



Five men carrying crosses lead the way for about 100 participants in the annual Cross Walk along West Main Street in Gillett in observance of Good Friday, March 29, sponsored by the Gillett/Suring Clergy Association. Find more photos at newmedia-wi.com



LEFT: The Cross Walk procession includes a pair of burros, representing the animals that accompanied Jesus as he entered Jerusalem a week before his death and resurrection. RIGHT: The sun casts a shadow of one of the men carrying a cross as the procession pauses for prayer at Tabor United Methodist Church.



Kocken withdraws insanity plea

Woman who shot Oconto Falls officer to be sentenced in June

BY WARREN BLUHM
News Editor

The Oconto Falls woman who shot and wounded a police officer in August 2021 has withdrawn her plea of not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect, ending the need for a trial that would have started April 1.

Alisha Kocken, 31, will be sentenced June 11 for attempted first-degree intentional homicide, resisting an officer with the consequence of substantial bodily harm, battery or threat to a law officer with a dangerous weapon, and disarming a peace officer.

Last August, Kocken pleaded no contest but not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect in connection with the Aug. 6, 2021, incident outside her apartment on Elm Avenue. She stood convicted of the crimes, and the trial was to determine her mental condition at the time.

She withdrew the mental illness aspect of her plea during a March 28 hearing in

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Wrong-way driver flees traffic stop

BY NEW MEDIA STAFF

A Gillett man is in custody after he fled from a traffic stop after allegedly driving erratically on state Highway 22 and, later, allegedly fighting with officers who tried to take him into custody at his home.

Aaron John Husted, 37, is charged with three counts of first-degree recklessly endangering safety, resisting arrest, fleeing an officer in a vehicle and felony bail jumping, as well as misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer, disorderly conduct and bail jumping, in

connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 20.

Husted was also ticketed for operating a motor vehicle to the left of the center line and driving while his license was suspended.

According to the criminal complaint, deputies were dispatched to the area west of Messenger Road in the Town of Oconto Falls around 6:35 p.m. March 20 on a report that a driver was swerving toward oncoming traffic and forcing other drivers off the road.

Deputy Steve Hansen encountered a

vehicle headed east in the westbound lane near Duame Road in the Town of Stiles, and the deputy had to pull to the side of the road to avoid a head-on collision, the complaint said. The car went into the Kwik Trip lot at 5908 Duame Road and stopped.

Hansen pulled in next to the vehicle and asked for the driver's license. According to the complaint, the man started to open his door and said, "I'm just going in the store quick." The deputy pushed the

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Alisha Kocken waits for her attorney prior to a March 28 court hearing in which she withdrew her plea of not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect in the Aug. 6, 2021, shooting and wounding of Officer Nicole Blaszkowski. Kocken is scheduled to be sentenced June 11.

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Regional Operation Christmas Child celebration planned in Oconto Falls

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoe box ministry will hold a celebration for the Green Bay area from 10 a.m. to noon April 6 at Grace Lutheran Church, 501 S. Main St., Oconto Falls.

The Green Bay region is comprised of 12 counties. The successful 2023 collection will be celebrated and exciting news for 2024 will be shared along with praise, prayer and fellowship. This year-round project is an effective means of sharing the Gospel with children and their families throughout the world.

For information, contact Ellen Pritzlaff, local coordinator, at 920-362-5752.

OBITUARIES

Janice Rae Blumreich ("B/Ms. B") passed away on March 22, 2024.

She was born March 17, 1934, to Annette and Ervin Blumreich. Jan graduated from Gillett High School in 1952. She attended Illinois State Normal and then taught two years in Farmington, Illinois, teaching physical education and as GAA adviser. While in Illinois, Jan also worked at State Farm Insurance, was paid to do laundry for a lady and was a nanny.

In 1958, she began her teaching career in the Oconto Unified School District where she traveled to country schools, and taught various subjects including history, drivers' education, health and physical education. She also attended UW-Oshkosh to further her education, getting her bachelor of science in secondary education.

While working in the Oconto district, Jan was



adviser for the GAA and cheerleaders. She had many good memories of those days. In 1972, Title IX was instituted, which gave girls equal rights to participate in athletics. Jan then coached track and field, basketball and golf. Her goal was always to develop good sportsmanship, work ethic, physical abilities and responsibility. She was very proud of her teams' accomplishments, having earned several conference and regional titles, as well as having girls go to state in golf and track. She was one game away from going to state in basketball. Jan also served as the district's athletic director for several years until her retirement in 1993.

Jan was involved in

sports her whole life. When in high school, she got involved with a group that would travel to Keshena, Green Bay and surrounding areas for softball games. She played various positions, but mostly catcher. In 1949, at the age of 15, she tried out for the Racine Belles, an All-American girls professional baseball league, even though the age requirement was 16. She still has the ball that she used for tryouts. Jan was also a great bowler both in Gillett and Oconto. Her teams won many championships, and she once scored a 257 at the Legion Arcade in Gillett, which was the highest recorded by a woman there at that time.

Jan is probably most known for her golfing abilities. Although she has won numerous golf tournaments, it wasn't until 2002 that she got a hole-in-one while playing in the Cretton-Gallagher Best Ball. In 1973, she

became a teaching golf pro and pro shop manager at the Oconto Golf Club, where she gave individual and group golf lessons. She also became the manager of the OGC in 1998. Jan, and her friend, Kathy, facilitated the Oconto Junior Golf League from 2000-16, and instituted the MaryAnn Slaney Sportsmanship Award to honor the woman who ran the league for several decades until her death.

Being community minded, Jan was involved in running several golf outings to raise money for the Oconto Hospital Foundation, Special Olympics and the Machickanee Players. Jan also went out of her comfort zone and acted in the Machickanee Players, "Cemetery Club."

Jan is survived by her goddaughter, Christine Schenkoske, Gillett; her best friend and care giver, Kathy McDougal; her "adopted nieces," Shannon Schilawski and her

daughter, Danielle (fiancé J.J. Borseth), Oconto; cousins, and friends, most who have been former students.

She is preceded in death by her parents, other relatives and friends.

Jan's words: "I have chosen Fr. Robert Karuhn to speak at my passing because he has become a good friend and has given me direction in this final phase of my life.

"I cannot forget to thank all the classes from 1958-1993. Many were very special!

"To all the students and athletes I had while I was a coach for girls golf, girls basketball, cheerleading, track and field, and gymnastics—the Oconto Award letter belongs to all I had in the sports listed!!!

"A huge thank you to Kathy, and my adopted family — Shannon, Dani, JJ, and (Steve).

"A special thank you to my dear friend Kathy, who helped me stay at

home and gave me the special care and concern that was needed at certain times when things seemed dim. Kathy gave me the support and care that was needed and very much appreciated. Bless Kathy for everything she did from me. May God be with her forever!!! Thank you my dear friend, and thanks to all my friends in Oconto!!"

A special thank you to the staff at Unity Hospice for the wonderful continued care provided to Jan.

The family will receive relatives and friends at the Gallagher Funeral Home, Oconto, from 3-6 p.m. Wednesday, April 10, 2024. Memorial services will be conducted 6 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home with the Rev. Bob Karuhn officiating.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.gallagherfuneralhome.net.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund will be established.

Donna Laverne Schuettelpelz, 95, a longtime resident of the Coleman and Suring area, and more recently Winneconne, passed away peacefully on Saturday, March 23, 2024, after a short illness at the Eden Meadows skilled nursing facility in Oshkosh.

Donna was born to John and Esther (Haesely) Sandberg of Mountain on Sept. 27, 1928, and was the eldest of six children. She grew up and attended Mountain High School and graduated in 1945. She then attended and graduated from the Marinette Teachers College.

Donna met and married Denver Schuettelpelz (1925-



2013) in 1949 and moved to Coleman to raise her family. She was active in the Coleman school PTA and enjoyed growing her vegetable and flower garden each year. She taught grade school for several years in Pound and looked forward to perch fishing and berry picking during the summer.

Donna and Denver raised four children, Lynnea, Mike, Lisa and Lanelle, who were born between 1950 and 1969.

In 1973, the family purchased a small convenience store and gas station north of Pound and built the business into a successful retail location, and became well known in the area as a result. They lived in the house that was attached to the store. During that time, Donna handled much of the business paperwork, and managed the day-to-day operation along with her husband. After selling the store in the late 1980s, the couple moved to a small hobby farm north of Pound, growing and selling sunflower seeds that they grew on their property.

Donna and Denver retired to Suring in 1997 and were active in the lo-

cal church to which they belonged. Donna enjoyed baking, quilting and fishing with her husband. The couple also took many trips to events and shows across the Midwest.

After her husband passed away in 2013, Donna relocated to Winneconne. She joined the Lord of the Lakes Lutheran Church and was active in the quilting group from the church. She enjoyed baking and making dishes for family and friends. She spent many hours each week cutting and sewing quilt tops for the group, and was always happy to see more material that she could work on.

She was also socially

active at her apartment complex and had many friends who visited her often during her later years.

Surviving Donna are three siblings, Bill Sandberg, Mary Gallagher and Leon Sandberg; three children, Lynnea Kaminiski, Mike Schuettelpelz and Lanelle (Doug) Waech; 10 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Along with her parents and husband, Donna was also preceded in death by a daughter, Lisa Krejcarek; brothers and sisters-in-law, John and Janice Sandberg, Marvin Sandberg, Dorothy Sandberg and Dena Sandberg.

A visitation for family and friends will be on Thursday, April 4, 2024, from noon until 1:30 p.m. at Mueller Funeral Home 904 E. Main St. Winneconne. A funeral service will be held on Thursday, April 4, at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home. Donna will be laid to rest next to her husband at the St. John's Lutheran Church Cemetery in Hayes at a later date.

Donna's family extends their appreciation to the staffs of Ascension Mercy Hospital-Oshkosh and Aurora Medical Center-Oshkosh for the care and support given to her.

If you wish, please submit online condolences/memories to muellerfh.net.

Dorothy L. Johnson, age 96, of Gillett, passed away peacefully on Monday, March 25, 2024.

Dorothy was born on April 24, 1927, to the late Walter and Emma (Lifke) Rasmussen. On Feb. 12, 1949, Dorothy married Alfred "Alfie" Johnson in Menominee, Michigan. The couple were lifetime residents of Oconto County.

Dorothy devoted her life to her family. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-



grandmother. Dorothy was self-taught in her accomplishments, including her calligraphy skills. She loved gardening and was known to have a "green thumb" by her family. An excellent chef and baker, Dorothy received awards for her baking. She was an active member of Faith United Lutheran

Church. Dorothy was an avid reader of the Bible and enjoyed taking notes in Bibles and gifting them to her loved ones.

Dorothy is survived by her children, Alan "Roger" (Sue) Johnson and Keith Johnson; five grandchildren, Lisa (Michael) Cronan, Matthew (significant other, Molly) Johnson, Monica (James) Quinn, Zachary (Reshina) Johnson and Bryce (Angela) Johnson; 10 great-grandchildren, Michael, Joseph, Stephen, Cody (significant other, Hannah), Aidan, Ky-

ler, Gavin, Kensley, Emmie and Eliana; great-great-granddaughter, Chloe; sister, Darlene "Ritzie;" sister-in-law, Mary Rasmussen. She is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alfred; great-grandson, Connor Johnson; siblings, Milo Rasmussen, Lyle Rasmussen, Ronnie Rasmussen, Betty (Erv) Sederstrom and Donna (Clarence) Fabry; brother-in-law, Leonard Sederstrom.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2024, at Faith United Lutheran Church from 9 a.m. until the funeral service at 11 a.m. with Pastor John Laatsch officiating. Dorothy will be interred at Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery.

Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.

The family would like to thank the staffs of

Meadowbrook Nursing Home in Oconto Falls and Unity Hospice for the care and compassion offered to Dorothy and her family during their time of need.



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New Suring business offers jolts of flavor

Jolted is now open for business, offering a unique and delicious experience for locals and visitors alike, announced the Tourism and Economic Development Corporation of the Oconto Region (TEDCOR).

Located in the heart of Suring, this new business is a one-stop-shop for all things tasty and hand-crafted. The freeze-dried goodies are made on site in their licensed kitchen, using all of their favorite candies and combining them with unique recipes. Customers can sample some of the creations and experience the “JOLT of flavor that follows.” From classic favorites to new

and exciting flavors, there is something for everyone to enjoy.

Jolted also offers a variety of coffee drinks that are specially crafted with freshly ground beans from Primal Eats. Featuring Columbian, Peruvian, Brazilian and Costa Rican beans, customers can choose from three varieties: Swamp’r, Timb’r or Squatch. Customers can take home a sample bag or 12-ounce bag of their favorite blend.

What truly sets this business apart is its commitment to supporting local artists and artisans. The shop features a variety of crafts, photography, digital art, handmade wood and

beaded work, and all-natural products, all made by local folks — close friends, family, and neighbors. This not only supports the local economy but also offers customers a unique and one-of-a-kind shopping experience.

“We are thrilled to welcome Jolted to Suring,” said Samantha Routheau, Oconto County tourism director. “This business not only offers delicious treats and coffee, but also supports our local community and economy. We encourage everyone to stop in, say hello, and enjoy a new way to enjoy your favorite candy, try a special coffee, find a unique gift, or just sit and relax in their cozy



Jolted, 714 Main St. in Suring, offers an eclectic mix of sweets produced on site, coffees and the work of local artists and artisans. TEDCOR

little shop.”

Jolted is located at 714 Main St. and is open 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, find Jolted on Facebook.

Electric cooperative picks new CEO

The board of directors for Oconto Electric Cooperative (OEC) has announced the appointment of Ryan Miller as its new chief executive officer.

Miller will assume his role April 10, following the retirement of Byron Nolde.

“We are delighted to welcome Miller as the next CEO of OEC,” said Todd Duame, board chairman. “After a nationwide search, the board of directors de-

cided Ryan Miller was the best candidate to be the next great leader for OEC, so that we can continue providing affordable and reliable electricity to our consumer members.”

Miller grew up in the electrical industry working in his family’s high-voltage electrical construction company. He has also worked as a substation operations manager.

He currently serves as the chief operating officer

of Southland Utility Services, a wholly owned subsidiary of Choctawhatchee Electric Cooperative, where he oversees the day-to-day operations. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Information Systems, a Master in Business Administration and a certificate in utility management from Willamette University.

Nolde has served as manager and CEO of Oconto Electric Coop-

erative for the past 20 years, making him one of the longest serving CEO’s of OEC.

“We appreciate all that Byron has contributed to the success of the cooperative,” Duame said. “We look forward to Miller’s deep understanding of the energy industry and that he will continue to build on the strong foundation we have and guide the cooperative towards a successful future.”

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Peggy Miller appointed Marinette County judge

The Oconto County family court commissioner and register in probate has been appointed as a Marinette County judge, effective this summer.

Gov. Tony Evers announced March 21 his appointment of Peggy Miller to Marinette County Circuit Court Branch 1. The appointment will fill the vacancy being created by Judge Jane Sequin's resignation, effective July 31. Miller will complete a term ending July 31, 2025.

"Peggy Miller is a respected lawyer who is passionate about the law and whose experience will help her seamlessly transition to this new role," Evers said.



PEGGY MILLER

court judge."

Since 2019, Miller has been the family court commissioner, court commissioner, and register in probate for Oconto County. In this role, she manages a full calendar of hearings, predominantly covering family law matters but also extending to small claims,

"She will serve the people of Marinette County well as their next circuit

restraining orders, traffic citations, and probate. Miller spent the previous two decades in private practice in Northeast Wisconsin, representing clients in all aspects of family law, small claims matters, and as a guardian ad litem. Miller also has extensive experience with mediation and arbitration, particularly in bankruptcy and foreclosure matters.

"Peggy Miller is an amazing choice for Marinette County Circuit Court Judge," said Brown County Circuit Court Judge Thomas J. Walsh. "She is committed to the rule of law and has an even temperament that is well suited to the judiciary.

Her commitment to community will ensure that the people of Marinette County will be heard and that justice will be fair for all."

Miller is a lifelong resident of Northeast Wisconsin and plans to relocate to Marinette County to serve in this position. She is a graduate of Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, Concordia University, and Marquette University

Law School. She has served in numerous capacities for both professional and community organizations, including as secretary and treasurer of the Family Court Commissioner Association and as a board member of the YWCA of Greater Green Bay.

"It is an amazing opportunity, as well as a dream come true, to become a judge in Marinette County,"

Miller said. "There can be no greater honor than to be able to serve the citizens of such a beautiful and historic county. I am excited to become an active member of the community and will work diligently to be fair, courteous, and respectful to all. A heartfelt thank you to all of the judges, lawyers, friends, and family that have mentored and supported me throughout my career."

OFHS students can now take Bellin courses

By WARREN BLUHM
News Editor

Oconto Falls High School students now have an opportunity to take college-level health care courses to earn high school and college credit while attending high school.

The school board approved a partnership with the Bellin College Healthcare Academy during its regular monthly meeting March 18. Starting this fall, OFHS students will be able

to take college-level courses through Bellin. Current ninth, 10th and 11th grade students were able to learn more about the academy on March 20, and a parents meeting is planned in the near future.

The partnership with Bellin was one of four high school curriculum changes approved during the board meeting. The others were adding a general college-level chemistry course, also through Bellin, an option

for advanced placement students to take a two-semester U.S. history course at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay and additional English intervention programs.

"I was really impressed with the amount of foresight and the amount of time and attention that went into these plans," said Sarah Schindel, chair of the board's curriculum committee. "They are just really, really great opportunities for our kids."

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Wimberger to run in new 2nd District

BY NEW MEDIA STAFF

State Sen. Eric Wimberger announced his candidacy March 27 for the newly redrawn 2nd Senate District, potentially setting up a Republican primary with state Sen. Robert Cowles.

The 2nd Senate District, which has no incumbent under the new maps, was redrawn to include most of Oconto County south and east of Suring, along with all of Menominee County and parts of Shawano,

as well as the villages of Bonduel, Bowler, Cecil and Gresham, and 16 of Shawano County's 25 towns.

The district also includes parts of Waupaca and Outagamie counties, including Little Chute, Seymour and neighborhoods in Appleton and Kaukauna.

Cowles has made no announcement but indicated an interest in moving so that he can run for re-election to the 2nd District, which contains much of the territory he has repre-

sented in the Senate since 1987. The district also contains much of the former 30th Senate District, which ran from Green Bay north to Marinette, which Wimberger has served since 2021.

"I'm excited about the opportunity to be the conservative voice for my current constituents and new constituents in north-east Wisconsin," Wimberger said in a statement announcing his candidacy. "From the north of the district near my family's small business, to the very south

where the first generation of Wimbergers immigrated to a Kaukauna farm, I have strong vested ties to the area."

Wimberger said he looks forward to continuing as the Legislative Audit Committee chairman and as a member of the Joint Finance Committee.

"I'll also have an opportunity to live closer to the family business, Sweet Memories Candy Shoppe in Lakewood, and help my mom in our 35th year open," he said.

OCONTO COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Proceedings of March 25

• Bradd K. Steeno, 53, Green Bay, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense), and misdemeanor resisting or obstructing an officer in connection with an incident that occurred Oct. 10, 2020. Judge Michael Judge withheld sentencing and placed Steeno on two years of probation with conditions beginning with 10 months in the county jail. He also revoked his driver's license for two years and ordered ignition interlock devices installed in his vehicles for 12 months.

• Gary E. Borkovec, 46, Oconto, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to possession of

methamphetamine, possession of narcotic drugs, maintaining a drug trafficking place, and misdemeanor counts of possession of THC, possession of amphetamine/LSD/psilocin, possession of illegally obtained prescription drugs and possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 27. Judge scheduled a pre-trial conference for June 13.

• Michael Lee Vandenheuvel, 28, Oconto, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and was bound over on charges of attempted strangulation and suffocation, false imprisonment, and misdemeanor charges of battery, criminal damage to property, making

contact after a domestic abuse arrest and disorderly conduct, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Sept. 24. Judge scheduled arraignment for April 11.

• After a preliminary hearing, James P. Samuelson, 52, Suring, was bound over on charges of possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Nov. 17. Judge Jay Conley scheduled arraignment for April 22.

• Bond was set at \$15,000 cash for Anthony Barrett Wood, 40, Lakewood, after he was charged with strangulation and suffocation, five counts

of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of battery, disorderly conduct, operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (second offense), operating while revoked, resisting or obstructing an officer, and violating an ignition interlock order, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 24. Conley adjourned his initial appearance until April 11.

• Bond was set at \$6,000 cash for Clarence S. Trepanier, 75, Suring, after he was charged with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (seventh, eighth or ninth offense), in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 24. Conley adjourned his initial appearance until April 11.

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Oconto County Circuit Court that originally was called as a final pre-trial conference to argue motions and prepare for jury selection the following Monday. Instead attorneys met privately for more than an hour, at one point calling Blaskowski, her husband and victim witness coordinator Rachael Race into the conference.

When Judge Michael Judge finally convened the hearing in open court, he announced he had been informed a plea agreement had been reached.

Special prosecutor Mark Williams said the state and defense had agreed to jointly recommend a 13-year prison sentence.

"The defendant understands that each day of those 13 years under Wisconsin law, she would have to serve in the Wisconsin state prison, minus the time that she has done in the Oconto County Jail," Williams said.

Kocken has been in custody since her arrest

nearly two years and eight months ago.

Sentences usually include prison time followed by extended supervision, formerly known as parole, but Williams said the state would leave a determination regarding extended supervision "in the good wisdom and discretion of the court."

Williams added that the state will have no objection if the prison system determines that Kocken should more appropriately serve her time in the Wisconsin Resource Center, a facility for prisoners with mental health needs.

Blaskowski was consulted and accepted the recommendation and she plans to make a statement at the sentencing hearing, Williams said.

As Judge went through a series of questions to verify that Kocken fully understood the implications of withdrawing her plea, she responded "Yes, your honor" or "No, your honor," clearly and firmly,

and called out "Thank you, your honor," as the hearing ended.

The sentencing hearing was scheduled for 1 p.m. June 11, and Judge ordered a pre-sentence investigation. Defense attorney John Miller Carroll asked if the defense could prepare its own pre-sentence investigation if it chooses, and Judge set a June 1 deadline for submission.

According to the original complaint, Blaskowski responded after a woman called 911 to report her child was being kidnapped, then hung up. Kocken answered the door at the second-floor apartment and told the officer she wanted her "dad" removed from the home. The man, who turned out to be Kocken's boyfriend, voluntarily stepped into the hallway, and Kocken slammed the door on him and the officer, according to the complaint.

The man told Blaskowski he had taken the child to a nearby park and Kocken had come to the park and

accused him of kidnapping the child. Kocken eventually opened the door, and the child went downstairs to a neighbor's apartment.

At that point, Kocken exited her apartment and started down the stairs, accusing others of trying to kidnap the child. Toward the bottom of the stairwell, Blaskowski tried to hold Kocken and calm her down, but the woman yelled "Don't touch me!" and tried to lunge aggressively at the officer, according to the complaint.

In the ensuing struggle, Kocken managed to get hold of Blaskowski's 9 mm duty handgun and fire three shots. One bullet struck Blaskowski's ballistic vest, a second bullet went through a wall into a closet, and the third struck the officer above the right eye, causing a laceration at the hairline.

She was airlifted to a Green Bay hospital where she was treated and released after several days.

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door shut and told him, "This is a traffic stop, and you are not free to leave."

The deputy radioed the car's license plate into dispatch, and at that point a man walked up to Hansen and said, "This guy just about ran me off the road, up here on 22."

Before Hansen could get the witness' name, Husted restarted his car and drove away, according to the complaint. A chase began westbound on Highway 22 at speeds estimated

up to 90 mph, and Hansen saw at least two vehicles that had been forced to the shoulder as the suspect vehicle swerved and passed.

Husted managed to avoid a tire deflation device that an Oconto Falls officer had deployed to try stopping the car, and the high-speed chase was broken off because deputies could assume he was heading toward the Elm Avenue address on Husted's license.

Hansen and the other of-

ficers arrived at the home a short time later, but Husted did not respond to their attempts to have him come to the door. A total of seven officers set up a perimeter around the home, and a search warrant to enter the home was obtained about two hours later.

Armed with a weapon known as a "less lethal impact munitions round," the officers knocked and, receiving no response, kicked in the door. According to the complaint,

almost immediately Husted charged at them and struck an officer with a hammer, hitting the officer's ballistic shield, then ducking away. Hansen hit Husted with a total of three less-lethal rounds before he surrendered, the complaint said.

Husted appeared in Oconto County Circuit Court March 22. Judge Michael Judge set bail at \$50,000 cash and adjourned his initial appearance until 9 a.m. April 11.

NOTICE

Due to printing schedule errors some of these legals were missed in the 3.29.24 Oconto County Times Herald. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Legals WNAXLP

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
VILLAGE OF SURING, OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF REVIEW
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Review for the VILLAGE OF SURING OCONTO COUNTY, WISCONSIN, shall be held on MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2024 AT 1 PM at VILLAGE OF SURING MUNICIPAL BUILDING located at 604 E. MAIN STREET, Suring, Wisconsin 54174. OPEN BOOK-ASSESSMENT ROLL will be held WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2024 from 1 PM to 3 PM at the VILLAGE OF SURING MUNICIPAL BUILDING. Please be advised of the following requirements to appear before the Board of Review and procedural requirement if appearing before the board: 1.) No person shall be allowed to appear before the Board of Review, to testify to the Board by telephone or to contest the amount of any assessment of real and personal property if the person has refused a reasonable written request by certified mail of the Assessor to view the property. 2.) After the first meeting of the Board of Review and before the Board's final adjournment, no person who is scheduled to appear before the Board of Review may contact, or provide information to a member of the board about the person's assessment. 3.) The board of review may not hear an objection to the amount or valuation of property unless, at least 48 hours before the board's first scheduled meeting, the objector provides to the board's clerk written or oral notice of an intent to file an objection, except that upon a showing of good cause and the submission of a written objection, the board shall waive the requirement up to the end of the 5th day of the session or up to the end of the final day of the session if the session is less than 5 days with proof of extraordinary circumstances for failure to meet the 48-hour notice requirements and failure to appear before the Board of Review during the first 2 hours of the first scheduled meeting. 4.) Objection to the amount or valuation of property shall first be made in writing and filed with the clerk of the board of review within the first 2 hours of the board's first scheduled meeting, except that, upon evidence of extraordinary circumstances, the board may waive that requirement up to the end of the 5th day of the session or up to the end of the final day of the session if the session is less than 5 days. The board may require objections to the amount or valuation of property to be submitted on forms approved by the Department of Revenue, and the board shall require that any forms include stated valuations of the property in question, Persons who own land and improvements to that land may object to the aggregate valuation of that land and improvements to that land, but no person who owns land and improvements to that land may object to the valuation of that land or only to the valuation of improvements to that land. No person may be allowed in any action or proceedings to question the amount of valuation or property unless the written objection has been filed and that person in good faith presented evidence to the board in support of the objections and made full disclosure. before the board, under oath, of all of that person's property liable to assessment in the district and the value of that property. The requirement that objections be in writing may be waived by express action of the board. 5.) When appearing before the Board, the person shall specify, in writing, the person's estimate of the value of the land and of the improvements that are the subject of the person's objection and specify the information that the person used to arrive at that estimate. 6.) No person shall appear before the Board of Review, testify to the Board by telephone or subject or object to a valuation: if that valuation was made by the Assessor or the Objector using the income method, unless the person supplies the Assessor all of the information about income and expenses, as specified in the manual under Sec. 73.03(2a), that the Assessor requests. The Village of Suring has an ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the assessor under this paragraph which provides exceptions for persons using information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or of the duties of their office or by order of a court. The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determined that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under Section 19.35(2) of Wisconsin State Statutes. 7.) The Board shall hear upon oath, by telephone, all ill or disabled persons who present to the Board a letter from a physician, surgeon or osteopath that confirms their illness or disability. No other persons may testify by telephone. Notice is hereby given this 18 TH day of MARCH, 2024. Respectfully submitted, Kim Gruetzmacher, Clerk-Treasurer Village Of Suring Posted March 18, 2024 - Published March 29, 2024

Legals WNAXLP

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VILLAGE OF SURING
NOTICE OF ORDINANCE APPROVAL
The following Ordinance Amendment has been passed by the Village Board for the Village of Suring on March 12, 2024. A full text of said Ordinances may be obtained from the Suring Clerk's Office located at 604 Main Street, Suring, WI 54174. Phone: 920-842-2333. ORDINANCE TITLE 11 CHAPTER 2 SECTION 18: An Ordinance Regarding Sexual Offender Residency Restrictions Adopted: March 12, 2024 Published: March 29, 2024 Kim Gruetzmacher Village of Suring Clerk

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CITY OF OCONTO FALLS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given, that The City of Oconto Falls Common Council will hold a Public Hearing on April 9, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 500 North Chestnut Avenue, Oconto Falls, Wisconsin. The purpose of this hearing is for the consideration of: 1. Public Hearing NO. 1 at 6:00pm Proposed Community Development Block Grant Application 2. Public Hearing NO. 2 immediately following NO. 1 estimated 6:45 pm Proposed Ordinance 24-004 for Amending Chapter 465-5 Vehicle and Traffic 3. Public Hearing NO. 3 immediately following NO. 2 estimated 6:50 pm Proposed Ordinance 24-003 for Amending Chapter 365 Peace and Good Order All residents of the City of Oconto Falls are encouraged to attend. The meeting room is handicapped accessible. A copy of proposed ordinances can be picked up at the Municipal Building. Persons needing additional accommodations should contact City Hall at (920) 846-4505.

ORDER TO APPEAR
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT OF
OCONTO COUNTY
Case No. 23FA84
Petitioner: JASON WAYNE WILZ
Respondent: COURTNEY RENEE WILZ
IT IS ORDERED COURTNEY RENEE WILZ appears as follows before Circuit Court Judge Jay N. Conley.
Location: Oconto County Courthouse Courtroom 8, 301 Washington Street, Oconto, WI 54153
DATE: April 30, 2024, 9:00 a.m.
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OPEN BOOK & BOARD OF REVIEW
Public Notice to
Village of Lena Residents
Public notice is hereby given for the purpose of reviewing and examining the assessment roll of real and personal property and all sworn statements and valuations of real and personal property therein, and of correcting all errors in said roll, whether in description of property or otherwise, and to perform such other duties imposed by law. Taxpayers may appear at these meetings and examine the assessment roll, sworn statements, and valuations; and be heard in relation thereto. Open Book Wednesday, April 3, 2024 8-10 am Place: Village Hall 117 E. Main Street Residents may pick up objection forms at this time. If objecting, you must turn in a filled-out objection form no later than 48 hours before the Board of Review Meeting. Board of Review Monday April 22, 2024 4-6 p.m. Place: Village Hall 117 E. Main Street Jodi A. Marquardt Clerk/Treasurer 71007 OCT 4-5 WNAXLP

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
For: City of Oconto Falls
Proposed Community Development Block Grant Application City Municipal Building Council Chambers 500 N. Chestnut Avenue Oconto Falls, WI 54154 Tuesday, April 09, 2024 6:00 PM The City Council of City of Oconto Falls will conduct a public hearing regarding its proposed application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Facilities (PF) program funds. The public is invited to attend to learn about the CDBG program, provide input on community development and housing needs, and comment on the activities proposed to be included in the CDBG application. Agenda for the public hearing: 1. Identification of total potential funding available 2. Eligible CDBG activities 3. Presentation of identified community development and housing needs 4. Presentation of activities proposed for CDBG application 5. Review of any potential residential and non-residential displacement 6. Resident input regarding community development and housing needs, the proposed CDBG project, and other CDBG activities Residents of the City of Oconto Falls, including residents with low and moderate incomes that may be impacted by the project, are encouraged to attend. The meeting room is ADA accessible. Persons needing additional accommodations should contact the City Clerk at telephone number (920) 846-4505 or email: dclerk@ci.ocontofalls.wi.us; admin@ci.ocontofalls.wi.us

Small town takes center stage in ‘Middletown’

Play tackles anxiety, suicide, substance abuse and other social woes

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

A review for the play “Middletown” describes it as “Our Town” if Dr. Seuss wrote it and Samuel Beckett had a hand in editing it.

Audiences will be able to decide for themselves when Shawano Community High School students bring the story to life April 11-13 in the school’s auditorium for their spring production. “Middletown” explores small-town America in the modern era as a friendship develops between John Dodge, who has lived in the community most of his life, and Mary Swanson, a newcomer, and the pair interact with others in the community in interesting ways, from visiting the local library to an adventure in outer space and more.

“Middletown,” written by Will Eno, debuted in New York City in 2010, and it caught the eye of local director Maddie Stuewer as something SCHS students could handle and relate to.

“‘Middletown’ is very quirky,” Stuewer said. “It’s about small-town living, so you see these vignettes that tie together, especially at the end. It’s kind of how different people influence us, and their focus is on struggles that people may

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: “Middletown”
WHEN: 7 p.m. April 11-12, 2 p.m. April 13
WHERE: Auditorium, Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B, Shawano
TICKETS: \$5 adults, \$3 children. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at shawanotheater.ludus.com

not talk about. It’s a very interesting show.” Some of the topics broached in “Middletown” are depression, suicide, loneliness, determining where you belong in life and how people interact with others, according to Stuewer.

“Personally, I like this story, and it’s a little more interesting than ‘Our Town,’” she said.

Stuewer noted that the themes in “Middletown” are something that students can relate to in today’s society, as the coronavirus pandemic in 2020 left many, especially children, feeling isolated and alone. Most of the students performing in the show were in their middle school years when the pandemic hit, so it’s still fresh in their minds four years later.

“They’ve been able to work through their emotions and portray them in a



The local librarian, played Kate Smits, center, tells newcomer Mary Swanson, played by Maddigan Bakeberg, about the town as longtime resident John Dodge, played by Tanner Thiel, stands in the wings in a scene from “Middletown,” which will be performed April 11-13 at Shawano Community High School. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

very mature way on stage,” Stuewer said. “I felt that this show, dealing with these heavy issues, it’s always intrigued. I felt that it had a very important message that this group has really felt.”

Tanner Thiel is definitely feeling the emotions as he tackles the character of Dodge, whom he describes as very anxious, scared and jittery.

“He’s very reserved,” Thiel said. “When all of a sudden a new person, Mrs. Swanson, comes, he starts to develop a bond and a friendship with her, and it’s not what he’s kind of used

to. He really starts to take solace in Mrs. Swanson and starts to develop a really good relationship with her throughout the whole show.”

The anxiety of Dodge is something that Thiel feels he has in common with the character.

“People get anxious a lot,” he said. “A lot of times, social situations can scare you. That’s how John Dodge is. I’ve been there a lot, and I’ve had a lot of times of anxiety and panic taking over. The one thing John and I have in common is our continuing pushing forward and just always strive to keep going forward.”

Jill Guenther is dealing with her own issues as she plays a mechanic in the show. The mechanic is an alcoholic and struggling with substance abuse.

“Her life’s very gray, and she’s just kind of going through the motions of small-town life,” Guenther said. “She can fix cars, but she can’t fix her own life and her own problems.”

Guenther said it was easy for her and the other



A police officer, played by Andrew Mukka, left, and a pair of tourists, played by Ireland Setterman, center, and Owen Krueger, check out a strange obelisk in a scene from “Middletown.” LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

students to understand the small-town aspect of “Middletown.”

“It’s easy to fit into the role of an average citizen, someone who is just there,” she said. “Everybody’s struggling with something. Substance abuse is a major problem nowadays, and it’s a very modern issue. I think my character is just a little quirky, and it’s a look into someone’s life.”

This show is going to bring back a performance style that hasn’t been done by SCHS since 2017. Audience members will be on the stage with the perform-

ers instead of sitting in the 700-plus seats down below. Stuewer noted there will be couches, folding chairs and lawn chairs for the audience to sit on, providing an interesting mix.

“Every spot is a good spot,” Stuewer said. “It’s been a fun challenge to work with the actors on playing to the different parts of the audience. Actors are so used to being told that you can’t have your back to the audience, but when they’re on either side of you, it’s rather unavoidable.”

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Laughter best medicine for storyteller

Krause adds Southern charm to Wisconsin tales in 'The Adventures of Martha Lou and Me'

BY LEE PULASKI
City Editor

They say that laughter is the best medicine, and Josephine Krause knows it best, having dealt with a debilitating condition for most of her life.

What started out as a writing assignment in eighth grade soon turned into entertaining and funny stories for the family Christmas cards, and now Krause is sharing the laughter with everyone in the new book "The Adventures of Martha Lou and Me," currently available in Kindle and paperback formats on Amazon.



JOSEPHINE KRAUSE

Over the course of 41 short stories, readers get to follow the humorous true-life adventures that Krause and her sister had growing up. Krause tells the stories in the tone of her paternal grandmother, raised in the Deep South in Alabama. Krause noted that when she told the stories verbally, she imitated her grandmother's accent, leading to more laughs.

The back cover of the book, in part, reads: "She was so country, that country folk looked like highfalutin city folk, compared to her. Grandma had a noteworthy Southern dialect that left me gobsmacked every time she spoke. It was fascinating, captivating, enchanting, and a tad odd."

Most of the stories take place in Wisconsin, where the family lived, including Tigerton, Clintonville and Manawa. There are also stories during the period the family moved to Ontario, Canada, according to Krause, along with one with St. James, Missouri, as the backdrop and another taking place in Muncie, Indiana.

When Krause's eighth-grade teacher asked the class to come up with a story about 40 years ago, her thoughts immediately went to her family.

"I just started telling a story about our life, and since my grandma was from Alabama and she always spoke really different, I started imitating my grandma, and my whole family was laughing," Krause said. "They said, 'You should write your story like Grandma Krause,' so I did."

Krause's parents got such a kick out of the story that her mother wanted to include copies of it in the annual Christmas card to family members.

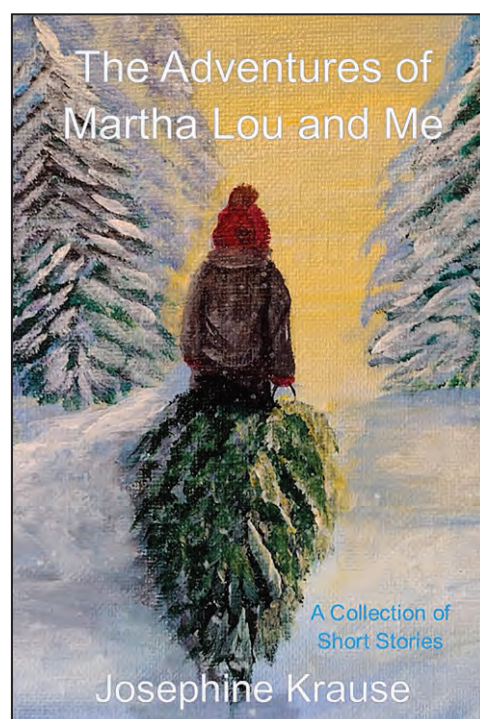
"Then people started saying, 'This is really funny. It's hysterical,'" Krause said. "Then it just kind of went from there. They were dying laughing, and my mother would say, 'Could you write another story for the Christmas card?'"

Krause stopped writing for a while as illness made it difficult to pursue. She was diagnosed as a brittle type 1 diabetic



Josephine Krause, shown at left, and her family often provided terrific fodder for the short stories she wrote, especially Martha Sue, third from left, whose actual name was Michelle but would be called Martha Sue whenever she got into mischief.

CONTRIBUTED



in January 1979 at the age of 8, at a time when blood glucose levels couldn't be read, and she remembered passing out at school and her teachers claiming she was faking illness, despite her diagnosis. She

AT A GLANCE

BOOK: "The Adventures of Martha Lou and Me"
AUTHOR: Josephine Krause
PUBLISHER: Kindle Direct Publishing
PAGES: 185
COST: \$5 ebook, \$14.95 paperback on Amazon

was diagnosed with neuropathy when she was 12, and much of her time has been spent in hospitals, including 47 surgeries and a stint of 2½ years at Shawano Medical Center.

"I've been sick for most of my life," Krause said. "I've barely scraped by just being able to be alive. I've either been in transplant wards or sick in the hospital, so the friends that I do have are basically like me — they're in and out of the hospital. We've met on Facebook pages for these illnesses, so they're like, 'Basically, I have nothing to live for. I really can't take it anymore,' and I'll be like, 'Hey, you want a good laugh? Here's what me and my sisters did.'"

Krause noted that those hospital friends who read the stories forget, if only for a moment, the pain and discomfort they're in, and the stories have the same effect on the author, too.

"I just made someone's day," Krause said.

Krause reunited with a longtime friend in Canada, and she sent the stories detailing her wacky antics with her sister, Martha Lou, and that inspired her to start writing again. She had amassed a binder full of stories by Christmas 2022, and the feedback she received was "You need to publish this."

"My mom checked with a publisher, and he said, 'I'm getting ready to retire, but your daughter could do it on Kindle Direct Publishing,'" Krause said.

Krause already had the written files readily available, as she was putting the stories on her Facebook page. She said she collected some family photos.

Martha Lou is a fictitious name Krause made up for the stories, and her sister's name is actually Michelle, but when she wrote the stories, the family would actually call Michelle by the Martha Lou name whenever she got into trouble.

"It's kind of like that's her alter ego," Krause said. "That's like a dumb 'Martha Lou and Me' move."

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'12 Angry Jurors' to deliberate next month in Oconto

The Machickanee Players have begun rehearsals for the final play of their 40th season, the drama "12 Angry Jurors."

The story contemplates the serious responsibility of 12 ordinary people as they consider the guilt or innocence of a young man accused of the murder of his father. Disagreement and conflict among them force the jurors to question their own morals and values as they face a decision which could cost a young man his life.

Written by Reginald Rose, it was originally produced as a one-act teleplay

on the CBS Studio One anthology TV series. It was first staged as a play in 1955. Most famously, it was made into a movie in 1957 starring Henry Fonda. The players are following an adaptation by Sherman L. Sergel which is most similar to the Studio One version.

"It's a timeless lesson about prejudice and jumping to conclusions, Director Jahn Mozey said. "I feel it's especially important to present it at this time, when we have several high-profile court cases going on that are definitely fueled by emotion. I have a great cast, too —

ranging from seasoned performers all the way to a 73-year-old who has never acted on stage before. It's a great selection, similar to the different characters that make up the jury in the play."

Spencer Lacy, who plays Juror Number Seven, likes that the show is ambiguous.

"We just don't have enough information to know what happened," Lacy said.

Performances will be held on May 3-5 and May 10-12. General admission is \$20, while Sunday matinees are \$16.

Friday and Saturday evening shows

offer a dinner catered from The Wooden Spoon for an additional \$20, while Sunday matinees offer the option of pie from OJ's of Gillett for \$5 more than the cost of admission. Dinner and pie must be ordered at the same time tickets are purchased, and dinner orders have a cutoff date of five to six days before the show. For these options, choose add-ons when ordering tickets at <https://machickaneeplayers.com/our-shows/buy-tickets>.

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FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Neighborly kindness almost meets with fowl play

Screaming bloody murder, I felt helpless against the attack. Using whatever means I had to defend myself, I kicked at the thing, meeting open air as the fowl deftly averted my foot. Undeterred, it came back at me with a vengeance.

Earlier in the day I had received a text from our neighbor asking if I'd let her girls out to peck that afternoon as the days were warm and spring-like. She'd asked us a few times before. Accommodating her 15-member brood of hens, we'd go down and open their henhouse door, letting them free range in the yard.

"No problem," I responded as usual.

She was at work and we were just down the road. What wasn't usual was that I was going there alone. Generally, since we were still collecting sap, my husband and I had swung round together after our collection and opening the coop door, never had had trouble with her rooster. I've since been educated about roosters and their brood of chickens.

Our neighbor, whose husband has built her a dream hen house, tends her flock very well and is knowledgeable about the ways of her fowl, chickens and roosters alike. Their rooster, Willy, talks to his charges, letting them know there are treats over there, for instance, or alarming them of danger. Extremely vigilant, the rooster watches the skies.

One day, my neighbor recalled, her birds were between the coop and the road, and there was a hawk in the trees. Spotting the hawk, Willy sent out an alarm for his girls letting them know in no uncertain terms there was danger lurking.

They all had run to the woods except for one. Willy scurried back after that one and corralled her safely to the woods, under tree coverage. The woods' canopy provided coverage because the hawk had no free space in which to swoop down and seize one.

So that day, Willy assumed I was a threat and he meant to put up a defense. This rooster was intimidating, at times flying up as high as my waist, trying his hardest to jab at whatever body part he could reach. The more fuss I made, the madder he seemed to get. Backing up slowly, I'd clap my hands and holler, but in his righteous anger, he just kept fluttering his wings, jutting his head back and forth and continuing to attack.

His hackle, which is long, fine and brightly colored, enlarged and fluffed up to encircle his entire neck area. I'd have admired it more had he not been



Willy may appear small in stature compared to a human, but that is one bird you do not want to cross when he is guarding his ladies. KAY REMINGER



adamantly trying to kill me, or at the least, cause bodily harm. Willy, who at all costs would stick up for his girls, was protecting them from me, a strange invader into their safe home.

Finally, I was able to get some space between me and him and made a mad dash to my car all the while looking over my shoulder and sure enough, he was pursuing me. It was truly terrifying. Thinking back it probably would have made a hilarious episode on "America's Funniest Home Videos."

A few days later, as I was chatting with our neighbors in their back yard, their beautiful flock were pecking and cooing, talking back and forth to each other. Every once in a while, a relaxed Willy would call cock-a-doodle-doo. The wild birds were chirping and twittering in the trees. It was peaceful and settling — a homestead serenity that content, well-cared-for animals convey.

They recalled a hawk almost as big as a chicken, had swooped in on the girls at one time, before they got a rooster and had installed netting over the henhouse. Our neighbor heard a commotion in the back yard and discovered the potential killer in the henhouse, trying to fly out. With no other means of defending the chickens, our neighbor threw his shirt over the hawk to deter it. Once covered, taking it away from

the henhouse, he threw it off to the side.

Beforehand, the hawk had kicked, clawed and tried to bite him through the shirt. Freed then, the hawk spread its wings and shook itself, squawked heartily and in shock, stood its ground for a bit before flying off. Hence, they've put netting up and got themselves a rooster.

My neighbor has English Orpingtons and Wyandottes, raised from baby chicks. They're full of color and good health. She puts saddles on some of her chickens to protect them as the rooster fertilizes the hen to produce eggs.

According to a Google search, "The rooster transfers sperm to the hen through a process called 'cloacal contact.' This occurs when their cloacas, the common opening reproductive and digestive tracts, make contact, allowing for the transfer of sperm from the male to the female."

If the egg is not incubated it cannot develop into a chick.

After encountering Willy and understanding the reasoning behind his aggression, I cannot help but admire and respect him for his robust defense. All that being said, the next time I go down there to open the henhouse, I'll be prepared.

("Know well the condition of your flocks, and give attention to your herds." Proverbs 27:23)

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 Leopold. 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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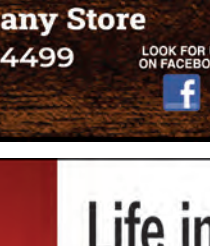
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Trees and shrubs blooming ahead of schedule

A warm start to the spring season has caused a number of native forest trees and shrubs to begin blooming, in some cases, almost a month ahead of schedule.

Even in our own backyards, we can see the early tree and shrub bloom by examining the twigs and branches of our own woody plants.

Many of our maples are in full bloom now with the warmth of the March sun. Maples begin blooming far up in the treetops, closest to the sun, then work their way down to ground level. Sugar maples, swamp maples, red maples and silver maples are already in bloom in much of our area.

Look closely at the treetops to see the red haze that signals the bloom overhead. With a closer look, the reddish flower buds are adorned with golden pollen stamens, creating a spectacular floral showcase in miniature.



Rob Zimmer
Columnist

This past week, as I walked along the trails at Navarino Wildlife Area, I noticed that the hazelnuts are all in full spring bloom, as well. This is about a month early; I usually don't find hazelnuts in bloom until mid-April or so.

Here in Wisconsin, we have two varieties of hazelnuts, the beaked hazelnut and the American filbert. They are very similar in bloom and leaf, however the husks are completely different that cover the growing nuts.

Hazelnuts produce both male flowers and female flowers. The male flower is a long slender catkin adorned with greenish yellow pollen. The female flower grows from an

ovary-like structure along the branch and resembles a tiny sea anemone with wine-colored or reddish tentacles that emerge to capture the sticky pollen.

Also in bloom along wetland shores and damp places is tag alder. Tag alder, like hazelnut, produces both male and female flowers. The male flowers are beautifully purple or maroon-colored catkins, while the female flowers are short, squat cone-like structures on the branches.

The birches are also loaded with beautiful catkins now in early spring. Paper birch, yellow birch and river birch are all sporting these beautiful floral structures.

Of course, the native pussy willows are now beginning to pop in abundance in mid-March. The silvery, fur-covered catkins of a variety of different willow species can be seen in area wetlands and shorelines, as well as our own backyards, where



Tag alder blooms adorn these abundant wetland shrubs now in mid-March.

ROB ZIMMER

cultivated varieties are planted.

Willows are not the only variety of woody plant to produce fur-covered catkins. All of the aspens — including quak-

ing aspen, big tooth aspen and cottonwood — also support large, silvery, fur-covered catkins now in the middle of March.

Enjoy exploring the world of flowering trees

and shrubs in your own backyard this month.

Rob Zimmer is a nature and garden author, public speaker and radio show host on WHBY. Readers can find him on Facebook at www.facebook.com/RobZimmerOutdoors.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

KESHENA: Winter Farmers Market, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., College of Menominee Nation Cultural Learning Center, N188 State Highway 47-55. Artisan Native crafts, hot food, baked goods and more. Sponsored by the college's Sustainable Development Institute.

SURING: Recovery Talking Circle, 6-8 p.m. South Branch Community Center, W1281 County Road M.

SHAWANO: Auditions for "The Wizard of Oz," 6-9 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Box In The Wood Theatre Guild's summer musical. Register for an audition date and time at <https://calendly.com/brandonbyng/auditions-wizard-of-oz>.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

SHAWANO: Shawano-Menominee Relay for Life, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B. Fundraiser for research and local American Cancer Society programs.

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OCONTO FALLS: Operation Shoe Box celebration, 10 a.m. to noon, Grace Lutheran Church, 501 S. Main St. Samaritan's Purse celebration of a successful 2023 campaign in the 12-county Green Bay area.

SHAWANO: Shawano Speedway Fan Fest, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Crawford Center, 251 S. Waukechon St. Kickoff to the 2024 race season, race cars on display.

KESHENA: Running and walking program, noon to 6 p.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Infused water provided during the week, and a family snack-making station is provided on Saturdays. Information: Chelsey Latender, 715-799-5431 or chelseyl@mtclinic.net.

OCONTO FALLS: The Wisconsin Singers in concert, 7 p.m., Falls Area Performing Arts Center, 210 N. Farm Road. Adults \$15, students and seniors \$10, tickets at WisconsinSingers.com/see-us/oconto-falls, or 608-886-6801.

BOWLER: Drowning Pool in concert with Saliva, 7:30 p.m. North Star Mohican Casino, W12180 County Road A. Tickets \$30, doors open 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

LENA: Pathfinders Rummage Sale, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., American Legion Hall, 412 E. Main St.

MONDAY, APRIL 8

SHAWANO: Photographer John Noltner, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, 111 Thomas Ave. In conjunction with his exhibit "A Peace of My Mind: American Stories, photography by John Noltner," Noltner will visit campus to do studio interviews with interested local residents asking them how they've found strength in the midst of struggle. More information at apomm.net.

GILLET: American Red Cross blood drive, noon to 5:30 p.m., Gillett Secondary School, 208 W. Main St. Appointments can be made by downloading the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting redcross-blood.org or calling 800-733-2767.

KESHENA: Running and walk-

ing program, 4:40-6:30 p.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Infused water provided during the week, and a family snack-making station is provided on Saturdays. Information: Chelsey Latender, 715-799-5431 or chelseyl@mtclinic.net.

SHAWANO: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Room 4, 100 W. Presbyterian St. Information: Dallas Gast, 715-701-5388 or dallasgast8@gmail.com.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

SHAWANO: Hard Hat Happy Hour, 5:45-6:30 p.m., JDoggs, 136 S. Main St. Networking event hosted by Wolf River Builders Association.

KESHENA: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Information: Mindy Thunder at 715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

NEOPIT: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. The Circle House, W6715 Shawpokasic St. Information: Mindy Thunder at

715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

SHAWANO: Youth Apprenticeship Employer Informational Event, noon to 1 p.m., Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce. Broad overview of the program by the Youth Apprenticeship Consortium coordinator.

KESHENA: Running and walking program, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Infused water provided during the week, and a family snack-making station is provided on Saturdays. Information: Chelsey Latender, 715-799-5431 or chelseyl@mtclinic.net.

SHAWANO: "Middletown," 7 p.m. Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B. \$5 adults, \$3 children. Tickets available at the door or at shawanotheater.ludus.com.

CLINTONVILLE: Wolf River Home Schoolers present "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang," 7 p.m., Clintonville High School, 64 W. Green Tree Road. Free admission, donations appreciated.

BOWLER: Native American

Talking Circle, 7-9 p.m., Mohican Family Center, N8605 Oak St. Information: Yvonne Burr, 715-326-0891.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

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WITTENBERG: Spring Gala, 7-10 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 W. Vinal St. "Art, food, drinks and fun." \$25 advance, \$30 at the door. Must be 21 to attend. Fundraiser for Walls of Wittenberg.



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Saturday April 13th 10 AM

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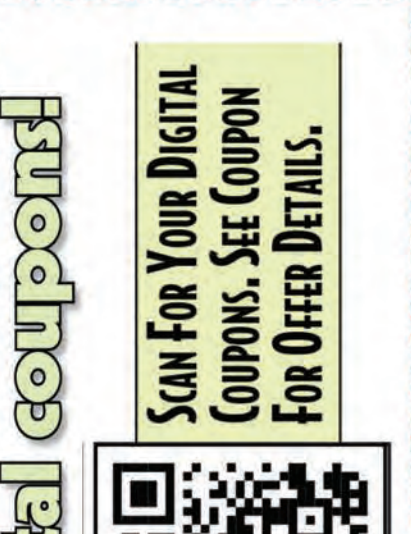
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Ella Stuber gets a hit against Xavier on March 28. Shawano opened its conference action with a home game (and victory) against Xavier.
KEVIN PASOSN | NEW MEDIA

Hawks, Chargers win conference openers

Bonduel, Wittenberg-Birnamwood play exhibition games in UP

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Bonduel went 1-1 over the weekend, competing in a tournament inside the Superior Dome in Marquette, Michigan.

The Bears opened with an 8-7 loss to Hancock (Michigan) on March 29. The team turned things around March 30, beating Menominee (Michigan) 15-7.

Result for a March 30 game against Hurley were not available.

In the same tournament, Wittenberg-Birnamwood went 1-1-1.

The Chargers began their play March 29 with a 7-4 victory over Hancock.

On March 30, Wittenberg-Birnamwood lost 7-5 to Westwood (Michigan) before tying Houghton 3-3 to end their tournament play.

Shawano

The Hawks opened the 2024 Bay Conference season with a 16-4 home victory over

SOFTBALL, CONTINUED ON PAGE 17



Braylyn Babino stands up at second base after a string of hits by Shawano against Xavier on March 28. The Hawks won 16-4 and area 3-1 overall and 1-0 in the Bay Conference.
KEVIN PASOSN | NEW MEDIA

Oconto Falls boys, girls dominate home invite

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Oconto Falls' girls earned eight first-place awards at the Oconto falls Indoor 2 meet March 25.

Abby Budz was first in the 200-meter dash in 30.54 seconds. Bailee Gorman was third, Emery Pagel placed fourth Jasmine Lamal-Martinez was ninth, and Gwen Maggio finished 10th.

Budz also won the triple jump at 29 feet 1.75 inches. Pagel finished fourth, and Mackenzie Lotto was 10th.

In the 400-meter dash, it was Maddy Przybylski in first in 1:10.54, followed by Arianna Impastato in eighth and Evelyn Savage in ninth.

Ava Hodkiewicz' 2:40.6 gave her first in the 800-meter run, while Emma Meissner placed second, and Ali Kramer was eighth.

Hailey Delzer won the 1,600-meter run in 6:19.9.

All three relay teams won. The 4x100-meter time was 1:13.14, the 4x400-meter team had a time of 4:28.1, and the 4x800-meter foursome won in 11:06.2.

Gracie Miller led a contingent of teammates with a second-place finish in the long jump. She was joined by Budz in third, Rhiana Vandeyacht in fifth, Maggio in sixth, Przybylski in eighth and Hailyn St. Louis in ninth.

Morgan Moynihan placed second in the shot put and was joined by Kati Raddatz in fifth and Grace Molitor in eighth.

Lotto placed third in the 55-meter hurdles.

Maggio placed ninth and Lily Van De Ven was 10th in the high jump.

Eva Brooks had two first-place finishes, and Abigail Kostreva had a third to lead the Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy team.

Brooks was first in the 55-meter hurdles in 8.84, leading teammates Kali Fischer in second, Alexis Maloney in fourth, Laila Collar in fifth and Emma Hasenfus in eighth.

At 4-8, Brooks won the high jump. Kate Peters was third.

Kostreva's 14-0.5 earned her the title in the long jump.

Other top-10 finishes included Madilyn Thomson,

second in the 200-meter dash, with Kaelyn Cook in sixth. Kostreva was second in the 400-meter dash, followed by Karli Fischer in fifth, Della Kostreva in sixth and Kate Peters in seventh.

Kali Fischer placed second in the triple jump, followed by Kaitlyn Borkovec in third and Della Kostreva in sixth.

Miriam Alberts placed fifth in the 800-meter run.

Mackenzie Vorpahl placed seventh in the shot put, and Whitney Potter finished 11th.

Boys events

Oconto Falls' boys earned six first-place awards.

Isaac Bramer won the 200-meter dash in 25.64, and was followed by Alex Frehse in fifth and AJ Hendricks in 10th.

Emerson Rice's time of 2:14.9 gave him first in the 800-meter run, where he was joined by Griffin Kopke in third and Braxton Rajkovich in ninth.

Ben Adams placed first in the 1,600-meter run in 4:56.3.

Alex Haines' time of 7.34 placed him first in the 55-meter hurdles, and Emerich Skarban placed second.

Brady Bursa leapt to first in the long jump at 18 feet 9 inches. He was joined by Evan Lotter-Greetan in fourth and Weston Hoskins in seventh.

The 4x800-meter really team also placed first.

Brant Laluzerne ran to second in the 400-meter dash. Carter Hill placed fifth, and Croix Gardenbrecht was seventh.

A second-place finish was recorded by the 4x400-meter relay team, while the 4x100-meter relay foursome was fifth.

Haines was second in the high jump, and Skarban was fifth.

Bursa collected a third-place finish in the triple jump, while Gardenbrecht placid seventh.

Bryce Schefdore finished in fourth in the shot put.

The pole vault results included Kolton Krueger in sixth, Hill in seventh and Cason Weenig in eighth.

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Shawano, Lena open seasons with wins

Pulaski loses both games at baseball exhibition event in South Carolina

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Shawano's baseball season got off on the right foot with a 5-0 shutout of Two Rivers at home on March 28.

The Hawks racked up their five runs on six hits, while Two Rivers connected for one hit and committed two errors.

The game was scoreless until the bottom of the fifth inning when Warner Beyer laid down a safety squeeze bunt to score Dylan Hodkiewicz. The Hawks scored two more in the fifth off of two errors committed by the Purple Raiders.

Shawano added two more runs in the bottom of the sixth to round out the

run total.

Crew Weisnicht led Shawano at the plate, hitting 2-for-3. Jerzy Broucker, Carsen Herm, Parker Beyer and Anderson Schmidt each had a hit for the Hawks. Warner Beyer had a pair of RBIs.

Pete Bruette picked up the win, pitching six innings and striking out nine, walking three and giving up no hits. Broucker pitched one inning, gave up one hit and struck out two.

Lena

Lena crushed Green Bay NEW Lutheran 10-0 on March 28.

Ty Shallow was the winning pitcher.

Lena scored in all five innings, including a three-run second inning and a four-run third inning.

Pulaski

The Red Raiders opened the 2024 season at a tournament in Myrtle Beach, S.C., losing their March 26 to the Falcons of Briar Woods (Virginia) 8-4.

For Pulaski's part, Kyle Olson scored two runs while getting on base in three of his four plate appearances.

On March 27, the woes continued for the Red Raiders, as Pulaski lost 7-1 to the Pickerington North Panthers (Ohio).

Jacob McDonald got on base in all three of his plate appearances, including a triple.

Pulaski's loss dropped their record to 0-2.

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Kadence Meyers contemplates her next pitch in the early innings against Xavier on March 28. Shawano opened Bay Conference action with a 16-4 victory.

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Brooks earns a pair of firsts at UW-SP meet

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Several area track teams competed in the Rosholt-Webko-Politos Invitational at UW-Stevens Point on March 30.

Eva Brooks led the Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy team with a pair of first-place finishes. A height of 5 feet 2 inches was best in the high jump, and a total of 32-6 was No. 1 in the triple jump. Della Kostreva was fourth in the triple jump, and Kaitlyn Borkovec placed eighth.

Brooks also took second in the 60-meter hurdles, and Kali Fischer was sixth.

Abigail Kostreva placed second in the long jump and sixth in the 400-meter dash.

Karli Fischer captured seventh in the pole vault, with Macy Herald placing eighth. Mackenzie Vorpahl was 10th in the shot put.

Paige Niquette placed second in the 60-meter dash and Ashlyn Kurey was second in the triple jump to lead all Bonduel team members.

Mariah Wondra claimed

third in the 3,200-meter run. Wondra placed fourth and Teagan Engel was seventh in the 1,600-meter run.

The 4x200-meter relay team and the 4x400-meter relay team each finished in fourth place. Cierra Schnell was fourth in the long jump.

In the 60-meter hurdles, it was Schnell in seventh place.

Rachel Hunter finished in eighth place in the shot put.

Audrey Weier placed ninth in the high jump. Kurey was ninth in the 800-meter run, and Engel placed 10th.

Gresham/Bowler was led by Isabella Stevens' fourth-place finish in the high jump and fifth-place spot in the shot put.

The 4x200-meter relay team placed 10th.

Marion's top spot was notched by the 4x200-meter relay's team 11th-place finish.

Boys events

Bonduel was led by Ben O'Brien in the 3,200-meter run and Samuel Roberts in the long jump, each plac-

ing second.

The 4x200-meter relay team placed third, as did Ryan Westrich in the shot put.

O'Brien placed sixth in the 1,600-meter run.

Griffin Uelmen leapt to 10th in the high jump, and Roberts was 10th in the triple jump.

Gillett was led by Bradyn Wendorff with a second-place finish in the 1,600-meter run.

The 4x400-meter relay team placed ninth.

Gresham/Bowler's Bryson Nelson was third in the 3,200-meter run and eighth in the 1,600-meter run.

Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy collected a pair of second-places and one third.

Anthony Seefeldt was second in the shot put.

Zander Thomson was second in the 60-meter hurdles and third in the high jump.

Marion's best finish was recorded by Tristan Herro taking 16th in the long jump and triple jump.

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Charger girls take 4th at Merrill

BY KEVIN PASSON
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Wittenberg-Birnamwood scored 98.5 points and placed fourth at the Bluejay Indoor Invitational in Merrill on March 28.

The Chargers won four

events, placed second in another and racked up several top-10 spots.

Rhinelanders won the event with 105 points, followed by Merrill with 100 and Rib Lake with 99.5.

The Chargers won the 4x765-meter relay, the

4x228-meter relay and the 4x380-meter relay.

Freshman Harper Rogowski won the 400-meter dash with freshman Ava Brei taking third.

In the 800-meter run, freshman Gabrielle Timm

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Xavier on March 28.

Shawano improved to 3-1 overall.

Witt-Birn

Competition in the Central Wisconsin East Conference kicked off March 28 when Weyauwega-Fremont defeated Wittenberg-Birnamwood 11-2.

Lena/STAA

Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy was shut out 17-0 by Green Bay NEW Lutheran/Providence Academy on March 28.

Pulaski

The Red Raiders opened the 2024 campaign with a two-day trip to Orlando, Florida, where the Red Raiders won their first game of the season, a 17-2 win over The Dalton School (New York) on March 25.

On March 26, Pulaski shut out Wilsonville (Oregon) 7-0.

Lena/STAA

Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy's girls softball team opened the 2024

season with a win and two losses March 23-24 at the Danny Mac Softball Classic at the Hodag Dome in Rhinelanders.

In the first game March 23, Lena/STAA lost 8-2 to Pembine/Goodman.

However, the team bounced back in its second game, winning 18-3 over Spencer.

Lena/STAA lost 20-19 to Flambeau in the March 24 contest.

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Aquinas Academy's Anthony Seefeldt's second-place finish in the shot put led the co-op team's results.

Zander Thomson was third in the high jump.

Thomson was fourth in the 55-meter hurdles, and the 4x100-meter relay team was also fourth.

Erik Kosch placed fifth in the 1,600-meter run.

Kosch was also sev-

enth in the 800-meter run, Colton Skrobel was seventh in the shot put, and Robert Alberts finished eighth in the long jump.

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Ojibwe spring fishing season starting soon

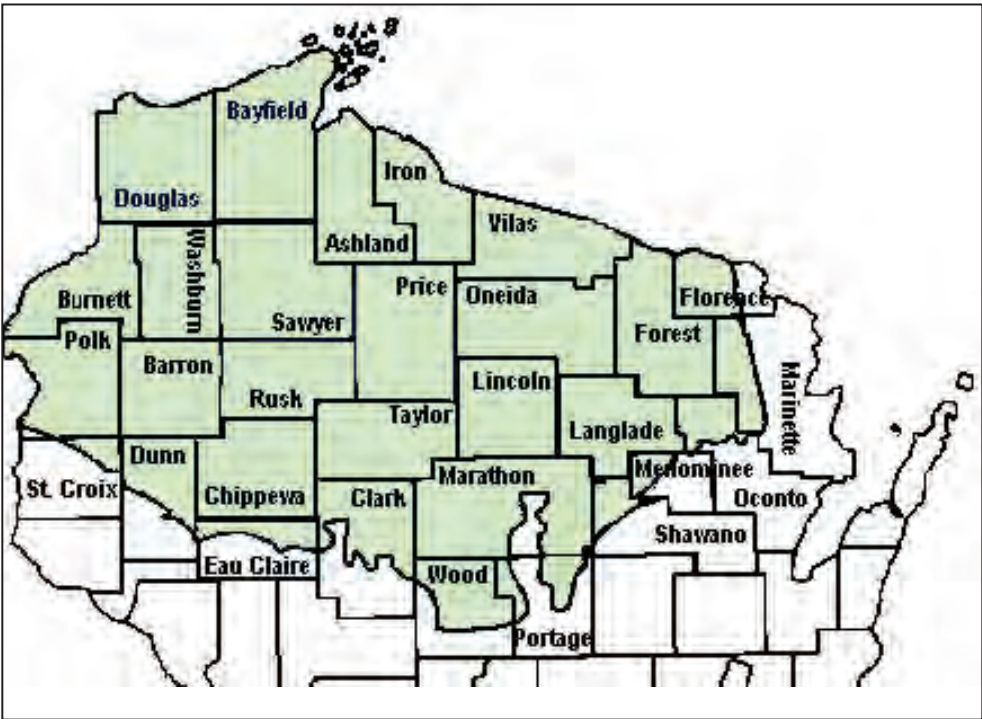
Parts of Shawano, Menominee and Oconto counties included in Ceded Territory

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds Wisconsinites of the protected tribal right to fish in certain Wisconsin waterways and the legal consequences they could face if found interfering with that right during the upcoming Ojibwe spring fishing season.

“The Wisconsin DNR fully supports Ojibwe sovereignty and treaty rights,” said DNR Deputy Secretary Steven Little. “We encourage tribal citizens to get out and exercise their treaty rights. Likewise, we remind the public that it is illegal to interfere with this right and have zero tolerance for harassment.”

Each tribal fishing season, tribal citizens harvest using various methods, including spearing and netting. The harvest usually begins shortly after the ice melts, typically by mid-April. This year, the season is expected to begin earlier due to the mild winter Wisconsin has experienced. The tribal harvest is not a date-regulated activity; as a result, there is neither an open nor closed season.

“For Ojibwe families, the spring season is a brief opportunity to harvest



In the mid-1800s, the Lake Superior Ojibwe Tribes ceded more than 22,000 square miles of tribal territory across northern Wisconsin, including all or parts of 30 counties, through a series of treaties with the United States federal government. The northwestern portions of Shawano, Menominee and Oconto counties are part of the Ceded Territory.

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walleye and other species from Ceded Territory waters,” said Jason Schlender, Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC) executive administrator. “But the benefits of eating healthy meals for Ojibwe communities lasts throughout the year, from household kitchen tables to elder nutrition programs.”

Part of the collaboration between the DNR and the Ojibwe tribes includes working together to set a safe harvest limit for every walleye and muskellunge lake in the Ceded Territory. These safe harvest limits ensure that the walleye and muskellunge harvests do not adversely affect each lake’s fishery. There are 2,300 lakes

larger than 25 acres in the Ceded Territory, including 919 walleye lakes and 623 musky lakes. Each year, the Ojibwe tribal citizens fish a portion of these lakes outside of reservation boundaries during their spring harvest season. Harvest begins shortly after the ice melts, with nightly fishing permits

issued by the tribes to their members to harvest a specific number of fish, including one walleye between 20 and 24 inches and one additional walleye of any size.

All fish that are taken are documented each night by tribal clerks or wardens who are present at boat landings. Once the declared harvest is reached in a given lake, no additional permits are issued for that lake, and the harvest ends.

Tribal rights
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When the Ojibwe ceded lands to the federal government, they maintained their rights to hunt, fish and gather off reservation land within the Ceded Territory. However, after Wisconsin became a state, state and local officials frequently assumed statehood

superseded Ojibwe treaty rights and regulated or prohibited off-reservation hunting, fishing and gathering by tribal members.

In 1983, a federal court ruling reaffirmed the Ojibwe had the right to hunt, fish and gather off-reservation in the Ceded Territory — including the right to catch fish by spearing and netting.

Interfering with tribal rights
To assist in regulating those activities, 11 Ojibwe bands have formed GLIFWC, which provides fully trained wardens who patrol the Ceded Territory to make sure tribal citizens are following applicable tribal conservation laws. Violations are cited into tribal courts for prosecution.

Ojibwe spearing and netting are carefully monitored and regulated by staff from both GLIFWC and the Wisconsin DNR.

Anyone violating tribal rights could be charged under several Wisconsin laws, fined up to \$10,000 and sentenced up to nine months in prison. Additionally, any tribal member whose rights are violated may bring civil action for damages and seek a restraining order.

2024 EVENT SCHEDULE

Near Memorial Park, Shawano

Saturday June 1

Event Time // 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM
Flea Market & Antiques @ Farmers Brewery-6AM
5K Run/Walk- 9:00 AM
Craft Fair - 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Kidz Zone - 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Lumberjack Competition - 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Strongman Competition - 1:00 PM
Oneida Smoke Dancers 1:00PM

Music-
Wet Possum - 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
The Glam Band - 6:45 PM – 10:00 PM

Friday May 31

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Injury prevention lies at the heart of athletic training. "Stretching is one of the most important aspects before a workout to reduce the risk of injury," emphasizes Aspirus athletic trainer Jessica Schmitz.

Schmitz recommends incorporating a dynamic warm-up routine, which includes eight to 10 exercises performed while walking and stretching simultaneously. This routine not only primes the muscles and enhances blood flow but also helps prevent tightness during exercise. Additionally, the post-workout cooldown is essential for recovery and promotes a healthy mental state for athletes.

While the primary goal

is to minimize injuries, athletic trainers are prepared to shift their focus to evaluation, treatment and rehabilitation in case of an injury.

"We are there to make sure that athletes get back to their sport as soon as they can," Schmitz said.

When necessary, athletic trainers facilitate referrals to orthopedic specialists or other medical professionals, ensuring athletes receive optimal care.

Schmitz also notes that athletic trainers serve not only elite athletes but also the broader active population, providing comprehensive care to adults and adolescents alike.

"We cater to anyone who is physically active, not just high school athletes," she said.

For individuals experiencing pain during physical activity, Schmitz advises stopping and assessing whether the sensation is tightness or soreness.

"If it's tightness or soreness, stretching is



Aspirus athletic trainer Jessica Schmitz said injury prevention lies at the heart of athletic training and stretching is one of the most important aspects before a workout to reduce the risk of injury. CONTRIBUTED

Sprangers, Skenadore lead Red Raiders

Olivia Sprangers and Madden Skenadore each captured a first-place finish for Pulaski on March 26 at the Red Hawk Challenge in Ripon.

Sprangers placed first in the 200-meter dash, and teammate Anna Friedman was 10th. Sprangers finished second in the 60-meter dash.

Ella Ficarri placed

second in the 60-meter hurdles, and Hallie Morz was second in the pole vault.

Ficarri, Friedman, Lydia Gwidt and Morz worked together to take second in the 4x200-meter relay.

Skenadore led the boys with a first in the 60-meter hurdles, and Keaton Dauk placed third.

Parker Marshall fin-

ished in fourth place in the 1,600-meter run and sixth place in the 800-meter run.

Fifth-place finishes were earned by Dauk in the 200-meter dash and 400-meter dash, and Bennett Vanschynel in the high jump.

In the triple jump, it was Isaac Lom in eighth place and Jacob Heston in 10th.

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captured second, and freshman Charlie Eichman was fifth.

Freshman Kelsie Davis placed third in the shot put.

Brei was third in the high jump and fourth in the 200-meter dash.

Freshman Lily Metropoulos was third in the triple jump, and Rogowski was sixth.

A Charger foursome

placed fourth in the 4x152-meter relay.

In the long jump, freshman Kaitlin Tuskowski placed fifth and junior Jayden Zeinert was seventh.

Davis finished sixth and Zeinert was eighth in the 50-meter hurdles.

Boys events

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's boys collected 16 points and finished in sixth

place.

Sophomore Mason Wierzbza had the best finish for the Chargers, placing second in the shot put.

In the long jump, junior Michael Gunter placed sixth. He was also sixth in the 50-meter dash.

Gunter finished in seventh in the 200-meter dash.

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Among the many winners at the Shawano Speedway in 2023 was Lukas Postl, who claimed victory in the Late Model feature race on July 15. An open house featuring several local and statewide drivers will kick off the 2024 season April 6. Racing is scheduled to begin April 13.

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Shawano Speedway to host open house

2024 racing season set to kick off April 13, featuring Dirt Kings Late Model Tour

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Want to meet your favorite driver, get an up-close look at a stock car or learn more about racing in general? Those opportunities and more will be offered at the Shawano Speedway Fan Fest, scheduled for 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 6. The open house will be held at the Crawford Center; however, if Mother Nature is agreeable with some warm weather, cars may be on display at the fairgrounds along East Green Bay Street.

“It’s a chance for drivers to show off their new wraps, new colors and new sponsors,” said

Bob Schmidt, one of the organizers. “We’ll have drivers from Shawano and all over.”

Several hundred people attended last year’s Fan Fest, and Schmidt expects a similar crowd this year, as long as the weather is good.

“It’s hard to say exactly where there,” he said. “People come, people go. They’re not there the entire time.”

Again, if weather permits, drivers will conduct a practice session at the track following the Fan Fest and running until sunset.

During the season, there are five divisions racing each Saturday night at the Shawano County

Fairgrounds.

“We usually pull in 100-110 cars each night from all around the state,” Schmidt said.

The 2024 race season is set to begin April 13 and will feature the Dirt Kings Late Model Tour.

Weather permitting, races are held on the half-mile oval every Saturday night through Aug. 31.

Several special events are planned, including Teacher Appreciation Night on May 18, Hall of Fame Night on June 8, Retro Night on July 20 and a corn roast on Aug. 17.

Hot laps begin at 5:30 p.m., and all regular programs start at 6 p.m. The pit gate opens at 3 p.m., and the ticket office opens at 4

p.m.

Admission is \$12 for those 17 and older, \$6 for those 12-16 and free for those 11 and younger with a paid adult.

Pit passes are \$30 for those 12 and older and \$10 for those 11 and younger.

Half season and full season pit passes and grandstand passes are also available.

The track regularly features late models, IMCA Modifieds, IMCA Sport Modifieds, IMCA stock cars and 4-cylinders.

A brief description of each class, according to the Shawano Speedway website, follows.

Mighty 4s: This class is made up of 4-cylinder front wheel drive cars. It’s de-

signed as a fun, economical class for anyone who has the urge to run on the dirt.

Shawano IMCA Sport Modifieds: This division is an affordable open wheel division designed to help drivers get behind the wheel with minimum expense. Sport mods have a crate engine program. These cars are nationally sanctioned by IMCA and race on tracks throughout the U.S.

Shawano IMCA Modifieds: The IMCA Modified Division is nationally sanctioned. It is an open wheel class that competes throughout the state, producing large fields of cars in Shawano. The minimum wheelbase on these cars is 108 inches, and cars may

not have wings or spoilers.

Shawano Late Models: These are full-bodied late model race cars. Rules have been crafted to allow cars from several sanctions to compete together at Shawano Speedway. These cars are the fastest division at the speedway.

Shawano IMCA Stock Car: The IMCA Stock Car Division is designed as an affordable division. These cars are nationally sanctioned by IMCA and race on tracks throughout the U.S. The division allows for minor modifications to the chassis and engines.

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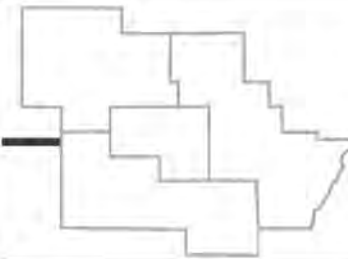
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Oconto man charged with OWI after chase

Police say pursuit down city street narrowly misses pedestrians

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

An Oconto man is due back in Oconto County Circuit Court on April 11 after he allegedly led police officers on a high-speed chase with two of his children in the back seat.

Steven M. Ducat, 37, was charged March 18 with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense), five counts of first-degree recklessly endangering safety, fleeing an officer in a vehicle, two counts of misdemeanor disorderly conduct and misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer, operating while revoked and violating an ignition interlock order, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 17 in the city of Oconto.

According to the criminal complaint, Ducat's wife called police at 6:09 p.m.

to report that her husband had been drinking heavily and then drove away with the two children. Police Sgt. Brandon Tousey spotted Ducat's vehicle going in the opposite direction on Superior Avenue; when the officer turned around to follow, he noticed Ducat speed up.

Tousey activated his siren and emergency lights and pursued Ducat southbound on Superior at speeds up to 70 mph in the 25 mph zone, the complaint said. At one point, they approached a truck backing up a trailer and taking up almost the entire roadway, and Ducat allegedly drove up onto the curb and around the vehicle, narrowly missing a woman on the sidewalk.

Moments later, Tousey reported seeing a woman — later identified as Ducat's mother-in-law — standing in the roadway

waving at Ducat to stop, and the suspect vehicle narrowly missed hitting her.

The chase proceeded east onto Adams Street, and Ducat pulled into the Karban Family Dentist parking lot, where he got out of the vehicle and ran away, the complaint said. A foot chase ensued, but Ducat stumbled and fell when he looked back at the officer. He was placed under arrest but reportedly resisted and yelled profanities while being transported to the hospital to be checked before being taken to the Oconto County Jail, and a warrant was obtained to draw blood for a blood-alcohol content test.

During a March 18 court appearance, Judge Michael Judge set bail at \$50,000 cash and adjourned the initial appearance until 9 a.m. April 11.

Student strip search bill signed into law

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

A bill banning student strip searches by school officials authored by area legislators was signed into law March 22.

State Sen. Eric Wimberger, R-Green Bay, and state Rep. Dave Steffen, R-Green Bay, worked to change state law following a controversial strip search of six teenage girls at the Suring School District. The teens were ordered by a school official to remove their clothing down to their bra and underwear and

were subjected to inspection by the school official. This strip search was performed without the knowledge of the girls' parents or law enforcement officials.

"Wisconsin's schools are supposed to be a safe and protective environment where students can focus on their studies," Wimberger said. "There is no reason that a school official should have the authority to strip search students, violate their privacy and force them into an uncomfortable and inappropriate situation."

Former Superintendent Kelly Casper ordered the search of the girls in January 2022 in an attempt to find vaping devices. She faced felony charges that later were dropped and ended up reaching an agreement with the Suring School Board to step down.

Before Senate Bill 111 was signed, searches like the one that occurred in Suring by school officials were not prohibited. School officials were prohibited from conducting a "strip search" of a student to the extent that their private areas were exposed. This law change extends the definition of "strip search" to include searches that would require a student to strip down to their underwear.

"We are finally closing this loophole in state law, and I hope that no other students go through what these girls had to experience," Wimberger said. "I'm hopeful this change allows school officials and students to focus on education, and leave enforcing laws to police and law enforcement officials."

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Lemons



2/\$1

Red On-the-Vine Tomatoes



\$1.39

lb

Zucchini Squash



99¢

lb

Mrs. Gerry's Summer Fresh Pasta Salad



\$3.49

lb

Sweet P's Muffins



2/\$6

Asst Variety
4pk

Pringles



2/\$4

Asst Variety
4.9-5.6oz

Swanson Hungry Man Frozen Dinners



\$3.99

Asst Variety
13.1-16oz

Daisy Sour Cream



\$3.49

24oz

Prairie Farms 2%, 1%, or Skim Milk



\$3.99

Gallon

Wide Awake Cold Brew Coffee



\$4.49

Asst Variety
48oz

Post Assorted Cereal



2/\$6

11-14.75oz

V8 Splash



\$2.29

Asst Variety
64oz

Eggo Waffles or Pancakes



2/\$6

Asst Variety
10.9-12.3oz

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WOOD PELLET STOVE



FREEDOM STOVES

BUILT-IN BATTERY BACK-UP*
NO POWER? NO PROBLEM!



CUSTOMIZE YOUR STOVE W/
MULTIPLE TILE & PANEL OPTIONS!



- NO CHIMNEY REQUIRED W/PELLET STOVE*
- EASY PAYMENTS* AS LOW AS \$2.00/DAY!*
- SAVE UP TO 50% ON HEATING*
- 0% INTEREST*

PLUS! **SAVE UP TO \$2,000***

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WITH NEW STOVE PURCHASE!*

(\$139.00 Retail Value)

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- Wood Stoves & Fireplaces
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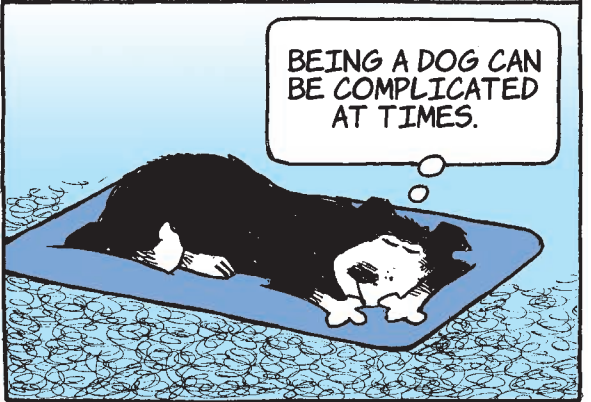
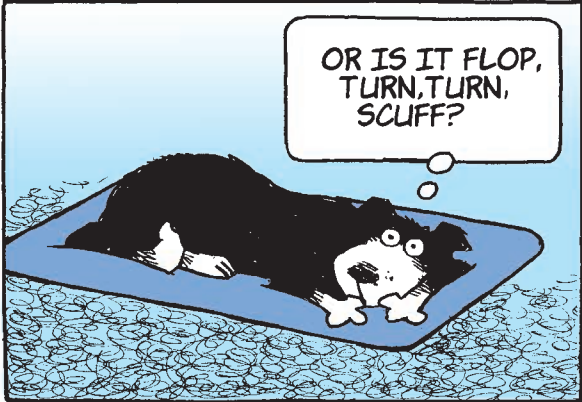
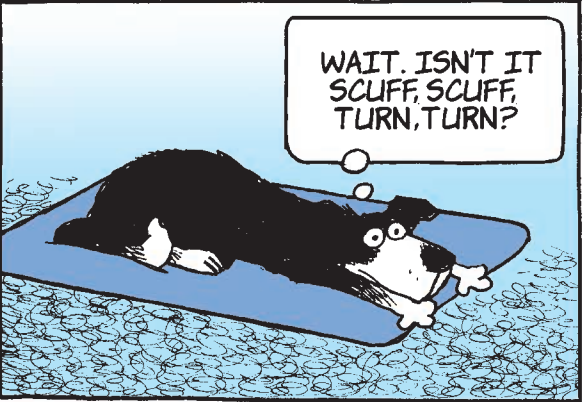
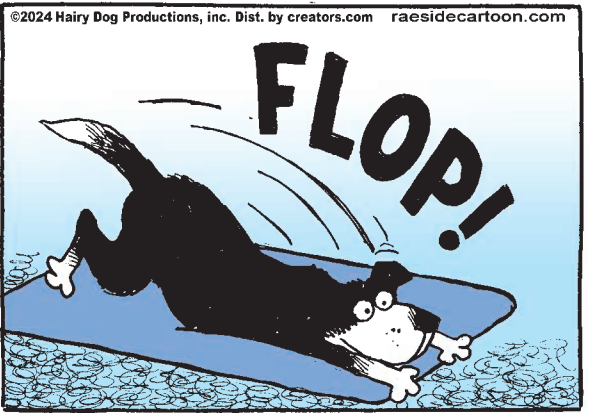
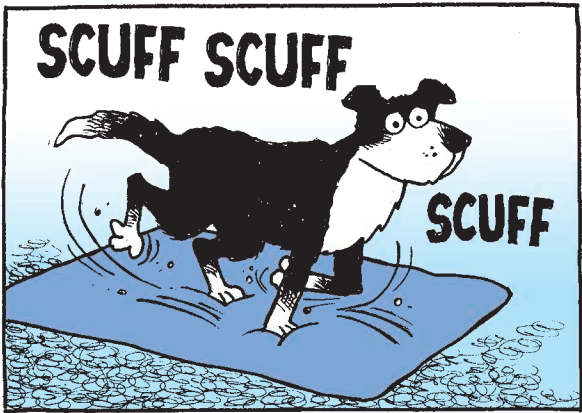


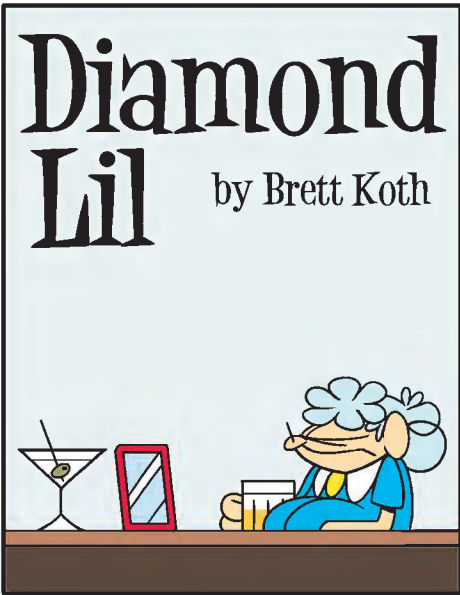
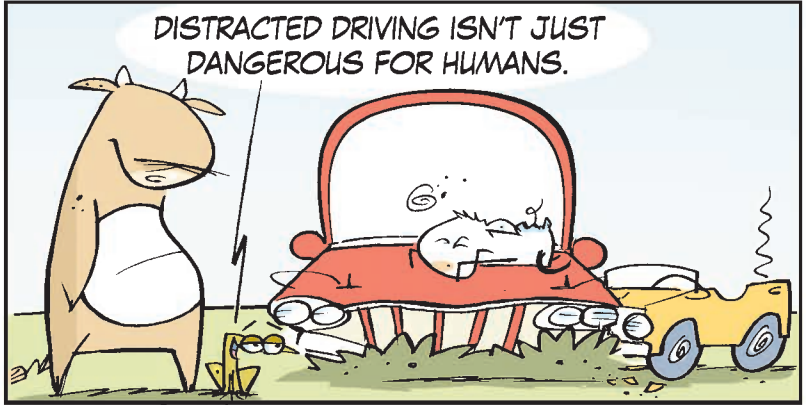
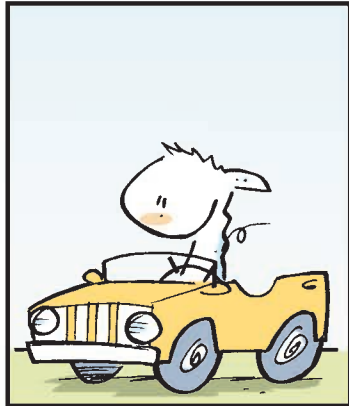
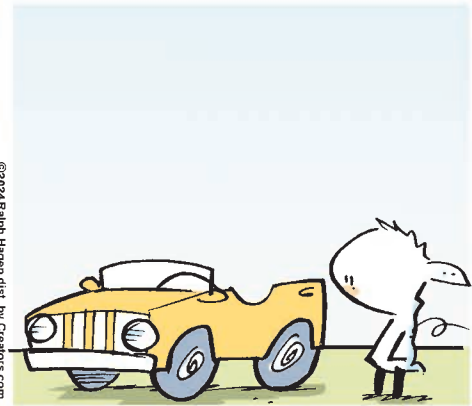
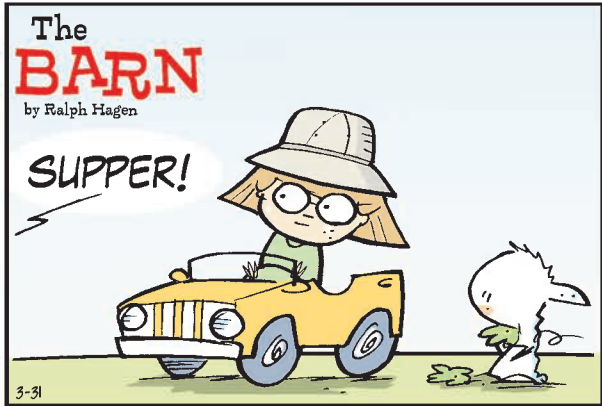
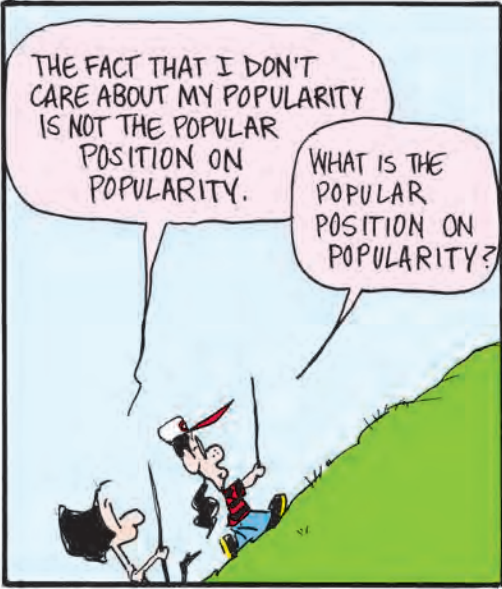
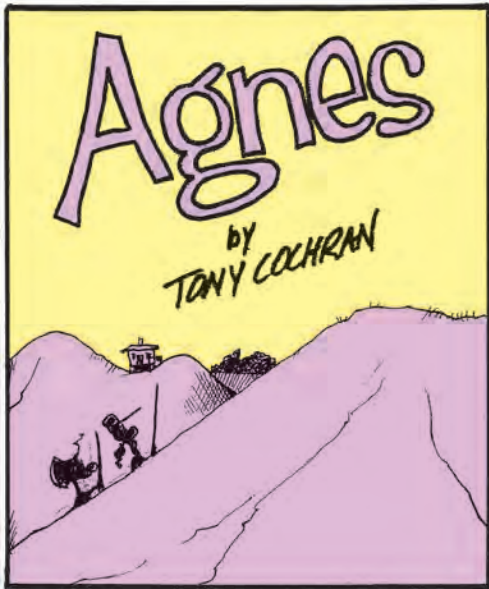
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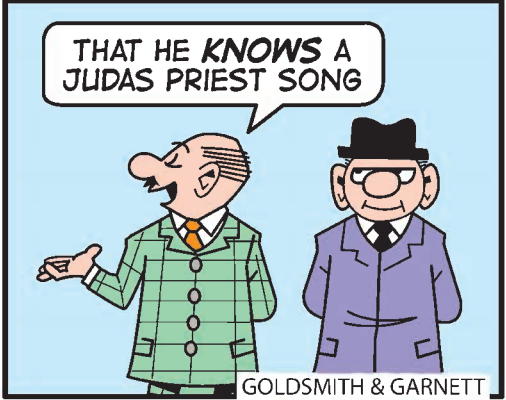
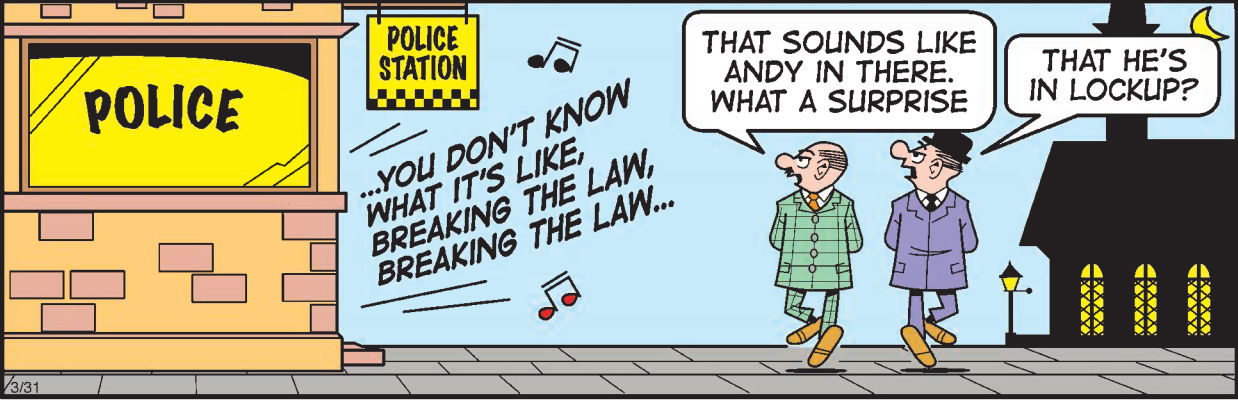
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