankle. He was in tears when he was carted to the locker room.

Turns out, the injury isn’t so bad after all. Yes, he’ll miss some time — another blow to a struggling offense — but it’s not a season-ending injury. On Instagram, Cobb said he’d be back “soon.”

Sammy Watkins could take Cobb’s place on the roster. He is eligible to come off injured reserve this week after missing four games with a hamstring injury.



Green Bay Packers receiver Randall Cobb runs with the ball during the team’s game against the New York Jets on Oct. 16 in Green Bay. Cobb avoided a season-ending ankle injury, but will still likely miss the next couple of games.

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Week 7 Games: Sunday, October 23

Teams on bye: Buffalo, Minnesota, Philadelphia & LA Rams

New Orleans @ Arizona Thurs., Oct. 20
Cleveland @ Baltimore
Tampa Bay @ Carolina
Atlanta @ Cincinnati
Detroit @ Dallas
NY Giants @ Jacksonville
Indianapolis @ Tennessee

NY Jets @ Denver
Houston @ Las Vegas
Seattle @ LA Chargers
Kansas City @ San Francisco
Pittsburgh @ Miami
Chicago @ New England Mon., Oct. 24

Tie Breaker Game:
Green Bay @ Washington



This Week's Picks:

Arizona	Tennessee	New England
Baltimore	Denver	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Detroit	San Francisco	
NY Giants	Miami	

Morgan Rode
New Media

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score : Green Bay 27 @ Washington 28



This Week's Picks:

Arizona	Tennessee	New England
Baltimore	NY Jets	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Kansas City	
NY Giants	Miami	

Tim Murphy
New Media

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 9 @ Washington 12



This Week's Picks:

Arizona	Tennessee	New England
Baltimore	NY Jets	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Atlanta	Seattle	
Detroit	Kansas City	
Jacksonville	Miami	

Luke Reimer
New Media

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 35 @ Washington 14

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2022 PACKERS

REGULAR SEASON

1 Sunday, September 11	at Minnesota Vikings	12:25 p.m.	FOX
2 Sunday, September 18	CHICAGO BEARS	7:25 p.m.	FOX
3 Sunday, September 25	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers	8:25 p.m.	FOX
4 Sunday, October 2	NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	3:30 p.m.	FOX
5 Sunday, October 9	at New York Giants (London)	8:30 a.m.	FOX
6 Sunday, October 16	NEW YORK JETS	12:10 p.m.	FOX
7 Sunday, October 23	at Washington Commanders	11:00 a.m.	FOX
8 Sunday, October 30	at Buffalo Bills	7:30 a.m.	FOX
9 Sunday, November 6	at Detroit Lions	12:10 p.m.	FOX
10 Sunday, November 13	DALLAS COWBOYS	12:25 p.m.	FOX
11 Monday, November 17	TENNESSEE TITANS	7:15 p.m.	FOX
12 Sunday, November 27	at Philadelphia Eagles	1:00 p.m.	FOX
13 Sunday, December 4	at Chicago Bears	12:00 p.m.	FOX
14	BYE WEEK		
15 Monday, December 19	LOS ANGELES RAMS	7:15 p.m.	FOX
16 Sunday, December 25	at Miami Dolphins	12:10 p.m.	FOX
17 Sunday, January 1	MINNESOTA VIKINGS	12:25 p.m.	FOX
18 January 7 or 8	DETROIT LIONS		FOX

This Week's Winner: Charter Aarrowcast

Weekly Standings

22 Shell	6-8	58-36
Buss Automotive.....	8-6	56-38
Charter Aarrowcast	9-5	55-39
Shawano Seasons Restaurant.....	6-8	54-40
Tower Clock Eye Center	7-7	54-40
Bill Huber.....	6-8	53-41

Weekly Record

Overall Record

Weekly Standings

Gene's Floor Covering	5-9	53-41
Iverson's Piggly Wiggly	8-6	52-42
Morgan Rode	8-6	52-42
Tim Murphy	7-7	52-42
Luke Reimer	7-7	51-43
Senn Insurance	4-10	49-45

Weekly Record

Overall Record



Robert Buss
Buss Automotive

This Week's Picks:

Arizona	Tennessee	New England
Baltimore	NY Jets	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Kansas City	
NY Giants	Miami	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 24 @ Washington 17



Shane Senn
Senn Insurance

This Week's Picks:

New Orleans	Tennessee	New England
Baltimore	NY Jets	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	San Francisco	
Jacksonville	Miami	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 30 @ Washington 10



Charter
Aarrowcast
Shawano

This Week's Picks:

Arizona	Tennessee	New England
Baltimore	Denver	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Kansas City	
NY Giants	Miami	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 20 @ Washington 14



Iverson's Staff
Iverson's
Piggly Wiggly

This Week's Picks:

Arizona	Tennessee	New England
Cleveland	Denver	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	San Francisco	
NY Giants	Miami	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 28 @ Washington 21



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This Week's Picks:

Arizona	Tennessee	New England
Baltimore	Denver	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Kansas City	
Jacksonville	Miami	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 28 @ Washington 17



Gene Maas
Gene's Floor
Coverings

This Week's Picks:

New Orleans	Indianapolis	Chicago
Cleveland	NY Jets	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	Seattle	
Dallas	Kansas City	
NY Giants	Pittsburgh	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 17 @ Washington 13



Bill Huber
New
Media

This Week's Picks:

New Orleans	Tennessee	New England
Baltimore	Denver	
Tampa Bay	LA Raiders	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Kansas City	
NY Giants	Miami	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 20 @ Washington 17



Brenda
22 Shell

This Week's Picks:

Arizona	Tennessee	New England
Baltimore	NY Jets	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	LA Chargers	
Dallas	Kansas City	
NY Giants	Miami	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 27 @ Washington 21



Jim Wiegand
Tower Clock
Eye Center

This Week's Picks:

Arizona	Tennessee	New England
Baltimore	NY Jets	
Tampa Bay	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	Seattle	
Dallas	Kansas City	
NY Giants	Miami	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 14 @ Washington 10

KEYS TO THE GAME

By BILL HUBER
Correspondent

The Green Bay Packers (3-3) will travel to face the Washington Commanders (2-4) at noon on Sunday at FedExField in North Englewood, Maryland. FOX will televise the game.

History

In a series that dates to 1932, when the Packers won at the Boston Braves 21-0, Green Bay leads 22-16-1. The Packers have won two straight, including 24-10 at Lambeau Field last year. The last time the teams met in Washington was 2018, with the Packers falling 31-17. Alex Smith had two touchdown passes and Adrian Peterson had two touchdown runs as Washington led 28-10 at halftime.

Coaches

Green Bay — Matt LaFleur, 42-13, fourth season. Washington — Ron Rivera, 16-23, third season at Washington; 92-86-1 overall in 12 seasons.

When the Packers have the ball

Washington enters week seven ranked 18th with 22.5 points allowed per game. The Commanders have been generous in giving up yards — 19th in total defense (353.3 yards per game), 21st in rushing per play (4.65) and 24th in passing per play (6.99) — but have been excellent in the key situations of third down (third-ranked 31.7% conversions), red zone (ninth-ranked 50% touchdowns) and goal-to-go (third-ranked 45.5% touchdowns). They've forced a league-low three turnovers.

"We struggled last year in third downs. We struggled getting pressure on the quarterback," Rivera said. "We now are one of the better groups in getting pressure on the quarterback. We're one of the better groups at third down. And we're also one of the better groups in the red zone."

The strength of the defense is the front. Even with star defensive end Chase Young out with a torn ACL, Washington's front includes three first-round picks. Defensive tackles Jonathan Allen (3½ sacks, seven tackles for losses, one interception and one forced fumble) and Daron Payne (3½ sacks, five tackles for losses) are elite, and defensive end Montez Sweat (three sacks, second in league with 14 quarterback hits) is underrated. Led by those three players, Washington is fourth in sack percentage.

Washington plays almost entirely out of nickel (four linemen, two linebackers, five defensive backs) or dime (four linemen, one linebacker, six defensive backs). The every-down



Green Bay Packers defenders team up to take down a New York Jets runner during a game on Oct. 16 in Green Bay.

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linebacker is Cole Holcomb, who ranks fifth in the league with 60 tackles. The other linebacker is Jamin Davis. A first-round pick last year, he has 28 tackles and three sacks.

Kendall Fuller, Rachad Wildgoose and Benjamin St-Juste are the three cornerbacks. It's the weak link on their defense. Fuller has been torched for a 137.3 passer rating, according to Pro Football Focus. St-Juste, a towering 6-foot-3, has allowed just a 48.4% catch rate and has broken up four passes.

Wildgoose, a sixth-round pick from Wisconsin in 2021, replaced the unit's big name, William Jackson. Jackson, who signed a three-year, \$40.5 million contract with Washington in free agency in 2021, didn't play last week and is likely to be traded before the Nov. 1 deadline.

Bobby McCain and Kamren Curl are the starting safeties, and Darrick Forrest plays a lot off the bench. Forrest and Curl play a lot in the box to help offset the lack of a third linebacker. Forrest is third on the team with 27 tackles and tied for first with four passes defended.

When the Commanders have the ball

The Commanders have one of the worst offenses in the NFL. The Packers must take advantage. They are 29th in scoring with 17 points per game.

You name it, they're bad at it. They are 30th in yards per play (4.83), 24th in rushing per play (4.01) and 28th in

passing per play (5.81). They're also 27th in sack percentage, 26th on third down and 17th in the red zone.

Washington starting quarterback Carson Wentz suffered a broken finger and is out indefinitely. That means, for the second consecutive year, a matchup against Taylor Heinicke. In Green Bay's win last season, Heinicke threw for 268 yards and rushed for 95 more. So, this might not be much of a break from Joe Barry's perspective.

The Commanders have a few playmakers. Topping the list is receiver Terry McLaurin, who has 22 catches for 367 yards (16.7 average) and one touchdown. He is coming off back-to-back seasons of 75-plus receptions and 1,000-plus yards.

Curtis Samuel has a team-high 34 receptions but for only 287 yards. First-round pick Jahan Dotson, who has all sorts of speed, has added 12 catches for 152 yards and a team-high four touchdowns.

Running back Antonio Gibson is a three-down player. He has a team-high 214 rushing yards (3.5 average) and is fourth with 19 receptions (8 average).

His backfield sidekicks are J.D. McKissic, who is more receiver (24 receptions) than runner (19 attempts), and burly rookie Brian Robinson. Robinson missed the start of the season after being shot. Against the Bears last week, he carried 17 times for 60 yards and one touchdown. Rivera liked the results of pounding away with

Robinson and then getting Gibson on the edge.

Against Chicago, the offensive line was left tackle Charles Leno, left guard Andrew Norwell, center Tyler Larsen, right guard Saahdiq Charles and right tackle Cornelius Lucas. It's been a revolving door at center with Case Roulier on injured reserve. Larsen was the fourth player to get snaps at that spot.

Lucas replaced second-year player Sam Cosmi (broken thumb). Cosmi is the team's worst pass protector (five sacks) but best run blocker.

Special teams

Special teams had been the consistent strength of the Packers until last week, when they gave up a blocked punt and blocked field goal against the Jets.

The Commanders will pose a huge challenge. They are No. 2 in special teams, according to Football Outsiders.

Punter Tress Way ranks fourth in the NFL with a 44.8-yard net average. So, it won't be easy for Green Bay's feeble punt-return unit to get going. Returner Amari Rodgers didn't have a prayer against the Jets.

Kicker Joey Slye is 4-of-5 on field goals. He's got a big-time leg; opponents have returned only three of his kickoffs. He is 14-of-22 from 50-plus yards for his career.

Dax Milne handles returns on kickoffs (20.5 yards per return) and punts (9.5).

Q&A WITH PAT O'DONNELL

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

The Packers signed punter Pat O'Donnell in free agency following his eight seasons with the Bears. He enters week seven ranked third in the NFL with 14 punts that pinned the opponent inside the 20. Almost all of them were inside the 15 or closer to the goal line.

Q: What's the key to all those inside-the-20 punts?

A: Good gunner play.

Q: You must be doing something, too.

A: Honestly, it's just all touch, it's all feel. When you get closer (to the goal line), it gets a little bit harder, so it's more of a feel-finesse ball. It's being able to get the guys in a position to down the ball. You don't want to make it too hairy when you put it on the 1 every single time. You need to give them a little bit of a buffer space.

Q: Here's an off-the-wall question for you. What shoe size do you wear normally and what do you wear to kick?

A: I'm a normal 12 in sneakers and I wear an 11 to kick. Nothing crazy — a size down.

Q: Does that get uncomfortable wearing too-small shoes for about 4

hours on Sundays?

A: Oh, yeah, especially when it starts getting cold out. That's when you really start to feel it, but I'm used to it. I'm sure my foot has shrunk because I bind my feet up in a smaller shoe.

Q: What's it going to be like when you're 60?

A: I don't know. I don't want to know.

Q: Why? I'm sure you'd punt the ball just fine with sneakers, bare-foot, sandals or with Crocs.

A: It's more of a feel. You can feel the ball more. It's like wearing a golf glove. You wear it tighter; you don't want a big, baggy glove so you can't feel the club. It's essentially the same thing.

Q: I was looking for photos of you a while back and there were a bunch from the kicking camp you host in West Palm Beach, Florida. How long have you been doing that?

A: I've been doing a youth kicking camp for three years — COVID knocked out one of the years.

Q: Why is that important?

A: I just think it's important for me to give back. Down in South Florida, a

AT A GLANCE

Number: 16

Age: 31

Season: Ninth

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lot of guys when I was growing up did camps like that. I thought it was really cool. For me to give back, I thought it was something that I definitely should.

A lot of guys don't do that. I think it's important to expose kids to different positions in football. Quarterbacks do it and a million people show up, but the specialists, not so much. If I can change one kid's life and have him fall in love with kicking like I did, I did my job.

Q: I'm glad you answered it like that. Was there someone in your life when you were a kid that helped you on this path?

A: It was actually a guy (Tony Bugeja) who played in the AFL and he played at a Division III school in Carolina who's now my kicking coach. He's been my best man at my wedding. He's awesome. I was a soccer kid growing up.

All of us wanted to get a scholarship somehow and I jumped from soccer to kicking, and he was the guy

that exposed me to kicking and kept in touch and basically taught me everything I know.

Q: How old were you when you started playing football?

A: I was just going into high school. I had never played football before. I was always super-competitive in soccer and I always saw (the football team) on the neighboring field and I was like, 'I could do that.' So, it was cool that I got to experience that, and look where I am now.

Q: Were you good right away? Like, did you start kicking and you thought, "I'm as good as I thought I'd be!"

A: I always had natural instincts to kick a ball and strike a ball well, but punting was probably more challenging because it's a different style. Punting is linear and straight up vs. kicking and the rotation that you kick. It was definitely a challenge, a transition for me. Typical story: I was trying out for the freshman team and it was a week before the opening game and they lined us all up on the fence and the coach said, 'Who's kicked before?' I said I played soccer. Typical movie scene. I kicked it the furthest and the rest was history.



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Packers stunned by Jets at Lambeau

Green Bay outgained on the ground 179-60

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

An unproductive offensive performance from the Green Bay Packers led to boos from the home crowd and a 27-10 loss to the New York Jets at Lambeau Field on Oct. 16.

Offense was once again a major issue for Green Bay, as it has mustered just one touchdown in the last three halves. Boos were loud at Lambeau, something that typically is not heard in Green Bay, after seven straight drives to open the game resulted in no points for the team.

Even though the Packers won the time of possession, the Jets were able to match the Packers' total yardage of 278. Rushing was the major disparity in the game, as Jets rookie running back Breece Hall ran for 116 yards. Second-year running back Michael Carter added another 40 yards, as the Jets totaled 179 rushing yards on the day. The Packers recorded just 60 yards rushing, with A.J. Dillon leading the crew with 41 yards.

"When everybody in the building knows you are going to run the football, and they are able to do it, that's a little discouraging," said LaFleur.

Scoring was hard to come by, as the Jets scored the first points of the game on a 32-yard field goal from kicker Greg Zuerlein with just 5:50 left in the first half.

During Green Bay's responding drive, Rodgers completed passes of 6 and 16 yards to tight end Robert Tonyan, before missing receiver Romeo Doubs on fourth-and-four.

Taking over at its own 46-yard line with 2:20 remaining in the half, New York drove down to the Packers' 35-yard line on the back of Hall's 13 total yards and a 6-yard reception from wide receiver Braxton Berrios. The drive culminated in a 53-yard field goal attempt, in which Zuerlein missed to the left.

The Packers then went six plays in 31 seconds, scoring a Mason Crosby 29-yard field goal to get on the board. Tonyan, Lazard and Cobb were the beneficiaries of Rodgers' passes, with Tonyan's 22 receiving yards on the drive being the main factor.

Berrios opened the scoring in the



Green Bay Packers running back A.J. Dillon, left, and quarterback Aaron Rodgers, center, look on after a fumble on an exchange during the game against the New York Jets on Oct. 16 in Green Bay.

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second half for New York, as the 27-year old receiver took a Wilson pitch 20 yards for a touchdown. That scoring drive included Jets wide receiver Corey Davis recording 52 yards on two receptions.

Almost immediately after the Jets scored, defensive tackle Quinnen Williams sacked Rodgers on third down, forcing Green Bay to punt. On the subsequent play, Jets defensive end Michael Clemons blocked Pat O'Donnell's punt, which was returned for a touchdown.

Down 17-3, the Packers put together their first touchdown scoring drive of the day, as Rodgers completed a 25-yard back shoulder touchdown to Lazard. New York quickly took back control of the game though, marching down the field in five plays, culminating in a 34-yard rushing touchdown for Hall.

The Packers then began to drive, mostly on the arm of Rodgers and his 46 passing yards. Five receivers were involved on the drive — most notably Amari Rodgers, recording his first reception of the season, for 14 yards. The drive ended though as Green Bay was unable to convert on fourth-and-14

from the New York 37-yard line.

Up 24-10, the Jets put the dagger into Green Bay, with a 14-play, 6 minute, 30 second drive, tacking on a field goal and going up three scores with just over 2½ minutes left in the game.

While the drive was the dagger, it did produce something to build off of for LaFleur and the rest of the Packers coaching staff. Faced with a first-and-goal from the 3-yard line, the Packers stopped the Jets on six consecutive plays to prevent a touchdown.

"I was proud of our guys' effort," said LaFleur. "I thought at least that was a good sign that they continued to fight until the end."

An injury to Rodgers' thumb was a point of discussion during practice and while Rodgers was not in MVP form, he went a respectable 26-for-41 with 246 passing yards and one touchdown. After the game, Rodgers was quick to use his thumb as an excuse for missing some throws.

"It's a little sore," said Rodgers, when asked if the injury affected any throws. "Maybe a couple, but not too many."

The aforementioned Williams was a major thorn in the Packers' side all

day, as the Alabama product recorded two sacks to lead the team, which recorded four. With Williams' dominance on the inside, the Packers were forced to substitute Royce Newman out in favor of Jake Hanson. Hanson was injured shortly before halftime, bringing Newman back in the game.

"They brought about two or three pressures maybe, it felt like all day," said Rodgers. "It was (a) four-man rush. They brought some twists, but we knew they were like 50% twists in certain situations based on the analytics. So we just didn't execute that very well."

Another major injury for concern for Green Bay is wide receiver Randall Cobb, who was forced out of the game with an ankle injury. Rodgers was quick to show concern for the veteran receiver.

"I think he thought that was it, that he'd broken it, but I don't think that's the case," said Rodgers. "It's tough, but he was in better spirits in the locker room, and I think you can put guys down on the IR now (for) four weeks, so that might be a possibility."

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