



Andy Reise, right, stands alongside his mother and siblings at the dedication of the David Reise Classroom, located inside the new Suring Market and Agriculture Center. The late David Reise taught agriculture for the Suring School District for 40 years.

NATHAN BIRR

Market, agriculture center opens doors in Suring

Building will provide storefront learning for ag, business programs

BY NATHAN BIRR
Correspondent

The new Suring Market and Agriculture Center (SMAC) held its grand opening Jan. 19 packed with members of the community to celebrate its completion of construction that began in June.

The spacious building on Main Street will be used by the Suring High School agriculture and business departments, as a new approach to classroom education.

Many years prior to its construction, at the dawn of the digital-age, members of the Suring community began to recognize that public school education had a “need for less screen time, and more hands-on (experiences), and more sunshine,” said Erin Hischke, Suring High School business teacher and Future Business Leaders of America adviser.

As the decades passed, awareness of



The new Suring Market and Agriculture Center stands on Main Street, one block away from the Suring High School. It will provide students with hands-on-learning and entrepreneurial experience as they produce and market goods.

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that need only increased. At the same time, the village of Suring suffered economic decline as a factory and grocery store closed.

“Suring (became) a food desert that needed an economic boost,” Hischke said.

As new school board members and teaching faculty joined the Suring School District, a fresh spark of hope flickered into the old discussions.

“Our same old discussions began to take a new turn,” Hischke said. What if we

could create hands-on, authentic learning experiences and grow our community economically, while providing a source of nutritious foods and preserving the generational knowledge of the community, and this has become what is now known as SMAC.”

The SMAC building features a greenhouse, classroom and a market area.

“Our market will sell farm to table

Oconto Falls sewer rates to rise

Major projects loom by 2030, says city utilities manager

BY WARREN BLUHM
News Editor

The Oconto Falls City Council has approved the first sewer rate increase in six years, approving a utility commission recommendation during its Jan. 14 meeting.

The increase amounts to 6.56%, or \$3.94 a month, about \$47.71 per year for the average customer, said Greg Kuhn, general manager of Oconto Falls Municipal Utilities.

“Our last sewer rate case was 2018, so we’ve gone six years without a rate increase,” Kuhn said. “I think we’ve done a pretty good job trying to keep things where they’re at.”

The new rates should go into effect around April, he said. Customers are expected to receive notice in a couple of newspaper legal ads and a mailer to be included in monthly bills.

Kuhn said the city will have a decision in 2030 to make as debt is paid off from a major sewer utility rebuild that occurred in 2012 while some major projects loom.

“You either have to go back in for a very large rate decrease, (or) you have to plan new debt to come on board – which we have a few projects that we’re going to have to tackle that we’re kind of pushing off to that point,” he said. “And then the third option is to start accounting for your depreciation and putting it in a rainy day fund, which is what I would strongly suggest doing, because we’re never going to not need more money for that sewer plant.”

City Administrator Peter Wills advocated for establishing that rainy day fund.

“I came from a community that waited 40 years for a sewer treatment plant that was 20 years past its useful life,” Wills said. “They tried to catch up, and we were doing 15-18% increases every year.”

Kuhn said the city needs to address a sewer line that goes under the river that he said is well past its useful life.

“That’s not a small project, it’s going to be a doozy to try to figure out how to get that put in,” he said. “That’s our 2030 project, which we’re going to start looking at soon. We’re looking at 2027 to start the planning. 2026, we’re going to start having conversations.”

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Logging underway at Morgan Marsh Wildlife Area

By **NATHAN BIRR**
Correspondent

Logging equipment and heaps of timber will continue to be seen along Morgan Marsh Road. The Morgan Marsh Wildlife Area, owned by the Oconto County Sportsmen Alliance, looks shockingly different.

Clear cutting began Jan. 7, and if frigid weather continues, will be finished in a few weeks. “Hopefully we’re done the first week of February,” said Andy Angus, the logger overseeing the project.

The Wisconsin DNR prescribed the forest management plan, which entails about 35 acres of clearcut. Most of the timber harvest will take place on the north side of Morgan Marsh Road, except for a 5-acre block to be harvested along the

snowmobile trail south of the road. The last time timber was harvested in the marsh was 1984. “They’re cutting it at the perfect time,” Angus said. “They’re getting it before it starts to get punky, because the average life expectancy of aspen (poplar) is about 40-45 years old. That’s when it is biologically mature.” It is estimated to yield 700 cords of wood. The majority of the harvest is poplar, and a few are ash trees infected with emerald ash borer, as well as birch. “The only thing we’re leaving are any pine trees and any oaks (and soft maples) that we come across,” Angus said. In the midst of the clearing, a large cottonwood tree survived because of an attached ladder-stand.



Harvested timber is sorted and then trucked to various destinations. The logger overseeing the cut, Andy Angus, said the pulpwood will be going to Sagola, Michigan. Any hardwood will either go to Kaukauna or Dimension Lumber Co. in Suring.

NATHAN BIRR

Street department to relocate to old fire station

Street superintendent says his crew is ‘excited’ about the transition

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

The former Oconto Falls fire station at 98 Jackson St. is being turned over to the city street department. The building was replaced last summer by a new \$7.3 million fire station at the south end of Memorial Field, which was built with the help of a \$7

million federal grant. During its meeting Jan. 14, the Oconto Falls City Council approved allowing the street department to relocate its headquarters to the old fire station. Street Superintendent Wally Remic said the city crew was very receptive to the idea when it was presented to them. “They made it very clear to me that we’re in

a building that doesn’t fit all of our equipment right now, that we’re spread out over a few different buildings the way it is,” Remic said. He then met with City Administrator Peter Wills and Fire Chief Tim Magnin to review the city’s heating bills for the old fire station versus the west side garage. “It’s going to be a sav-

ings of at least one-half every month if we were to walk away from the west side shop,” Remic said. “The crew is excited and very sure that we could work out of there more efficiently than what we’re working out of our shop right now.” The Jackson Street facility is “a much nicer facility” and “My guys would absolutely love to move

into there,” he said. If the city continues to experience a lack of normal snowfall, Remic said, his department can be moving in between now and the start of spring. “If it’s not snowing, we have some time that we could be cleaning, moving, getting set up in there,” he said. The city has been exploring its options for

the old fire station since the fire department made its move last June. Another idea was for Oconto Falls Municipal Utilities to relocate there. Magnin said the process of wrapping up the paperwork with the state on closing out the new fire station project is nearly complete.

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CMN president awarded Ph.D. from the UW-Madison

College of Menominee Nation (CMN) President Christopher M. Caldwell has earned his doctorate in environment and resources through the Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies at UW-Madison. Caldwell’s dissertation, titled “Indigenous Sustainability Thinking: A



CALDWELL Menominee Perspective,” focused on Indigenous approaches to research, language revitalization and sustainability. The majority of this work was built from

his experiences on the Menominee reservation, and as part of the CMN Sustainable Development Institute (SDI). Caldwell’s professional career spanned time with Menominee Tribal Enterprises, U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs and the

college. During his time as director of CMN SDI, he began his doctoral program with UW-Madison. In February 2020, the CMN board of directors asked him to step in as interim president. He and his team navigated the college through the pandemic, supporting the campus community,

as well as surrounding Tribal nations and rural communities. In June 2021, the board officially installed him as president, and since then, his focus has been prioritized on CMN charter obligations to preserve, protect and advance the Menominee way of life and learning,

which is learning by doing. This strategy builds on high quality academics and administration, which allows students to pursue their individual goals while supporting the broader interests of the Menominee people, while supporting other Tribal nations and rural communities.

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products to the public,” Hischke said. “Our students will learn employability skills by working at the market, and our community will benefit from being able to buy locally grown beef, pork, and other meats. We will grow vegetables in our hydroponic units year-round, and shoppers at

the market will be able to harvest it at the time of purchase.” She said SMAC would have root vegetables such as potatoes, carrots and onions that would be grown by the school’s ag program. The building would also have healthy cooking ingredients on the shelves readily available.

“Additionally, we will be able to provide an outlet for local farmers, artists and crafters who have products to distribute,” Hischke said. “Students will learn the business skills, so they will know how to produce goods and services for a profit that will help them financially,

and we will seek knowledgeable community members to come into our classrooms and teach the next generation some of the basic skills of subsistence including growing, harvesting and preserving food.” The classroom portion was dedicated to the late David Reise, who

taught agriculture for the Suring School District for 40 years. His son, Andy Reise, gave a heartfelt speech at the dedication ceremony, showcasing the tremendous impact that his father had for good, and many others testified of the same. Books detailing the great life of David Reise — stories told by

the father and edited by the son — are available for purchase in the SMAC’s market. Over \$175,000 was raised for the project with grants, fundraising and donations, which included \$20,000 from the Suring FFA Alumni and \$7,000 from the Suring FBLA Chapter.

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Columbia Street work expected to start early

Project completion is due in time for middle school opening in September

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

The reconstruction of Columbia Street in Oconto Falls could begin as soon as February, City Administrator Peter Wills told the city council Jan. 14.

Dorner Inc. of Green Bay is the main contractor on the project, which involves the complete reconstruction of the street including pavement, water mains, and sanitary and storm sewers, along with sidewalks along one

side of the street, which will lead to three schools once the new Oconto Falls Middle School is completed next year.

The effort also includes reconstruction of a sewer lift station by Advance Construction of Howard. Wills said Advance has notified the city it wants to start next month, while Dorner has indicated it expects to get started in March.

The early start is affected by the city's Aug. 29 deadline to complete

the work in time for the 2025-26 academic year and the opening of the middle school.

Crews expect to begin work on the west end of the project, where Columbia Street intersects with Chestnut and Union avenues. During the work, traffic will be detoured along Chestnut and Union, which are part of state Highway 22, as well as South Main Street and North Farm Road, Wills said.

"We don't want the

(school) buses going on any of those interior streets — Wisconsin, Milwaukee, any of that stuff," Wills said. "We're really trying to keep everything to Chestnut, County I and South Main."

Greg Kuhn, general manager of Oconto Falls Municipal Utilities, said a meeting is planned toward the end of the month to have all the parties and the school involved. A letter is expected to go out to residents of Columbia and various

side streets to give them an approximate time line for the project.

"In that letter we are specifically calling out that it's closed to through traffic, local traffic only," Kuhn said. "I put in the letter, or in our update on the website, that we're going to monitor it, and if we catch people just blowing through there, there's going to be tickets issued, because we don't need that to become the norm in the construction site."

The total cost of the project is estimated around \$2.78 million. Part of the cost is being paid by the state Department of Administration with \$1 million of federal funding through the Community Development Block Grant program.

The project will include sidewalks on the south side of the street from Chestnut to Farm, connecting to existing sidewalks.

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OCONTO COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Proceedings of Jan. 13

- Kyle K. Sydor, 35, Oconto, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Dec. 16. Sydor is also charged with theft in a business setting in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 18, 2021. Judge Michael Judge scheduled a status conference and bail/bond hearing for Jan. 22.
- Bond was set at \$3,000 cash for Paul J. Wirhanowicz, 39, Spring, after he was charged with felony bail jumping in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 9. His initial appearance was adjourned until Jan. 16 and again until March 13.
- Bond was set at \$2,300 for Keith D. Lasnoski, 59, Pulaski, after he was charged with possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 12. Judge adjourned his initial appearance until Feb. 13.
- Bond was set at \$500 cash for Nicole Mildred Hoffer, 21, Black Creek, after she was charged with possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor counts of possession of a controlled substance, possession of THC and possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 12. Judge adjourned her initial appearance until Feb. 13.

Proceedings of Jan. 14

- Keilon Allon Snipes-Reed, 20, a White Lake man serving time at Green Bay Correctional Institution, was sentenced to 10 years in prison, followed by five years of extended supervision with conditions, for armed robbery and first-degree reckless endangerment, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred June 4, 2021. Judge gave him credit for 930 days already served.
- Emilio G. Garcia, 34, Oconto, was sentenced to three years and six months in prison, followed by five years of extended supervision with conditions, for possession with intent to deliver methamphetamine and pleaded guilty to possession of narcotic drugs and a misdemeanor charge of possession of THC, in connection with an incident

that occurred May 25. Judge gave Garcia credit for 234 days already served.

- Loyal Tyrell Bradley, 38, Green Bay, pleaded no contest to possession of a firearm by a person convicted of a felony and a misdemeanor count of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (first offense), in connection with an incident that occurred April 13, 2024. Judge withheld sentencing and placed him on two years of probation with conditions.
- Erick Robert Spreeman, 34, Coleman, pleaded no contest to a misdemeanor charge of theft in connection with an incident that occurred Oct. 24, 2023. The charge was amended from a felony in a plea agreement. Judge Jay Conley ordered him to pay restitution of \$3,076.36 and court surcharges totaling \$3,553.20.
- The prosecutor moved to dismiss the case against Shannon May Tourtillott, 34, Keshena, who was ruled not competent to stand trial in January 2024 on a variety of charges including child neglect and abuse, in connection with incidents that allegedly occurred in May 2023, as well as battery or threat to a law officer and escape in connection with her arrest in August and an incident that allegedly occurred while she was being transported as a jail inmate on July 31, 2023. The defense agreed with the motion. Conley did not grant the state's motion right away but said the district attorney's office can file a written motion regarding compliance with victim rights. No further proceedings were scheduled.
- James John Crouse, 52, Menominee, Michigan, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to intent to deliver methamphetamine, possession with intent to deliver cocaine, possession with intent to deliver fentanyl, possession with intent to deliver THC, two counts of felony bail jumping, misdemeanor counts of drug paraphernalia, operating while revoked, violating an ignition interlock device order, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Nov. 13. Crouse is also await trial on a felony count of possession of THC (second and subsequent offense) and misdemeanor charges of operating a motor vehicle while his license was revoked and possession of

drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Nov. 16, 2023. Judge scheduled a pre-trial conference for Feb. 27.

- A bench warrant was issued for Florentino Hernandez Rodriguez, 28, Lena, after he failed to appear on charges of false imprisonment and misdemeanor counts of fourth-degree sexual assault and disorderly conduct, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 24, 2022, and felony bail jumping, in connection with an alleged June 2, 2022, incident.
- Bond was set at \$3,000 cash for Jason W. Thielen, 49, Pulaski, after he was charged with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fifth or sixth offense) in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 11. Judge adjourned his initial appearance until Feb. 13.

Proceedings of Jan. 15

- Shana Lynn Courchaine, 26, Green Bay, pleaded no contest to possession of methamphetamine and felony bail jumping, in connection with an incident that occurred April 13, 2023, and second-degree recklessly endangering safety, in connection with an incident that occurred July 3, 2024. Courchaine's probation and a deferred judgment agreement were revoked May 15, 2023, on a previous conviction or possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that occurred March 10, 2022. Judge scheduled sentencing in all three

cases for Jan. 27.

- Cale Donald Agamaite, 19, Ripon, pleaded guilty to felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer, in connection with an incident that occurred July 28. Judge withheld sentencing and placed him on two years of probation with conditions.
- Bond was set at \$3,000 cash for Nicholas Donald Collar, 31, New London, after he was charged with possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), three counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 12. Judge adjourned his initial appearance until Feb. 13.

Proceedings of Jan. 16

- Chelsea Belle O'Donnell, 27, Amberg, pleaded not guilty to possession of methamphetamine, possession of narcotic drugs, felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer and possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Oct. 11. Conley scheduled a plea hearing for Jan. 29.
- Tyler C. Spice, 38, Lena, pleaded not guilty to strangulation and suffocation and misdemeanor disorderly conduct, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred June 16. Conley scheduled a pre-trial conference for March 13.
- A bench warrant was issued for Ashley L. Luloff, 40, Neenah, after she failed to ap-

pear for a hearing on charges of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and misdemeanor counts of disorderly conduct and bail jumping, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred June 25.

- A bench warrant was issued for Jonathon Ray Surprise, 52, Menominee, Michigan, after he failed to appear for a court hearing on charges of felony bail jumping, possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Nov. 30.
- Bond was set at \$10,000 cash for Andrew J. Miller, 41, Menominee, Michigan, who is charged with resisting an officer and causing substantial bodily harm or a soft tissue injury, felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer, operating while revoked, possession of THC and disorderly conduct, in connection with incidents that allegedly occurred Jan. 6-7. During his initial appearance, Conley found him in contempt of court and sentenced him to 30 days in the county jail without bail. The judge scheduled a preliminary hearing for Jan. 22.
- A \$5,000 signature bond was set for Jeremy Robert Goodletson, 41, Oconto Falls, after he was charged with two counts felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of operating while revoked, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Oct. 27. Conley adjourned his initial

appearance until March 13.

- A \$5,000 signature bond was set for Bridget M. Poquette, 36, Oconto, after she was charged with burglary to a building or dwelling and theft of movable property, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Nov. 12. Conley adjourned her initial appearance until March 13.
- A \$2,500 signature bond was set for Sean R. Calewatts, 41, Oconto, after he was charged with three counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of criminal trespass and disorderly conduct, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred July 9, and misappropriating identity information to avoid penalty and three counts of felony bail jumping, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Aug. 15. Conley adjourned his initial appearance until Feb. 13.

Proceedings of Jan. 17

- A May 20-21 jury trial was scheduled for Gary Michael Wilger, 63, Suring, on charges of stalking and misdemeanor bail jumping, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 26, 2024. Conley scheduled a final pre-trial conference for May 5.
- Bond was set at \$2,000 cash for Scott Robert Martin, 52, Abrams, after he was charged with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense) in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 11. Judge adjourned his initial appearance until Feb. 13.

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Jan. 16
Deputies responded to 56 incidents, including automobile theft on Safian Road in the Town of Chase, squad damage near County Road S and Hilbert Road in the Town of Chase, a wanted person on Lee Lake Road in the Town of Brazeau, suspicious activity on state Highway 32 in the Town of Riverview, fire on Emma Lea Lane in the Town of Lakewood, a fire control burn on Belgian Road in the Town of Lena, threatening on County Road J in the Town of Pensaukee, theft on Safian Road in the Town of Chase, suspicious activity on Sherrie Lane in the Town of Underhill, 11 traffic stops, two traffic offenses, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare check; two open-line calls; one ambulance call; seven crashes, four involving deer.

Jan. 15
Deputies responded to 43 incidents, including a disturbance on Schroeder Road in the Town of Morgan, fraud

on Valley Line Road in the Town of Spruce, suspicious activity on Four Towns Road in the Town of Gillett, disorderly conduct on East Algoma Street in Suring, threatening on South Third Street in Lena, 11 traffic stops, two citizen assists; three ambulance calls; two crashes, one involving deer.

Jan. 14
Deputies responded to 34 incidents, including a disturbance on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto Falls, suspicious activity on Cross Road in the Town of Little Suamico, suspicious activity at East Side Beach, 627 N. Main St. in Oconto Falls, a disturbance on South Birch Avenue in Gillett, two traffic stops, one traffic hazard, two welfare checks; two ambulance calls; five crashes, three involving deer.

Jan. 13
Deputies responded to 50 incidents, including child abuse in the Town of Underhill, two traffic stops, four traffic hazards, two traffic

offenses, one citizen assist, two miscellaneous traffic incidents; three crashes, one involving deer.

Jan. 12
Deputies responded to 32 incidents, including suspicious activity on Bagley Rapids Campground Road in the Town of Mountain, property damage on Pecor Point Lane in the Town of Pensaukee, burglary on Hazelnut Lane in the Town of Oconto Falls, an ATV accident near Goatsville and Midway roads in the Town of Lena, a disturbance on Warrington Lake Drive in the Town of Underhill, a disturbance on County Road R in the Town of Underhill, four traffic stops, two traffic offenses, one citizen assist, one welfare check; one 911 hangup and three open lines; two ambulance calls; five crashes, one involving deer.

Jan. 11
Deputies responded to 44 incidents, including a fire control burn on South Chase Road in the Town of Chase, suspi-

cious activity on Knapp Street in Suring, a disturbance on North Rosera Street in Lena, fire on Maple Acres Lane in the Town of Townsend, animal neglect on Harley Street in Lena, 11 traffic stops, two traffic offenses, two citizen assists, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare check; one 911 hangup; one ambulance call; three crashes, one involving deer.

Jan. 10
Deputies responded to 45 incidents, including a wanted person on County Road SS in the Town of Pensaukee, property damage on Fox Road in the Town of Little Suamico, drugs in the Town of Maple Valley, a disturbance on Guelig Road in the Town of Stiles, an ATV accident on Elm Avenue in the Town of Oconto, 12 traffic stops, one traffic hazard, two traffic offenses, two citizen assists, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, three welfare checks; one 911 hangup and three open lines.



From left, Brent and Kim Gruetzmacher and Madalyn Christensen of Gruetzmacher Funeral Home stand in front of the former Kuehl Funeral Home in Gillett. Gruetzmacher recently purchased the building. "We are excited to be a part of the Gillett community for many years to come, providing top notch personalized funeral services," they said in making the announcement on social media. People who have prearranged services with Kuehl Funeral Home/Legacy, are encouraged to contact Gruetzmacher for assistance. For information or to schedule a meeting, call 920-842-2151. CONTRIBUTED

OBITUARIES

James B. Saindon

James B. Saindon, 83, Town of Chase, passed away peacefully on Saturday, Jan. 18, 2025, at Aurora BayCare Medical Center in Green Bay. The son of Bob and Lucille (Karcz) Buckman was born Oct. 7, 1941, in Green Bay.

Jim married Gladys Ferfecki on Nov. 23, 1965. He drove truck for Carver Boat and various other places for several years. In 1974, Jim became the undersheriff (Badge #702) of Oconto County along with being named duly appointed deputy coroner.

He was also appointed to the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1976. Jim then became a traffic officer for Oconto County in 1982 (Badge #716) until his retirement.

An avid trapshooter, Jim was a member of the Oconto and Pittsfield

Sportsman Clubs. He served as president of the Oconto Sportsman Club for a number of years. In addition to shooting trap, Jim enjoyed riding his Harley and made several trips to Sturgis, riding his UTV, cutting grass (at least twice a week) and going out west on hunting trips. He was also a member of the Search and Rescue Dive Team for Oconto County.

Survivors include his two children, Kelly (Ron) Mroczkowski, Krakow, and Tim Saindon, Chase; four grandchildren, Jolene (Michael) Pomprowitz, Krakow, Josh Mroczkowski, Krakow, Lyle Saindon (Rylee), White Lake, and Makayla Saindon, Green Bay; a great-grandson, Jaxton Pomprowitz, Krakow; his godson, Brad Schmidt, Shawano; two half-brothers, Daryl (An-



gel) Saindon and Larry (Mary) Saindon; sisters-in-law, Barbara Ferfecki, Pulaski, Judy Ferfecki, Krakow, Audrey Ferfecki, Morgan, Vanice Ferfecki, Pulaski, and Sharon (Dale) Krumrai, Pulaski; his faithful companion, Ziva; and many nieces, nephews and other family members.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 50 years, Gladys; his parents, Bob and Lucille; father, Owen Saindon; a daughter-in-law, Robyn Saindon; father-in-law and mother-in-law: John and Lucille Ferfecki; brothers-in-law, Daniel "Danny" Ferfecki, Richard "Richie" Ferfecki, James "Skippy" Ferfecki and Paul Ferfecki.

Friends are invited to gather with family at St. Casimir Church, 146 Park St., Krakow, on Saturday, Jan. 25, from 9 a.m. until noon. The funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon with Fr. James Esser, O.F.M., presiding.

The family would like to thank the staff at Aurora Medical Center and Aurora Hospice for the good care given to Jim.

Online condolences may be offered to Jim's family at www.marnochafuneralhome.com or on the Marnocha Funeral Home Facebook page.

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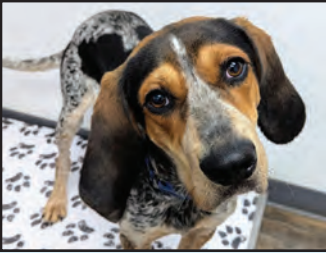
Duane is survived by his wife, Faye; his children, Tracy (Lance Pawlak) Janik and Darren Janik; four grandchildren, Derek Janik, Alyssa (Austin) Breier, Austin Johnson and Tessa (Mitchell) Greiling; and three great-grandchildren, Maci and Owen Breier, and Cayde Greiling.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Vivian (Carl) Brandt.

A celebration of Duane's life will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials directed to Unity Hospice in Duane's name are appreciated.

Duane's family would like to extend their gratitude to the staff of Unity Hospice and the Meng Residence for their care and compassion.



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Olivia Schneider, 8, and her brother, Charles LaRock, stand in front of the display of items donated to Olivia's Pantry of Hope and Giving at 1134 S. Franklin St. in Shawano. Olivia decided to start the food pantry for people in need, based on the pantry Charles had operated for about four years, starting when he was 8. Food, hygiene items and clothing are available free of charge to anyone in need.

LYNN ZAFFRANN

Shawano girl follows in her brother's footsteps

8-year-old takes charge of gathering food for needy

By LYNN ZAFFRANN
Correspondent

The Christmas decorations that brightened South Franklin Street in Shawano over the holidays have been put away.

In their place, there is something else that's full of light, hope and love for the needy in Shawano.

Olivia's Pantry of Hope and Giving, 1134 S. Franklin St., Shawano, the idea of 8-year-old Olivia Schneider, takes up part of the front yard of the house. Donations of boxes, cans and bottles of food are on display for those in need to pick up, free of charge, with no limits.

"The other day, I just wanted to start one," Olivia said when asked why there is a food pantry in her yard.

She said that her brother, Charles LaRock, had done the same thing when he was 8 years old.

Sadie Cornelius is the mother of Olivia and Charles.

"I thought it was a great idea when she came up with it," Cornelius said. "I liked doing it with Charles. We did it for about four years."

She said that as Charles got older, he got busy with other things, and they discontinued his food pantry.

Olivia wasn't even born when Charles ran his food pantry from their home, but she said that she had heard about it often as she grew up.

"We were talking about Charles' pantry,

and I asked Olivia if she wanted to do one," Cornelius said.

"Yes, I want to help families," Olivia added.

Olivia just turned 8 years old in December. According to Cornelius, that's just a bit younger than Charles was when he began his food pantry.

Charles is now 18 and out of the house, but he gives Olivia a lot of support with her new food pantry. They still have the freezer and refrigerator that were donated when Charles was collecting food for the needy.

Donations are coming in from family, friends and others, as news of the food pantry is shared on its Facebook page, Olivia's Pantry of Hope and Giving. The Facebook page is administered by Cornelius.

"People are dropping things off," Cornelius said. "It's starting to fill up fast."

A friend of Cornelius dropped off some clothing, and boxes of supplies from family members out of state have arrived.

The Facebook page is the place to watch to see when the pantry is open. Because Cornelius works every other weekend, the open hours follow her work schedule. Typically, days that it is open are posted on Facebook at least one day in advance. Cornelius said that hours would probably be 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Because of Olivia's young age, it's obvious that a lot of the work involved in starting a food pantry and running it is in Cornelius' hands. She explained that Olivia helps organize the donations into categories and puts things in boxes. She also helps to take the donations outside and bring them back into the house.

Olivia recently decided that they should

also have an infant and toddler area in the food pantry. Donations for diapers, baby wipes, clothes and infant/toddler hygiene items are welcome. She said that she wanted children her age to get help.

"Babies, too," Olivia added.

Advertising for the food pantry has been limited to the Facebook page. Cornelius is hoping to find someone who could help with printing flyers to let people in need within the community know about the venture.

Charles said that when he started his food pantry, "Facebook was enough to let people know."

Friends and family helped to spread the word back then looking for donations and people in need to come to pick up food. There were also an article in the Shawano Leader that helped let people know about the pantry.

His pantry was successful for the four years it was in operation. Cornelius said that they didn't keep track of exactly how much was donated and given away. Charles indicated that "it was a lot."

There are plans to clean out the garage in spring, when the city's spring cleaning happens, according to Cornelius. Then they will be able to add storage shelves to hold the pantry items.

When asked if she wanted to do as well with her pantry as Charles did, Olivia said, "I want to do better."

There is a decorative sign hanging on the wall that says "Do All Things With Love." It's apparent that Cornelius has set a loving example for her family and that, first Charles, and now Olivia, have embraced that wholeheartedly.

Iconic restaurant gets fresh updates

River City Diner and Smokehouse becoming modernized

Marti Johnson has been spearheading efforts to modernize and enhance her business, River City Diner and Smokehouse, while maintaining its welcoming, community-focused atmosphere.

The first thing customers will notice is the transformation of the seating area. The newly updated bright red seats add a vibrant and refreshed look to the diner, a change that has been happening gradually to minimize disruptions.

"The new seating gives the space a whole new energy," Johnson said. "We're thrilled with how it's coming together and can't wait for everyone to see the final result."

Further updates are on the horizon. New ceiling fans, set to be installed in 2025, will add both style and functionality to the diner. Plans are also underway to modernize the counter eating spaces with new coverings, creating an inviting first impression for diners as they walk in.

"We're also excited about introducing digital display boards for specials and announcements," Johnson said. "It's another step in creating a more modern and engaging experience for our guests."

In addition to the physical upgrades, River City launched delivery services Jan. 1. Currently available from 4-7 p.m., the service is already gaining popularity. The team plans to expand delivery hours to accommodate daytime orders, especially for local businesses.

To complement the barbecue and smokehouse theme, River City is also introducing an expanded drink menu. This new offering will feature a variety of beverages crafted to pair perfectly with their signature dishes, creating an even more enjoyable

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Marti Johnson, owner of the River City Diner and Smokehouse, shows off some of the renovations she has been doing on the iconic Oconto restaurant, and there are more good things to come, she said. CONTRIBUTED

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Save money by taking inventory of your current seed collection, reducing the risk of ordering seeds you don't need. Decide what seeds you want to keep and grow this season and those you want to pass along to or swap with gardening friends. You may choose to make seed art with older or improperly stored seeds and invest in fresh seeds that are sure to germinate.

If in doubt, check the seed viability of older stored seeds with a simple germination test. Wrap 10 seeds in a damp paper towel and place them inside a



plastic bag. Check the seeds in a week or so to see how many sprout. If all the seeds sprout, follow the planting guidelines on the seed packets. When only half the seeds sprout, you will need to plant the seeds twice as thick and so on.

Check catalogs and your favorite garden center for any seeds you need to purchase. Place your order early for the best selection.

Once the seeds arrive, look at the back of the packet to determine when to start the seeds indoors or out. Many seed companies now provide this information on their website instead of the seed packet. Check with your local University Extension website

for recommended planting dates in your area.

Record the start date on your calendar, garden chart or spreadsheet to make the process easier. Consider organizing your seeds to make it easier to find and plant them at the proper time. You may want to organize the seeds in alphabetical order or by the month for planting. Design a system that works best for you.

You can create your own seed storage organizer or purchase one. Store the seeds in a cool dark location in an airtight container to help maintain their viability and keep them safe from mice.

Once your seed starting schedule is created and seeds are organized, prepare the space for starting seeds indoors, if needed. Make sure your grow lights are in working order and you have sufficient containers, flats and seed starting mix for planting.

Save money by repurposing yogurt, applesauce and similar food containers into seed starting pots. Just clean and add drainage holes. Look for used cell packs, flats and small pots that can be used again. Disinfect these by soaking them in a one-part bleach and nine-part water solution for 10 minutes, then rinse with clear water. Repurposing saves you money and helps reduce plastic waste and the risk of disease that could kill your seedlings.

Taking time to plan and organize now can save you money while helping you maximize the productivity and beauty of your gardens.

Melinda Myers has written over 20 gardening books, including "Midwest Gardener's Handbook," "Revised Edition" and "Small Space Gardening." She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds and Blooms magazine. Myers' website is www.melindamyers.com.



Save money on plants by starting seeds indoors with grow lights, containers and seed starting mix. MELINDAMYERS.COM

Crows, ravens not easy to differentiate at first glance

The American crow and common raven can be hard to tell apart. Both species are all black, large, make loud raspy calls, and tend to fly out of range too fast to get a really good look at them.

I've learned that there are differences if you have time to spot them; having a good pair of binoculars handy is a big help. According to the Cornell Lab All About Birds website (AAB), the common raven is larger and stockier than the American crow, has a heavier bill, shaggy feathers on the bill and neck, and elongated throat feathers called "hackles" that are raised to show dominance or when threatened.

When in flight, the raven flaps its wings less, soars more and feeds more on carrion than crows do. A distinguishing feature to look for when in flight is the wedged shape to the end of the raven's tail versus the straight edge of the crow's tail.

Both crows and ravens have a large vocal repertoire ranging from croaks, knocks, and rasping calls to mimicking the calls of other birds and animals, even humans according to the AAB website. But the most commonly heard call of the raven is a classic gurgling croak that rises in pitch and is much deeper



The American crow is known to chase larger birds like hawks, as well as being more social than ravens. JOEL TRICK



and more musical than the crow's simple, scratchy caw caw. Learn to recognize these two calls and you will be well on your way to discerning a crow from a raven.

You've likely seen crows chasing larger birds like hawks, swooping and dashing down on the predator from above; this is called mobbing. According to Jennifer Ackerman in her book, "The Bird Way, A New Look at How Birds Talk, Work, Play, Parent, and Think," crows are among the most frequent mobbers.

They make short, loud and repetitive alarm calls when mobbing to alert other birds of danger and to recruit them to join in on the mobbing effort to help drive the threat away.

It's also thought that mobbing is a teaching tool. It teaches inexperienced birds about dangerous predators, and produces more future mobbers to deal with predators. The more "hands on deck" to deal with a threat, the better.

Crows and ravens, like many other birds, are very intelligent. In her book, Ackerman discusses how research has revealed that even though the brains of birds are small, they pack a large number of brain cells into that small space. Corvids (including crows and ravens) have more neu-



Common ravens have a large heavy bill and shaggy feathers along the neck, while American crows do not. LYNETTE THONNE

rons in their forebrain than monkeys. This explains why these birds are capable of mental feats on par with great apes.

Ravens put their intelligence to use in many ways. They may distract animals like river otters and steal away their fish, according to the AAB website. And they sometimes work in pairs to grab eggs or chicks out of seabird colonies; one bird distracts the adult while the other grabs the egg or chick. According to Allen Haney in his book, "Jewels of Nature," ravens may follow wolves knowing they may get an easy meal of "scraps" left at wolf kills.

Ravens and crows are intelligent, but also bold, curious and clever. According to AAB, ravens are skilled aerial acrobats. While

flying, they may perform sudden rolls, wing-tucked dives, and use objects in play such as sticks, dropping and catching them in midair. According to Haney, they also like to collect odds and ends. He reports finding not only bones and feathers (which would be expected) but also a comb, teaspoon and eyeglasses at the base of a raven's nest tree.

Crows are more social than ravens, according to Haney. They live in extended families with three generations helping with nesting and raising of the young. They form large non-breeding flocks that roost and forage for food together. This is likely why when we see one crow, we know that there are more about. Ravens, on the other hand, form long term pair

bonds and raise their young with just the help of their mate.

Interestingly, a large flock of crows is called a "murder." Why? There are several explanations, according to a PBS Nature website, that are based on folktales and superstitions. One associates the presence of crows with an omen of death because they are scavengers that feed on carrion, and are seen at battlefields and in cemeteries. They also tend to circle in large numbers above places where animals or people are expected to die. There's another folktale that crows gather together to decide the capital fate of another crow.

Both the American crow and common raven are seen in Wisconsin, the crow throughout the state and the raven in the northern half. Keep an eye out for these intelligent birds, listen for their calls to help identify them, and watch for that aerial acrobat, the common raven, whose antics you will certainly find amazing and entertaining.

Cathy Carnes is a retired biologist in Oconto who worked with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Green Bay Field Office and prior to that with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Branch in Buffalo, New York. As endangered species coordinator for the USFWS, she helped conserve and recover federally listed threatened and endangered species in Wisconsin.

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dining experience for guests.

"We've always prioritized convenience and connection with our community," Johnson said. "Delivery is just the beginning, and we're exploring

online ordering as well, which we hope to roll out in 2025. The addition of a tailored drink menu brings a new dimension to what we offer our customers."

Samantha Routheau, president of the Oconto

Area Chamber of Commerce, expressed her excitement about the changes.

"River City Diner and Smokehouse is a cornerstone of our community," said Routheau. "These ren-

ovations and new services show how committed they are to evolving and meeting the needs of their customers. It's businesses like this that make Oconto a great place to live and work."

With ongoing renova-

tions and ambitious plans for the future, River City is positioning itself as a modern, community-oriented hub.

"We're always looking for ways to improve and give back to our commu-

nity," said Johnson. "This is just the beginning."

For updates and announcements, follow River City Diner and Smokehouse on social media or visit www.rivercityoconto.com.

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Roommate shared King’s dream of better world

Commemorating Martin Luther King Day always takes me back to 1964 when I was a freshman at Mount Mary College in Milwaukee. A first-class academic institution, MMC was also a “finishing school” for pampered girls from wealthy families.

Could a dairy farmer’s daughter fit in? I was about to find out.

From the day I failed at driving a tractor, I was determined to go to college. I worked hard at St. Mary’s Menasha where our teachers were School Sisters of Notre Dame, doing a side gig recruiting girls to pursue a “vocation” at their convent in Mequon. Definitely not nun material, I stubbornly resisted.

It fell to my typing teacher to make one last try my senior year. She was livid when my answer was no and said I was squandering 12 years of Catholic education and thwarting God’s will by not becoming a nun. I ended up with all



A’s, except for that B-plus in typing.

Though I prayed for a way to pay for college, I hadn’t heard anything by March and got desperate enough to consider the convent. Then in April, I was called to the principal’s office. Sister Lucille Marie said I’d won the Frank Sensenbrenner full-tuition scholarship to Mount Mary. It was a great honor, but I knew I couldn’t afford the housing and fees and tearfully declined.

When I got home, Mom said Gertrude Bergstrom, Frank Sensenbrenner’s daughter, had phoned and asked me to call her. A nervous wreck, I dialed her number. When she came on the line, Mrs. Bergstrom

said she was chairman of the Mount Mary Board of Governors. If I went there, she’d pay all my expenses, provided I maintained a B average and kept this a secret until she died. “Yes!” I said. Just like that, this Cinderella had a fairy godmother.

I toured MMC in August, registered for classes and met with the house mother. All went well until she said girls like me often found dorm life at MMC difficult. “Some of your classmates won’t be here for the same reason you are. Their primary purpose is to find a husband, meeting him at socials hosted by MSOE or Marquette fraternities. These events are popular among upper-classmen seeking a suitable wife. Don’t feel bad when you aren’t invited.”

I thought she was joking — until I met my roommate. I knew little about Marianne except what I’d gleaned from one letter written on expensive stationery.

She was from Indiana, had attended a private all-girls high school, and wrote that if I was quiet and neat, we would get along just fine. Splendid.

Mom and Dad proudly drove me down in September, my bulging suitcase and painstakingly packed cardboard box stowed in the trunk. When we found Room 282, Marianne had already staked out her claim. She’d taken the better bed and dresser; her tailored wardrobe occupied three-fourths of the closet. I was unpacking my belongings when she popped in, chirped a bright hello, then frowned in confusion.

Looking us over, she blurted out: “Oh my God, you’re poor.”

I’d never known my father to be at a loss for words, and he did not disappoint. “Rich or poor, we all put on our pants the same way,” he replied.

Marianne’s face turned a bright red as she made a

hasty exit. With no other choice, we had to get along, though it was no fun living with a neat freak — an immaculately groomed, perfectly coiffed witch with a capital B.

In an amazing stroke of luck, Marianne met Mr. Right at a Marquette Halloween party. A handsome preppy, he’d be graduating early to start dental school. She was engaged by Christmas and gone by January, having punched her ticket to a charmed existence as the Stepford Wife of a successful orthodontist.

Me? I hit the jackpot in the replacement roommate lottery. Ramone was also from Indiana, but as one of the few black girls in our dorm, she’d had her own issues adjusting. She was beautiful, inside and out. Gorgeous hair, flawless skin, flashing black eyes and a laugh that made music.

We talked far into the night about the Civil Rights Movement led by a mes-

merizing Baptist preacher named Martin Luther King. Her brother had been at the Lincoln Memorial for Dr. King’s “I Have a Dream” speech. We both joined the International Relations Club, where I acquired my love for politics, travel and history.

Ramone left MMC at the end of sophomore year to care for her brother. He’d been badly beaten on Bloody Sunday (March 7, 1965) when he and 600 other protesters were attacked with clubs and tear gas by law enforcement at the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma. Sadly, I lost track of her, but every MLK Day I remember how we shared the same dream: making the world a better place. Something tells me she succeeded.

Kathleen Marsh is a lifelong educator, writer and community advocate. She has published eight books, four on the history of Townsend, where she and husband Jon are happily retired on the beautiful Townsend Flowage.

ASPI auditioning for ‘The Play That Goes Wrong’

Abrams Spotlight Productions Inc. is looking for actors who enjoy making people laugh — without cracking up themselves.

Mike Eserkahn, the artistic director of Comedy City in De Pere, will direct the ASPI spring comedy, “The Play That Goes Wrong.” Eserkahn understands comedy, and he’s looking for men and women, ages 16 and older, who love to make people laugh.

Actors can audition anytime from 6-8 p.m. Jan.

28, or Jan. 29 at the Nancy Byng Community Theater, 5852 Maple St., Abrams. Those auditioning are invited to prepare an optional short monologue.

Virtual auditions are available for those unable to audition in person. To schedule a virtual audition, contact ASPI at 920-826-5852 or theater.aspi@gmail.com.

“The Play That Goes Wrong” describes the inept and accident-prone Cornley Polytechnic Drama Society’s attempt to produce

an ambitious 1920s murder mystery. Unfortunately, the set is not yet complete, the props start to disappear, actors go missing, and the set begins to collapse. Mayhem ensues, the acting gets worse, and the set becomes increasingly dangerous. The question is whether any of the cast and crew will remain standing, or conscious, by the final curtain.

The show will be presented May 8-11 and May 15-18 at the Nancy Byng Community Theater.

Wild game banquet coming up in Oconto Falls

Hillside Assembly will be sponsoring its 29th annual Wild Game Banquet on Jan. 25 at Oconto Falls High School, 210 N. Farm Road, Oconto Falls.

Attendees are encouraged to bring their favorite dish to the potluck dinner at 5:30 p.m. with speaker Dean Hulce from “God’s Great Outdoors” at 6:30 p.m. The doors open at 4 p.m.

Hulce is a lifetime hunter who has spent 35 years as a guide in Kodiak Island, Alaska, coastal Florida,

Colorado and Texas. He is a writer for national and regional magazines and newspapers, daily devotionals, and has appeared on hunting and outdoor television programs, videos and podcasts.

Replicas of huge white-tail deer will be on display. Grizzly bear, elk and mule deer mounts will also be featured.

Donation raffle prizes will be available again this year. New this year is a free drawing for a Disabled

American Veteran buck hunt at Butler Rock Ranch. There will be a youth Nerf gun range from 4-5:30 p.m.

Any buck, bear or bull can be brought in for scoring. The event is free, but folks can bring in a canned good for the local food pantry and your their wild game dish. One low level raffle ticket will be given for each wild game dish brought.

For information, call 920-855-2962 or go to www.hillsideassembly.com.

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SHAWANO: Boost Your Brain and Memory, 9-10:30 a.m., ADRC of the Wolf River Region, W7327 Anderson Ave. A holistic approach to improving brain health. Second week of eight-week class, enrollment limited to 12 people, register by calling Ericka at 715-526-4712.

SHAWANO: Indoor Rum-mage Sale, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., The Boulevard, 744 E. Green Bay St.

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SHAWANO: Panfish Derby, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bamboo Bar, W5884 Cedar Court. Payout first, second and third for most weight. Must fish Shawano Lake only. More info

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NAVARINO: Introduction to Cross-Country Skiing, 9 a.m. to noon, Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. One hour introduction to traditional cross-country skiing. Learn basic kick and glide, stopping and turning. NNC members \$5. Non-members \$10. Families \$20. Register by Jan. 23 via navarino.org/events or 715-758-6999.

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NAVARINO: Porcupine Snowshoe Hike, 1 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Snowshoe through the woods, bog and past porcupine dens. Bring snowshoes or rent. Arrive early to rent. Members \$5, non-members \$10, families \$20. Register by Jan. 23 via navarino.org/events or 715-758-6999.

SHAWANO: Shawano Pathways winter hike, 1:30 p.m., Sugar Shack Trails, N7061

Ash Road. Arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of the hike to register, get gear on and meet the guide. All hikes are free, but donations are appreciated.

SUNDAY, JAN. 26

SHAWANO: Indoor Rum-mage Sale, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., The Boulevard, 744 E. Green Bay St.

MONDAY, JAN. 27

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.

SHAWANO: American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Shawano-Menominee kickoff meeting, 5:30 p.m., Shawano County Library, lower level, 128 S. Sawyer St.

ABRAMS: Machickanee Cross Country Ski Club meeting, 7 p.m., Town Hall, 5877 Main St.

TUESDAY, JAN. 28

NAVARINO: Junior Investi-

gator Home School Program, 1-2 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Winter Wonderland hands-on activities. \$5 per child ages 6-12, younger siblings and adults welcome.

ABRAMS: Auditions for Abrams Spotlight Productions play “The Play That Goes Wrong,” 6-8 p.m., Nancy Byng Community Theater, 5852 Maple St. For information, 920-826-5852 or abrams-spotlightproductions.com.

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

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 29

ABRAMS: Auditions for Abrams Spotlight Productions play “The Play That Goes Wrong,” 6-8 p.m., Nancy Byng Community Theater, 5852 Maple St. For information, 920-826-5852 or abrams-spotlightproductions.com.

KESHENA: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. Omaeqnome-

newak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Information: Mindy Thunder at 715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

POUND: North Country Kickers line dance lessons, 6:30-9 p.m., Equity Hall, W7403 State Highway 64. \$5 admission. Playing a variety of music. Everyone welcome. For more information, call Nancy 920-829-6316 or Charles 920-606-4370. Weekly through April 2.

THURSDAY, JAN. 30

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

FRIDAY, JAN. 31

SHAWANO: Boost Your Brain and Memory, 9-10:30 a.m., ADRC of the Wolf River Region, W7327 Anderson Ave. A holistic approach to improving brain health. Third week of eight-week class, enrollment limited to 12 people, register by calling Ericka at 715-526-4712.

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

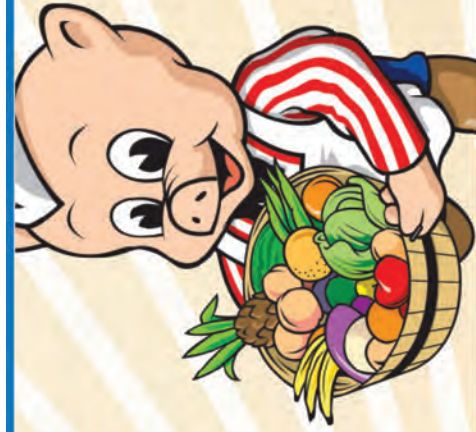
SATURDAY, FEB. 1

BONDUEL: Doubles Cribbage Tournament, noon to 7 p.m., Gehm’s Club 117, 117 N. Cecil St. \$20 per team, 100% payout, registration 11 a.m. to noon. Play starts 12:30 p.m., must be 21 unless with parent or guardian. Call 715-758-2164 or stop in at Gehm’s Club 117 to reserve a spot. First 24 teams only.

OCONTO FALLS: Taste of the Knights of Columbus, 5-7:30 p.m., St. Anthony School, 253 N. Franklin St. Enjoy dishes prepared by members of the Knights of Columbus, school parents and Chef JR, bucket raffles, 50/50. \$20 per person at the door.

SUNDAY, FEB. 2

ABRAMS: Machickanee Cross Country Ski Club Meet and Greet, noon to 3 p.m., 6625 Timberline Road.



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Chargers' Granquist hits 1,000 points

Wittenberg-Birnamwood stays perfect at 7-0 in conference play, 13-0 overall

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Jan. 18
Gillett 74, Northland Pines 36

Gillett improved to 12-2 overall with a 74-36 dismantling of Northland Pines.

Gillett is on a four-game winning streak.

Menominee Nation 51, Shiocton 25

Jan. 17
Wittenberg-Birnamwood 66, Manawa 31

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's 66-31 win over Manawa was a special night for Melaina Granquist.

Not only did the high school junior lead her team with 28 points and 13 rebounds, she also hit the 1,000-point mark in scoring.

Rory Salvesen added another 15 points for the Chargers. She also led the team with six assists and seven steals.

"We had a great first half tonight jumping out 20-0," coach Nick Mechelke said. "The girls played exceptional defense tonight."

The Chargers improved to 7-0 in the Central Wisconsin East Conference and 13-0 overall.

Shawano 46, Xavier 44

Shawano pulled out a tough victory over Xavier 46-44.

In the back-and-forth game, Ella Stuber hit two 3-pointers in the second half to give Shawano the lead for good.

Shawano improved to 5-1 in the Bay Conference and 12-3 overall.

Gresham 51, Marion/Tigerton 47

Gresham improved to 4-0 in the Central Wisconsin North Conference with



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Melaina Granquist crossed the 1,000-point threshold in a game against Manawa on Jan. 18. A few days, the Chargers defeated Bonduel (shown here), and Granquist moved to within striking distance of the mark.

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sin North Conference with its 51-47 win over Marion/Tigerton.

Marion/Tigerton dropped to 2-2.

Lena 60, St. Thomas Aquinas Academy 26

Lena didn't let St. Thomas Aquinas Academy score in double digits until the second half as the Wildcats won 60-26 in the Marinette & Oconto Conference matchup.

Lena maintained its hold on first place at 8-1 (12-2 overall).

Kali Fisher led the Wildcats with 15 points

Hannah Thomson scored 12, and Madilyn Thomson added 11.

Madilyn Thomson led the team with nine rebounds and six assists, while Eva Brooks pulled down eight boards and had five assists. Fischer led with three steals.

De Pere 73, Pulaski 43
Ashley Servais led the Red Raiders with 13 points and Olivia Sprangers added 11, but Pulaski pulled up short, losing 73-43 to De Pere.

It was De Pere in charge pretty much from

the start, taking a 38-19 lead at halftime.

Pulaski dropped to 2-7 in the Fox River Classic Conference and 4-10 overall.

Gillett 44, Niagara 40
Bonduel 49, Weyauwega-Fremont 36

Jan. 16
Northland Pines 66, Bowler 23

Jan. 14
Lena 58, Suring 39

Eva Brooks had a huge night for Lena as she led the Wildcats in scoring, rebounds, assists and steals as Lena beat Suring

58-39.

Brooks scored 21 points, pulled down 11 rebounds, was credited with six assists and had five steals.

Madilyn Thomson scored another 17 points, and Kali Fischer had 12. Bunny Cramer led Suring with 18 points.

Lena nearly doubled up on Suring with a 29-14 first half, but things settled down after the break, but Lena still outscored Suring 29-25.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood 63, Bonduel 40

In a battle of first-place teams, Wittenberg-Birnamwood remained unscathed with a 63-40 win over Bonduel.

Melaina Granquist led the Chargers with a double double of 19 points and 10 rebounds. Rory Salvesen scored 14 points, and seven other teammates also scored.

Salvesen led the team with five assists. With three steals each were Salvesen, Brie Ladika and Harper Rogowski.

"We played great team defense, and everyone got involved on the offensive end," Chargers coach Nick Mechelke said. "I was very pleased with the effort we put out on the court tonight."

The Chargers are 12-0 overall, 6-0 in the Central Wisconsin East Conference. Bonduel is 11-4 and 6-1, respectively.

Gresham 74, Bowler 35

Gresham mauled Bowler 74-35 in a Central Wisconsin North Conference game.

Leading the Wildcats were Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes with 18 points, Janay Pecore-Kirkland with 16 and Grade Haffner with 14.

Pecore-Kirkland pulled down 15 rebounds. Baddmoccasin-Barnes recorded six assists and eight steals.

Menominee Nation 57, Manawa 47

Urijiah Reeves scored 15 points to lead Menominee Nation to a 57-47 win over Manawa.

Natalie Peters paced the Eagles with nine rebounds, and Reeves had another eight. Peters led with six assists, and

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Dickman leads hockey team against Marshfield, Northland Pines

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Jan. 18
Marshfield 6, Antigo 5

Owen Dickman scored four goals and Antigo battled back late in the third period but the Red Robins pulled up short, losing 6-5 to Marshfield.

The Tigers took an early 2-0 lead, scoring twice in the first two minutes. Dickman put Antigo on the board at 3:10 with assists from Parker Chaney and Eli Kassler.

Marshfield scored again to take a 3-1 lead. Dickman's second goal came at 9:58 with assists from Kassler and Ethan Novy. Kassler then tied the game at 3-3 at 12:26 with an assist from Dickman.

The Tigers then seemed

to get the better of the Red Robins, going up 4-3 after two periods and taking a 6-3 lead early in the third period.

Dickman, with a Kassler assist, scored at 7:23 and then brought the Red Robins even closer with his fourth goal of the game at 13:24. Unfortunately, that was all the scoring Antigo could muster.

Antigo made the most of its shots on goal, connecting on five of its 19 shots. Marshfield had 39 shots on goal, with Antigo's Richie Veriha notching 33 saves.

Each team was penalized four times for eight minutes.

With his four goals and one assist, Dickman leads the Red Robins with 44

overall points. He is followed by Kassler with 33 and Liam Burt with 10.

Jan. 16
Shawano/Bonduel 7, Beaver Dam 5

After a somewhat quiet first period, Shawano/Bonduel found its footing and scored several times in the second and third periods to beat Beaver Dam 7-5.

Trailing 2-0 after the first period, Kielman Armbruster put Shawano/Bonduel on the board with a goal at 5:20 in the second period; Cameron Schroeder assisted. Just 37 seconds later, Bryce Lammers tied the game at 2-2 with a goal and an assist from Max Huntington.

Blake Swedberg put Shawano/Bonduel up 3-2 with a score at 14:03,

and Gavin Hundt scored at 15:06 with help from Waylon Snider to make it 4-2. The Golden Beavers scored at the end of the second period.

Beaver Dam tied the game at 4-4 at 5:13 in the third period. Blake Knope put Shawano/Bonduel back on top 5-4 at 7:42, only to see Beaver Dam tie the score at 5-5 at 13:58.

Wyatt Schroeder scored at 14:20 to give Shawano/Bonduel the lead. At 16:23, Hundt ended the scoring with his second goal.

Beaver Dam edged Shawano/Bonduel 8-5 on shots on goal in the first period, but Shawano/Bonduel reversed the trend 11-8 in the second period and 13-12 in the third.

Kaiden Thornborrow

notched 23 saves for the visitors.

The Golden Beavers were penalized twice for four minutes, and Shawano/Bonduel was called for three infractions for six minutes.

Antigo 5, Northland Pines 3

Owen Dickman recorded a hat trick with one goal in each period as Antigo beat Northland Pines 5-3.

The Red Robins scored first on a goal by Eli Kassler just 22 seconds into the game. Dickman assisted.

The Eagles tied the game at 1-1 at 9:18, only to see Dickman get his first goal and the Antigo lead at 12:35. Kassler assisted on the go-ahead goal.

Dickman scored his

second goal at 3:12 in the second period to put Antigo up 3-1. Northland Pines scored at 11:14.

Dickman's third goal came at 13:28 in the third period to put the Red Robins on top 4-2; Kassler assisted. Northland Pines scored at 14:20. Kassler notched his second goal at 15:04 to end the scoring.

The Eagles attempted nearly three times as many shots as the Red Robins, but their shots came up empty. Northland Pines had 44 shots on goal, compared to 17 for Antigo. Richie Veriha recorded 41 saves for Antigo.

Penalties were at a minimum, with the Eagles penalized once and the Red Robins called for two of them.

Lena wrestlers go 2-1 at home quad

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Jan. 17
Lena Quad
Lena's boys wrestlers went 2-1 at their home quad, defeating Kewaunee and Bonduel but losing to D.C. Everest.

Lena 41, Kewaunee 21
Lena started with three wins over Kewaunee. At 106 pounds, Isaac Peterson won 16-0 on a technical fall. Sam Peterson won at 114 on a forfeit, and Brayden Graef won at 120 on a pin in 1:01.

Parker Boomsma lost 16-13 at 126 for Lena's first defeat. That was followed by a double forfeit at 132.

Lucas Heimke pulled out a pin in 1:33 at 138. However, Len'a Riley Windus and Erik Kosch lost the decision at 138 and 144, respectively.

Quinton McDonald won by a pin in 22 seconds at 157, and Max Peterson won by forfeit at 165.

Lena forfeited at 175, Kewaunee forfeited at 190, and there was a double forfeit at 215.

Kewaunee's Mitchell

Boeder won the 285 match over Lena's Dylan Urbanek with a pin in 57 seconds.

Lena 54, Bonduel 24
Lena captured the first three matches against Bonduel, with the 113 and 126 matches won by forfeit. At 120, Graef pinned John Parsons in 3:19.

There was a double forfeit at 132, followed by Heimke winning by forfeit at 138.

There was a return to action at 144 with Bonduel's Aiden RoBarge pinning Windus in 1:28. Kosch pinned Dylan Hillsberg in 1:06 at 150, and Max Peterson won by medical forfeit over Matthew Walenta at 157.

Colin Fischer pinned McDonald in 38 seconds at 165, and Bonduel's Ryley Kurtz pinned Lena's Collin Van Ark in 5:04 at 175.

Lena's Colt Miller pinned Bonduel's Jayden Popp in 2:50 at 190. Bonduel's last win of the match was at 215 when Isaac Seefeldt won by forfeit. Urbanek pinned Jackson

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Boivin jersey retired



Former Menominee Tribal School athlete and alumna Pam Boivin had her jersey retired by Mike Clark, athletic director. Clark had Boivin as a student at the school, where she excelled in volleyball, basketball, cheerleading and softball. Boivin now coaches the Sacred Heart Cardinals.

Barkley places fourth at Wausau meet

By NEW Media Staff

Jan. 18
Wausau Warrior Women's Challenge
There was plenty of stiff competition at the Wausau Warrior Women's Challenge with more than 75 schools and 500 female wrestlers participating on the mats.

"The team wrestled well today as we faced very tough competition," Shawano coach Mike Homan said. "There were many returning state champions at today's tournament."

Adalyn Barkley placed fourth overall in the 145 bracket.

"She has had a great season so far and gets better every single match that she wrestles," Homan said. "She is a team leader and excels on the mat. She is always looking to improve."

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Reevis had four. Peters again set the pace with six steals, as Anisa Waupoose and Lena Waukau each contributed four.

Manitowoc Lincoln 40, Pulaski 29
Seven Red Raiders found the scoreboard in the team's 40-29 loss to Manitowoc Lincoln, but none had more than six points.

Lily Urben and Olivia Sprangers each scored six points.

Gillett 57, St. Thomas Aquinas Academy 17
Marion/Tigerton 29, Northland Lutheran 25
Oconto Falls 62, Clintonville 24

Jan. 13
Menominee Nation 81, Port Edwards 27
Urijih Reevis scored 23 points and nine teammates also scored as Menominee Nation tripled up on Port

Edwards 81-27.

Aaliyah Corn scored 10 points for the Eagles.

Also contributing were

Mylee Dixon, Keira Nacotee, Darcie Spruce, Cecilia Grignon, Lena Waukau, Taylesia Pamoncutt,

Natalie Peters and Charlotte Fish.

Wausau led the team

with 11 rebounds.

Peters led with five assists, and Reevis had six

steals.

Manawa 62, Marion/Tigerton 29

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Ice Bears keep perfect season intact

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

**Jan. 18
Bay Area 3, Fox Cities Stars 1**

Faye Brunke scored all three goals for her own hat trick at the Bay Area Ice Bears 3-1 win over the Fox Cities Stars. The victory improves Bay Area to 6-0 in the Eastern Shores Conference at 12-0 overall. After a scoreless first period, Brunke put Bay Area up 1-0 at 9:35 only

to see the game tied at 1-1 less than a minute later. But, Brunke gave the Ice Bears a 2-1 edge at 14:50. In the third period, Brunke notched her hat trick at 15:54 to seal the win. Assisting on the last goal were Emily Bill and Addison Dahl. Bay Area recorded 35 shots on goal, compared to 16 for the Stars. Reese Spiering had 15 saves for the Ice Bears. Fox Cities was penal-

ized twice for four mantes, while Bay Area was called for five infractions for 10 minutes. Through the first dozen games of the season, Bill leads Bay Area with 33 overall points, followed by Brunke with 32, Jualianne Bradford with 28 and Dahl with 22. Next up is a Jan. 24 game at the Chippewa Falls/Menomonie Sabers, who are 2-2 in the Big Rivers Conference and 7-8 overall.

**Jan. 17
Bay Area 5, Wisconsin Valley Union 0** Five girls scored in the Bay Area 5-0 shutout against Wisconsin Valley Union. With an assist by Brunke, Bradford scored at 13:26 in the first period. Then, Bradford and Dahl assisted Bill on a goal at 13:28 in the second period. In the third period, Aisling Buchan scored at 4:04 with an assist

from Hannah Van Haden. Rachael Beeck scored at 8:39 with help from Elizabeth Zunker. Finally, at 15:10, Brunke scored with help from Dahl and Ava McDonald. Kade Kitchenmaster had 11 saves for the Ice Bears, and Issie Wojcik had 21 for Wisconsin Valley Union. Bay Area and one penalty for two minutes. Wisconsin Valley Union had two penalties for four minutes.



Pulaski High School junior Faye Brunke scored a hat trick in the Bay Area Ice Bears 3-1 win over the Fox Cities Stars on Jan. 18.

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Tomahawk swimmers edge past Shawano/Seymour

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

**Jan. 16
Tomahawk 80, Shawano/Seymour 67**

Tomahawk had just enough in the tank to pull out an 80-67 win over Shawano/Seymour's boys swim team. "It was a close meet," coach Sarah Tracy said. "Great swims by both teams." The event began with the 200-yard medley relay with Shawano/Seymour's Liam Laude, Marcus Biagini, Cole Beyer and Gage Roberts placing third in 2:28.97. In the 200-yard freestyle, Jonah Kuba won in 2:00.82, followed by Nicholas Auchue in third in 2:34.18 and Garrett Young in fourth in 2L40.69. Laude won the 200-yard individual medley in 3:06.20, with Beyer in second in 3:27.23. Shawano/Seymour took the bottom three spots in the 50-yard freestyle. James Lange was fourth in 27.71, followed by Brendon Riehl in fifth in 28.14 and Roberts in sixth in 33.92. Riehl finished in third in the 100-yard freestyle.

Lange was fourth in 1:04.33, and Biagini was sixth in 1:12.20. Kuba won the 500-yard freestyle in 5:32.12, and Young was second in 7:24.00. The team of Auchue, Riehl, Lange and Kuba won the 200-yard relay in 1:48.90, while the team of Beyer, Biagini, Roberts and Young placed fourth in 2:11.30. Auchue was second in the 100-yard backstroke in 1:15.95, and Laude was third in 1:16.68. Biagini finished second in the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:30.72, while Beyer placed third in 1:32.85. In the final event, the 400-yard relay, the team of Riehl, Auchue, Lange one Kuba were second in 4:11.21. **Jan. 11
Jaguar Invite** Pulaski placed seventh and Shawano/Seymour finished 12th out of 15 teams at the Ashwaubenon Jaguars Invite. Pulaski's Patrick Reynolds, William Gosse, Jace Olson and Carter Grasse placed eighth in the 200-yard medley relay in

1:49.43. Bartolo Lara, Pulaski, finished in 10th in the 200-yard freestyle in 1:56.65. Shawano/Seymour's Jonah Kuba was 13th in 2:00.47, Gosse was 18th in 2:07.37, Pulaski's Gage Derusha was 26th in 2:20.38, Pulaski's Oscar Delmarcelle was 28th in 2:30.03, Shawano/Seymour's Nicholas Auchue placed 29th in 2:32.72, and Shawano/Seymour's Garrett Young was 32nd in 2:41.01. In the 200-yard individual medley, it was Reynolds in 15th in 2:20.80 and Shawano/Seymour's Liam Laude in 23rd in 3:12.86. Placing in the 50-yard freestyle were Pulaski's Olson in eighth in 23.92, Conrad Kreutzberg in 10th in 24.38 and Grasse in 13th in 24.65. Also competing were Thomas Glinski, Pulaski, 29th, 26.87; Landyn Kroll, Pulaski, 32nd, 27.27; Kael Pierquet, Pulaski, 38th, 29.01; Tanner Allen, Pulaski, 43rd, 29.77; Jaxson Hermann, Pulaski, 45th, 30.11; Cole Beyer, Shawano/Seymour, 52nd, 34.52; and Gage Roberts, Shawano/Seymour, 53rd, 35.59. In the 100-yard freestyle, Olson finished in

seventh place in 52.45, Grasse was 11th in 54.62, Kreutzberg finished 16th in 57.62, Glinski was 20th in 59.22, Kroll placed 27th in 104.09, Shawano/Seymour's Brendon Riehl was 29th in 1:04.58, Shawano/Seymour's James Lange was 35th in 1:06.40, Tanner was 38th in 1:07.22, Hermann placed 39th in 1:08.04, Marcus Biagini of Shawano/Seymour finished 45th in 1:13.01, and Shawano/Seymour's Gage Roberts was 48th in 1:25.55. In the 500-yard freestyle, Lara was eighth in 5:18.12, Kuba was 12th in 5:34.40, Derusha finished 17th in 5:59.71, and Young was 21st in 7:26.71. Placing in the 200-yard freestyle relay were Kreutzberg, Glinski, Kroll and Lara in seventh in 1:40.77. Auchue, Riehl, Lange and Kuba were 13th in 1:50.23. Hermann, Pierquet, Delmarcelle and Derusha placed 15th in 1:51.92. Roberts, Beyer, Biagini and Young finished 21st in 2:14.64. Reynolds placed 10th in the 100-yard backstroke in 1:01.20. Auchue was 23rd in 1:15.24, and Laude was 24th in 1:17.79.

Gosse finished in 19th place in 1:13.32 in the 100-yard breaststroke, Pierquet was 25th in 1:25.91, followed by Delmarcelle in 26th in 1:27.70. Biagini was 29th in 1:30.73, and Beyer placed 32nd in 1:38.20. In the 400-yard freestyle relay, it was Olson, Kreutzberg, Gosse and Grasse in 10th place in 3:39.75, and Kroll, Glinski, Lara and Reynolds in 12th in 3:53.46. Riehl, Lange, Biagini and Kuba placed 20th in 4:19.67, and Roberts, Laude, Young and Beyer were 22nd in 5:29.57. **Jan. 7
Dual meets** Shawano/Seymour lost 130-35 to Rhinelander but defeated Medford 80-71. In the other dual, Rhinelander topped Medford 128-37. Shawano/Seymour teams placed fourth and fifth in the 200-yard medley relay. Liam Laude, Dawson Maass, Jonah Kuba and Nate Hilbert were fourth in 2:14.36, while Gage Roberts, Marcus Biagini, Cole Beyer and Brendon Riehl were fifth in 2:51.03. In the 200-yard freestyle, James Lange placed fourth in 2:31.46, followed

by Nicholas Auchue in fifth in 2:40.69 and Garrett Young in sixth in 2:41.15. Laude placed fourth in the 200-yard individual medley in 3:13.08, and Beyer was fifth in 3:31.49. In the 50-yard freestyle, it was Kuba in fourth in 25.41, Hilbert in sixth in 27.94 and Riehl in eighth in 29.56. Kuba earned a second-place finish in the 100-yard freestyle in 55.15. Hilbert placed fifth in 1:06.84. In the 500-yard freestyle, it was Lange in fifth place in 6:44.24, Young in sixth in 7:39.88 and Beyer in seventh in 8:18.05. The foursome of Hilbert, Auchue, Lange and Kuba placed third in the 200-yard freestyle relay in 1:49.12. Biagini, Maass, Young and Riehl placed fifth in 2:07.59. In the 100-yard backstroke, Auchue finished third in 1:20.18, Laude was fourth in 1:21.08, and Roberts was eighth in 2:00.62. Maass finished fifth in the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:29.23. Auchue, Riehl, Young and Lange placed fourth in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

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Krause in 1:50 at 285, and Isaac Peterson won by forfeit at 106. **D.C. Everest 37, Lena 35** Lena's match against D.C. Everest couldn't have

been much closer. Sam Peterson started the contest with a 20-4 technical fall victory at 120. After a double forfeit at 126, Boomsma pinned Chris Dunow in 3:28 at 132.

D.C. Everest won five of the next six, first with a 15-0 technical fall over Heimke at 138, then a pin of Windus in 51 seconds at 144. Kosch then won for Lena, pinning his opponent in 3:14 at 150.

The next three matches were won by D.C. Everest. Max Peterson lost 19-3 at 157, McDonald was pinned at 165, and Van Ark lost on a medical forfeit at 175. Lena came back strong

in the next couple of matches. Miller pinned Michael Schepp in 4:54 at 190, followed by a D.C. Everest pin by forfeit at 215. Urbanek pinned his opponent in 3:35 at 285, and

Isaac Peterson pinned his opponent in 54 second at 106. However, the final match, at 113 pounds, was won by Jordan Danens in an 8-7 decision over Graef.

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Jan. 18 Northland Pines 83, Gillett 16

The Eagles had their fill of the Tigers as Northland Pines tore apart Gillett 83-16 in non-conference action.

Shiocton 72, Menominee Nation 48

Each half was nearly identical in Shiocton's 72-48 win over Menominee Nation in a Central Wisconsin Each Conference game.

Shiocton scored 35 points in the first half and 37 in the second. The Eagles scored 24 points before and after the break.

Kenew Awonohopay led the Eagles with 23 points, while Ryan Corn added 14.

Xavier 96, Shawano 63

Shawano and Xavier are heading in opposite directions in the Bay Conference following Xavier's 96-63 win.

Xavier is 5-1, while Shawano is 1-5 (2-10 overall).

Shawano trailed by a manageable 42-37 score at halftime, but the hosts blew the game open with a 54-26 second half.

Logan Sipple led Shawano with 23 points. Nine other players also scored.

Jan. 17 Little Chute 71, Oconto Falls 31

Evan Yuma scored 12 points and Jameson Beaman had 11 in Oconto Falls' 71-31 loss to Little Chute.

Yuma also led the Panthers with eight rebounds. JJ Pytleski had three steals, and with one assist each were Yuma, Chase Cariveau, Croix Gardebrecht, Emerich Skarban, Beaman, Aydien Wold and Pytleski.

De Pere 81, Pulaski 68 Jan. 16

Tigerton 72, Northland Lutheran 46

James Brady scored 27 points and pulled down 15 rebounds as Tigerton defeated Northland Lutheran 72-46 in a Central Wisconsin North Conference game.

Maverick Maass and Joey Zimdars each scored 14 points for the Tigers.

Sam Anheuser led the team with five assists and five steals.

Wittenberg-Birn

wood 60, Manawa 38

Wittenberg-Birnwood jumped out to a 38-16 lead by halftime and maintained the 22-point margin throughout the second half to win 60-38 over Manawa.

"We played a solid first half tonight and didn't really separate any more in the second," coach Garrett Rogowski said. "Oliver Fraaza had a very nice performance in the first half, then got in foul trouble."

Jett Rogowski led the Chargers with 21 points (include 7-of-12 free throw attempts), followed by Fraaza with 16 (including 12 in the first half) and Jaden Clark with 10.

Bonduel 78, Weyauwega-Fremont 29

Nine players scored for Bonduel as the Bears manhandled Weyauwega-Fremont 78-29.

Quinn Wesenberg and Race Anvelink each scored 14 points, with Carter Moesch adding 12 and Cade Johnson with 10. Mason Zuleger and Wesenberg each connected on a trio of 3-pointers.

Gillett 59, Suring 54

Jesse DeBauch scored more than half of Gillett's points as the Tigers snuck past the Suring Eagles 59-54.

DeBauch had 32 points, and Ryan Pensis added 14.

For the Eagles, Michael Bailey led with 16 points, followed by Taylor Booth Stoffregen with 13 and

Donny Otradovec with 12.

Coleman 62, Lena 55 Coleman and Lena were tied at 29-29 at halftime, but the Cougars pulled away with a 33-26 second half to beat the Wildcats 62-55.

Lena was led by Mason Belongia's 20 points and Mason Spice's 19.

White Lake 51, Bowler 46

Gresham 46, Marion 45

Jan. 14 Bonduel 71, Valders 58

Ryan Westrich had a double double with 24 points and 14 rebounds in Bonduel's 71-58 win over Valders.

Quinn Wesenberg dropped in five 3-pointers and had 20 total points. Race Anvelink scored another 10 for the Bears.

Gresham 65, Faith Christian Academy 46

Four players scored in double digits as Gresham beat Wausau's Faith Christian Academy 65-46.

Kevin Miller and Thomas Kaquatosh each scored 16 points Kaquatosh also led the Wildcats with 11 rebounds, and Miller had eight.

Wyatt Neitzer scored 12 points, and Kobe Miller had 10.

Neitzer and Kobe Miller each recorded three assists, and Neitzer had four steals.

Oconto Falls 76, Clintonville 31

Jameson Beaman scored 30 points to lead Oconto

Falls to a 76-31 win over Clintonville.

JJ Pytleski scored another 11, and Chase Cariveau had 10.

Beaman had a double double with 10 rebounds to lead the Panthers. Emerich Skarban had nine, and Cariveau had eight.

Cariveau led the team with five assists, while Beaman had three steals.

Pulaski 60, Manitowoc Lincoln 52

Down 27-26 to halftime, the Red Raiders clawed their way back in the second half to beat Manitowoc Lincoln 60-52.

Shawano 63, Green Bay East 56

The Hawks earned their second win of the season with a 63-56 win over Green Bay East.

Logan Sipple led the game with 22 points, and Crew Weisnicht added 14.

Tigerton 82, Elcho 31 Tigerton had little difficulty in dispatching Elcho 82-31.

The Tigers pounced out to a huge 51-12 halftime lead and added another 12 points to the margin of victory with a 31-19 second half.

Maverick Mass led Tigerton with 17 points, followed by Sam Anheuser with 16, James Brady with 14 and Gavin Kielblock

with 11.

Rosholt 63, Suring 60 Jan. 13

Gillett 68, Coleman 58 Jesse DeBauch scored 48 points, and Gillett slowly pulled away in the second half to defeat Coleman 68-58.

He also led his teammates with 21 rebounds. Jed Herzog had another 10. DeBauch led Gillett with three assists and three steals.

Lena 66, Wausaukee 63

Manawa 71, Marion 29 Wittenberg-Birnwood 96, Lakeland Union 63

Menominee Nation 77, Port Edwards 69

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1 Former furnace fodder

5 Attorney-__

10 Female fowl

13 Filled a gas tank

19 All, for starters

20 Garlic + olive oil sauce

21 Mil. mail facility

22 Request the presence of

23 "Careful deliberation is in order"

26 Foundation's awards

27 Name related to Hannah

28 Oscar actress Davis

29 Laundry day step

31 Comics scream

32 Austen novel

34 Text-scanning tech

36 Messy pile

38 Envious to the extreme

47 Dallas hoopster, for short

48 Editor's "Out!"

49 Start a round

50 __ uncertain terms

51 Walk heavily

54 Little prankster

56 Pack animal

57 Whole bunch

58 Angler's disappointing report

63 Misrepresent

64 Ushered out

65 "Small" change

66 '50s White House nickname

68 90-degree shape

69 Big name at SpaceX

70 Took a siesta

71 Arizona river

73 Preceder of "-fi"

76 Telephone trio

77 Vicinity

78 Changes considerably

81 Improves, as a skill

83 "Why the sad face?"

86 Dislodge

87 Prefix for function

88 Hearty laugh

89 Slip-ups

90 Twice tetra-

91 Dwell

94 Unused portion

97 Danson or Turner

98 "Totally preposterous!"

103 Branch of Islam

104 Take legal action

105 "Ditto!"

106 Uno + 1

109 Ancillary map

112 Playful prank

115 Scoundrel

119 Contract signing

121 Venerable sports mag

124 Two-channel audio

125 Baboon, for one

126 Activated, as alarms

127 Cupid alias

128 *Blithe Spirit* playwright

129 "Uh-huh"

130 Crystal-filled rock

131 Resembling thick twine

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2 Predictive sign

3 It means "opposed to"

4 Follow advice

5 Sound of relaxation

6 Cause for extra innings

7 Actor Rob

8 Hand lotion additive

9 Sift through

10 "A likely story!"

11 Lengthy tale

12 Overly inquisitive

13 Garb in some Eden art

14 Imaginary

15 NASA spacewalk

16 Equator, for instance

17 Diminutive ending

18 Schoolroom furniture

24 Surveillance tools

25 Unspoken but understood

30 Culinary masters

33 Puddle stuff

35 UPS driver's assignment

37 Confident manner

38 Yuletide tune

39 Egg-shaped

40 Somber poem

41 HP PC alternative

42 Warmed up

43 San __, CA

44 Family member

45 Symbol of slowness

46 Alpine falsetto

47 Atlas abbr.

52 Manufactured

53 Book after Job

55 Indy Jones' hat

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QR codes may open way to fraud

In today's fast-paced digital world, QR (Quick Response) codes have become a popular and convenient way to access information, make payments and interact with businesses.

These scannable bar codes can direct users to websites, menus, parking payment portals and more. While they offer convenience, they also present an opportunity for fraudsters to exploit unsuspecting users.

Scammers are increasingly using QR codes as tools to execute their fraudulent schemes. By creating fake QR codes, they can deceive individuals into visiting fraudulent websites or downloading malicious software. These scams can compromise personal information and even lead to financial loss. Fraudsters may replace legitimate QR codes with counterfeit ones in public places such as parking garages, on meters or through fake posters. Additionally, they may send unsolicited texts or emails with fraudulent QR codes, pretending to represent delivery services or other legitimate organizations.

To protect yourself from QR code-related scams, follow these important tips:

- Verify the source. Ensure the QR code originates from a trusted and reliable source. Hover over the QR code and review the URL before proceeding.
- Inspect for tampering. Look for any signs of tampering, such as stickers placed over legitimate codes. If something seems suspicious, do not scan the QR code.
- Be cautious with unsolicited codes. Avoid scanning QR codes received via unsolicited texts or emails, especially if the sender is unknown or unverifiable.
- Beware of urgent requests. Scammers often use urgency to prompt immediate action. Be wary of QR codes accompanied by urgent requests for payment or sensitive information.
- Protect personal and financial information. Never input personal or financial details on websites accessed via QR codes unless you are absolutely certain of their legitimacy.
- Secure your business's QR codes: If you operate a business, regularly audit the QR codes you display to customers. Use secure, verifiable codes that can be updated as needed.

For information on how to avoid scams, visit <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov>.

Kickoff meeting starts new Relay for Life

The 2025 American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Shawano-Menominee kickoff meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 27 in the lower level of the Shawano County Library, 128 S. Sawyer St., Shawano.

Attendees can learn more about the Shawano-Menominee Relay For Life, how they can get involved and what's new for 2025. Registration for the event will be open, and the 2025 theme will be revealed.

Team captains, team members and participants are welcome. For information, go to www.relayforlife.org/shawano-menominee.



Veterans administration seeking valentines

The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) is asking for folks to help show veterans how much they appreciate their service and sacrifice by sending Valentine's Day cards to veterans living in DVA facilities.

"Last year, the residents at our Veteran Homes in Chippewa Falls, King and Union Grove were thrilled to receive Valentine's Day wishes and thoughtful messages," said DVA Secretary James Bond.

In the first year, DVA received 24,000 valentines, and last year that grew to 28,000. Because of the overwhelming response, DVA will be able to share valentines with even more veterans by delivering them to three Veterans Housing and Recovery Program locations in Chippewa Falls, Green Bay and Union Grove.

The valentines are hand delivered by staff, including Bond, to the veterans, loved ones and Gold Star families residing in veterans facilities.

Cards should be mailed no later than Jan. 31 to ensure they can be distributed to facilities on Feb. 14 to Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs, Attn: Veteran Valentines, P.O. Box 7843, Madison, WI 53707-7843.

The DVA has asked that cards do not include candy, food, or snacks due to allergies or dietary restrictions.

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VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on Election Day may submit a request to vote an absentee ballot to their municipal clerk. A qualified elector is any U.S. citizen who:

- * will be 18 years of age or older on Election Day.
- * has resided in the ward or municipality where they wish to vote for at least 28 consecutive days before the election.

The elector must also be registered to vote to receive an absentee ballot. **Proof of identification must be provided before an absentee ballot may be issued*.**

Making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail

Contact your municipal clerk and request that an application for an absentee ballot be sent to you for the primary or election or both. You may make written application to your municipal clerk for an absentee ballot by mail, by fax, by email or at MyVote.wi.gov. Or you may apply in person at the clerk's office during the In-Person Absentee Voting period listed below.

Your written request must include:

1. your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote
2. the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different from the address above
3. your signature
4. a copy of your photo identification*

The deadline for making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail is:
5:00 p.m. on the fifth day before the election, Thursday, February 13, 2025**.

*Voters who are indefinitely confined due to age, illness, infirmity, or disability may not be required to provide photo ID. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

**Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined, in the military, hospitalized, or serving as a sequestered juror. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

Voting an absentee ballot in person

You may also request and vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office or other specified location during the days and hours specified for casting an absentee ballot in person.

Towns of:			
Abrams	Jean Hansen	(920) 826-2299	5877 Main Street, Abrams, WI 54101
Bagley	Alan Sleeter	(920) 590-0198	10005 Madsen Rd., Suring, WI 54174
Brazeau	Brooke Kriescher	(920) 897-3855	10892 Parkway Road, Pound, WI 54161
Breed	Kristen Telford	(920) 842-2166	11155 State Highway 32, Suring, WI 54174
Chase	Jeromy Delebreau	(920) 822-1560	8481 County Road S, Pulaski, WI 54162
		Or (920) 562-3957	
Doty	Cheryl Field	(715) 276-7554	14899 County Road T, Mountain, WI 54149
Gillett	Renee Carlson	(920) 819-7475	10908 Town Hall Road, Gillett, WI 54124
			Mailing Address: PO Box 605 Gillett, WI
How	Becky Dickson	(920) 842-9851	12896 State Highway 32, Suring, WI 54174
			Mailing Address: PO Box 187, Suring, WI
Lakewood	Michelle Moczynski	(715) 276-3579	17181 Twin Pines Rd, Lakewood, WI 54138
			Mailing Address: PO Box 40 Lakewood, WI
Lena	Dawn VanArk	(715) 281-4672	6087 Goatsville Road, Lena, WI 54139
			Mailing Address: 8489 Sunshine Rd, Lena, WI
Little River	Amy Peterson	(920) 834-3617	3627 County Road A, Oconto, WI 54153
Little Suamico	Lisa Glinski	(920) 826-7655	5964A County Road S, Sobieski, WI 54171
Maple Valley	Cindy Tousey	(920) 598-0601	9088 County Road Z, Suring, WI 54174
			Mailing Address: PO Box 384, Suring, WI
Morgan	Erin Mooers	(920) 846-0699	3276 County Road C, Oconto Falls, WI 54154
Mountain	Lynn Kauzlaric	(715) 276-6474	13503 Weller Road, Mountain, WI 54149
			Mailing Address: PO Box 95, Mountain, WI
Oconto	Lori Scanlan	(920) 834-4351	6120 Cream City Road, Oconto, WI 54153
			Mailing Address: 3649 Hwy 22, Oconto, WI
Oconto Falls	Susan Mogged	(920) 373-6663	8680 State Hwy 22, Oconto Falls, WI 54154
			Mailing Address: 5076 Golden Corners Road, Oconto Falls, WI
Pensaukee	Jacki Neils	(920) 826-2010	4684 Brookside Road, Abrams, WI 54101
Riverview	Beth Hartman	(715) 276-6914	15152 Island Lake Rd, Mountain, WI 54149
			Mailing Address: PO Box 220, Mountain, WI
Spruce	Lisa Peitersen	(920) 829-5111	346 Jackson Street Oconto Falls
			Mailing Address: PO Box 52 Oconto Falls, WI
Stiles	Terrah Patton	(920) 634-5348	5718 Watercrest Road, Lena, WI 54139
Townsend	Linda Ziegler	(715) 276-6856	16564 Elm Street, Townsend, WI 54175
			Mailing Address: PO Box 227, Townsend, WI
Underhill	Tracy Winkler	(920) 855-2942	5597 Cardinal Road, Gillett, WI 54124
Village of Lena	Jodi Marquardt	(920) 829-5226	117 E. Main Street, Lena, WI 54139
Village of Suring	Kim Gruetzmacher	(920) 842-2333	604 E. Main Street, Suring, WI 54174
City of Gillett	Chelsea Anderson	(920) 855-2255	150 N. McKenzie Avenue, Gillett, WI 54124
***City of Gillett Office Hours Monday – Thursday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm No appointment necessary			
City of Oconto	Brittney Burrue	(920) 834-7711	1210 Main Street, Oconto, WI 54153
***City of Oconto Office Hours: Mon.– Fri. 7:30 a.m.– 4 p.m. No appointment necessary			
City of Oconto Falls	Jenny Friedman	(920) 846-4505	500 N. Chestnut Ave Oconto Falls, WI 54154
***City of Oconto Falls Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00am to 4:30pm No appointment necessary			
The first day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: Tuesday, February 4, 2025***			
***Absentee voting is by appointment only unless noted above.			
The last day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: Friday, February 14, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.*			
No in-person absentee voting may occur on the day before the election. The municipal clerk will deliver voted ballots returned on or before Election Day to the proper polling place or counting location before the polls close on Tuesday, February 18, 2025. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted.			
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Help Wanted

NEW Media is looking for a reporter to work out of our Oconto Falls office. Most of the work would involve covering municipal, county board, school and community stories, as well as features on some of the people and groups that call Oconto County home.

We seek talented journalists who can seize someone's attention by being a talented wordsmith and photographer in a fast-paced news environment where digital comes first. While the office is a base of operations, we want someone who'll be out in the community gathering the news.

All are welcome to apply, including recent or pending college graduates. Preference is for the candidate to live in Oconto County or be willing to relocate there to be nearby when news takes places. Photography and copy editing skills are a must.

Send a resume, cover letter, and four to six samples of your work to Editor Kevin Passon at kpasson@newmedia-wi.com. Put "Reporter — Oconto Falls" in the subject header.



Janssen Law matched Iverson Piggly Wiggly donations to the Kingdom Come Food Pantry charge account up to \$5,000. A total of \$10,085 was raised. Pictured are Bryce Iverson, left, and Bob Janssen.

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Clinic hit by cyber attack

The Menominee Tribal Clinic announced that it was the target of a cyber-security attack around Christmas. The attack affected the clinic's servers.

Officials said they took immediate action, suspending all affected systems, notifying authorities and activating third-party cyber team experts to resolve the situation. The clinic continues to work with its

cyber team to assess and restore its networks and any necessary software updates.

At this time, the clinic is not aware of any evidence that any patient or employee data has been compromised as a result of the attack. Additionally, neither the clinic nor the Menominee Tribe of Wisconsin are aware of any evidence at this time that any other non-

clinic tribal systems were affected.

Full restoration of the clinic's systems will take time, which will require the clinic to temporarily modify services available to its patients. Until full restoration, the clinic will continue to share updates on services provided via channels managed by the tribe (daily e-newsletter, MITW app and the tribe's Facebook page).

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

PROJECT:

Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements
Village of Lena
February 2025

BID DEADLINE:

February 27, 2025
10:00 A.M., Local Time

NOTICE

Sealed bids for the above project will be received by the Village of Lena until the Bid Deadline. Bids shall be submitted in electronic format through Quest vBid. Immediately after the Bid Deadline, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud, through electronic means.

The bid opening for this project will be conducted using Microsoft Teams. Bidders and other interested parties may call the teleconference number: (715)-318-5006, 727623003 #, on the day of the bid opening to hear bid results announced. The teleconference line will be open 15 minutes before bids are due. Bids will be opened after the bid deadline.

In general, the project consists of the replacement of aeration blowers and air piping; chemical feed pumps and piping; diffused air systems within the package plant's aeration tank, aerobic digester, and sludge storage tank; the package plant dome cover; a sludge transfer pump, piping, and valves, and a natural gas standby power generator. The project also includes a new ultraviolet disinfection system and the replacement of the influent screen. The work also includes the replacement of the existing clarifier mechanism, and temporary removal of the bridge, scum collector, and sludge collector, as well as demolition of existing equipment and systems, site improvements, HVAC, instrumentation and controls, electrical, plumbing, and other ancillary work required to accomplish the modifications.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting to examine the project site will be held on Tuesday, February 11th at 9:00 a.m. Meet at the Village Hall, 117 E. Main St., Lena, WI 54139. Tours of the wastewater treatment plant will follow the meeting.

A single prime bid will be received for the work.

BID SECURITY

Bids must be accompanied by bid security in the amount of 5% of the maximum bid amount. Bid and bid security may not be withdrawn for a period of 45 days after the Bid Deadline.

PROJECT FUNDING

The contract awarded under this bid advertisement will be funded in part by financial assistance from the Wisconsin Clean Water Fund Loan Program and will be subject to regulations contained in Wis. Adm. Code, s. NR 166.12, and appropriate state statutes. Bidders agree to abide by Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the provisions for civil rights, equal employment opportunity, and affirmative action set forth in the Bidding Documents. This procurement is subject to regulations contained in NR 166.12(4) for solicitation of disadvantaged business enterprises (DBEs). We encourage DBEs, including MBEs and WBEs, to submit bids.

WAGE RATES

Minimum salaries and fringes to be paid on the project shall be in accordance with the prevailing wage rate scales established by the Federal Department of Labor. Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and fringes set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project, and that the Contractor must ensure that employees and applications for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or other protected class. Federal Labor standards program laws, including, but not limited to the Davis Bacon Act, the Copeland Anti-Kickback Act, and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act apply to all work.

QUALIFICATIONS

A Bidder's Proof of Responsibility (pre-qualification) form, available with the bid documents for this contract must be filed at Ayres Associates no later than February 20, 2025, and shall show sufficient ability, equipment, and experience to properly perform work required in the contract. The Village's decision as to qualifications shall be final. Pre-qualifications may be emailed in PDF format to SchuhC@AyresAssociates.com and FanR@AyresAssociates.com.

RIGHTS RESERVED

Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities in any bid.

BIDDING DOCUMENTS

Bidding documents may be obtained in PDF electronic format by download from the Quest Construction Data Network website, accessible via www.AyresAssociates.com by clicking on the "Bidding" link, for a non-refundable fee of \$64.00.

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CITY OF OCONTO FALLS NOTICE - RESOLUTION APPROVAL

The following resolution has been passed by the Common Council for the City of Oconto Falls at a meeting held on January 14, 2025. A full text of said resolution may be obtained from the Oconto Falls clerk's office located at 500 N. Chestnut, Oconto Falls, WI 54154. Phone: 920-846-4505.

RESOLUTION 25-01: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALARY INCREASES FOR EMPLOYEES

Posted by City Deputy Clerk
Jenny Friedman

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, OCONTO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRANK J. POMPROWITZ, JR.
DOD: 12/28/2024

Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)

Case No.
2025 IN 04

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 03/24/1944 and date of death 12/28/2024, was domiciled in Oconto County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 5973 County Road S, Sobieski, WI 54171.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 22, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Oconto County Courthouse, 301 Washington Street, Oconto, Wisconsin, Room 1173.

Form completed by
Attorney Warren M. Wanezek
417 S. Adams Street
Green Bay, WI 54301
920-437-8191
Bar Number
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Notice of Rate Increase

Sewer Customers of the Oconto Falls Water and Light Commission

This is to give you notice that a rate increase for Sewer will be going into effect on April 1, 2025. Sewer rates were last increased May 2018. Rates for general service will increase 6.56 percent. The increase is necessary to reduce the existing deficiency in present rates. The effect of the increase for some selected customers is shown below.

Customer Classification	Meter Size	Cubic Feet	Existing Monthly Rate	Revised Monthly Rate
Average Residential	3/4	411	\$60.04	\$63.98
Multifamily	2	4,100	\$524.76	\$564.04
Commercial	1	2,600	\$236.28	\$261.19
Public Authority	1 1/2	6,900	\$565.76	\$631.86

The effective date of this increase is April 1, 2025. If you have any questions about the rate increase request, call the Oconto Falls Water and Light Commission at (920) 846-4507.



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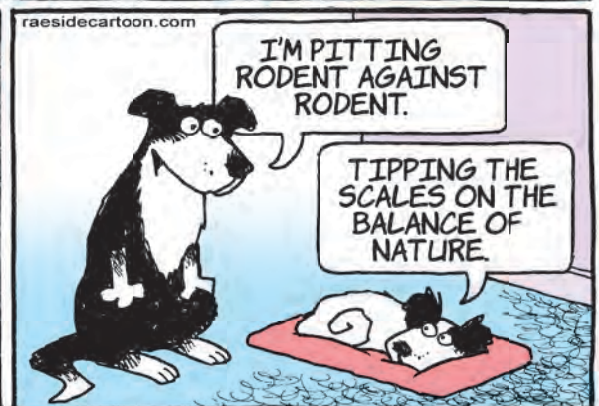
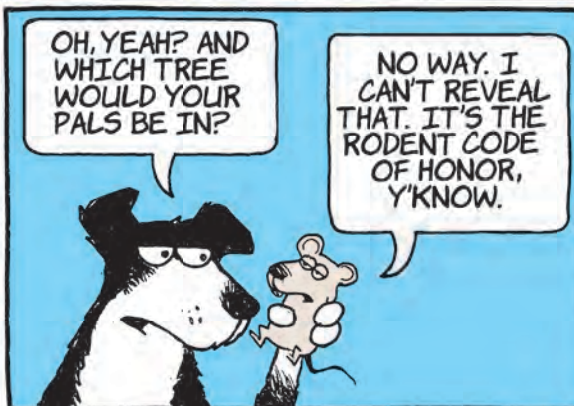
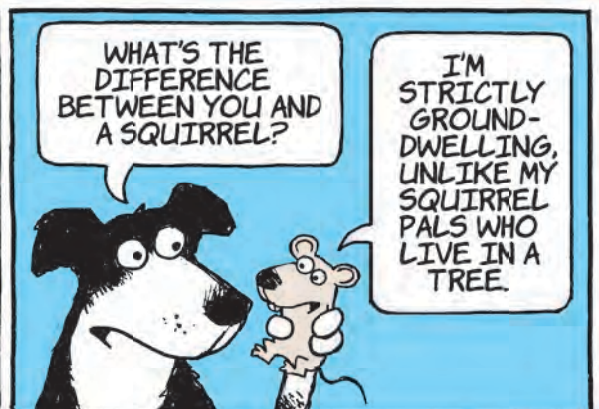
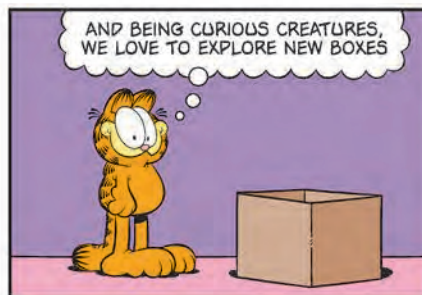
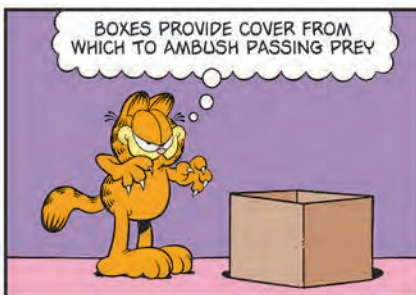
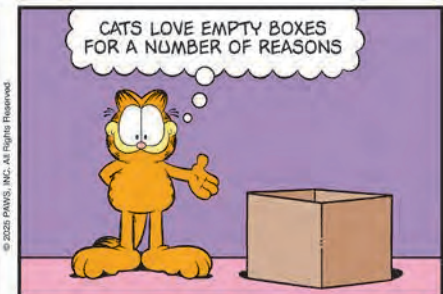
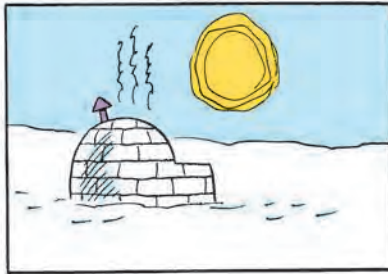
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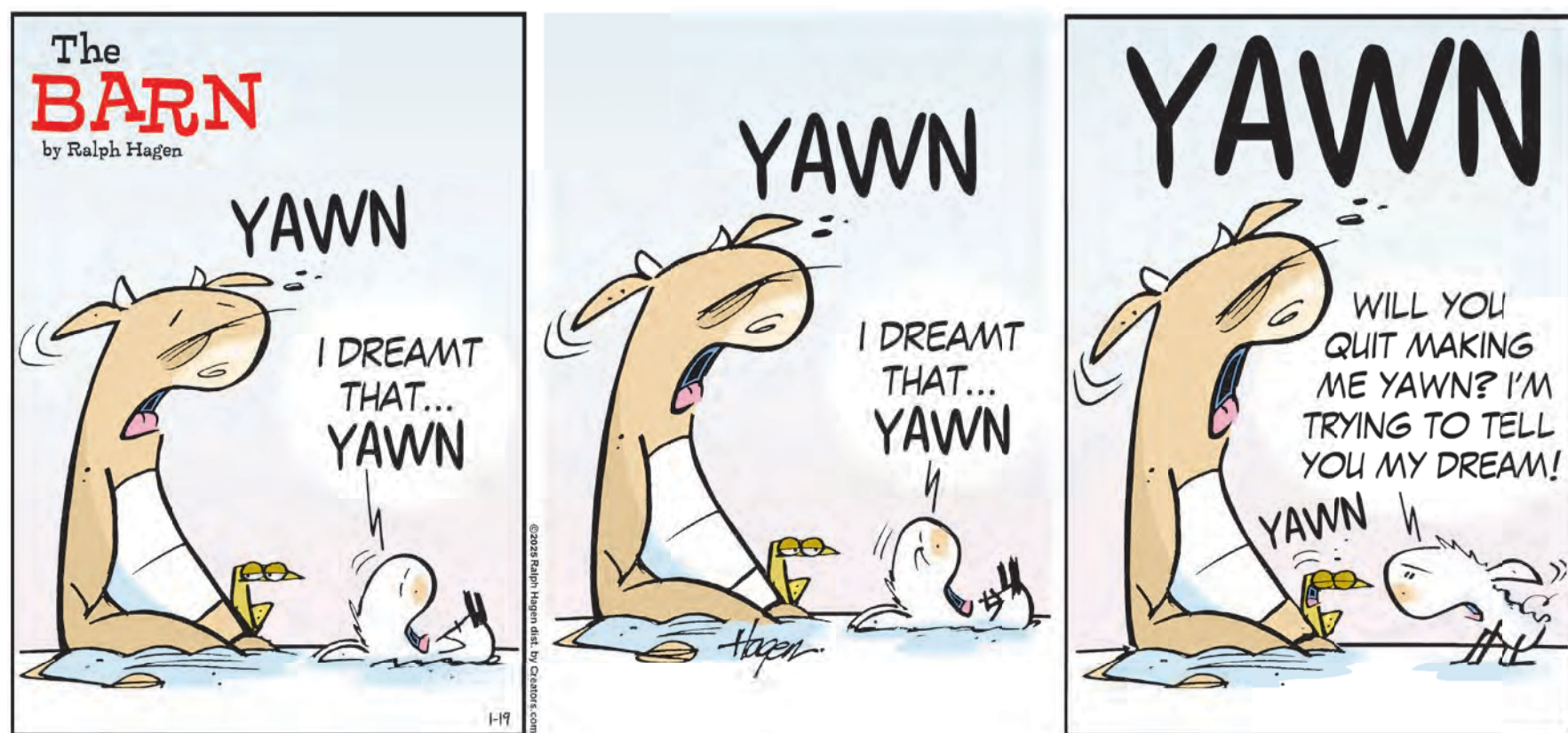
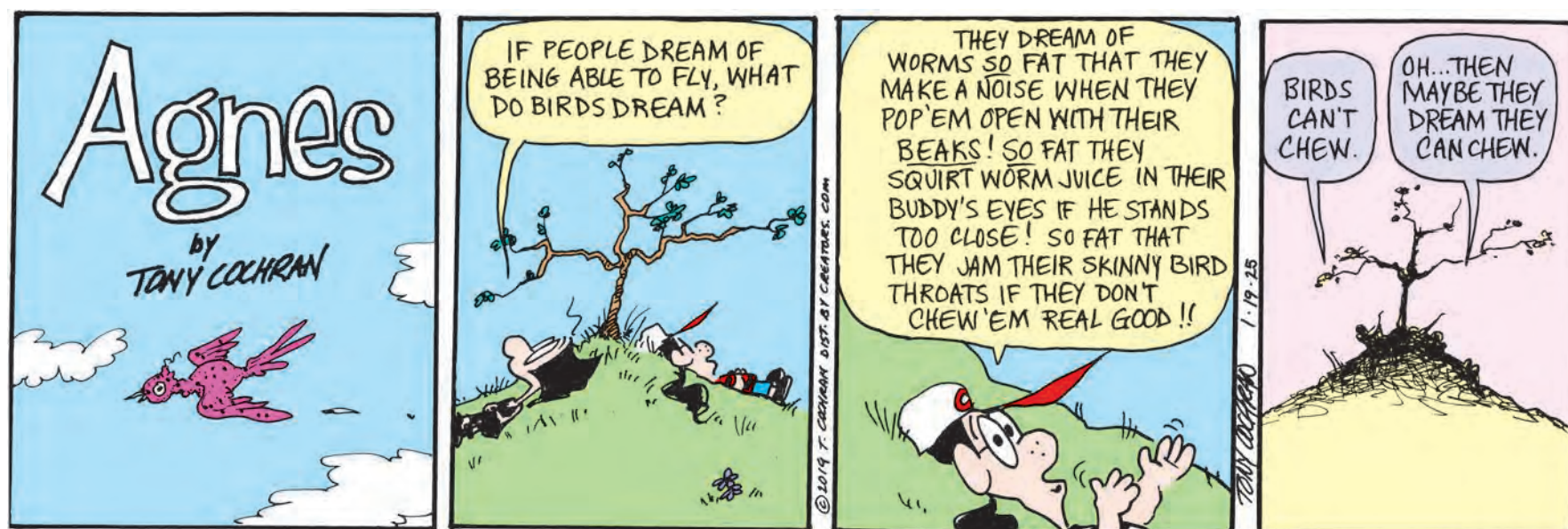
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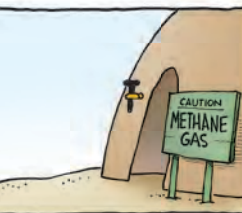
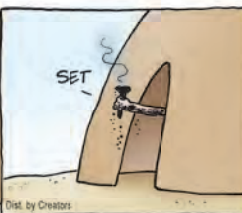
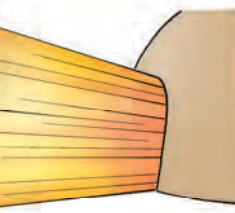
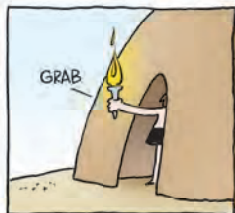
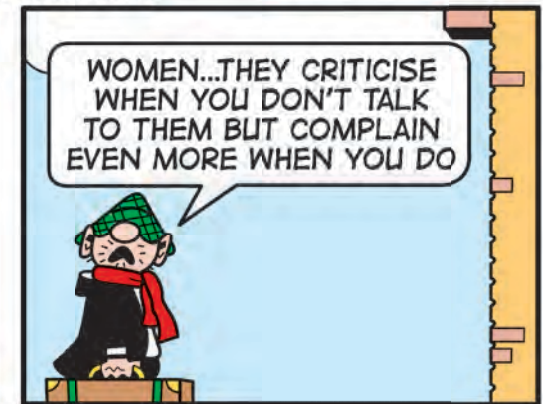
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