



Dean Hess will retire from his job as superintendent of the Oconto Falls School District, a position he held for a decade, at the end of the school year.

GREG SEUBERT

Hess reflects on a decade at Oconto Falls

Superintendent has been in education field for 31 years

BY GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

As far as Dean Hess is concerned, a decision to join the Oconto Falls School District as its superintendent a decade ago has paid off for his family and the district.

Hess will retire at the end of the 2024-25 school year after a 31-year career in education that also included stops in Plainfield and Wausau.

He will spend much of his time leading up to his retirement helping the district transition to its new superintendent, current Oconto Falls High School principal Stuart Russ.

Hess, originally from Elcho, came to Oconto Falls after 17 years as an assistant principal and principal at two middle schools in Wausau.

“You are trying to find a good fit,” he said. “More than anything, I felt that Oconto Falls was a good fit for my wife and me. I had done the schooling and was

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Read an extended version of Greg Seubert’s interview with retiring Oconto Falls Superintendent Dean Hess at the NEW Media website, www.newmedia-wi.com.

taking a look at some different options. When I came here to Oconto Falls, the first thing that caught my attention was all the really positive things that were happening in the district.”

A decade later, the district is preparing to open a new middle school across the street from the high school. The school is scheduled to open in time for the start of the 2025-26 school year and will replace the aging Washington Middle School on South Washington Street.

“In my interview, they gave me the opportunity to ask questions, and one of the questions I had was what are going to be your expectations of me,” Hess said. “They told me one of the things we realize is that our middle school is aging, and

we’re going to need to figure out a plan to either refurbish the middle school or replace it. They told me that early on. As I was out in the community in that first couple of years, it was evident that the community members were in a similar mindset. They recognized that there were serious challenges with Washington Middle School’s structure.”

Besides dealing with an aging school building, the district had other concerns, according to Hess.

“One of the first things that needed to be addressed when I came is we were in a tough financial situation,” he said. “There are multiple ways of looking at that. Dave Polashek, the previous superintendent, and the board worked together to be very frugal with taxpayer dollars, and they did the best they could. Funding for public education is a difficult scenario, because it drastically relies today on operational

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County board approves microphones for supervisors

Existing sound system doesn’t pick up board members’ comments for audience or possible recording

BY WARREN BLUHM
News Editor

The Oconto County Board has authorized an upgrade of the sound system in its meeting room that will make it easier for visitors to follow the conversation and allow for recording of board meetings.

Supervisors voted 27-1 to spend up to \$50,000 to place microphones in front of all 31 board members, along with related equipment and hardware. Camera Corner, which installed the existing system when the room was remodeled in 2021, was hired to make the improvements.

County Administrator Richard Heath said a technology group has been investigating since August to see if it’s feasible to record county board meetings. Test recordings of a board meeting and a staff meeting revealed inadequacies.

“We found there’s a lot of holes and gaps and insufficiencies in the current technology that we have here on different levels,” Heath said. “We’re still investigating the recording aspect; there’s some software changes and things that need to be done as well for that particular step.

“But what has been brought to our attention the last three or four months is the inability for people to hear.”

The current system has microphones for the administrator, county board chairman, county clerk and corporation counsel, but comments from the other 30 board members are only picked up by two microphones in the ceiling, Heath said. As a result, visitors have to strain to try to

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SPRING ELECTION RESULTS ONLINE

This week’s Oconto County Times Herald went to press before the polls closed April 1. You can find the results of contested races for the 2025 spring general election at the NEW Media website, www.newmedia-wi.com.

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Local breeder wins top AKC honors

An Oconto Falls kennel won top honors at the AKC National Championship for the second year in a row.

With a total entry of 5,632 dogs and more than 30 countries represented, the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida, was the site of the AKC National Championship Dec. 13-15.

Local breeder owner handler Nikkie Kinziger-Francois of Ri Lee Kennels and her canine companion “GCH Ri Lee’s Diamond of Faith,” better known as Ivy, finished as the No. 1 owner-handled Tibetan Terrier in the National Owner Handler Series for the second consecutive year. They competed against other finalists in the series and won Best of Breed.

With a total entry of 21 Tibetan Terriers, Kinziger-Francois and Ivy further went on to win Best of Opposite Sex and Best Bred By Exhibitor on Dec. 14.

CH Ri Lee’s Give Me Diamonds, better known as Bradley and Ivy’s half-brother (with co-owner Tracy Doty), also represented Ri Lee Kennels at the National Championship and were also honored with first Award of Excellence and a tremendous Best of Breed win during the week. CH Ri Lee’s Diamond Sequel, appropriately named baby Rilee, came along for the ride and won his puppy class.

For information on Ri Lee Kennels, visit its Facebook page or www.rileekennels.com.



AKC judge Richard Todd Jackson, left, congratulates Nikkie Kinziger-Francois and Richard Francois with Ivy, an award-winning Tibetan Terrier, from the couple’s Ri Lee Kennels of Oconto Falls. DON MEYER

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understand what board members are saying.

“In order for us to move toward recording of our county board meetings, if that’s what the county board members choose to do, we really have to resolve the inadequacy of the sound that we have

currently,” Heath said. “I think it will be a significant upgrade for people to be able to hear.”

The improved system will also include allow the chairman greater flexibility to adjust the position of the room’s two cameras to follow speakers on

video.

The proposal was approved by the property and technology committee and the administration committee before coming to the full board.

Supervisor Stephanie Holman asked if Camera Corner will reimburse the

county for the inadequate ceiling microphones.

“The ones that we put up are only a couple of years old. Are we getting any kind of credit for those?” Holman said. “It’s kind of frustrating. Being that they’re the experts, and these aren’t equipped

for our room, I think they should give us some kind of discount.”

County Board Chairman Alan Sleeter said giving each supervisor a mike was an option, but the board went with the ceiling microphone to keep costs down in the \$250,000

remodeling project.

“They’re nice and all that, but they don’t work that well,” Sleeter said.

Supervisor Elmer Ragen was the only board member who opposed the project. He did not comment.

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referendums from the public.

“We started working through our budget and our finances and recognized that if we didn’t do an operational referendum, we were going to need to lay off members of the team. We didn’t have time to do that in my first year, and we laid off nine people. We let the public know in the second year that if we didn’t pass an operational referendum, those cuts would be even deeper. Folks wanted to try to maintain the high level of education that they have here, so they supported that referendum.

“One of the things I

shared with the public is unless public school funding changes, we would have to come back to them at some point in the future. Unfortunately, it didn’t change, and we did have to go back to them.”

Voters later turned down a referendum to build a new middle school.

“Interest rates were very favorable at that time, so the planning team was trying to determine a reasonable ask of the community,” Hess said. “The good news was our school district had a significant amount of debt that was dropping off at the same time we were looking to potentially

pass that capital referendum. We were very up front with people. If the community chose to pass the referendum, essentially the mill rate would stay similar, but if you don’t pass it, your mill rate will go down.”

A district survey indicated support for a new school, but the referendum failed.

“We were looking to not just do the middle school, but also do other work throughout the district,” Hess said. “On a second survey, people said, ‘You know what? We support a middle school, and we support the safety initiatives, but let’s keep it at that level.’ That’s

what we did. We went back and said, ‘Listen, we’re looking for a middle school, we’re looking for secure entrances on all our buildings and we’re looking for some roof work.’ The support of those folks is what you now see across the road. We have secure entrances in our three schools minus Washington.”

Hess also led the district through the COVID-19 pandemic, which began in 2020.

“We didn’t necessarily know it at the time – 2017, ’18, ’19 – but we really started recognizing the need for upgrades of technology infrastructure,” he said. “We did that, and

when we got into the pandemic, our staff had had the professional development to go virtual. A lot of districts struggled with that, but we transitioned quickly, because our staff had the capability. The only reason we were able to do that is because those operational referendums were passed, which allowed us to do the professional development.”

Hess believes he’s leaving the district in good shape. The community continues to support the district, which has a staff of about 300 and 1,700 students, with both playing a key role in the district’s success, according to Hess.

“When I look at other places, they’re dealing with situations we don’t have to deal with,” he said. “For the most part, our kids make good choices, they look out for each other, they take care of each other. When kids have different needs, those kids would get picked on in other places. We still have some of that, but it’s less than other places. I’ve also seen kids policing some of that on their own, which is pretty impressive. When I look at what it takes to be a successful teacher today, it’s a tough job. They’re willing to come in, do the job every day, do professional development to get better.”

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Trial set in fatal 2022 UTV accident

Defendant charged in Oconto County mishap that a West Chicago, Illinois, man

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

There is a chance a former Waukesha man charged in a fatal 2022 UTV accident might face amended charges when his case goes to trial later this month.

Scot A. Haas, 55, who now lives in The Villages, Florida, was charged with homicide by intoxicated use of a motor vehicle and homicide by negligent operation of a motor vehicle, in connection with the incident that claimed the life of David Weinmann, 56, of West Chicago, Illinois. Haas is scheduled to stand trial April 9-11.

The crash was reported about 9:07 p.m. May 29, 2022, at the intersection of County Road T and Boulder Lake Lane in the Town of Doty.

Weinmann was ejected from the cargo portion of the UTV. Mountain Area Ambulance transported him to the Aspirus Langlade Hospital in Antigo, where he later died of his injuries.

During a final pre-trial conference March 28 before Oconto County Judge Michael Judge, District Attorney Hannah Schuchart said she planned to meet with the victim's family April 1 to explain and seek their approval for filing amended charges.

"The victim in this case had an extremely high alcohol concentration," Schuchart said. "I looked at the preliminary hearing transcript ... and really what we're boiling down to here is a statement about whether (Haas) told people to hold on as if he's pulling out in kind of a

reckless kind of way." Some witnesses have said Haas did not say anything about holding on, she said.

"We anticipate amending the charge from an OWI homicide to a negligent use or operation of the vehicle causing homicide," Schuchart said. "I think that likely will fit the facts better."

Judge said 25 jurors would be called, with prosecutors and defense each having six strikes to bring the jury to 13 people, including one alternate. He asked attorneys to arrive by 8:15 a.m. he first day of trial to allow for discussion of any last-minute issues.

Haas has been free pending the trial after posting \$5,000 bail.

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Scot A. Haas, right, sits with defense attorney Sarvan Singh Jr. during a final pre-trial conference March 28 in Oconto County Circuit Court.

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Dickinson sentenced to time served

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

A Portage man who was granted a retrial after serving two years of a sentence for repeated sexual assault of the same child was sentenced to time served March 25.

Joshua L. Dickinson, 47, Portage, pleaded no contest Feb. 24 to an amended charge of causing mental harm to a child rather than risk being convicted a second time at a trial that had been scheduled for Jan. 23.

An Oconto County jury found Joshua L. Dickinson, 46, guilty after a two-day trial in November 2021, and Judge Michael Judge sentenced him to six years in prison followed by five years of extended supervision with conditions.

Dickinson later filed a motion for a retrial on grounds that three Child Protective Services (CPS) reports were never introduced by either the prosecution or defense.

Judge ruled in March 2024 that the CPS reports did contain material information and that the defendant was prejudiced by the failure of both sides' attorneys to provide them in discovery. As a result, Judge set aside the jury verdict and ordered a new trial.

During Dickinson's appearance March 25, Judge sentenced him to 12 months in the county jail but deemed that time served.

OCONTO COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Proceedings of March 24

- Kelly S. Urbanek, 63, Oconto, was sentenced to 10 years in prison, followed by five years of extended supervision with conditions, for second-degree sexual assault of a child, in connection with an incident that occurred Aug. 23, 2023. Judge Michael Judge gave him credit for 578 days already served.

- James Roger Jordan, 71, Suamico, was sentenced to 120 days in county jail for possession of methamphetamine, in connection with an incident that occurred Feb. 2, 2023. Judge ordered him to report to the jail by 3 p.m. May 2.

- Pa Ying Xiong, 57, Green Bay, was placed on two years of probation with conditions after Judge withheld sentencing for operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense) in con-

nection with an incident that occurred Sept. 30. The judge revoked Xiong's driver's license for 36 months and ordered ignition interlock devices installed in his vehicle for 12 months.

- Clarence S. Trepanier, 76, Suring, pleaded no contest to second-degree recklessly endangering safety, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 24, 2024. Judge scheduled sentencing for May 28 and ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

- Bond was set at \$10,000 cash for Michael William Solchenberger, 34, Algoma, after he was charged with exposing a child to harmful material, threats to expose derogatory information and misdemeanor counts of criminal damage to property, disorderly conduct, stalking, threatening or obscenity in a computer

message, and posting or publishing a private representation without consent, in connection with incidents that allegedly occurred March 22 and 23. Judge adjourned his initial appearance until April 24.

- Bond was set at \$10,000 cash for Angel Arturo Arias Hernandez, 23, Chicago, after he was charged with possession with intent to deliver cocaine and misdemeanor possession of THC, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 20. Judge adjourned his initial appearance until April 22.

- Bond was set at \$1,500 cash for Joshua M. Samz, 43, Gillett, after he was charged with child abuse recklessly causing harm, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 23. Judge adjourned his initial appearance until April 24.

Proceedings of March 27

- Douglas Andrew Delveaux, 52, Oconto, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and was bound over on charges of strangulation and suffocation and misdemeanor counts of battery and disorderly conduct, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Feb. 11. Judge Jay Conley scheduled arraignment for April 24.

- Bond was set at \$1,500 cash for Heather L. Koutnik, 38, Peshtigo, after she was charged with misappropriating identity information to obtain money, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Feb. 25, and misdemeanor theft of movable property, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 11. Conley adjourned her initial appearance until April 24.

Proceedings of March 28

- Bond was set at \$10,000 cash for Jenny L. Tennant, 46, Gillett, after she was charged with felony bail jumping in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Oct. 29, and escape from criminal arrest and two misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 25. Judge adjourned her initial appearance until April 24.

- Bond was set at \$5,000 cash for Robert Lee McDonald, 46, Suring, after he was charged with strangulation and suffocation, victim intimidation and misdemeanor counts of battery and disorderly conduct, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 27. Judge adjourned his initial appearance until April 24.

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Disabled American Veterans volunteer drivers needed

The Shawano area Disabled American Veterans (DAV) is accepting applications for volunteer drivers to transport Shawano area veteran patients to and from their medical appointments at the VA clinics in northeast Wisconsin.

The DAV recently had two outstanding volunteers retire from their driving roles and are short staffed. The DAV, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs (VA), offers daily complimentary trips for veterans with appointments at the John

H. Bradley VA Outpatient Clinic in Appleton, the Milo C. Huempfer VA Health Care Center in Green Bay and the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center in Milwaukee. The DAV program is operated entirely by volunteer personnel, and drivers

volunteer on their time, and even one trip a month would be helpful for the 70-plus veterans transported on a regular basis. The DAV will supply all vehicles, fuel cards, supplies and training for the drivers. Volunteers do not need

to be veterans but must have a clean driving record. Volunteer drivers can usually expect to work four to eight hours on days they commit to drive, depending on the number of patients and the destination of the appointment. The DAV operates exclusively to

VA facilities in Appleton, Green Bay, and Milwaukee only. Interested applicants, or anyone who has questions regarding the Shawano area DAV program should contact Kyle Newkirk, VA volunteer coordinator, at 920-431-2639.

OBITUARIES

Robert B. Metzler

Robert B. Metzler, 97, of Green Bay, formerly of Oconto Falls, passed away on Monday, March 24, 2025, at Woodside Senior Community. Born on July 8, 1927, in Oconto Falls to Anton and Desirea Metzler, Bob spent his early years in his hometown, where he attended St. Anthony Catholic Grade School before graduating from Oconto Falls High School with the class of 1945. Following graduation, he honorably served his country in the United States Army. On Aug. 7, 1954, Bob married Alice Bohl at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Oconto Falls, and together they built a life deeply rooted in their community. He pursued



business studies in Oshkosh before embarking on a career as an accountant, working at Scott Paper Company, the city of Oconto Falls and later the Oconto Electric Cooperative, where he remained until his retirement in 1992. In addition to his

professional career, Bob was a familiar and friendly face behind the bar at several local establishments, where he worked for nearly 60 years. Even in retirement, he stayed active by working at River Island Golf Course. Bob was deeply committed to his community. He served as treasurer for St. Anthony Parish, was a dedicated board member of the NEW Credit Union and was a respected member of the Knights of Columbus at St. Anthony Parish. Bob and Alice shared a love of travel, often visiting their children and grandchildren across the Midwest and East Coast. Bob is survived by his five children, Mike

(Karen) Metzler of Lindstrom, Minnesota, Annette (Tom) Sanderson of Rye, New Hampshire, Mark (Cindy) Metzler of Coleman, Valerie (Jim McCaslin) of Fort Myers, Florida, and Tony (Julie) Metzler of Pardeeville. He was a beloved grandfather to 10 grandchildren, Nic (Adrienne) Metzler, Kaitlin (Shady) Taha, Alex (Alicia) Metzler, Carrie (Brandon) Erickson, M.D., Holly Pyzik (Anthony LaCassa), Michael Sanderson (Kirstie Calams), Andrew (Courtney) Metzler, Crystal (Charlie) Cooperman, and Connor and Grayson Metzler. He was also blessed with 11 great-grandchildren, Raymond, Ismet and Mohy Taha, Brooke and Layla

Erickson, Penelope and Rocco Metzler, Joseph Pyzik, Asher and William Cooperman, and Beckett Metzler. Additionally, he is survived by brother-in-law, Ken (Judy) Bohl; and sisters-in-law, Jan Steinhorst, Carolyn Bohl and Sue Bohl, all of Green Bay. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Alice; his parents, Anton and Desirea Metzler; and his infant daughter, Mary Metzler. Bob will be remembered for his unwavering dedication to family, community and service. His warmth, generosity and tireless spirit will be deeply missed by all who knew him. A viewing was held after 3 p.m. on Sunday,

March 30, 2025, at Jones Funeral Service. A eulogy will be given at 6:15 p.m., followed by sharing of memories and a rosary service. The viewing continued at the funeral home on Monday, March 31, 2025, from 9-10:30 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial followed at 11 a.m. at St. Anthony's Church with Father Walter Stumpf officiating. A burial will be held at a later date at St. Anthony Cemetery, Oconto Falls. Special acknowledgment to Woodside Oaks, Woodside Manor, Heartland Hospice and Cornerstone Caregiving. In lieu of flowers, donations can be given to St. Anthony Parish, Oconto Falls, and Woodside Senior Community, Green Bay.

Patricia Herning

Patricia Herning of Oconto Falls passed away on March 14, 2025, at St. Vincent Hospital in Green Bay. She was born Oct. 3, 1952, to Donald and Irene Schlise. Patricia grew up in Stone Bank, on a dairy farm with her two older brothers and younger sister. She learned the meaning of taking pride in her work no matter how small the task. In 1972, she married John (Jack) Herning and moved to Sobieski and later to Oconto Falls. She had two children, (Garrett and Alisha). She worked as a hairdresser, at the Frigo Cheese Factory in Morgan, as a hostess at



the Farmhouse Ice Cream Parlor and as a custodian for the Pulaski school system. Patricia's family and her faith were the center of her life. She absolutely cherished her husband,

children and grandchildren. She regarded her children as her largest and most rewarding accomplishment in life, taking loving care to nurture and raise them. Next to her children, her grandchildren were her greatest joy. She took pride in watching them grow, loved spending time with them, and always engaged their curiosity. She also cherished her siblings and worked hard to maintain her closeness to them. She was a devout Christian. She strove to keep the light of Christ in her heart and thanked God for her many blessings. She had a true grace to forgive and a selfless

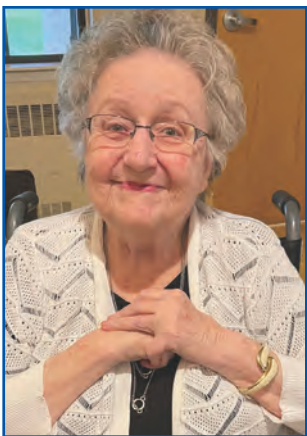
love where she always put others before herself. Outside her family, Patricia had a love for gardening and planting flowers, with tulips being her favorite. At home, keeping the house clean and organized was a top priority. Keeping connections with her many relatives and friends was very important to her. She delighted in travel and day or weekend trips to new places, especially with family and her grandkids. She was a true light who had a warmth and genuine kindness like no other who will be truly missed. She is survived by her husband of 53 years, John "Jack" Francis Hern-

ing; son, Garrett (Laura) Herning of Hartland; daughter, Alisha (Josh) Pech of Statesville, North Carolina; five grandchildren, Mackenzie, Lucas, Madelyn, Jayden and Jaxson. She is further survived by her brother, Robert (Jeri) Schlise of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee; sister, Sherry (Rich) Reimer of Milwaukee; nieces, Dee (Joe) Rossa and Janet (Rick) Maddox; nephews, Dusty (Holly) Schlise, Brian (Jynifer) Schlise and Neil (Ashley) Schlise; and niece-in-law, Kim Schlise. She was preceded in death by her parents, Donald and Irene (Tetzlaff) Schlise; brother,

Harold (Georgia) Schlise; and nephew, Daniel Schlise. Visitation for Patricia will be held at Hillside Assembly of God in Gillett on April 10, 2025, from 10 a.m. to noon, followed by a memorial service at the same location at noon with Pastor Jonathan Carlson officiating. A burial will take place at a later date alongside her mother at Glenview Cemetery in Ixonia. In lieu of flowers please donate to K-Love Radio Station, <https://www.klove.com/>; Samaritans Purse, <https://samaritanspurse.org/>; or Hillside Assembly of God: <https://hillsideassembly.com/>.

Lois Mae Malchow

It is with both sadness and celebration that we announce the passing of Lois Mae Malchow, beloved mother, grandmother and friend, who entered eternal rest on March 28, 2025, at the age of 86. Born on May 19, 1938, in Milwaukee, Lois lived a life rich with love, creativity and community. Lois grew up in Antigo, before embarking on a beautiful journey when she married Kenneth Malchow on July 21, 1957. The couple created a loving home in Neenah, where Lois became an integral member of Peace Lutheran Church, sharing her faith and kindness with



all she met. She enjoyed her career at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Appleton for many years. They owned and operated Everbreeze Resort in Mountain from 1976-79. Later in life, Lois

and Kenneth embraced the quiet joys of retirement in Crivitz. They were happily married for 59 beautiful years. Throughout her life, Lois was known for her artistic spirit. She poured her heart into painting, sewing and creating ceramics, transforming her creative passions into cherished family heirlooms. Her artistic talents brought joy to many, and her legacy will continue to inspire generations to come. Survivors are her four children, Debra (James) Kurzynske of Hiles, Brad Malchow of Crivitz, Cherie (Chris) Van De Hey of

Wrightstown and Steve (Dawn) Malchow of Lake Mills; 14 grandchildren, Michael (Amber) Lashua, Anne (Chris) Nackers, Katie (Alex) Hedges and Jessica Lashua, Daniel, David and Elizabeth (Mark) Krautkramer, Joshua (Katie) Van De Hey and Megan (Brett) Mashl, Owen, Carson and Fletcher Malchow, Grant and Sophie Clark; and eight great-grandchildren, Eli, Brecken and Maddix Malchow, Hudson and Lillian Hedges, Drew and Esme Lashua, and Hallie Mashl; and many nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband,

Ken, in 2016; parents, Milton and Mildred; stepmother, Hazel Hansen; son-in-law, Jerry Lashua; two sisters, Jardie (Dick) Rose and Karen (Bob) Wroblewski; and half-brothers, Tom and Chuck Hansen; brothers-in-law, Gary (Beanie) Malchow and Don (Ginny) Malchow. A celebration of Lois's remarkable life took place with a visitation on April 1, 2025, from 1 p.m. at St. Paul Elder Services Chapel (316 E 14th St., Kaukauna), followed by a service at 2 p.m. with Pastor Josh Reese officiating. Lois Mae Malchow will be dearly missed, but her joyful spirit will forever

be a guiding light in the lives of those who loved her. As we gather to honor her life, we celebrate a legacy of love, creativity and unwavering faith. The amazing display of love she had for her children and grandchildren will never be forgotten. In lieu of other expressions of sympathy, a memorial fund will be established. The family would like to thank the staff members of St. Paul Elder Services of the Birch, Apple Tree and Poppy Path communities and St. Paul Hospice for the love and compassion throughout the many years of excellent care.

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'Puffs' take center stage in Potter's wizarding world

Students in home stretch before April 10-12 performances

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-Chief

For seven years, a certain boy wizard went to a certain Wizard School and conquered evil.

This, however, is not his story. This is the story of the Puffs — who just happened to be there, too. It's a tale for anyone who has never been destined to save the world.

Maddi Stuewer is the director of "Puffs," and with the help of 20 cast and crew members from Shawano Community High School, they will bring to life an alternative view of the Harry Potter world.

"It's about the Potter universe when Harry was going to school but what it would be like to be one of the other students during that time," she said.

Written by Matt Cox, "Puffs" is a parody of the Harry Potter book series by J.K. Rowling, but from the perspective of the "Puffs," members of the Hogwarts house, Hufflepuff.

This two-act comedy gives the audience a new look at a familiar adventure from the perspective of three potential heroes just trying to make it through a magic school that proves to be very dangerous for children.

Alongside them are the Puffs, a group of well-meaning, loyal outsiders with a thing for badgers. Their journey takes the classic story to new places and reimagines what a boy wizard hero can be.

"It had a pretty long run off-Broadway," Stuewer said. "A few years after it closed, they made it available for licensing. They had a 'Young Wizards' version that's more acceptable for high schoolers. It's been pretty widely done around the U.S. since then."

Stuewer picked the play.

"I've always been a Potter fan, so this show in particular has a very soft place in my heart, just lovingly poking fun at this book series that I love," she said. "I really wanted to be able to delve into this world. I thought it would be a big challenge for the



Bailey Corn plays the part of Xavia Jones in "Puffs," the Shawano Community High School play to be performed April 10-12.

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students, and I thought that would be fun. The show has lots of props. There's a lot for people to do backstage instead of just



Among those rehearsing for the spring play at Shawano Community High School are, from left, Andrea Walby as Megan, Jill Guenther as Oliver and Laci Sperberg as Wayne. The play presents an alternative view of the Harry Potter world.

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FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Bible story tells the truth about a mother's heart

If you've followed me for any length of time, you're well aware of how our family was formed, but in case you don't know, I'll fill you in with an abbreviated story.

We'd tried for seven years to start a family. Because we'd always known we wanted to have a family, our journey led us to pursue adoption. We welcomed two sweet

infant boys into our family via that route — one when I was 31 years old and we were blessed with the other one when I was 33.

Feeling sure our family was absolutely complete, astonishingly I turned to my husband and at 38 years old spoke words we'd longed to realize: "I think I'm pregnant." We were ecstatic.

After a visit to our primary care doctor, his jaw dropped when he confirmed my suspicion. He had been with us the entire way. After a thorough exam, he had pronounced our then 12-day-old son healthy. Two years later, our then three-week-old son received the same good news.

Five years later, he was the attending physician for the birth of our daughter and could not stop smiling for us when he handed our beautiful girl to me for the first time. Sweet, sweet memories.

Since becoming a mom, I read the story of Mary, the mother of Jesus, with a compassionate mother-heart. Just now, I am participating in a Bible study, which is centering on women of the New Testament. We have had a week focusing on the mother of Jesus and just what she went through.

Receiving the news she was about to become a mother must have been mind-blowing. She was a teenager and engaged to be married to Joseph. This status tells us that she certainly could have been mature enough, even at her young age, to become a wife and eventual mother.

I'm sure in her heart she must have had misgivings, but her first words, after questioning how this will be since she was a virgin (Luke 1:34), were: "I am the Lord's servant, may your word to me be fulfilled." (Luke 1:38). Such incredible faith and trust!

The story unfolds as she traverses to her cousin, Elizabeth, and upon hearing her greeting, the baby in Elizabeth's womb leapt for joy. They share together for three months before Mary goes back and begins her life with Joseph.

The birth was miraculous — visitors of many ethnic groups and even lowly shepherds, came to pay their respects to her baby while Mary pondered this in her mother's heart (Luke 2:19).

Ponder. What a word — thoughtful, meditative, reflective — she must have deeply committed all to the Father and talked it over with him often. I would have.

When it came time for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took the boy Jesus to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, along with the proper sacrifice (Luke 2:22-24). There, two people prophesied Jesus' destiny, with Simeon blessing the parents, telling Mary, "And a sword will pierce your own soul, too." (Luke 2:34-35)

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AT A GLANCE

WHAT: "Puffs"

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

WHEN: 7 p.m. April 10-12, 2 p.m. April 12

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Conservation Congress hearing panfish limit proposals

Springtime in Wisconsin means the first sightings of robins and sandhill cranes, emerging spring flowers — and statewide DNR/Conservation Congress public hearings.

On April 14, the Department of Natural Resources and the grassroots Wisconsin Conservation Congress hearings in every county give sportsmen and other wildlife lovers the chance to weigh in on hunting, fishing and other conservation management questions.

All meetings start at 6 p.m. In Shawano County, the meeting is at Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St., Shawano. In Oconto County, it's at Suring High School, 411 E. Algoma St., Suring.

Residents can also vote and comment online from 7 p.m. April 14 through 6 p.m. April 16.

Although the public votes do not directly translate to rule changes, the DNR and the Natural Resources Board look closely at the opinions to make future management decisions.

This year, some of the most far-reaching questions include reduced limits on panfishing at Shawano Lake and connected waterways, an extended lake sturgeon hook-and-line season and extending



fall turkey season to the northern Zones 6 and 7.

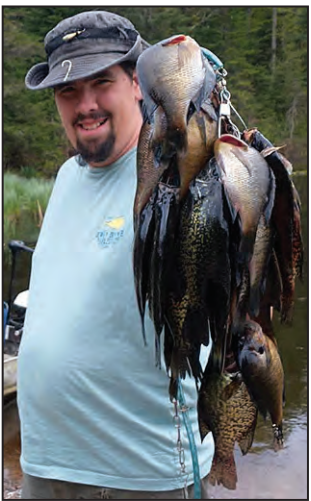
DNR netting and electrofishing surveys have shown a long-term trend of smaller black crappies and other panfish in Shawano Lake.

Under the DNR proposal, the total daily panfish catch limit would be reduced from the current 25 to 10 fish. This would include a combined catch of black crappies, pumpkinseeds, bluegills and yellow perch.

The restriction would cover a total of 22 lakes statewide, including Shawano Lake and connected waters, as well as Crooked, Bass and Gilkey lakes in Oconto County.

The 2023 survey results showed moderate to fast growth of crappies in Wolf River Pond, with fish of 8-8.9 inches aged 3-5 years (representing the 80th percentile when compared with growth of other crappies statewide) and fish of 10-10.9 inches aged 5-8 (representing the 41st to 51st percentile of growth).

For comparison, crappies captured in Shawano



Tim Tautges, of New London, shows off a stringer of panfish caught in northern waters. Panfish limits could drop from 25 to 10 fish on many Wisconsin lakes, including Shawano Lake, under a proposal that will be on the April 14 Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Congress public hearings questionnaire.

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Lake, Washington Lake and the Shawano Outlet never exceeded 8.9 inches and were mostly 4 or 5 years old, representing moderate growth. Loon Lake crappies also remained under 9 inches but were 5-13 years old, representing slow growth.

One goal with the reduced daily limit is to allow some panfish to achieve a larger size. Biologists noted a few larger fish can produce as much meat as many smaller fish.

The DNR began a

25-panfish limit (with a 10-fish limit per species) or two other experimental limits (15 aggregate limit including five of each species, or the same limit during May and June with 25 aggregate the rest of the year) on 94 lakes statewide in 2016 as an experiment. Results showed a general increase in size. These regulations will expire on March 31, 2026.

Other fish and game regulations changes on the hearing ballot include:

- A catch-and-release season for lake sturgeon from the first Saturday in June through the first Sunday in March on selected waters. Current law only allows hook-and-line lake sturgeon fishing from the first Saturday in September through Sept. 30.

- One inland trout fishing limit statewide on a county basis of five fish and no size limit. Currently, there are two regulations: either a five-fish bag and no size minimum or a three-fish bag and 8-inch

minimum. Surveys show most trout anglers release smaller fish regardless of regulation.

- Allow disabled hunters to hunt deer during the two-day October youth hunt. Because the nine-day disabled hunt (first Saturday in October for nine consecutive days) overlaps with the youth hunt, the new regulation would allow disabled hunters to hunt their own land during the youth hunt.

They must continue to hunt in designated areas during the rest of the disabled season as is current law.

- Allow non-edible parts of a deer, bear or elk to be left in the field after harvest.

- Allow trappers to check traps using technology such as cellular trail cameras.

- Allow fall turkey hunting in northern zones 6 and 7.

- Require bear baits on public land to be labeled with the name and address

or license number of the person placing the baits.

- Elimination of lead ammunition and fishing tackle.

- Allow county deer advisory councils to extend the archery deer season until Jan. 31 without approving a holiday hunt.

To see the full 2025 questionnaire, visit https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/sites/default/files/topic/About/WCC/2025/2025_Spring_Hearing_Questionnaire.pdf.

The state's Conservation Congress will hold statewide delegate elections at the meeting. Two of each county's five delegates are up for election to two-year terms.

For more details on the spring hearings, visit <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/about/wcc/springhearing>.

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How do I want her to be? Do I want her to be sassy? Do I want her to be cool? Do I want her to be funny?"

Stuewer said she likes the fact that there isn't just one lead role in the play.

"We have a trio that kind of mimics the trio in the Potter world. We also have a narrator," she said. "Harry is in the show; he's not quite as prominent as he is in the book series, but he's still there. You'll recognize a lot of characters from the wizarding world."

She said the show is best for anyone 12 and older due to mild language and innuendos.

Evie Kuehl, a freshman, plays the role of Harry Potter. She, too, auditioned for her specific role.

"I watched the play 'Puffs,' and he's kind of more of the obnoxious char-

acter, and I'm kind of better at being an obnoxious little kid," she said.

Being obnoxious is also the easiest part of her participation in the play.

Kuehl has been in musicals before, but this is her first play performance.

Stuewer, Walby and Kuehl each identify with a different Hogwarts House.

Gryffindor, Hufflepuff, Ravenclaw and Slytherin each represent distinct personality traits and values: Gryffindor (courage, chivalry), Hufflepuff (hard work, loyalty), Ravenclaw (intelligence, wit) and Slytherin (ambition, cunning).

Stuewer identifies with Hufflepuff.

"They're very loyal, they're a little bit goofy. A lot of people think of them more as the oddballs, maybe

not fully fitting in," she said. "Not to speak for all theater kids, but I think that a lot of theater kids have maybe felt that. One of the underlying tones of the show is the importance of having a sense of belonging, and I think that theater provides that for a lot of kids."

Walby describes herself as a Ravenclaw.

"Every time I've taken the Harry Potter test, I've gotten Ravenclaw," she said. "I've always been on honor roll. I'm very smart in school — book smart, street smart."

As for Kuehl, she's a Gryffindor.

"I'm very outgoing, and the character's that way, too," she said. "They're very out there, not afraid of just sticking out of the crowd."

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Later, when Jesus was 12, they went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover, and when it was over, the caravan started back home. Unbeknownst to his parents, Jesus stayed behind, talking to the elders in the temple courts.

After two days of frantically looking, they finally found Jesus. Can you imagine Mary's heart? She must have turned to Joseph in shock, crying, "We've lost God!"

The scriptures don't give us an inside look at the life of Jesus from 12-30 years old, before He began His public ministry. So Mary and Joseph simply parented Him. Jesus was sinless, so He must never have been disobedient to them, but Mary, remembering Simeon's words, might ponder what a sword of sorrow meant for her.

Fast forward to Mary at the foot of the cross, weep-

ing and in agony, looking up at her precious son as he suffered, the sins of mankind on his shoulders. Whenever my kids were hurt, either physically or emotionally, I would carry that as well. Mary must hardly have been able to breathe.

She knew. She knew what he was doing and why, as when she first spoke to Elizabeth, she had broken out in song, reciting the Old Testament from memory, "As my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior." (Luke 1:46-55)

This Good Friday and glorious Easter Sunday, remind us once again that Mary witnessed what Jesus accomplished — paying our penalty of sin completely so those that repent of their sins and accept the free gift of salvation by grace, being made righteous through Jesus, can receive the gift of eternal life with our Father.

What a blessed message of hope that is.

Walking with Mary through these Bible verses have taught me that while her mother's heart must have been pierced, yes, but what joy bubbled in her mother's heart when he arose from the grave, conquering death once and for all.

("The women were breathless and terrified, until the angel said to them, 'There's no reason to be afraid. I know you're here looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He isn't here — He has risen victoriously, just as He said!'" Matthew 28:5-6, The Passion Translation)

Kay Reminger was born and raised on a dairy farm, and she married her high school sweetheart, who happened to farm for a living in Leopolis. Writing for quite a few years, she remains focused on the blessings of living the ups and downs of rural life from a farm wife's perspective.

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Quick breads rise as snow continues to fall

As spring progresses, and snow continues to fall, I find myself gravitating toward quick breads. Quick breads require no yeast, and, as their name indicates, are quick and easy to make.

Pumpkin bread is one of my favorites to make because it uses some of my favorite spices — bringing to mind the cozy days of Thanksgiving and pumpkin pie. I’m going to spill a little secret of mine. Although I use the name pumpkin bread, I rarely actually use pumpkin.

Since my family plants a fair amount of butternut squash in the garden every year, I use butternut squash instead. Butternut squash is a perfect substitute for pumpkin, and honestly, I think it tastes better. However, “squash bread” simply doesn’t have the same appeal as “pumpkin bread.” Thus, I continue to call it pumpkin bread.

I have tried many pumpkin bread recipes over the years, but I think I’m going to stick with this one for now. What attracted me to this recipe was that it allowed you to use fresh or canned pumpkin. As I often make pumpkin bread after my mom cooks up some butternut squash, the squash is fresh.

Many pumpkin bread recipes, however, call for canned pumpkin. This always made me uneasy, as I wasn’t sure if using



fresh squash would make a difference. Also, pumpkin bread recipes sometimes call for a 15-ounce can of pumpkin. Does that mean almost 2 cups of fresh pumpkin or not? It is so confusing.

Of course, I deviated from the original recipe, as I often do. The original recipe called for 3 cups of sugar, which I reduced. The recipe also called for ½ cup of walnuts. I am not the biggest fan of nuts in baked goods, so I omitted them. However, if you like nuts, fold ½ cup of nuts into the batter as a last step before putting the batter in the pans.

Also, the original recipe called for a teaspoon each of cinnamon and nutmeg. I like cinnamon, ginger and cloves. So, I simply doubled the amount of cinnamon, omitted nutmeg, and added a little ginger and cloves. Feel free to add any kind or amount of spice as you like. Also, use whatever loaf pans you wish, just keep in mind that the baking times may vary.

The first time I made this bread, I knew it was a keeper. It is moist, slightly sweet, and with a hint of spice; while the squash flavor still peeks through.



Pumpkin bread is one of those quick-rising breads that can be easy to make on a day when the weather isn’t enticing people outside. FRANCESCA ULLMER

It is delicious plain or spread with butter.

Granola bars are great as a quick breakfast or snack. What is nice about making them homemade, is that you know exactly what is going into them. I like honey-oatmeal granola bars as they are very simple and easy to make, with only a few ingredients. Also, they allow you to use either quick-cooking or old-fashioned oats. Some recipes are very strict on what kind of oats

to use; and, there is usually only quick-cooking oats in the pantry.

Also, there are some recipes that call for nuts, chocolate, seeds, and/ dried fruits. However, sometimes simple is best, at least for the beginning. Once you get the basics down, the sky’s the limit.

Francesca Ullmer, the second child of a large homeschooled family, is from the Krakow area. She enjoys baking, reading, knitting, raising goats, and entering numerous items in the Oconto County Fair.



While granola bars are readily available at the grocery store, making them at home gives you control over what goes into them. FRANCESCA ULLMER

PUMPKIN BREAD

3 1/4 cups flour

2 tsp. baking soda

1/2 tsp. ginger

2 cups pureed fresh (or canned) cooked pumpkin or butternut squash

2/3 cup water

1 cup white sugar

1 1/2 tsp. salt

1/2 tsp. cloves

3/4 cup packed brown sugar

2 tsp. cinnamon

1 cup oil

4 eggs, mixed slightly

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Line the bottom of three 7-by-3-inch loaf pans with parchment paper, grease and flour the sides. Whisk the flour, sugars, baking soda, salt and spices together until well blended. Push the flour mixture to the sides of the bowl, leaving a well in the center. Add the pumpkin, eggs, oil and water. Mix well with a wooden spoon. Divide between prepared pans. Bake for 40-60 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center of each loaf comes out clean. Allow the bread to rest in the pans for 5-10 minutes. Remove from pans and cool completely on a wire rack.

HONEY-OATMEAL GRANOLA BARS

1/4 tsp. baking soda

1/4 cup honey

2 1/2 cups quick-cooking or old-fashioned oats

A little less than 1/4 tsp. salt

1/4 cup sugar

1/4 cup coconut oil

1 tsp. vanilla

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line an 8-inch square pan with parchment paper, leaving a few inches of overhang on 2 sides. Place 2 cups of the oats in a bowl. Add the remaining oats to a blender or food processor; pulse into a rough flour. Add the oat flour to the bowl of oats. Add the baking soda and salt; stir. Melt the coconut oil on the stovetop or the microwave. Stir in the honey, sugar, and vanilla. Add oil mixture to the oats, stir well until oats are completely coated. Press firmly and evenly into prepared pan. Bake for 20-25 minutes or until golden. Cool on rack for 10 minutes. Remove bars from pan and cut while warm. Cool completely — the bars will crisp up as they cool.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

KESHENA: Winter Farmers Market, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., College of Menominee Nation Cultural Learning Center, N172 State Highway 47-55. Free corn meal and beans bags. Local vendors, artisan native crafts, baking, food, honey, woodcraft, maple syrup, cans, crochet, tea, more.

SHAWANO: Lenten Fish Fry, 4-7 p.m., Sacred Heart Catholic Parish and School, 124 E. Center St. Cod, fries, bread, beverages, non-fish food options available. \$20, \$8 age 12 and under.

BONDUEL: saYPro Axe-Citing Connections, 6-8 p.m., Captain’s Axe and Arcade, 110 Green Bay St., Suite A. Shawano Area Young Professionals members-only networking event. Join for \$20 on saYPro Member Facebook page or email saypro13@gmail.com.

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

CLINTONVILLE: “The Little Mermaid,” 7 p.m., Clintonville High School, 64 Green Tree Road. Free. Presented by Wolf River Homeschoolers Performing Arts.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

SHAWANO: Tattoo and Piercing Fundraiser, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tatted Dad Co., 113 N. Main St. Proceeds benefit Safe Haven.

SURING: Danish Festival and Bazaar, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Our Redeemer’s Lutheran Church, 11005 County Road M. Abelskivers, pork sausage, cheese, Kringle, applesauce and beverage. \$12, children 5-12 \$5.

NAVARINO: Piece Out Puzzle Competition Fundraiser, 2-5 p.m., Navarino Nature Center,

W5646 Lindsten Road. Four-person teams compete to finish a 500-piece puzzle. Limited to 15 teams. \$50 per team. Prizes for first through third places. Register at navarino.org or 715-758-6999.

SHAWANO: Meat Raffle for Sacred Heart, 3-6 p.m., Lakeshore Lanes, 210 April Road. Proceeds benefit Sacred Heart Catholic School.

SHAWANO: Springtime Sweetheart Ball, 5:30-10 p.m., Shawano Civic Center, 225 S. Main St. Potluck 5:30 p.m., Family-friendly music and dancing 7-10 p.m. Live music by Frogwater, dance calling by John Wilson. Free, donations welcome. Sponsored by Shawano Folk Music Festival.

CLINTONVILLE: “The Little Mermaid,” 7 p.m., Clintonville High School, 64 Green Tree Road. Free. Presented by Wolf River Homeschoolers Perform-

ing Arts.

BOWLER: Molly Hatchet, 8 p.m., North Star Mohican Casino and Resort, W12180 County Road A. Doors open 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

BONDUEL: Pancake/Porkie Breakfast, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Zion United Methodist Church, 134 E. Green Bay St. All you can eat, \$10 per person, 6 and under \$5.

CLINTONVILLE: “The Little Mermaid,” 2 p.m., Clintonville High School, 64 Green Tree Road. Free. Presented by Wolf River Homeschoolers Performing Arts.

MONDAY, APRIL 7

SHAWANO: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Room 4, 100 W. Presbyterian St. Information:

Dallas Gast, 715-701-5388 or dallasgast8@gmail.com.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

WABENO: Free Veterans Breakfast, 9:30 a.m., American Legion Hall, 4494 N. Branch St. Coffee ready 9 a.m. Chef’s choice, hosted by Donna and Vicki, 715-889-3731.

SHAWANO: Shawano Paddlers organizational meeting, 5 p.m., The Lighthouse, W6440 Gumaer Road.

SHAWANO: Shawano Pathways monthly meeting, 6-8 p.m., Shawano Civic Center, 225 S. Main St. Use the entrance off Washington Street.

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

SHAWANO: Creative Staffing Solutions, 4:30-8 p.m., Stubborn Brothers Brewery, Crescent Ballroom. 220 S. Main St. Presentation by Shawano Country Progress Summit. Chamber members \$25, non-members \$30.

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

OCONTO: American Legion Post 74, 6 p.m., Copperton Bar and Grill, 818 Main St. Come early for social time and remain after for a light buffet. For information, call 2V-CMDR Jay Rietz at 920-419-7364.

Paying for fish



Jay Tousey, president of the Suring Sportsman's Club, presents a \$1,000 check to Mary Smith, director of the Suring School Fishery Program. Smith gave a presentation to club members March 26 and explained how the program is raising 150 fingerling rainbow trout that were acquired as eggs. They recently purchased a much larger tank as the fishery plans to raise the fish until they're a year old before releasing them. The students at Suring School all participate in the care and feeding of the trout in the fishery program.

KURT BRUEGL

Sacred Heart takes stations



The Sacred Heart Catholic School Student Council recently presented the Stations of the Cross to students and staff inside Sacred Heart Parish. Each member read about a station and also showcased a student-drawn poster for another station. Shown is Kanen Oreskovic, who shows when Jesus fell for the first time while carrying the cross. View all of the Stations on the school's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartcatholic-schoolshawano>.

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Is stem cell therapy legitimate or scam?

Scientists discovered ways to extract stem cells from early mouse tissues nearly 40 years ago. The initial study of mouse stem cells led to the discovery of a method to derive stem cells from human tissues and grow the cells in the laboratory.

The exciting theory that research scientists are working on is that stem cells can be guided into becoming specific cells that can be used to regenerate and repair diseased or damaged tissues in humans.

Currently, researchers are investigating the use of adult, fetal and embryonic stem cells as sources for specialized cell types, such as nerve cells, muscle cells, blood cells and skin cells that can be used to treat various diseases.

In theory, any condition in which there is tissue degeneration can be a potential candidate for stem cell therapies. Examples include spinal cord injury, blindness, stroke, burns, heart disease, type 1 diabetes, osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, muscular dystrophy and liver diseases.

However, to date, we do not have good scien-



Brian Grieves
Guest columnist

tific evidence that this can occur in humans.

Although stem cells offer a compelling promise for future therapies, they currently face significant technical hurdles that can only be overcome through years of intensive medical research.

Unfortunately, because the promise for benefit is so large and for so many serious conditions, numerous desperate patients are seeking help at almost any cost. As a result, the number of commercial cell clinics is expanding rapidly.

According to Leigh Turner, associate professor at the University of Minnesota, there are over 1,000 commercial stem cell clinics in America.

Unproven cellular therapies are big business — generating about \$5 billion annually.

Commercial cell clinics often make claims of benefit and safety that are not supported by scien-

tific medical research. Technically, these clinics are required by federal regulations to submit stem cell therapies for review as “drugs” and to provide evidence of their safety and efficacy. But the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has not enforced these rules. So, these businesses are essentially unregulated.

Additionally, stem cell clinics operate under less robust oversight of infection control measures, including injection safety and medication preparation and testing, which potentially amplifies the risk to patients. In December, the CDC received reports of blood infections in 12 patients from various commercial cellular clinics in three states: Texas (seven), Florida (four) and Arizona (one).

Currently, we do not know whether these treatments are even effective.

Reports are rampant that many patients do not benefit from these treatments, and there are numerous lawsuits against commercial cell clinics.

The gold standard for evaluating any new treatment is an adequately

sized, randomized controlled trial in which the new treatment is compared against a placebo. To date, there have been no such human trials, despite the fact that many thousands of people are lining up to get these treatments.

The commercial cell clinics are charging very high fees that are not reflective of benefit and safety. A procedure such as an injection into a joint might take about 10 minutes and cost between \$5,000 and \$20,000. For systemic diseases such as lupus, some clinics also administer cells intravenously, which can cost more than \$10,000 per session.

Patients should beware. Before paying any clinic thousands of dollars, go to the FDA website for information. Demand that the commercial cell clinic provide you with published medical human research that specifically lists their cellular product by name and demonstrates that product's safety and effectiveness.

Dr. Brian Grieves is a doctor of chiropractic with a master's in public health and a member of the Shawano Community Health Action Team (CHAT). Call 715-524-8722 for more information.

Entries, nominations sought for Copperfest parade

Entries are now being accepted for the Oconto Copperfest parade on June 7.

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On their way to the state youth wrestling tournament

Several Shawano Hawks youth wrestlers received a police and fire escort out of the city March 27 as they made their way to taking part in the state wrestling tournament.
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Barkley, Beversdorf lead their track teams

BY NEW MEDIA STAFF

March 29 Ripon College Showcase Meet

Shawano Community High School's boys and girls track and field teams opened their season at the Ripon College Showcase Meet.

The girls placed third with 64 points among 12 small schools and seventh overall with 36 points among 21 large and small schools.

The boys scored 40 points and placed sixth among 12 small schools.

Adalyn Barkley won the 400-meter dash in 59.09. Teammate Maci Beyer was 11th in 1:06.73.

Barkley and Beyer were joined by Bailey Hendricks and Jillian Guenther in placing second in the 4x800-meter relay in 10:23.11, just three seconds behind Neenah's first-place finish.

Beyer placed third in the high jump at 5 feet 2 inches.

Hendricks finished fifth in the 3,200-meter run in 12:25.98. Barkley was fifth in the triple jump at 34-0.

Bailey Defere placed sixth in the shot put at 30-8.5. Madisyn Weinig was eighth at 29-11.5.

Placing 13th in the 4x400-meter relay were Barkley, Beyer, Zoe Sipple and Teagan Powers in 4:46.87.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Mya Coffey, Sipple, Izabella Tupper and Defere were 18th in 2:10.69.

For the boys, Aiden Rasmussen placed 10th in the 60-meter dash in 7.35.

Ryan Schwitzer was 10th in the pole vault at 11-0.

Francesco Curto placed 12th in the 60-meter hurdles in 9.29.

In the 4x200-meter relay, the team of Curto, Rasmussen, Nolan Kleinschmidt and Maverick Theis placed 13th in 1:39.99.

The 4x800-meter relay team of Quinten Harkey, Joshua Lesperance, Aloysius Frechette and Teagan Harkey placed 13th in 9:59.46.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Schwitzer, Nolan Kleinschmidt, Joseph Kleinschmidt and Bryce Lammers were 14th in 3:51.54.

Lammers placed 14th in the 200-meter dash in 24.74. Theis followed in 16th place in 24.88.

Chase Katchenago was 16th in the shot put at 42-9.5.

Finishing 20th in the 800-meter run was Trevor Schwartz in 2:16.04.

March 27 Marshfield Tigers Girls Invite

Kylee Beversdorf captured four first-place finishes to lead the Wittenberg-Birnamwood track and field team at Marshfield.

Beversdorf won the 60-yard dash in 7.6 seconds and the 220-yard dash in 29.09.

She also won top honors in the 440-yard dash in 1:05.94 and the long jump in 14 feet 1.75 inches.

Lily Metropulos finished fourth in the 440-yard dash in 1:13.38. She was also seventh in the triple jump at 28-3.

Brooke Huffman placed seventh in the shot put at 30-4.75.

Charlie Eichman was ninth in the 1-mile run in 6:54.30 and ninth in the high jump at 4-4.

Jayden Zeinert placed 10th in the long jump at 13-0.25.

March 25 OFHS Indoor Meet

Oconto Falls hosted Al-

goma, Oconto and Suring in a season-opening indoor meet.

The Panthers captured first place in 10 boys events and five girls events.

Elijah White won the 200-meter dash in 26.44, and Emerson Rice won the 400-meter dash in 58.84.

Griffin Kopke had the top spot in the 800-meter run in 2:27.90, while Mason Lotto won the 1,600-meter run in 5:55.60. Emerich Skarban captured first in the 50-yard hurdles in 7.34.

All three relay teams won their events – the 4x100, the 4x400 and the 4x800.

Brady Bursa was first in the long jump at 19-1.5, and he was first in the triple jump at 37-7.5.

Others placing in the top 10 were:

200-meter dash: Skarban, second, 27.74; Croix Gardebrecht, third, 27.74; Weston Hoskins, fourth, 28.14; Samuel Feliz, fifth, 28.34; Kolton Krueger, sixth, 28.74; Ryder VanHulle, seventh, 28.84; Triston Miller, ninth, 29.24; Colt Rhodes, 10th, 29.54.

400-meter dash: Gardebrecht, second, 1:00.94; Brant Laluzerne, fourth, 1:02.94; VanHulle, sixth, 1:03.74; Krueger, seventh, 1:04.44; Cason Weenig, eighth, 1:05.94; Dakota Friedman, 10th, 1:09.84.

800-meter run: Carson Laluzerne, second, 2:44.40.

High jump: Skarban, third, 5-6; Gardebrecht, fourth, 5-4; Maverick McConnell, fifth, 4-6.

Long jump: White, second, 18-1.5; Hoskins, third, 17-1.5; Feliz, sixth, 16-5.5; Isaac Bramer, eighth, 16-2.5; VanHulle, ninth, 15-11.75.

Pole vault: Weenig, fourth, 9-0; Krueger, fifth, 8-6.

Shot put: Jonathan

Moody, fourth, 37-7.5; Evan Rennie, fifth, 38-6; Nathan Desterhaft, sixth, 34-10; Mason Cole, seventh, 34-6.5; Calen Dryja, eighth, 34-2; Onni Hytinen, 10th, 33-10.

For the girls, Emma Meissner won the 800-meter run in 2:47.00.

The 4x100-meter relay team was first in 1:13.14, and the 4x800-meter relay team won in 11:11.20.

Gwen Maggio took top honors in the long jump at 14 feet 3.5 inches, and Abby Budz won the triple jump in 31-8.5.

Other top 10 finishes included:

200-meter dash: Chloe Anastopoulos, second, 32.04; Brooke Fenlon, third, 32.64; Ashlyn Vandermoss, fourth, 32.94; Hailyn St. Louis, sixth, 33.14; Kiera Konitzer, ninth, 34.04.

400-meter dash: Evelyn Savage, seventh, 1:20.94; Vera Deneys-Ondik, eighth, 1:21.24.

1,600-meter run: Ali Kramer, third, 7:45.90.

4x400-meter relay: Second place, 4:46.90.

High jump: Gwen Maggio, second, 4-6.

Long jump: Fenlon, second, 14-1.5; Gracie Miller, third, 13-8.5.

Triple jump: Hailey Delzer, second, 30-2.5; Emery Pagel, third, 28-6.5; Anastopoulos, fourth, 28-3; Maci Gaertig, fifth, 24-1; Eloise Thompson, sixth, 23-11.5.

Shot put: Emily Elliot, fourth, 25-4; Leah Bigelow, fifth, 24-5; Hailee Rugg, sixth, 23-7.5.

Girls from Suring won seven events.

Aliya Cox won the 200-meter dash in 30.64 and the 400-meter dash in 1:08.54. She also won the high jump at 5-0.

Allyson Seibert won the 1,600-meter run in 7:25.20.

Tessa Losurdo won the pole vault at 7-0, and HaileyBo Pecanas won the shot put at 27-9.

The 4x400-meter relay took first in 4:35.60.

Several others placed in the top 10. They included:

200-meter dash: Lexi Remic, fifth, 33.04; Kyler Kempka, seventh, 33.44; Paige Pommerich, eighth, 33.94; Madelyn Hatfield, 10th, 35.24.

400-meter dash: Ginger Gerndt, second, 1:11.84; Losurdo, third, 1:12.74; Remic, fourth, 1:14.44; Kempka, fifth, 1:15.14; Pommerich, sixth, 1:15.54; Noa Sancho, ninth, 1:25.84.

800-meter run: Ellyana Skarban, second, 2:49.40; Moran Suring, third, 2:56.30.

1,600-meter run: Natalie Seibert, second, 7:26.40.

4x100-meter relay: Second place, 1:24.14.

4x800-meter relay: Second place, 12:10.40.

High jump: Skarban, third, 4-4; Pommerich, fifth, 3-10; Losurdo, sixth, 3-8.

Long jump: Skarban, fourth, 13-2; Suring, fifth, 13-0.25; Remic, sixth, 12-8.25; Gerndt, seventh, 12-7.75; Kempka, eighth, 12-3.5; Sophie Marquardt, ninth, 12-2.5; Hatfield, 10th, 10-10.

Shot put: Chloe Schroeder, second, 27-4; Courtney Zikoske, eighth, 22-1.

Several Suring boys placed second in their events, the best finishes for the team. Top 10 results are:

200-meter dash: Dayne Ermis, eighth, 29.14.

400-meter dash: Ermis, fifth, 1:03.44.

800-meter run: Damon Otto, third, 2:55.00.

1,600-meter run: Blake DeGrave, second, 6:19.30.

50-yard hurdles: DeGrave, second, 8.84.

4x100-meter relay: Sec-

ond place, 1:11.34.

4x400-meter relay:

Second place, 4:46.10.

High jump: Ermis, second, 5-8.

Long jump: Ermis, seventh, 16-5; CJ Richard, 10th, 15-3.5.

Pole vault: Michael Bailey, third, 9-6.

Shot put: Bailey, third, 37-10; Kroix Kempka, ninth, 34-0.5.

Ripon College Invitational

Pulaski's boys scored 38 points and placed seventh out of 17 teams at the Willmore Center, and the girls scored three points and placed 16th.

Placing in the top 10 for the boys were:

200-meter dash, Keegan Bouchea, ninth, 24.54.

400-meter dash: Thomas Murphy, third, 54.07; Mitchell Pilon, 10th, 56.60.

800-meter run: Dan Augustine, third, 2:05.86.

1,600-meter run: Arden Gillen, fifth, 4:46.44; Parker Marshall, seventh, 4:57.28.

4x200-meter relay:

Bouchea, Eli Brancefield, Max Fredrickson, Sawyer Goodness, sixth, 1:41.15.

4x400-meter relay:

Augustine, Dayne Groth, Landyn Kroll, Murphy, second, 3:43.16.

High jump: Bennett Vanschyndel, sixth, 5-8; Isaac Lom, seventh, 5-8.

Triple jump: Brancefield, fifth, 38-9.

Anna Friedman had the best finish for the girls, placing sixth in the 400-meter dash in 1:06.04.

Marshfield Tigers Boys Invite

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Kaden Yeager placed third in the triple jump in 37-2.5 in Marshfield.

The only other top 10 finish for the Chargers was Aydrean McGeschek, who was seventh in the long jump at 17-1.75.

Hawks, Chargers open softball season

Danny Mac Softball Classic

The Shawano softball team opened the 2025 campaign with a 2-1 mark at the Danny Mac Softball Classic in the Hodag Dome in Rhinelander.

On March 28, the Hawks defeated Edgar 15-5.

Shawano opened with four runs in the first inning and another six in the second. Edgar scored a run in the bottom of the second and trailed 10-1.

The Hawks added five runs in the top of the third. Edgar scored once in the bottom of the third and three more times in the fifth to end the scoring.

In their first game March 29, Shawano defeated Menomonie 6-4. Unfortunately, the Hawks their second game 11-2 to Stratford.

Florida tournament

Wittenberg-Birnhamwood went 1-2 in their games at Clermont, Florida.

The Chargers opened their season with an 11-1 loss to Revere (Ohio) on March 25.

On March 26, Witt-Bird defeated Adams-Friendship 12-6 for their first victory.

Finally, on March 27, the Chargers lost 13-3 to Clintonville.

They were scheduled to play at Weyauwega-Fremont on March 31 and at Amherst on April 3. Today's schedule features a game at Westfield.



Jay Tousey, president of the Suring Sportsman's Club, presents a \$1,000 check to Mary Smith, director of the Suring School Fishery Program. KURT BRUEGL

Sportsman's club donates to fishing program

Mary Smith, director of the Suring School Fishery Program, gave a presentation to Suring Sportsman's Club members March 26.

The Suring School Fishery Program is raising 150 fingerling rainbow trout, which were acquired as

eggs. They recently purchased a much larger tank as the fishery plans to raise the fish until they're a year old before releasing them.

The students at Suring School participate in the care and feeding of the trout in the fishery pro-

gram. Students are also learning about about their lifecycle.

Suring Sportsman's Club President Jay Tousey presented a check for \$1,000 to the Suring School Fishery Program to continue this work.



Oconto Falls Taylor Miller finished in 10th place at the 2024 WIAA Division 2 state girls golf championships at University Ridge Golf Course in Verona. On March 27, she signed a letter of intent to attend UW-Stevens Point and play golf there. Twelve of her classmates also signed college letters of intent that night. CONTRIBUTED

Senior signing night held in Oconto Falls

Oconto Falls High School hosted a senior signing night for the class of 2025 on March 17.

Thirteen athletes signed college letters of intent:

- Ben Adams, UW-Stevens Point, cross country and track.
- Jack Adler, Rock Valley College, baseball.
- Cole Bozile, St. Cloud

State University, wrestling.

- Hunter Bozile, UW-Stevens Point, wrestling.
- Abby Budz, UW-Green Bay, dance.
- Hailey Delzer, St. Norbert College, cross country and track.
- Easton Engel, St. Mary's College, baseball.
- Brooke Hodkiewicz, Wisconsin Lutheran, cross

- country and track.
- Maddy Maloney, Wisconsin Lutheran, basketball.
- Randi Metzler, UW-River Falls, softball.
- Kenzie Miller, UW-Platteville, dance.
- Taylor Miller, UW-Stevens Point, golf.
- Amber Otto, Elmhurst University, volleyball.

Sipple's winning basket decides all-star game

Shawano's Logan Sipple connected on a game-winning shot in overtime to seal the win in the fourth annual Wisconsin Herd high school all-star game

March 29 in Oshkosh.

The Herd all-stars defeated Wisconsin 133-131.

The Wisconsin Herd, NBA G League affiliate of the Milwaukee Bucks,

hosted the event that included a 3-point contest, dunk contest and all-star game.

Team Wisconsin included Jesse DeBauch, Gillett.



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Learn to Hunt Bear program seeks applicants, instructors

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and conservation partners are encouraging novice hunters who want to learn about bear hunting in Wisconsin to apply for the Learn to Hunt Bear program.

The program is intended to promote awareness and understanding of bear hunting in Wisconsin, particularly for those who are interested in hunting bear on their own in the future.

The program includes multiple classroom and field sessions, culminating with a bear-hunting experience. Participants will learn about bear biology, population management, habits, habitat, hunting techniques, regulations and safety.

Anyone who has not previously participated in the Learn to Hunt Bear program or received a bear harvest authorization is encouraged to apply. Participants must be at least 10 years old, and there is no maximum age.

The number of Learn to Hunt Bear programs offered varies annually and will influence the number of participants selected. Applicants will be notified of the status of their ap-



The Learn to Hunt Bear programs helps teach new and novice hunters the skills they need to target black bear in Wisconsin. WISCONSIN DNR

plication by June 1.

Interested participants should complete the on-line application by May 1. The application, program guidelines and more information can be found on the DNR's Learn to Hunt Bear webpage.

The DNR is also looking for experienced bear hunters interested in becoming Learn to Hunt Bear program instructors. The number of participants in the program is dependent on the number of volunteers who can instruct novice hunters. Potential instructors need at least five years of bear

hunting experience and must consent to a background check.

The DNR will work with instructor groups to develop a Learn to Hunt Bear program in their area or help individual volunteers find an existing group to work with. Interested volunteers should notify Emily Iehl, DNR hunting and shooting sports program specialist, at emily.iehl@wisconsin.gov by April 18.

More information for instructors can be found on the Learn to Hunt Bear webpage under "Learn to Hunt Bear Instructors."

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VARIATIONS: A five-language name game

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ACROSS

1 *Paradise Lost* villain

6 With, in France

10 Fairway cry

14 Pub pastime

19 Maytag alternative

20 Marlon Oscar role

21 Airshow stunt

22 Not moving

23 "Barefoot Boy" poet

27 Stir to action

28 South Pacific microstate

29 Email notification

30 "Tell ___ story"

31 Ship's spine

32 Delivery vehicle

34 Mare hair

36 ___ Francisco (river of Brazil)

37 "Sting like a bee" boxer

38 "Blue Danube" composer

41 Tonic partner

42 Burger flipper

46 Extra-wide shoe

47 Pretext

48 Movie theater

49 Innate gift

50 Joke around

51 Scorching

52 Word pioneer

54 Without assistance

55 Any birthstone

56 1,000,000, mostly

58 Grape crusher

59 Craving

60 The Kindle, for instance

62 Arena level

64 *Decameron* author

70 Traveled with a trailer

71 Well-organized

72 Letter before omega

75 Southeast Asian capital

78 "You ___ mouthful"

81 Closest star

82 Swindler

84 Makes corrections in

86 GPS direction

87 Redcap's reward

88 Take a dive

89 It's far from 71-Across

90 Med. insurance plans

92 Baseball great Gehrig

93 Ship's debris

94 Curator's concern

95 French antimonarchist

98 Zilch

99 Carrier with an LAX hub

100 Big Apple theater award

101 First X or O

102 Marvel movie superhero

106 Seventh century starter

107 "___ just take a minute"

109 Come to terms

111 Cornell's city

113 *Little Mermaid* author

117 What Germans call Merkel

118 Parisienne pal

119 Weighty book

120 Assail

121 Small stingers

122 Pre-schoolers

123 Exxon's ex-name

124 Freezing temperatures

3 Lake near Reno

4 Invalidate

5 Asks repeatedly

6 Urban rd.

7 38-Across' hometown

8 Sicilian spewer

9 Supported like the Parthenon

10 Show off

11 Comics cry of distress

12 Propels with oars

13 Turkish tourist town

14 Marks of repetition

15 Pantry pest

16 Consider in a new light

17 Timberland limits

18 Sieves and colanders

24 Rebellion

25 Wipe clean

26 "Be right with you"

33 Cry of discovery

35 Miscalculation

38 D-Day's month

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40 Prefix for graph

42 Spend some time

43 Nearly colorless

44 "Moving right ____"

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63 Frost-covered

65 Smooths, as skirts

66 Roman poet

67 Element in atomic clocks

68 Wheat or soybeans

69 Bets first

73 Epic tale

74 Short news piece

75 Be indecisive

76 Smithsonian artifacts

77 Baby birds

79 Soon, in verse

80 Role model, for short

82 Curdle

83 Crude dwelling

85 Sword holder

87 Put up with

88 Tranquil

91 Food court regular

92 One of the Mario Brothers

93 End of many work wks.

95 Breakfast buffet array

96 Tapers off

97 Starting squads

102 Afternoon hour

103 Impulsive speed

104 Salty expanse

105 Carries on verbally

108 "Stretch" vehicle

110 Grandson of 60-Down

112 Trial run

114 Taste of tea

115 Plop down

116 It means "recent"

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Encompass expands foster grandparents program locally

Encompass Early Education and Care has received an additional AmeriCorps Seniors grant to expand the Foster Grandparent Program at its newly opened Oconto Falls Center.

In February, Deb Johnson, Foster Grandparent Program Director, visited Parkview Apartments and Iverson’s Piggly Wiggly to share information about the program, successfully recruiting four new volunteers, who began in March.

Johnson said the Foster Grandparent Program provides seniors with meaningful volunteer opportunities, enriching their lives with a sense of purpose and community engagement.

Volunteers support

classrooms by rocking and feeding infants, reading to toddlers and assisting children who need extra attention through interactive activities like games and puzzles. This initiative fosters intergenerational connections, benefiting both the children and the seniors involved, Johnson said

To participate, volunteers must meet specific income requirements set by AmeriCorps Seniors, the program’s funding source. Volunteers receive a tax-free stipend, mileage reimbursement and annual paid time off.

The Oconto Falls Center, which opened in June 2024, is Encompass’s newest addition. The nonprofit is currently looking for

additional senior volunteers interested in joining the Foster Grandparent Program. Contact Johnson at 920-785-9710 or djohnson@encompasswi.org.

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XYZ Unknown Defendant,
Defendants.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS
Case No. 25CV38
Code No. 30301

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
To each person named above as a Defendant:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis for the legal action.

Within 40 days after March 21, 2025, of receiving this Summons, you must respond with a written Answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The Court may reject or disregard an Answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The Answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is Clerk of Circuit Court, Oconto County Courthouse, 301 Washington St, Oconto, WI 54153-1621, and to Plaintiff’s attorney, whose mailing address is PO Box 1473, Wausau, Wisconsin 54402-1473.
You may have an attorney help or represent you. If you do not provide a proper Answer within 40 days after March 21, 2025, the Court may grant Judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A Judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
Dated this 11 th day of March 2025.

Bates Legal Group, LLC, Attorneys for Plaintiff
/s/ Attorney Justin J. Bates
Justin J. Bates State Bar No. 1066128
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Wausau, WI 54402-1473
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04/04/2025

Notice of Annual Meeting Town of Morgan

The Annual Meeting for the Town of Morgan will be held Wednesday April 16, 2025 at the Morgan Town Hall, 3276 County Road C, Oconto Falls, pursuant to State Statute 60.11 (2) & (5). The meeting will be called to order at 7:00 PM

"If you are an individual with a disability and need a special accommodation while attending this meeting, as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act, please notify the Town Clerk (920) 846-0699 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting in order to make suitable arrangements." Thank You.

Erin Mooers- Town Clerk
WNAXLP

04/04,04/11/2025

TOWN OF STILES ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Wednesday, April 16, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.

Stiles Town Hall – 5718 Watercrest Rd, Lena, WI 54139

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Town Meeting of Electors of the Town of Stiles, Oconto County, Wisconsin will be held in the Town at the Stiles Town Hall at 5718 Watercrest Rd Lena, WI 54139 on Wednesday, the 16th of April, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Terrah Patton
Clerk, Town of Stiles
WNAXLP

04/04/2025

2024 Consumer Confidence Report Data VILLAGE OF LENA WATERWORKS, PWSID: 44304931 Public locations posting of 2024 CCR

The 2024 CCR Report will not be mailed to customers. The Report was posted on March 25, 2025, and available for your review at the following four (4) locations and on the Village of Lena website:

- Lena Village Hall, 117 E. Main St., Lena, WI
- Lena Public Library, 200 E. Main St., Lena, WI
- US Post Office, 135 E. Railroad St., Lena, WI
- Lena High School, Lena, WI

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04/04/2025

OPEN BOOK & BOARD OF REVIEW Public Notice to Village of Lena Residents

Public notice is hereby given for the purpose of reviewing and examining the assessment roll of real and personal property and all sworn statements and valuations of real and personal property therein, and of correcting all errors in said roll, whether in description of property or otherwise, and to perform such other duties imposed by law.
Taxpayers may appear at these meetings and examine the assessment roll, sworn statements, and valuations, and be heard in relation thereto.

Open Book

Thursday, April 10, 2025
8-10 am

Place: Village Hall 117 E. Main Street

Residents may pick up objection forms at this time. If objecting, you must turn in a filled-out objection form no later than 48 hours before the Board of Review Meeting.

Board of Review

Monday April 28, 2025
4-6 p.m.

Place: Village Hall 117 E. Main Street

Jodi A. Marquardt
Clerk/Treasurer
WNAXLP

03/21, 03/28, 04/4/2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Discontinuance of a Part of Duame Road in the Town of Stiles

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing shall be held by the Town Board of the Town of Stiles at the Town of Stiles Town Hall, 5718 Watercress Road, Lena, Wisconsin, on April 16, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., to discuss the proposed discontinuance of the following described Town road initiated by introduction of a resolution by the Town Board of the Town of Stiles under § 66.1003(4)(b), Wis. Stats., specifically:

Twenty-seven (27) feet of the East and West sides of Duame Road commencing at Olson Road and continuing North approximately One Thousand Three Hundred (1,300) feet to the North section line of the Southeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 15, Township 28 North Range 20 East Town of Stiles, Oconto County, Wisconsin.

Anyone interested in the proposed discontinuance of this portion of Duame Road may attend and comment on the proposed action. The Town Board shall act on the resolution at a duly scheduled meeting following the public hearing.

The Town Clerk shall properly post or publish this resolution as required under § 60.80, Wis. Stats.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2025.

TOWN OF STILES

BY: /s/ Terrah Patton
Terrah Patton, Town Clerk

Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations for attendance at the meeting should contact the Town Clerk at ((920) 516-7381 at least one business day prior to the meeting.
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04/04, 04/11/2025

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE

KellyLakeSanitaryDistrict OcontoCounty,Wisconsin

BIDS CLOSE: THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2025,AT11:00 AM, LOCAL TIME

The Kelly Lake Sanitary District will receive sealed Bids for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade at the offices of General Engineering Company, 916 Silver Lake Dr, Portage, WI 53901 at the time and date stated above, at which time, all Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The District would like to convert the existing Recirculating Sand Filter process to Sequencing Batch Reactor. The Work for which bids are asked includes the following: conversion of the existing septic tanks into aeration basins, installation of a vertical screen with a fiberglass building, installation of the SBR process, installation of a fabric building, removal of the filter media, installation of a holding tank, piping modification, SCADA system upgrade, and electrical work.

Digital Bidding Documents are available at www.generalengineering.net. You may download the digital documents for \$40.00 by inputting project #9604644. An optional paper set is also available from the office of General Engineering Company, P.O. Box 340, 916 Silver Lake Drive, Portage, WI 53901 for a fee.

Bids must be accompanied by bid security in the form of a certified check or bid bond equal to five percent of the maximum bid price, payable to the Owner as a guaranty that if the Bid is accepted, the Bidder will execute the Contract Documents and furnish the required contract security. If the Successful Bidder fails to execute the Contract Documents and provide the required contract security within 15 days after the Notice of Award, the Owner may annul the Notice of Award and the Bid Security will be forfeited.

Bids may not be withdrawn within 60 days after the date of the bid opening. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, and to award the Contract to the Bidder, who in the judgment of the Owner, will best serve the interest of the Owner.

This project will be funded by the DNR Clean Water Fund Program.

All contract work for this project shall be subject to Davis-Bacon and Related Acts (DBRA) and federal wage determinations. Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under this contract, Section 3 and E.O. 11246.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs), including Minority-owned Business Enterprises (MBEs), and Women's Business Enterprises (WBEs) are encouraged to submit bid proposals.

Contracted work may require fulfillment of Buy America guidelines and will include the "Use of American Iron and Steel" provision. Bid Proposals may be denied if the requirements of this section are not met, and waivers are required.

Published by the authority of the Kelly Lake Sanitary District.

By: Kelly Lake Sanitary District
Sally Blazek, Secretary/Treasurer
9535 Green Acres Street
Suring, WI 54174-0122-268
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Gillett library has cure for winter ‘Blues’

By SHANNON STONER
Gillett Public Library

Gillett Public Library hosted a Bluey party on March 27 with a variety of Bluey-themed activities and snacks. “Bluey” is a popular children’s cartoon featuring an energetic Blue Heeler puppy who lives with her Mum, Dad and little sister, Bingo.

Kids of all ages were treated to a loot bag filled with finger puppets, Bluey stickers, a free book and a bag of alphabet snacks.

They could pretend to be a librarian, stamping books and reading to their friends and family. Every librarian needs a library card, so kids could decorate their own Bluey library cards.

The makerspace table was a creation station for Bluey coloring pages, as well as a place to build a robot from various crafting supplies. In a popular episode of the cartoon, Bluey builds a robot dad to clean her room.

“Keepy Uppy” was the most popular station, in which kids had to bounce balloons into the air before they could reach the ground.

After all of the activities, the library had snacks in the teen area with cupcakes, Rice Krispies Treats, granola bars, cookies and blue cupcakes.



Shannon Nichola Stoner is director of the Gillett Public Library

Family members make their own library cards during a Bluey-themed party March 27 at the Gillett Public Library.

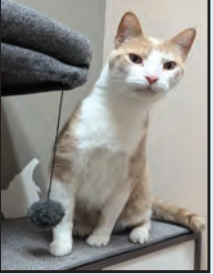
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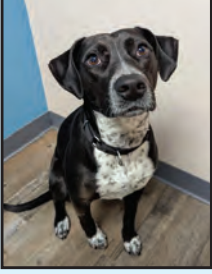
Meet Apollo. He is a young petite pitbull with playful energy. He has done well in his kennel and is potty trained. He is treat motivated and smart.

HAMLET



Meet Hamlet. He is a 10 year old senior boy looking for a home. Overall, he is a friendly and calm cat who has done well with other cats in his previous home. He would do great adopted with another buddy.

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Daytona is a very sweet dog, who has been well behaved for staff. She is good with other dogs and likes the outdoors. She has done well in her kennel and is potty trained

SQUIRREL



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OCONTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

March 20
Deputies responded to 34 incidents, including property damage on Green Meadow Lane in the Town of Townsend, theft on Sugar Bush Road in the Town of Little River, suspicious activity on Flat Rock Heights Lane in the Town of Gillett, drugs in the Town of Riverview, fire on County Road G in the Town of Brazeau, three traffic stops, three traffic hazards, two traffic offenses, four citizen assists, two welfare checks; one 911 hangup and one open line.

March 19
Deputies responded to 71 incidents, including suspicious activity near U.S. Highway 141 and Liegeois Road in the Town of Abrams, internet fraud on Allen Road in the Town of Little Suamico, suspicious activity on Allen Road in the Town of Little Suamico, harassment on Hunts Lane in the Town of Gillett, fire near Peshtigo Brook and Sleeter roads in the Town of Bagley, a death investigation in Suring, fire on Knapp Street in Suring, one traffic stop, five citizen assists, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, three welfare checks; four ambulance calls; 30 crashes.

March 18
Deputies responded to 46 incidents, including a wanted person on Arbutus Avenue in Oconto, suspicious activity on County Road F in the Town of Lakewood, theft on Trails Nook Road in the Town of Oconto, five traffic stops, five traffic offenses, three citizen assists, seven miscellaneous traffic incidents; three open-line 911 calls.

March 17
Deputies responded to 50 incidents, including suspicious activity near County Road C and Morgan Marsh Road in the Town of Morgan, attempted fraud on County Road C in the Town of Chase, suspicious activity on Scotch Pine Circle in the Town of Townsend, a disturbance on Kalies Shady Lane in the Town of Riverview, suspicious activity on Roberts Lane in the Town of Little Suamico, fire near U.S. 41-141 and Geano Beach Road in the Town of Little Suamico, suspicious activity near County Road S and Hilbert Road in the Town of Chase, an animal bite on Gregory Lane in the Town of Little Suamico, a disturbance on Quincy Street in Oconto Falls; suspicious activity on Maiden Lake Road in the Town of Riverview, near County Road T and Archibald Lake Road in the Town of Doty, and near County Road V and Gillett Town Hall Road in the Town of Underhill, eight traffic stops, one traffic hazard, four traffic offenses, three citizen assists, one miscellaneous traffic incident, one welfare check; one 911 hangup and two open lines; one crash.

March 16
Deputies responded to 36 incidents, including suspicious activity on Okonto Lane in the Town of Lakewood, on Wild Rose Court in the Town of Chase, and on state Highway 32 in the Town of Gillett, a disturbance on Morgan Marsh Road in the Town of Morgan, a noise disturbance on North Center Street in Suring, suspicious activity on Redinger Avenue in the Town of Lakewood and on state Highway 64 in the Town of Doty, harassment on Pecor Street in Oconto,

three traffic stops, one traffic hazard, two traffic offenses, two miscellaneous traffic incidents; one 911 hangup and three open lines; one ambulance call; four crashes, three involving deer.

March 15
Deputies responded to 54 incidents, including a noise disturbance on County Road J in the Town of Little Suamico, two disturbances on Morgan Marsh Road in the Town of Morgan, a weapon offense on Froelick Road in the Town of Pensaukee, a missing person on Pritchard Lane in the Town of Riverview, suspicious activity near Bloom and Kelly roads in the Town of Underhill, nine traffic stops, five traffic offenses, four citizen assists, four miscellaneous traffic incidents; four open-line 911 calls; one ambulance call; one crash, involving deer.

March 14
Deputies responded to 49 incidents, including a noise disturbance on Holiday Inn Road in the Town of Spruce, burglary on Wiskow Road in the Town of Underhill, criminal damage on state Highway 32 in the Town of Lakewood, suspicious activity on Bialozynski Road in the Town of Chase, sexual assaults in the Town of Oconto and the Town of Morgan, child abuse in the Town of Chase, suspicious activity on East First Street in Gillett, an unwanted party on Dudzik Road in the Town of Chase, fire on Morgan Marsh Road in the Town of Morgan, three traffic stops, five traffic offenses, one citizen assist, five miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; two 911 hangups and one open line; three ambulance calls; one crash.

END OF AN ERA

Antlers Supper Club sold to former employees

By **GREG SEUBERT**
Correspondent

It turned out to be an opportunity that Harlow Arndt and his wife couldn't pass up.

Arndt and his wife, Tia, recently purchased Antlers Supper Club in Bonduel from Lance and Vicki Olson, who ran the popular business at 120 E. Green Bay St. for 17 years.

The Olsons will operate the supper club until the close of business March 30. They'll serve their usual Sunday breakfast before closing the doors one last time as owners.

"We will be open for breakfast as normal," Lance Olson said. "I am looking forward to it, but I am also very emotional about the people that I probably won't see."

"At 2 o'clock, we'll shut the doors and ride away in the sunset," Vicki Olson said.

Two days later — April 1 — the Arndts took over as business that has been in Vicki Olson's family for almost 25 years.

"We bought the place from her parents on April Fool's Day of 2008," Lance Olson said. "It'll be 17 complete years."

Vicki Olson's parents ran the business for seven years before turning it over to their daughter and son-in-law. Her parents helped the previous owners find a buyer.

"He was in real estate, and the buyer needed help financing," Lance Olson said. "They basically were financing it for this couple who were attempting to buy it. After about four years, it just wasn't working for them and they decided to walk away and go back to Florida where they were living. That's how her parents ended up with it."

"I worked here the whole seven years and we actually met here," Vicki Olson said. "We met because of the bear."

The dining area includes a full mount of a black bear that Lance Olson shot in Manitoba, Canada, in 1999.

That bear is part of the supper club's outdoor-related theme. One of the walls



Harlow Arndt, left, and his wife Tia, not pictured, have purchased Antlers Supper Club in Bonduel from Lance and Vicki Olson, who owned the business for 17 years. The Olsons had purchased the supper club from Vicki Olson's parents in 2008. GREG SEUBERT



White-tailed deer mounts line one of the walls of the dining room at Antlers Supper Club in Bonduel. GREG SEUBERT

of the dining room features several white-tailed deer shoulder mounts.

"A good chunk of the mounted heads are from her parents," Lance Olson said. "They had a deer farm. All of the sheds (in the bar area) are from the deer farm. Over the years, we contributed some of our own, and our son had a couple of the mounts."

Each supper club is different and has its own theme, according to Lance Olson.

"Ours is more of a hunting and outdoors theme," he said. "It's more of an experience, it's not just the dining. You're coming out, taking your time and enjoying social time with friends, a cocktail or a soda. When you order, it's a multi-course meal. At other restaurants, it's like here

it is. Here, you have your salad, a freshly baked loaf of bread and a garnish tray followed by a cup of soup and your full entree. We always come out with a dessert of cookies and stuff. It's more of a destination than just come through and eat."

The supper club's patrons include local residents and others who travel a long distance.

"Every day, I get to work with my best friend, and our children also worked here ever since they were 10-year-olds," Vicki Olson said. "Not many moms get to work with their kids and their husband every day."

Alexandra and Remington are now 27 and 23, respectively.

"Our customers have seen our children grow up, and a lot of people have given me hugs these last

couple of weeks and said, 'Gosh, we watched your kids grow up here,'" Vicki Olson said. "Remington is now a welder, and our daughter works for Homeland Security. They both have their own careers, and this was not something that they had a passion for. We wanted them to pursue whatever their calling was."

Supper clubs offer their customers a unique dining experience, something the Olson family was happy to provide over the years.

"It gives you a chance to slow down and enjoy the food, company and atmosphere," Vicki Olson said. "We do a little of everything. Friday fish fries are very popular, prime rib and tenderloin tips on Saturday, chicken specials on Sunday and made-to-order omelettes on Sunday morning."

"We had a person contact us and ask us to open a little bit early and have the dining room set up so he could propose to his fiancée because they had their first date here," Lance Olson said. "Just to be such a part of these peoples' lives and their anniversaries and birthdays. Year after year, people come back for their birthday, and this is their request to come here. Just to know that they value us so highly, it is very rewarding."

"It's the personal service," Vicki Olson said. "(Lance) will remember peoples' drinks when they walk in. It's very personable."

The Arndts are very familiar with the supper club.

"Vicki and Lance hired me for my first real job," Harlow Arndt said. "I was 16. I started as a dishwasher and learned to bus tables and all that stuff. I moved up to cook and helped wait tables. I worked here about eight years total."

He gave up a job with the Green Bay Post Office to purchase the business.

"I've been looking at owning a place probably since I was 20," he said. "About five or six years ago, I stopped in here to see if they were interested in selling. They weren't ready yet, which is fine. When it became available, I thought it was perfect, because my wife and I met here. We got married while we were working here. It's near and

dear to my heart in a lot of ways."

Arndt is looking forward to the career change.

"I'm more excited than nervous," he said. "They built up a really good business. All I need to do is step in and follow their model. The wait staff that they train is way up here, far and above better than anywhere else. (The staff) is staying on for the most part. There are a couple of people that are leaving after April, but they wanted to get me going, which again, says a lot about the character they hire."

Tia Arndt will help out at the supper club, but she also farms with her parents.

"It's a lot of work and a lot of long hours, but people do like supper clubs," Arndt said. "They like having a drink or two before supper. There are people that have literally sat here for four hours talking to patrons."

He started in the middle of February, so he'll have about one and a half months of training.

"There are going to be some hiccups," he said. "I know that. Lance has shown me a lot of preventative maintenance stuff."

He said he and his wife didn't want to purchase a business that needed a lot of improvements.

"That was a big thing with us," Arndt said. "We didn't want to come in and do too much building work right away. Lance is very particular, so he maintained it very well. It's the perfect place, but then I had the post office, which is a career job. I really had to look at what I wanted. It just came down to what makes me happy."

The Arndts don't plan to make any major changes at first.

"I've always wanted my own place," Arndt said. "I probably looked at 12-14 restaurants that were up for sale around the area. It just didn't seem like the right fit. I looked at a couple of diners, but that wasn't something that I really wanted to do."

Vicki said she and her husband aren't retiring.

"We have a lot of irons in the fire," she said. "We have some property that we would like to develop. We want to take a little break, stop and smell the roses, and maybe do a little traveling. We live not too far from Bonduel, so it's not like we're going too far. It's just time to pass the torch to someone else."

Asbestos abatement, demolition on the horizon

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-Chief

Shawano County supervisors adopted a resolution March 26 to approve additional uses of residential rental property funds.

The original 2013 resolution approved the carry-over of the funds for future property acquisition, and ongoing maintenance and repairs at rental properties owned by Shawano County and maintained by

the building maintenance department.

The new resolution clarifies the use of the funds, which can now be used for decommissioning, demolition and lawn landscape of the residences.

The county will pay nearly \$12,900 to remove asbestos at 205 and 221 W. Fourth St., Shawano. The two homes are west of the courthouse and are part of the block of homes that could one day be used for

a courthouse expansion project.

Demolition could soon follow.

An estimate to have the highway department raze the two homes is \$51,000.

As of Dec. 31, 2024,

the account has a balance of \$220,161.31, about \$1,000 less than what was reported at the Jan. 9 meeting of the public property committee.

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7.5-13.7oz

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16oz

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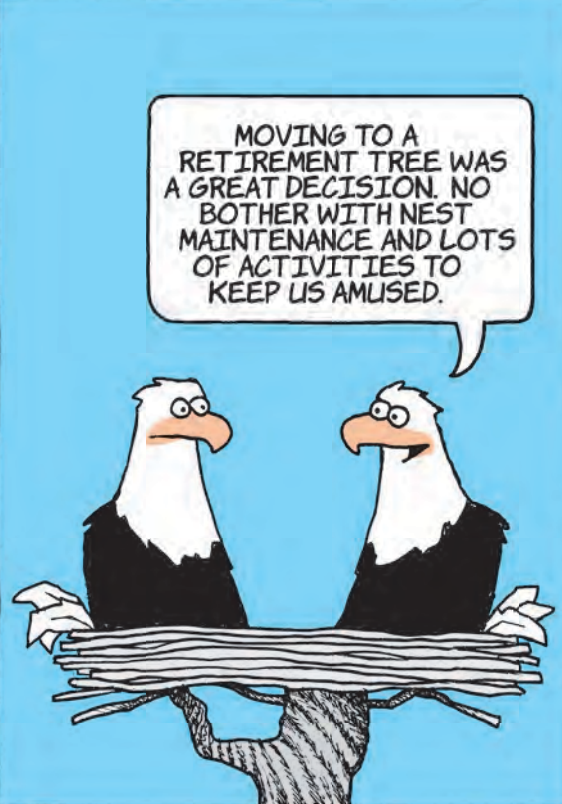


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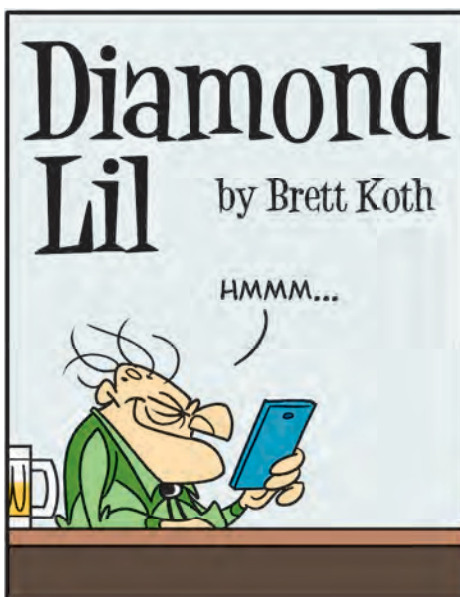
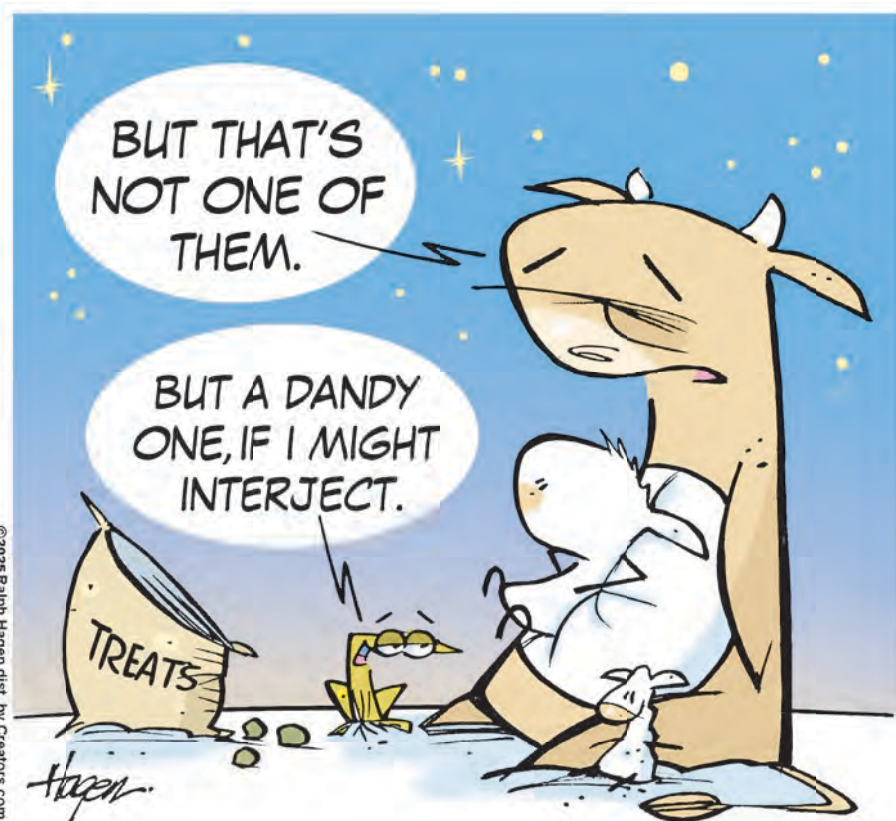
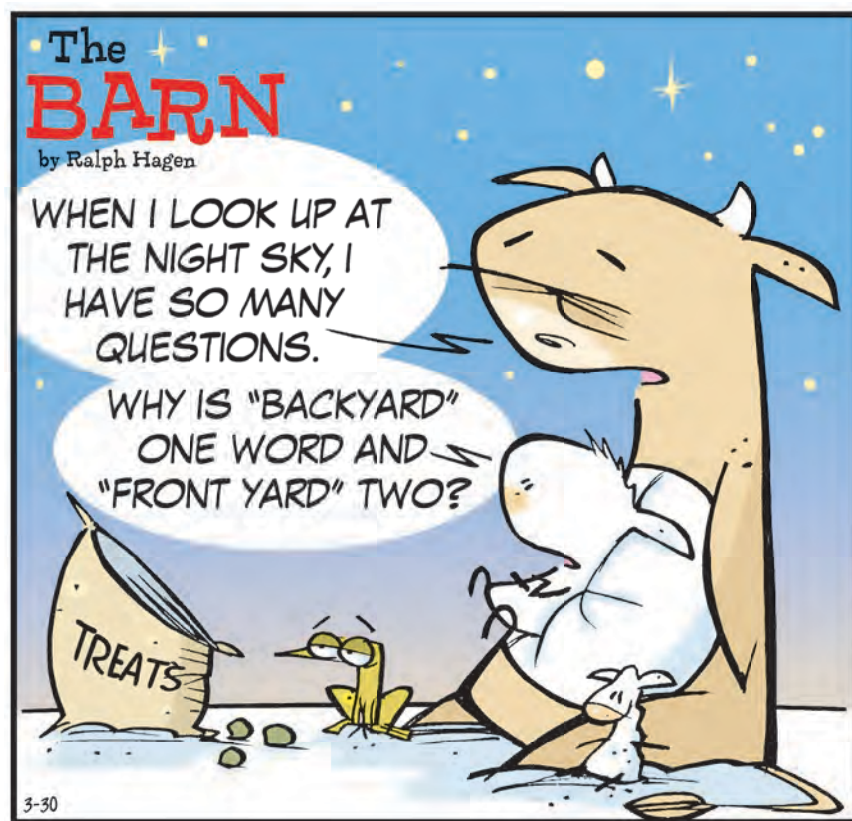
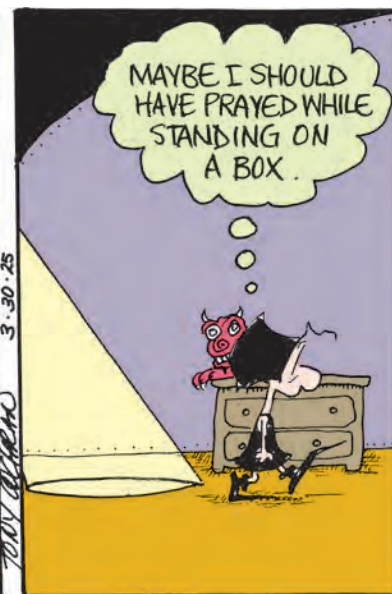
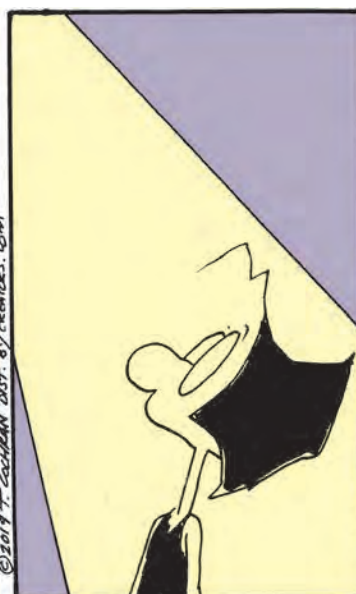
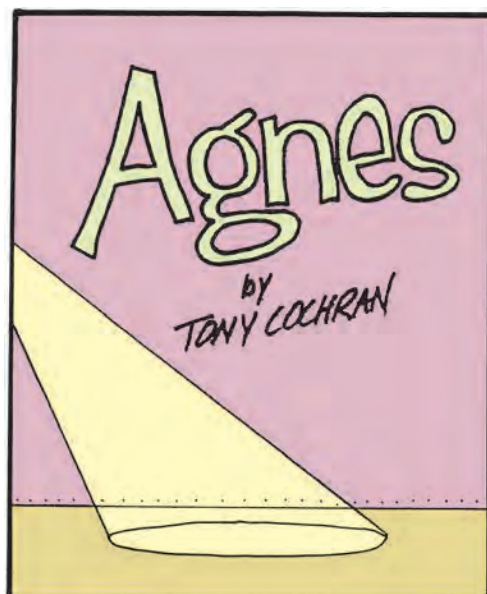
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BOTHER WITH NEST
MAINTENANCE AND LOTS
OF ACTIVITIES TO
KEEP US AMUSED.



BUT I DO MISS
THE QUIET OF
OUR OLD NEST.

YOUR
PICKLEBALL
GAME IS
DRIVING US
NUTS!

YOUR HOT
TUB
BRIDGE
GAME IS
FAR TOO
NOISY!



ANDY CAPP

by Smythe

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ANDY CAPP DOESN'T SHAKE HANDS WITH OPPONENTS AT THE END OF THE GAME

HE SENDS THEM 'GET WELL SOON' MESSAGES

HELLO, ANDY. HOW WAS THE MATCH?

TOUGH, JACK, BUT LUCKY I WAS PLAYING. I MORE OR LESS **WON** IT SINGLE-HANDEDLY, WHAT WITH MY ELECTRIC PACE UP FRONT

I'M SURPRISED YOU CAN RUN **THAT** FAST, TO BE HONEST

YEAH? WHY'S **THAT** THEN, MISSUS?

'COS YOU'VE GOT SUCH A **BIG** HEAD

THE MOTHER-IN-LAW STRIKES AGAIN

BY MASTROIANNI AND HART

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3-FOOT DASH IN 29 SECONDS. NEW RECORD.

HUFF HUFF

DOGS OF C-KENNEL BY MICK MASTROIANNI AND MASON MASTROIANNI

DIG DIG DIG DIG

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CAUTION BURIED GAS LINE.

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