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Wittenberg location gains a pharmacist with extensive knowledge, clinical background and customer service skills to serve the community.

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NOTHING SAYS 'SUMMER' LIKE A BLUE MOON CONE

A trip to the new Britt's Candy and Ice Cream Shop is great way to celebrate a 10th birthday for twins Madison Fischer, left, and Megan Fischer of Wittenberg.
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We all scream for ice cream



Rick and Karla Verkuilen opened Britt's Candy and Ice Cream Shop at 502 S. Webb Street in Wittenberg on Aug. 1 featuring Cedar Crest ice cream.

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New ice cream shop opens in downtown Wittenberg

By **MIRIAM NELSON**

News Editor

"I want to be the ice cream queen of Wisconsin!" said Karla Verkuilen, Wittenberg's newest entrepreneur.

Karla and her husband Rick opened Britt's Candy and Ice Cream Shop at 502 S. Webb Street on Aug. 1 and are amazed and happy about all the business and support they've been getting.

The Verkuilens, who live on a hobby farm in Eland and have full time jobs, joked that they decided they wanted something to do with the extra six-seven hours they could have spent sleeping.

"Who opens a new business in the middle of a pandemic? The Verkuilens!" laughed Karla Verkuilen.

They named the shop Britt's Candy and Ice Cream Shop after their daughter Brittany who is an army sergeant stationed in Connecticut. Since Brittany is their one and only child, they figured the shop couldn't fail if they named it after her.

The shop features a variety of flavors of hand scooped Cedar Crest ice cream and also has soft serve available in chocolate, vanilla and twist. They have prepackaged candy available but

are looking to expand into homemade candies soon.

"I think it's a nice thing that we'll be able to ride our bikes here and have a treat," said Leah Fleischman, of Wittenberg, who brought her 10-year-old twin daughters for an ice cream treat before softball practice on Aug. 6, which also happened to be their birthday.

Rick Verkuilen noted they weren't sure what to expect when they opened but weren't surprised that their first customers were a grandma and grandson from Merrill in town looking at the murals. The murals on the walls of the village schools and businesses are part of Walls of Wittenberg, a non-profit that promotes tourism through art.

"The walls bring in a lot of people," said Rick Verkuilen, and he's hoping they'll be in the mood for some ice cream.

The Verkuilens are the first to admit that they are learning the business as they go and are open to suggestions. One came from Deb Owens, owner of the building, who suggested there are a lot of people who didn't grow up in this area and might want something different to eat other than the usual northern Wisconsin fare. Chicago dogs, also know as Vienna dogs, were a fond memory from her time living in Chicago. The Verkuilen's took her advice to heart and sold out of the hot

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: Britt's Candy and Ice Cream Shop

WHERE: 502 S. Webb St., Wittenberg

WHEN: Thur. and Fri. 3-7 p.m, Sat. 12-7 p.m., Sun. 12-5 p.m.

WHO: Rick and Karla Verkuilen

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dogs on opening day. They plan to offer them every Saturday with all the fixings and then feature a homemade dessert or cinnamon rolls on Sundays.

Owens owns and operates Deb's Webb Street Salon across the street and is happy to have the building rented and excited about the new business bringing new people to the downtown area.

Next door neighbor Justin White, co-owner of Xena's Village Inn, is also happy to have a neighbor again.

"I am very happy, told all my friends and posted it on Facebook, I'm so glad to finally have another business next door," said White, who also thinks it will be a great to have a place for the kids to go after school.

Karla Verkuilen is a custodian at the Birnamwood Elementary and Middle School in Birnamwood and Rick Verkuilen is a manager at Kolbe & Kolbe Millwork in Wausau, so for now their shop will be open Thursday through Sunday.

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Gwidt Pharmacy hires new pharmacist

Part time in Pulaski works into full time in Wittenberg

By **MIRIAM NELSON**
News Editor

If you ask pharmacist Katie Hanke what inspired her to her profession, she will admit that she's pretty nerdy and that her love of science and teaching is a good combination to have in this industry.

Having worked in a hospital setting as part of her training, she realized she didn't like just meeting with patients once and then hoping to never see them again. Her one-year community residency included very focused training in community pharmacy practices. That community focus brought her to Wittenberg.

"We're very excited to have her join our group," said Shane Resch, owner of Gwidt Pharmacy in Wittenberg. "She brings lots of clinical background and expertise to our pharmacy."

That background and expertise includes both a bachelor's degree

in biochemistry and her pharmacy doctorate from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Hanke's pharmacy training included outpatient care at an independent pharmacy in Two Rivers. Hanke feels that particular training experience prepared her for her work in Wittenberg. The focus was on looking at the clients' overall health and administering immunizations — not just dispensing medications.

Hanke had taken a part-time job at the Pulaski Pharmacy, also owned by Resch, and worked Tuesdays in the Wittenberg location. She met her future husband, Paul, in Wittenberg, and they settled in Wausau.

A chance meeting at a Walls of Wittenberg event led Resch to offer her a part-time position again, which became full time on June 22, the Hanks' first year wedding anniversary.

Hanke is excited to work for Resch again, and they are planning



Katie Hanke is the new pharmacist at the Wittenberg location for Gwidt Pharmacy. She started June 22, which was also her one year wedding anniversary. MIRIAM NELSON | NEW MEDIA

to expand their services. Hanke noted there is a lot of interest in vitamin supplements, oils and more holistic treatments, and that they are hoping to help serve the community with quality, science-based information. Hanke acknowledges that it's important to know what is

safe to use with prescription and over-the-counter drugs.

"It's very satisfying to meet with them and help them with questions or make sure they know what they're taking, why they're taking it and how to manage any side effects," said Hanke. "It's most important that I'm being honest, respectful and patient with them."

Hanke enjoys getting to know her clients. Her overall philosophy for providing customer service is to listen to carefully so that she can calm any fears or frustrations and address any concerns.

"I love seeing patients, and I'm excited to be here to use my knowledge to be able to help and serve the community," said Hanke.

In addition to the Gwidt Pharmacy drug store in Wittenberg, Resch owns the Pulaski Pharmacy, Oconto Falls Pharmacy and the Manitowoc Pharmacy.

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Sarnwick expected winner of Democratic primary

He would face off against Tauchen for 6th District Assembly in November

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Richard Sarnwick looked poised to face off against incumbent Wisconsin Rep. Gary Tauchen for the Sixth District Assembly seat in November as a result of Tuesday's primary.

Sarnwick, a Shawano doctor, was winning the Democratic primary against Simon Moesch, a Shawano resident and 22-year-old graduate of Northern Michigan University-Marquette by a margin of 61-39% with 98% of precincts reporting.

The incomplete tally, which still needs to be validated by the Board of Canvass, was 1,422 votes for Sarnwick and 912 for Moesch as of press time Tuesday.

Moesch announced late last month he was dropping out of the race for the Democratic nomination, saying he had been given an opportunity to go back to school and further his education.

Both names were still be on the ballot in Tuesday's primary, though Moesch had urged his supporters not to vote for him.

Had Moesch won the primary, it would have left Tauchen with no challenger on the ballot in November.

Sarnwick is making his second run against Tauchen after being defeated two years ago.

There was one other contested primary race covering the western portion of Shawano County.

In the District 35 Assembly race, Calvin Callahan appeared to have defeated Donald Nelson for the Republican nomination by a margin of 72-28% of the vote with 91% of

precincts reporting.

Four Shawano County offices up for election in November had incumbents running unopposed for the Republican primary Tuesday.

District Attorney Greg Parker won 2,072 votes; County Clerk Pam Schmidt garnered 2,143; County Treasurer Deb Wallace had 2,139; and Register of Deeds Amy Dillenburg had 2,146.

Parker faces a challenge in November from Democratic opponent Aaron Damrau.

COURT NEWS

Recent proceedings in Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court:

- Zachary R. Wincensten, 22, of Shawano, was charged Aug. 11 with a felony count of driving or operating a vehicle without consent. He faces a maximum 3 1/2 years in prison and \$10,000 fine if convicted. Wincensten was ordered held on a \$5,000 cash bond set by Judge Thomas Grover and is due back in court for an adjourned initial appearance Sept. 14.

- Beatrice A. Zhuckkahosee, 34, of Bonduel, was charged Aug. 11 with a felony count of strangulation and suffocation and misdemeanor counts of domestic abuse-related battery and disorderly conduct. She could face a maximum six years in prison

and \$10,000 fine on the felony charge if found guilty. Zhuckkahosee was ordered held on a \$1,000 cash bond set by Judge Thomas Grover and is due back in court for an adjourned initial appearance Sept. 8.

- Phillip D. Zettler, 38, of Rhineland, was charged Aug. 11 with a felony count of misappropriating ID information to avoid penalty. He could face a maximum six years in prison and \$10,000 fine if convicted. He was ordered held on a \$1,000 cash bond set by Judge Thomas Grover and is due back in court for an adjourned initial appearance Sept. 8.

- Elmer J. Kakwitsch, 37, of Shawano, was charged Aug. 11 with a felony count of possession with intent to

deliver amphetamine. He could face a maximum 12 1/2 years in prison and \$25,000 fine if found guilty. Kakwitsch was ordered held on a \$1,500 cash bond set by Judge Thomas Grover and was scheduled for an adjourned initial court appearance on Aug. 31.

- Kyle W. Newton, 30, of Keshena, was charged Aug. 6 with a felony count of possession of narcotic drugs. He could face 3 1/2 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted. Newton was ordered held on a \$2,500 cash bond set by Judge William Kussel Jr. and was scheduled for an adjourned initial court appearance on Aug. 17.

- Chad E. Lamberies, 47, of Shawano, was charged Aug. 6 with

a felony count of possession of methamphetamine. He could face 3 1/2 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted.

Lamberies is free on a \$2,500 signature bond set by Judge William Kussel Jr. and was scheduled for an adjourned initial court appearance on Sept. 21.

- Dawn L. Soman, 32, of Crandon, was charged Aug. 6 with a felony count of possession of narcotic drugs. She could face 3 1/2 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted. Soman was ordered held on a \$2,000 cash bond set by Judge William Kussel Jr. and is due back in court for an adjourned initial appearance Aug. 31.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Aug. 10

Police logged 24 incidents, including a property damage hit-and-run in the 200 block of East Green Bay Street; an internet fraud complaint in the 1100 block of East Richmond Street; a disturbance at ThedaCare Medical Center-Shawano, 100 County Road B; property theft in the 1600 block of Estates Lane; a drug complaint at Prairie and Franklin streets.

Aug. 9

Police logged 24 incidents, including a burglary to a garage in the 1700 block of Estates Lane; an intoxicated person complaint at Richmond and Lincoln streets.

Aug. 8

Police logged 21 incidents, including a drug complaint in the 1100 block of

Waukechon Street; a property damage accident in the 1700 block of Estates Lane; property theft at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.

Aug. 7

Police logged 24 incidents, including a 23-year-old man cited for operating after revocation at County Road B and Waukechon Street; property damage hit-and-run in the 400 block of South Main Street; a property theft in the 1100 block of Waukechon Street; a disturbance at the Super 8 Motel, 211 Waukechon St.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Aug. 10

Deputies logged 52 incidents, including an injury accident on County Road K in the Town of Waukechon; property theft complaints on Resort Road in the Town of Washington and Oakcrest

Drive in the Town of Hartland; disorderly conduct on Maple Street in Birnamwood; a fleeing incident on Old Shawano Road in the Town of Pella; a domestic disturbance on State Street in Bonduel; a disturbance on River Bend Road in the Town of Belle Plaine.

Aug. 9

Deputies logged 53 incidents, including disturbances on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Aniwa and River Road in Bowler; property theft on County Road CC in the Town of Waukechon and U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Grant; a domestic disturbance on Magnolia Lane in Tigerton; a burglary on Green Bay Street in Bonduel; a drug complaint on County Road M in the Town of Belle Plaine; a domestic disturbance on Webb Street in Wittenberg; an assault complaint on County Road D in the Town of Pella.

Aug. 8

Deputies logged 41 incidents, including a 30-year-old woman arrested for operating while intoxicated on Bonduel Street in Cecil; a fraud complaint on Reed Street in Wittenberg; an assault complaint on Hemlock Road in the Town of Wittenberg; a vehicle reported stolen on Second Drive in the Town of Washington; criminal damage to property on County Road Y in the Town of Waukechon.

Aug. 7

Deputies logged 64 incidents, including disorderly conduct on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; an injury accident on County Road N in the Town of Almon; a counterfeit bill reported at the Kwik Trip, 102 W. Express Way in Bonduel; a domestic disturbance on Curt Black Road in the Town of Wescott; property theft on Trieglaff Road in the Town of Pella.

COLLEGE NOTES

UW-Madison

The following students graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison this spring: Cody Montez, Bowler, College of Engineering, Bachelor of Science-Electrical Engineering, Electrical Engineering; Maverick Bushman, Hatley, College of Agricultural & Life Sciences, Bachelor of Science-Agricultural Business Management, Agricultural Business Management; Kimberly Gums, Hatley, College of Agricultural & Life Sciences, Bachelor of Science, Biology; Anna Schaber, Hatley, School of Human Ecology, Bachelor of Science-Community and Nonprofit Leadership, Community and Non-

profit Leadership; Emily Strehlow, Hatley, School of Education, Bachelor of Science-Education, Elementary Education; Lyndsey Agar, Wittenberg, College of Letters and Science, Bachelor of Arts, English.

UW-Oshkosh

The following students graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh this spring: Bailee Ploeger, Birnamwood, College of Nursing, Nursing; Casey Neuman, Wittenberg, College of Nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice — BSN to DNP, FNP, Primary Care; Braxton Potrykus, Wittenberg, College of Business, Management (Project Management).

Marquette University

The following students graduated from Marquette University in Mil-

waukee this spring: Jordyn Janikowski, Hatley, Juris Doctor, Law; Emily Turzinski, Hatley, Juris Doctor, Law.

Notice of Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting

Sec. 65.90(4)

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District that the Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting will be held at the High School Auditorium on Monday, August 24, 2020 with the Budget Hearing at 6:30 p.m. and Annual Meeting to follow for the transaction of business. The Regular Board Meeting will follow the Annual meeting in the High School Library.

A summary of the budget will be published in the Enterprise News on August 13, 2020. Detailed copies of the budget can be obtained in the District Office on or after August 13, 2020.

Tammy Pestka, Clerk

WNAXLP

Minutes for Board of Trustee Meeting Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Meeting was called to order, at 6:00 pm, by Village President, William Switalla – Roll Call – Marlene Wepner – present, Renee Switalla – present (arrived at 6:10), Barb Buchholz – present, William Switalla – present, Sharon Beversdorf – present, David Timm – present, and Paul Yaeger – absent. Also present: Miriam Nelson, Thomas Krolow, Jared Hoekstra, Cynthia Aanonsen, Don Aanonsen, Pete Hoekstra, Paul Larzelere, Kathy Aanonsen, Jerry Aanonsen, Stuart Hanson, Lynn Brown, Paul Wickman, Casey Mavis, Hugh McAloon, Cindy Yaeger, Justin Nueske, Lynn Krueger, Ann Schmidt, Shannon Seegmiller, Joseph Seegmiller and George Seegmiller.

Beversdorf/Buchholz m/s/c to approve the July 7, 2020 regular meeting minutes.

W.Switalla/Beversdorf m/s/c to deviate as needed.

Buchholz/Beversdorf to approve the CSM for Bjornstad Estates lots 8, 9 and 10. Roll call vote – all ayes.

Wepner/Buchholz to approve the ATV/UTV ordinance, with alternate route specified, and the addition of a residential access law allowing travel on any street to the nearest point of the approved route. Roll call vote – all ayes.

Timm/R.Switalla to approve Resolution 2020-06 for the Jurisdictional offer to Homme Home for \$3,200. Roll call vote – all ayes.

R.Switalla/Buchholz to approve the interim bills for \$5,077.86 and the audited bills for \$9,638.44. Roll call vote – all ayes. Roll call vote – all ayes.

Timm/Buchholz to require masks, during business hours only, for the Village Community Center until further notice. Roll call vote – all ayes.

R.Switalla/Beversdorf m/s/c to adjourn at 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Matsche
Village of Wittenberg Clerk/Treasurer

WNAXLP

Minutes for Board of Trustee Meeting Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Meeting was called to order, at 6:07 pm, by Acting Village President, Barb Buchholz – Roll Call – Marlene Wepner – present, Renee Switalla – absent, Barb Buchholz – present, William Switalla – absent, Sharon Beversdorf – present, David Timm – present, and Paul Yaeger – present. Also present: Miriam Nelson, Charity Fraaza, Linda Fletcher, Kristi Rowe Krolow, Thomas Krolow, Don Aanonsen, Cindy Aanonsen, Dick Beversdorf, Kathy Aanonsen, Jerry Aanonsen, Lynn Brown, Hugh McAloon, Paul Wickman, Judy Vreeland, Tim Vreeland, Ann Schmidt, Justin Nueske, Lynn Brown, Paul Larzelere, Dr. BA Beversdorf and Randy Thorson.

Buchholz/Timm m/s/c to approve the June 16, 2020 regular meeting minutes.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the use of ATV/UTV's on the Village streets. 4 Village residents and 17 residents from the surrounding townships were in attendance. Don Aanonsen spoke for the group. The visitors stressed that allowing ATV/UTV's would be good for business, as outsiders can come in to the restaurants, bars, bowling etc. It was agreed that they would put together a proposed route plan for the Village and that the Village would then put this route and a survey in the local paper, and on facebook, to get the local Village resident's feelings about allowing ATV/UTV's on Village streets.

Buchholz/Beversdorf m/s/c to deviate as needed.

Yaeger/Wepner m/s/c to allow the newly created WB Middle School softball team to use the Village softball field for its games, beginning Spring of 2021.

Timm/Buchholz to extend Tavern Front's liquor license to the street for their pig roast weekend, July 17-19, with certain restrictions. Roll call vote – 4 ayes with Beversdorf voting no.

Timm/Buchholz to extend Tavern Front's liquor license to the street for their crab fest weekend, August 14-15, with certain restrictions. Roll call vote – 4 ayes with Beversdorf voting no.

Yaeger/Wepner to close Vinal St, from Webb to Prouty, for Tavern Front's pig roast weekend, with certain restrictions. Roll call vote – 4 ayes with Beversdorf voting no.

Timm/Buchholz to approve Resolution 2020-05 to suspend the agreement with the Shawano County Sheriff's office effective August 8, 2020. Roll call vote – 5 no – motion did not carry.

Yaeger/Buchholz to send a letter to the Shawano County Sheriff's Department to discontinue the additional hours of service, due to CoVid budgeting issues. Roll call vote – all ayes.

Buchholz/Yaeger to approve a \$25 gift card of thanks for Sarah VonHaden for taking care of the Community Center flower beds. Roll call vote – all ayes.

Buchholz/Wepner to approve the use of the Community Center, without cost, for Homme Home board meetings thru the end of the year. Roll call vote – all ayes.

Buchholz/Beversdorf to approve the interim bills for \$151,607.10 and the audited bills for \$6,075.61. Roll call vote – all ayes. Roll call vote – all ayes.

Yaeger/Wepner to approve Frank Wierzba as a Little League coach. Roll call vote – all ayes.

Yaeger/Buchholz to approve Martenson & Eisele's contract amendment for the Webb St. project, dated July 2, 2020, for \$6,782. Roll call vote – all ayes.

Buchholz/Beversdorf m/s/c to adjourn at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Matsche
Village of Wittenberg Clerk/Treasurer

WNAXLP

Wittenberg-Birnamwood SCHOOL DISTRICT IMPORTANT INFORMATION

A copy of the full District Newsletter can be found on line at www.witbir.k12.wi.us or you can pick one up at any school location, or call 715-253-2213 to have one mailed. Free & Reduced lunch applications are available when you go on line to register your child.



SCHOOL BEGINS SEPTEMBER 1, 2020
Elementary Buildings 7:55 a.m. High School 8:00 a.m.



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Please notify the school office if you do not plan on using our bus transportation services. Thank you!

Picture Day

Red Elm/MS	September 8	T/R 4K - 5
	September 9	M/W 4K
Retake	October 20	T/R 4K - 5
	October 21	M/W 4K
Witt Elm/MS	September 8	T/R 4K - 5
	September 9	M/W 4K
Retake	October 20	T/R 4K - 5
	October 21	M/W 4K
High School	September 1	9-12

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Tommy Peetka, Clerk

Registration Fees

4K - 5 Students

General Fee: \$10.00

6-8 Students

General Fee: \$10.00

Lunch Fee: \$5.00

(See all requirements at the end of this notice - registration fees are waived.)

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Grades 6-12 \$2.75

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Families will receive an automated phone call for all important announcements, low lunch balances, scheduling and early release due to inclement weather. Listen to WDCZ 101.9FM, WTCB 95.5FM, WYRG 600AM, and WSAW 650AM for school closings. Also watch WWAY 3, WAOV 9, WSAW 7, NBC 30 and WFRV 5.

2020-2021 School Calendar

Sept 1 - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Sept 7 - No School - Labor Day

Oct 22 - P-T Conferences

Grades PK-12 4:30-6:00 PM

Oct 27 - P-T Conferences

Grades PK-12 4:30-6:00 PM

Nov 24 - End 1st Trimester K-5

Nov 25 - No School - Prof. Dev.

Nov 26 & 27 - No School
Thanksgiving Break

Dec 23 through Jan. 1 - No School
Christmas Break

Jan 21 - End 1st Semester 9-12

Jan 22 - No School - Prof. Dev.

Feb. 25 - End 2nd Trimester K-5

Feb 26 - No School - Prof. Dev.

March 29 through April 2 -
No School Spring Break
Have a Happy Easter

May 28 - Graduation Day

May 31 - No School
Memorial Day

June 4 - End 3rd Trimester K-5
End 2nd Semester 9-12
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

School supply lists can be found on our website at www.witbir.k12.wi.us or in our District Newsletter and in the following retail stores: Wal-Mart in Appleton, Apple, Shawano and Tetgen in Schellfield and Stevens Point.

Athletic Registration is now online.

Go to: <https://witbir.k12.wi.us>

Go to the Athletics Tab at top of page

Go to School Registration

Follow the directions on the website to complete all of the necessary forms.

Please contact Chris Nick, NOT the High School Office for any questions concerning registration at cnick@witbir.k12.wi.us

NEW FAMILIES TO THE DISTRICT

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR STUDENTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN PERSON AT THE APPROPRIATE SCHOOL OFFICE. SUMMER OFFICE HOURS FOR WITTENBERG AND BIRNAMWOOD ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOLS ARE 7:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. MONDAY - THURSDAY. HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS ARE 7:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. MONDAY - THURSDAY.

BIRNAMWOOD ELEMENTARY
311 MAIN ST
BIRNAMWOOD, WI 53114
715-442-2575

WITTENBERG ELEMENTARY
300 S PROUDY ST
WITTENBERG, WI 53186
715-253-2221

WHS HIGH SCHOOL
400 W GARND AVE
WITTENBERG, WI 53186
715-253-2011

Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District

2020-2021 School Calendar

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Complete and Return

Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District Census Form

Dear Parents and Residents of the Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District:

Please help us gather important census information for our district. **All children living at home ages 0-21 as of June 30, 2020 should be listed.** Please complete and return this form for our census records even if you home school your children or if you do not have children at home. Return this form to any district school office or mail to Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District, 400 West Grand Ave., Wittenberg, WI 54499. Thank You!

Township or Municipality: _____

Name: _____
Last First Spouse

Address _____ Apt/Lot # _____

City _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number: _____

_____ We have no one in our household under the age of 21

Please list all children living at home ages 0 - 21 as of June 30, 2020.

	Last Name	First Name	MI	Age	DOB	Sex	Race	School Attending
1								
2								
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Do you have any preschool children who seem to be delayed in their speech, listening skills, fine and gross motor skills or have extreme problems with behavior? _____ yes _____ no

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____

Area of Concern: _____

If you know of any residents who have recently moved into your area could you please give us some information such as name, address, phone number. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Send this form back to any district school office or return by mail to:
Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District, 400 W Grand Ave, Wittenberg, WI 54499

_____ (Underlined days) Student Attendance Days

■ (Shaded days) Event Days

P-T Conference Times: 4:30pm - 8:00pm

April 5th is a scheduled student day.
More than 4 days cancelled due to inclement
weather will require students to attend April 5th.

NTC waives application fees, fall semester begins Aug. 31

Northcentral Technical College will waive application fees for anyone who applies to the college for the fall 2020 semester. The NTC Foundation will cover the \$30 application fee for new applicants.

"We know that college-bound students are presented with unique obstacles while weighing their college options this fall," said Shannon Livingston, dean of student success at NTC. "Our commitment to support student success has never been

stronger, which is why we made the decision to waive application fees to help students get started locally."

Students will have the opportunity to select from a full menu of academic offerings, including in-person classes, virtual college courses that offer flexibility with self-paced lectures and assignments and hybrid courses offered through Zoom that provide more structured learning with set lecture times and deadlines.

Prospective students can meet

with admissions staff by phone appointment, Zoom or in-person following socially distant guidelines. Walk-in appointments are also welcome at NTC's Wausau campus. Visitors can expect to follow the same COVID-19 safety procedures that all staff follow including a brief survey, contactless temperature scan and masking upon entry.

NTC's August walk-in schedule at the Wausau campus for admissions, advising, career coaching and

financial aid services will be from Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon.

Additionally, prospective students can get help at NTC's regional campus in Phillips, Medford, Spencer, Antigo and Wittenberg by calling their local campus to make an appointment.

Prospective students are also encouraged to apply at no cost online by visiting www.ntc.edu/apply.

Wittenberg-Birnhamwood School District Official Minutes of the Board of Education June 22, 2020

Meeting called to order 7:00 pm. by President Chuck Wendler, Pursuant to WI.STATS.1984 (1). Superintendent Rogowski verified that this meeting was posted and published as required by law.

Roll Call of the Board: Eight Board members present, T. Wendler absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approve the Minutes: (Magee - Pestka) moved to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2020 regular meeting as circulated. Motion carried.

Delegations & Communications: In attendance along with Board members were; Garrett Rogowski, Joy Hartleben, Randy Berndt, Megan Marcks and John Rudeen. Visitors included; Matt McGregor, Isaac Roffers, Miriam Nelson, Becky Wendel and Jackie Berndt. The Board received three thank you cards. Two for retirement gifts for Norm Resch and Sara Dingess and one for a memorial gift for the Robin Pukall family.

Public Comments: Matt McGregor introduced Isaac Roffers, supervisor for Hoffman, and gave an update on the progress and what will be happening in the next couple of weeks.

Board Concerns or Reports: R. Olson brought up a concern of lights being left on at the Birnamwood School That has been addressed.

Financial Report: (Magee - Schmidt) Motion to pay the following as of June 22, 2020: Budgetary checks numbering 102180-102337 in the amount of \$205,576.34, payroll checks numbering 141894-141910 in the amount of \$193,274.85, direct deposit advices in the amount of \$403,927.79, ACH payments in the amount of \$306,724.20 and credit card payments in the amount of \$28,866.82. I make a motion to approve all journal entries made for the month of May. Roll call vote: 8 yes, T Wendler absent. Motion carried. Superintendent Rogowski reported a cash on deposit as of April 30, 2020 of \$4,301,531.50 and LGIP account balance as of April 30, 2020 of \$1,268.39.

Approve the Agenda: (Stewart - Olson) moved to approve the agenda with two closed session items - to discuss a personnel matter and the Step Program. Working on Procedural Compliance Self Assessments Stage 2. She also shared results of the parent and student surveys that were taken concerning virtual learning during the Covid closure. Motion carried. Pietz - abstain. Randy Berndt, Birnamwood Elementary/MS Principal

Administrative Reports:

- Megan Marcks, Pupil Services Director reported that they are preparing for the Summer Institute for Staff which will be offered virtually or in person in small groups. 15 students are engaging in Covid Impact Services.
- Randy Berndt, Birnamwood Elem/Middle School Principal stated that the custodians are ahead of schedule with cleaning this year. Will be interviewing for a 5th grade teacher. The "Bus parade" for 8th grade graduates went very well.
- Vicky Haas, Wittenberg Elem/Middle School Principal stated said 15 staff members participated in the 8th grade "bus parade" recognition and it went very well. Custodian are working diligently to prepare for the coming school year.
- John Rudeen, Aquatic Center Director reported that they are now re-filling the pools. The fitness room is 95% good to go. Discussion on what it will look like when the Aquatic Center is open and what procedures will be in place.
- Bill Hass, High School Principal stated that graduation will be on July 24th with a possible drive up ceremony.
- (Stewart - Pietz) moved to approve the Middle School Girl's Softball program as presented. Motion carried.
- No capital projects at this time.
- (Pietz-Stewart) moved to approve the 2019-2020 Budge Amendments as presented. Motion carried.
- (Magee - Pestka) moved to approve the endowment transfer of \$6000.00. Motion carried.
- (Magee - Schmidt) moved to approve the amount of \$800,000.00 from Fund 10 to Fund 46. Motion carried.
- (Pestka - Stewart) moved to approve the Open Enrollment Applications for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. Motion carried.
- (Olson - Pestka) moved to approve the new Reading Program in the amount of \$112,000.00 to cover 6 years of support and materials. Motion carried.
- (Stewart - Schmidt) moved to approve the updates to the Staff Handbooks as presented. Motion carried.
- (Pestka - Schmidt) moved to approve the resignation of Hillary Rinke, Art Teacher at Birnamwood. Hillary has been with the Distirct for the past four years. Also moved to approve the resignation of Ciara Richardson, 5th Grade Teacher Birnamwood. Ciara has been with the District for the past two year. Motion carried. The Board would like to thank them for their service to our students and district.
- (Stewart - Pietz) moved to approve the hire of Kahtrine Jolitz as 5th Grade Teacher, Wittenberg, compensation being \$38,000 and Alexis Piatz as High School Math Teacher, compensation being 40,500.00. Motion carried.
- (Pestka - Stewart) moved to approve the hire of Sandy Klinner as second shift custodian at the High School, compensation starting at \$13.54/hr. Motion carried.
- (Pesкта - Schmidt) moved to approve the Annual Meeting and Budget Hearing date of August 24, 2020. Motion carried.
- There was much discussion on what the reopening of school will look like. There will be many decisions that need to be made over the next month. There was also discussion and a presentation on PLC's for each building (Professional Learning Committee).
- (Schmidt - Pestka) moved to approve coach hires of Duanne Potrykus as Varsity Wrestling Coach, Bobbi Jensen as Middle School Wrestling Coach and Stefanie Wickersheim as JV2 Volleyball Coach. Motion carried.
- (Stewart - Schmidt) moved to adjourn the meeting. 10:02 p.m. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,
Joy A Hartleben
School Board Secretary

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**WITTENBERG-BIRNAMWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGET PUBLICATION, 2020-21 PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY
ANNUAL MEETING - August 24, 2020 @ 6:30 pm (HS Auditorium)**

GENERAL FUND	Audited 2018-19	Unaudited 2019-20	Budget 2020-21
Beginning Fund Balance	3,564,310.66	3,762,610.64	3,867,700.19
Ending Fund Balance	3,762,610.64	3,867,700.19	3,867,700.19
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfers-In (Source 100)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Local Sources (Source 200)	4,119,937.52	4,313,143.18	3,835,331.00
Inter-district Payments (Source 300 + 400)	970,955.08	1,132,745.00	1,245,329.00
Intermediate Sources (Source 500)	12,977.10	20,251.98	11,955.00
State Sources (Source 600)	7,814,772.62	8,018,650.64	8,406,857.00
Federal Sources (Source 700)	392,154.43	357,913.64	237,790.00
All Other Sources (Source 800 + 900)	239,427.58	92,708.40	25,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	13,550,224.33	13,935,410.84	13,762,262.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
Instruction (Function 100 000)	5,636,925.09	5,858,780.65	6,234,272.00
Support Services (Function 200 000)	4,812,664.30	4,465,169.10	4,719,922.00
Non-Program Transactions (Function 400 000)	2,882,134.96	3,526,371.54	2,808,068.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	13,331,924.35	13,850,321.29	13,762,262.00
SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND	Audited 2018-19	Unaudited 2019-20	Budget 2020-21
Beginning Fund Balance	224,596.40	223,578.73	197,943.10
Ending Fund Balance	223,578.73	197,943.10	182,163.10
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	2,223,112.81	2,314,069.43	2,380,258.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	2,224,130.48	2,339,705.06	2,396,638.00
DEBT SERVICE FUND	Audited 2018-19	Unaudited 2019-20	Budget 2020-21
Beginning Fund Balance	0.00	137,128.48	240,715.66
Ending Fund Balance	137,128.48	240,715.66	235,615.66
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	13,625,717.75	535,538.00	731,332.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	13,488,589.27	431,950.82	736,432.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	Audited 2018-19	Unaudited 2019-20	Budget 2020-21
Beginning Fund Balance	2,008,489.52	15,001,520.49	8,580,699.67
Ending Fund Balance	15,001,520.49	8,580,699.67	2,634,556.67
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	13,786,254.77	1,119,254.72	0.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	793,223.80	7,540,075.54	5,946,143.00
FOOD SERVICE FUND	Audited 2018-19	Unaudited 2019-20	Budget 2020-21
Beginning Fund Balance	190,096.15	141,321.83	141,442.45
Ending Fund Balance	141,321.83	141,442.45	141,442.45
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	552,244.29	533,740.75	500,000.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	601,018.61	533,620.13	500,000.00
COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND	Audited 2018-19	Unaudited 2019-20	Budget 2020-21
Beginning Fund Balance	985,638.66	982,726.88	960,694.04
Ending Fund Balance	982,726.88	960,694.04	772,694.04
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	364,399.83	448,228.94	325,000.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	367,311.81	478,261.78	513,000.00

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Maori murders in New Zealand set in 1868

I do enjoy historical fiction, so this week I selected an e-book from BookBub, “Not the Faintest Trace” by Wendy M. Wilson.



JAN JONES

It is the first in her Sgt. Frank Hardy Mystery series set in New Zealand in the late 1800s. The story opens with a small native family group attempting to escape pursuing troops. Before they can slip into the deep swamp, they are captured. The husband is killed, and the wife and another woman are taken away, leaving two little boys to a horrible death. Sgt. Hardy tried to stop the carnage but is ordered to move on with the other troops.

Shortly after that, Frank left the military, but the memory has haunted him ever since. Frank is an imposing and roughly handsome Englishman with a strong sense of right and wrong. During his service, he came to understand and respect the native Maori people and their attachment to their ancestral lands.

Deciding he’d had enough of senseless brutality, he took a job driving the mail coach between the villages and settlements spread along the river. The job bores him, and he wants something more challenging. The sparsely settled areas made settlers targets for thieves and the occasional cold-blooded killer, and those new to New Zealand were prone to getting horribly lost in the bush. Frank knew he’d be good at handling such cases, but he wasn’t ready to make an attempt at starting his own private investigating business.

Two young men recently disappeared near the river. Most believe they drowned, but neither body had been found. The reader soon knows what happened to one of the boys, but not the other one. Pieter Sorenson, a relative of the boys, asks Frank to search for them so the family can have closure. Frank reluctantly agrees but gets more interested after meeting Pieter’s sister-in-law Metta Jensen.

Metta is more handsome and sturdy than pretty, and she has a sharp mind. She’s eager to learn all about the edible plants in her new country and often heads into the nearby bush to forage. Metta’s family tries to convince her to

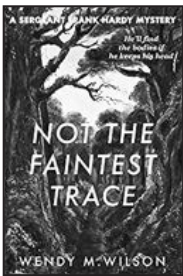
AT A GLANCE

BOOK: “Not the Faintest Trace”
AUTHOR: Wendy M. Wilson
PUBLISHER: Wilson
PUBLISHED: Jan. 4, 2018
PAGES: 286

stay in the clearing, but she goes out whenever she can. Metta gets a terrible fright when confronted by a fierce, native-looking man who tries to take a piglet that she has killed.

She is thrilled to learn that Frank will be searching for the boys because she has a secret crush on him. Metta finally confesses that Gottlieb Larson, one of the men on the road crew, tried to rape her. Frank finds the man, beats him badly and makes a murderous enemy in the process. Now he has to watch for both the vengeful Maori warrior and the crazed Larson.

Metta is sent to bring back Pieter’s widowed sister, so she rides the mail coach with Frank. The woman refuses her offer, so Metta joins Frank for the return trip. Larson ambushes them at the edge of a deep gorge. After a harrowing struggle, Frank hits Larson with a native tomahawk and he falls into the river.



Frank gets along well with the local police, but the head of the Constabulary is openly hostile toward him. So, to protect Metta from the shame of the near rape, they decide to tell no one about the attack. Frank finally learns that the Maori warrior is Anahera, a brother to one of the women taken that fateful day. He has sworn to kill all who wear the “Die Hard” military insignia.

After a terrible battle, Anahera is subdued and taken to a far-off prison. Later, the body of one boy is found, but not the other. Only Anahera knows what happened. The book ends with a strange epilogue that creates more questions than answers. I doubt I’ll bother to read the next one. Too little history and too many loose ends for me.

Your public library can supply all the endings you want. Cliffhangers to neat package finales are all available. Just make plans to stop by soon so you can check it out.

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PACKAGE & COOPERATIVE PROGRAM FUND	Audited 2018-19	Unaudited 2019-20	Budget 2020-21
Beginning Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	6,172.00	0.00	0.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	6,172.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES			
ALL FUNDS	Audited 2018-19	Unaudited 2019-20	Budget 2020-21
GROSS TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS	30,812,370.32	25,165,934.62	23,853,875.00
Interfund Transfers (Source 100) - ALL FUNDS	1,813,535.92	0.00	0.00
Refinancing Expenditures (FUND 30)	13,488,589.27	137,128.48	0.00
NET TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS	15,510,245.13	25,028,806.14	23,853,875.00
PERCENTAGE INCREASE -- NET TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR YEAR		61.37%	-4.69%
PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY			
FUND	Audited 2018-19	Unaudited 2019-20	Budget 2020-21
General Fund	3,991,688.00	4,213,044.00	3,770,081.00
Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	535,538.00	731,332.00
Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Expansion Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Community Service Fund	225,000.00	225,000.00	225,000.00
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY	4,216,688.00	4,973,582.00	4,726,413.00
PERCENTAGE INCREASE -- TOTAL LEVY FROM PRIOR YEAR	1.39%	17.95%	-4.97%

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