

Tornado touches down in Menominee, Oconto counties

Storm stretches from Keshena to Berry Lake with wind speeds approaching 100 mph

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

A tornado touched down near Keshena and stayed on the ground for nearly 9 miles when severe thunderstorms swept across much of northeast Wisconsin late June 24 into the early morning hours of June 25.

The National Weather Service (NWS) Green Bay office determined the EF1 tornado was on the ground for five minutes starting at 2:27 a.m. June 25. Estimated peak winds were 98 miles per hour.

Officials said the tornado was on the ground for 8.9 miles from Keshena in Menominee County to Berry Lake in Oconto County. The maximum width of the tornado was 90 yards.

“A tornado developed along Highway 55 northwest of Keshena, then tracked east-southeast crossing the Legend Lake area and Berry Lake before lifting,” according to the NWS. “Multiple trees were snapped and uprooted along the path with several campers flipped at a campground on the east shore of Berry Lake. There was also damage to a residence along the north shore of Berry Lake.”

Moshawquit Lake resident Isaac Follett was among those who lost power and had property damage.

“I went to the room above our garage and through the flashes of lighting saw what looked to be the large pine tree that was by the lake nearly pressed up to the window. I used by phone to try and take a picture to get a better look, and the lighting was so intense that I could see clearly in the photo a mile across Moshawquit Lake at 3:20 a.m.,” he said. “I then went outside with a flashlight to take a look at the rest of what had happened.”

“Our neighbors were also all emerging from their homes, and we were together greeted with an abundance of destruction. Trees were uprooted and thrown all over the place. Every house except mine had trees on them. My metal roof was peeled back, leaving only exposed plywood.”

It was quickly confirmed that everyone along Emile Court was OK, and there were no injuries.

Follett and his father, Scott, left the scene at 4 a.m. for Apple Creek Whitetails.



Storms developed across western Wisconsin the night of June 24, consolidated and then raced southeast across the area between midnight and 5 a.m. June 25, National Weather Service officials said. A tornado touched down near Keshena and ripped across the areas of Legend Lake and Berry Lake, leaving a trail of damaged homes in its path. MORE PHOTOS ON PAGE 8.

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“We found two points in our preserve that looked like a tornado may have gone through, one area over on (County Road) HH and the other by County Road R,” Follett said. “There was a tractor shed and a grain silo that sustained some damage both from trees and wind, and in another area, there is a path about 60 yards wide currently at a unknown length that is a path of destruction leaving many of the trees snapped or uprooted.”

Other than a few snapped branches, the restaurant and production facility, Primal Eats, was not severely affected by the storm.

Krueger’s Campground owner David Krueger was busy the next morning clean-

ing up after the storm.

“We were fortunate. The campers that tipped, nobody was in them,” Krueger told WBAY-TV. “So, nobody got hurt or anything; that was good. And then it’s just a process of cleaning up. Pretty much straight-forward. Fix the damage and then go on.”

Storms developed across western Wisconsin the night of June 24, consolidated and then raced southeast across the area between midnight and 5 a.m. June 25, NWS officials said. A few storms developed ahead of the line, producing some large hail and brief gusty winds as well.

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Counties to settle opioid suit with Kroger

Company agrees to pay up to \$1.4 billion to state, local governments, tribes

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Members of the Shawano County Executive Committee agreed June 19 to participate in an opioid lawsuit settlement with the Kroger Co., which operates Pick ‘n Save stores among others.

The full Shawano County Board of Supervisors then adopted a resolution to the same at its June 26 meeting.

County Board Chairman Tom Kautza said the funds the county gets from the settlement will be used for counseling and anti-drug programs sponsored by the Department of Human Services.

Carrie Buntjer, finance director, said the funds will be added to those secured from previous settlements at the same percentage.

The agreement was reported in the fall of 2023.

The Kroger Co. agreed to pay up to \$1.4 billion over 11 years. This includes up to \$1.2 billion for state and local governments and nearly \$173 million to cover lawyers’ fees and costs.

Thirty-three states would be eligible for money in the deal.

Shawano joined 66 other Wisconsin counties (including Menominee and Oconto counties) in the lawsuit, with Milwaukee, Dane, Waukesha and Walworth counties hiring separate counsel and then joining the litigation.

According to the Associated Press, over the past eight years, prescription drug manufacturers, wholesalers, consultants and pharmacies have proposed or finalized opioid settlements totaling more than \$50 billion, including at least 12 others worth more than \$1 billion.

Most of the settlement money is to be used to address an overdose epidemic linked to more than 80,000 deaths a year in the U.S. in recent years, with most of the latest deaths connected to illicit synthetic drugs such as fentanyl rather than prescription painkillers.

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Housing prices increase, employment flat

SCEPI leader:
Several business
expansions also
in place for 2024

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

A falling inventory of homes for sale is helping to drive up prices in Shawano County, said Peter Thillman, executive director of Shawano County Economic Progress Inc. (SCEPI), as he addressed the Shawano County Board of Supervisors on June 26.

“The number of available properties has declined significantly,” he said, sharing information from the Wisconsin Realtors Association.

The number of home sales dropped from a high 539 in 2021 to 406 in 2023 due mainly to a falling inventory. This is pushing the median sale price higher, which in 2023 was \$198,950.

The lack of inventory, increased building costs and higher interest rates are impacting home sales in 2023, Thillman said. Through May, the county has seen only 140 sales but the median purchase price continued to rise to \$222,000.

“Home sales have increased dramatically in price but not in number,” he said. “At over \$200,000

in average price this year, when I started this job ... the median home sale price was \$105,000.”

The Wisconsin Department of Revenue reported new new construction continued on a strong path with \$57 million for 1.35% increase in 2023. The 2024 numbers will come out in early August, but Thillman is anticipating another countywide increase in net new construction year-over-year.

“It’s really nice to see, in the last two years, the equalized value of the county has increased by half a billion dollars year-over-year,” he said. “That’s the real driver for your budgets.”

The growth in this area is mainly in the residential category.

Shawano has multifamily developments in the works on the north and south sides of the community. Due to the current interest rate environment, S.C. Swiderski has pushed back the construction of the Wittenberg multi-family project to second quarter 2025. Bonduel and Shawano are creating new subdivisions that should have construction starting within this calendar year, once the infrastructure is in place.

“It is good to see that we’re seeing houses built, apartment buildings built, not just in Shawano, but Bonduel has projects going forward, Wittenberg

has projects on the docket going forward, and all throughout the county,” Thillman said.

He said he has been busy assisting large and small companies with expansions, as well as aiding small startups.

“We have a number of expansions in progress,” he said.

Limited workforce continues to be the major limitation to business growth and is driving wage growth in all sectors, Thillman said.

The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development reported employment remained relatively flat between 2023 and 2024 with actual total employed up 60 year-over-year, and the unemployment rate has increase from 2.7% in April 2023 to 3.0% in April 2024.

The increase in the unemployment rate is the result of a larger increase in the workforce; the county added 140 workers but only 60 found employment.

This fall, SCEPI will host an event on identifying underused talent already in the community.

“The big news here will be on the front of broadband and housing,” Thillman said in reference to 2024. “On the broadband side, this county board will have a lot of impact on who actually gets money from the state to do broadband infrastructure through the BEAD act.



A for sale sign is posted in front of a house on South Water Street in Shawano. The number of home sales in the county dropped from a high 539 in 2021 to 406 in 2023 due mainly to a falling inventory. This is pushing the median sale price higher, which in 2023 was \$198,950.

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You will have the deciding votes on who gets the points on their applications at the stat level.”

He cited major efforts last year in grant applications for “middle mile” infrastructure to connect

the county’s western communication towers. Unfortunately, the county was unsuccessful, but plans continue with the upcoming BEAD grant cycle. Thillman continues to work with Matt Hiet-

pas, the county’s technology services director, and internet providers as they prepare for the \$1 billion in BEAD funding that the state has received.

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Pulaski area man dies following motorcycle crash

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

A 50-year-old Pulaski area man died from a motorcycle crash June 26, according to statement from the Shawano County Sheriff’s Department.

Lt. Chris Madle said that at about 8:15 p.m.,

the dispatch center received a 911 call from a person who found a motorcycle in a ditch and an unresponsive man in the field in the area of County Road E and Lodge Road in the Town of Washington.

Deputies and EMS

responded as well.

Upon arrival, CPR was in progress, but due to his injuries, the driver was pronounced dead on the scene.

The crash victim was not wearing a helmet at the time of the crash and was the only occupant of

the motorcycle, Madle said.

The initial investigation showed the motorcycle to be traveling west-bound on County Road E, approaching the curve at Lodge Road. The driver apparently did not slow down in time for the curve

and entered the ditch where he lost control and flipped numerous times, according to Madle.

The crash is still under investigation, but it is believed alcohol was a factor in this crash. At this time, neither the name of the deceased nor

any other information about the crash is being released.

The sheriff’s department was assisted by Shawano Ambulance, Bonduel EMS, Cecil-Washington Fire Department and the Shawano County Coroner’s Office.

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Several residents north of Shawano Lake reported hail.

The main line of storms had a forward speed of 40-70 mph. The most concentrated wind damage was reported from Lincoln County to Manitowoc County.

The storms uprooted

and knocked down trees and power lines, causing thousands of customers to lose power.

Thousands of people in Shawano, Menominee and Oconto counties suffered power outages, with many waiting until the next day for their power to be reconnected.

For Follett and his neighbors, power was finally restored 36 hours after the storm ravaged the area.

The houses on Emile Court that were previously nestled into a very wooded area were now fully exposed. Most of the trees are now gone.

“We have been making quick work of removal of the tornado’s mess,” Follett said the afternoon of June 28. “Many of the downed trees have been hauled away, sod has been laid where trees used to live, and my roof is being actively repaired.”

Minor flooding was also reported across the area.

The NWS reported that tornadoes are ranked from EF0 to EF6.

EF0 tornadoes are weak with wind speeds of 65-85 mph. The local tornado was a moderate EF1 with wind speeds of

86-110 mph.

Other levels of activity are EF2, significant, 111-135 mph winds; EF3, severe, 136-165 mph; EF4, extreme, 166-200; and EF6, catastrophic, with winds of 200 mph or more.

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Chapel roof at Woodlawn Cemetery being replaced

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The Shawano Park and Recreation Commission is recommending Bontrager Carpentry to replace the roof of the small chapel at Woodlawn Cemetery after voting unanimously June 26 in favor of the \$56,900 bid.

Four companies expressed interest in the project, but only two of them sent bids for the work, which city officials have said is long overdue. The project was part of the city's capital project plan for 2024, and Bontrager's bid came well under what the city budgeted, \$80,000.

"Both of them met the intentions of what we're asking for, which is full removal of the existing cedar shakes, a new



Woodlawn Cemetery's chapel is in need of some tender loving care, starting with its roof, which is missing some of the cedar shake shingles already, and the ones still attached are well beyond their shelf life. Shawano officials seek to hire Bontrager Carpentry to replace the roof.

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half-inch OSB (oriented strand board) going down, putting in a metal roof, which will look as close as it can to cedar shakes," Hendricks said. "We're

not doing asphalt, and we're not doing the standing seamless metal. We're doing something that will try to replicate the architectural look of what the cedar shakes. A metal roof will last a good, long time, and we won't have to mention the chapel roof again in our lifetime."

Hendricks said that \$40,000 of the budgeted amount came out of the cemetery's perpetual care fund, which is set up to take care of Woodlawn's upkeep. He noted the fund does not cover all of the cemetery's needs annually, but the city found it was essential to take care of the chapel roof now.

The other half of the funding comes from the capital improvement funding the Shawano Common Council approved last year.

The chapel is used only two or three times a year, according to Hendricks.

Alderman Kevin Barkow questioned if the city should also be looking to see if there's mold at the chapel caused by the leaky roof currently in place.

"If the roof is really leaking that bad, we may have some mold issues," Barkow said. "If people are going to be in there, especially for funerals, we should spray in there."

Hendricks said recent checks haven't show any mold in the chapel.

The bid must still get approval from the city's finance committee and then the council. The city is hoping the roof replacement will be finished by Oct. 15.

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Daubert hearing scheduled in Noriega-Avila case

Defense attempting to exclude state witness in sexual assault case

BY LEE PULASKI
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A Daubert hearing has been scheduled for July 10 to determine if an expert witness will be allowed to testify for the state against Pedro Noriega-Avila, who faces charges of sexual assault of a child and incest.

At a final pre-trial hearing June 24, defense attorneys Joe Furnstahl and James Schoenecker filed a motion to exclude the witness and thought the Daubert hearing would be that day, according to online court records. Daubert hearings are held whenever attorneys seek to exclude the presentation of unqualified evidence to the jury.

The Daubert hearing was set one week before a three-day trial scheduled



Pedro Noriega-Avila, center, is scheduled to stand trial in July, but his attorneys are hoping to exclude a state witness from the proceedings.

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to begin for Noriega-Avila, which begins at 3:15 p.m. July 17.

This is the second time a jury trial has been scheduled in Noriega-Avila's case. He was originally scheduled to stand trial in August 2023 on one count of sexual as-

sault of a child under age 13, two counts of sexual assault of a child and two counts of incest with a child by stepparent. The trial was halted after his attorney at the time Sara Stertz stepped down due to being in the late stages of pregnancy and dis-

agreement with her client on defense strategies.

Since then, Noriega-Avila had been without representation. Court records show Schoenecker was appointed Jan. 4 to represent the defendant, followed by Furnstahl's appointment on Feb. 1.

The criminal complaint states that Noriega-Avila allegedly went into the victim's room between September 2009 and June 2010 and assaulted her. It goes on to say that additional incidents occurred in 2014 and 2015. Noriega-Avila married the victim's mother on July 9, 2010.

Noriega-Avila initially appeared before Kussel on June 10, 2016, and subsequently posted a \$5,000 cash bond. Noriega-Avila was then ordered to appear on June 20, 2016, but he did not show up. A warrant was issued for his arrest.

Noriega-Avila was missing from the court for almost five years until his arrest in Arizona in 2021. Law enforcement responded to a U.S. Border Patrol station on March 13, 2021, regarding the warrant issued by the Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court for Noriega-Avila, and the defendant was already

in custody when officers arrived.

In April 2021, extradition documents were issued by the county for Noriega-Avila, who was brought back to Shawano County in July 2021.

Noriega-Avila faces a maximum of 40 years in prison and a \$100,000 fine for each of the incest counts and the latter two sexual assault counts. For the child sexual assault in 2010, he faces up to 60 years in prison.

Noriega-Avila remains in the Shawano County Jail on a \$500,000 cash bond. He has been incarcerated for almost 3 years, mainly because of the difficulty in finding an attorney the first time around. It took until late 2022 before Stertz was found to handle the case.

During the June 24 hearing, both sides were warned that they would bear jury costs if a late resolution is reached the day that the trial begins.

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Mau approved as new Shawano County health officer

BY KEVIN PASSON
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Nick Mau, Shawano and Menominee counties' assistant health officer/director, was promoted to health officer/director at the June 26 Shawano County Board of Supervisors meeting.

His appointment was recommended by the county's executive committee and the board of health and veterans service.

Mau succeeds Terri Harmala, who resigned



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in public health, we need to continue to be more flexible and adaptive," Mau said. "I believe the two most important ways to achieve better public health outcomes is, be continuing to develop innovative partnerships with community groups and

agencies, as well as engaging community members that we serve. There's a role for data collection, but it's those direct stories and the lived experiences of the residents we serve in this community that are needed to drive public health improvement."

Julie Hasser, human resources director, told executive committee members June 19 there were five applicants for the job. One candidate did not meet all of the qualifications, and two others were eliminated after phone

interviews, she said. Two candidates, including Mau, were interviewed for the post.

Mau has a master's degree in public health from the Medical College of Wisconsin and a bachelor's degree with a major in public health and a minor in psychology from Carroll University in Waukesha.

Mau served as the community health educator for the county from 2016-21 and as the assistant health officer since April 2021.

"I've been with the

department for about eight years. I've really been thrilled with the direction of the department," Mau said. "We attained national accreditation back in 2017. We are currently in the process and almost in the final stage of being reaccredited through the next five years. That's a really big deal for a small, rural county."

Mau also has experience as a project coordinator with Wisconsin Asthma Coalition as well as experience as a project coordinator with In-

jury Prevention and Child Death Review for Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin.

Locally, he serves on the FRESH Project as an executive board member.

The annual cost for the appointment is less than what was budgeted for 2024. Wages will total \$92,976 and fringes will be valued at \$45,084.01 for a total of \$138,060.01.

The county will now seek to fill the assistant health director position.

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City spending \$16,900 to kill invasive species

4 parks dealing with overruns of plants that don't belong in state

By LEE PULASKI
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The Shawano Park and Recreation Commission is taking more aggressive steps to fight back against invasive plant species at four of the city's parks. The commission approved a proposal from Green Elf, a new Shawano company, to spend \$16,900 to kill invasive plants at Kuckuk, Sturgeon, Lieg and Channel parks that have been a

challenge to the city. All four of them are along waterways, and the city wants to eliminate the plants to put in native plants and improve access to the water. "These are the plants that we and the (Wisconsin) DNR (Department of Natural Resources) folks don't want to grow in a particular area," said Matt Hendricks, park and recreation director. "These invasive plants tend to overrun natural plants." Hendricks noted that the city has tried to keep up on the issue on its own, but eradication has been lower priority, especially when much of the high-figure dona-

tions the city receives is for infrastructure like shelters and playground equipment, and because of those funds, a lot of the staff's attention goes to that work. "We're just not able to dedicate the time to that that we want to," Hendricks said. "We haven't completely lost, but if you go to some of these places, they're getting pretty thick again." Hendricks noted that Channel Park, located on North Main Street next to Cellcom, has a particular issue with phragmites. He said the park was treated four years ago, but the invasive plant is back again. Green Elf would use

two chemical treatments to eliminate the invasive plants, according to Hendricks, one right away and the other later in the year. He said the goal is to complete the work this year, pointing out that delaying would just put the city further behind in its eradication efforts. "Our goal is to get back to a point where we feel like we're on top of things," Hendricks said. Although Green Elf is new to the Shawano area, Hendricks noted the company has operations in Green Bay and Appleton that have been successful. The funding will come out of the city's park stewardship fund,

a fund Shawano has to have because some of the properties were acquired through DNR funding and can only be used to improve those properties. Once the invasives are gone, Hendricks wants to reach out to the Wild Ones, whose Wolf River chapter is based in Cecil, to get help planting things that belong in northeast Wisconsin and further beautify the parks. "We're trying to keep land preserved the way Mother Nature wanted," Hendricks said. "Also, it's aesthetics, especially at Sturgeon and Kuckuk parks. There are a lot of people there, and they're wanting to cross that land

or go to that bank on the water." Commission Chairman Seth Mailahn recommended against waiting on the matter. "It's easier to kill it all now," Mailahn said. Alderman Jim Hauer expressed concern about the usage of pesticides near the water. "Is the DNR aware of what we want to do?" Hauer said. "They can really throw a monkey wrench into things." Hendricks said he has met with local DNR officials about what needs to be done to make sure the water is kept safe.

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SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

June 27
Deputies responded to 51 incidents, including a warrant on state Highway 47 in the Town of Lessor; sick animal on Stony Hill Road in the Town of Pella; DNR violation on County Road MMM in the Town of Richmond; identity theft on Breaker Road in the Town of Germania; warrant on Pioneer Drive in the Town of Wescott; lost property on West Eagle Drive in Sha-

wano; fireworks on Mork Avenue in the Town of Wescott; trespassing at Wishywash, 100 E. Hofman St., Cecil; two 911 calls; three reckless driving incidents; five welfare checks; three crashes. **June 26**
Deputies responded to 37 incidents, including operating without a license on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Fairbanks; eviction on Hofa Park Drive in the Town of Maple Grove; threatening on County Road S in the Town of Lessor; animal bite on Raspberry Road in the Town of

Birnamwood; harassment on County Road S in the Town of Lessor; harassment on South Webb Street in Wittenberg; scam on West College Avenue in Wittenberg; threatening at CoVantage Credit Union, 911 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; operating without a license on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Aniwa; six 911 calls; four reckless driving incidents; three welfare checks; three crashes, including one fatal. **June 25**
Deputies responded to 65 incidents, including assisting

with a fire on Birch Street in Birnamwood; assisting with a fire on Oriole Road in the Town of Wittenberg; assisting with a fire on Phoebe Lane in the Town of Aniwa; assisting with a fire on Lessor-Navarino Road in the Town of Navarino; assisting with a fire on Oak Ridge Court in the Town of Wescott; assisting with a fire on Matz Lane in the Town of Almon; warrant on state Highway 29 in the Town of Maple Grove; assisting with a fire on Spruce Road in the Town of Richmond; assisting with a fire on County Road MMM in the Town of Richmond; operating without a license on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; vehicle theft on Cedar Street in Eland; noise on Second Street in Mattoon; three 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; 14 traffic hazards; one welfare check; five utility problems; four crashes. **June 24**
Deputies responded to 32 incidents, including property theft on state Highway 29 in Bonduel; property theft on River Bank Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; warrant on Hillview Road in the Town of Hutchins; operating without a license on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; five 911 calls; one traffic hazard; one welfare

check; one reckless driving incident; two crashes. **SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT**
June 27
Officers responded to 34 incidents, including a traffic hazard on Rusch Road; vehicle theft on East Green Bay Street; two shoplifting calls at Goodwill Industries, 300 Lakeland Road; juvenile problem on East Elizabeth Street; warrant arrest at Walgreen's, 401 E. Green Bay St.; counterfeit at Hensel's Shawano Inn, 134 S. Washington St.; vehicle crash on South Andrews Street; restraining order violation on East Randall Street; vehicle crash on East Elizabeth Street; drugs at Shawano Police Department, 125 S. Sawyer St.; death investigation at an undisclosed location; repossession on South Prospect Street. **June 26**
Officers responded to 24 incidents, including threatening on South Franklin Street; neglected animal at Culver's, 1220 E. Green Bay St.; vicious animal at Animal Recreation Facility, 1270 Jaycee Court; threatening at CoVantage Credit Union, 911 E. Green Bay St.; property theft on Madison Way; weapon offense on South Cleveland Street; juvenile problem on Madison Way;

threatening on East Maurer Street; bail jumping on West Richmond Street. **June 25**
Officers responded to 20 incidents, including drugs at Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.; shoplifting at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; vandalism at Hunan Chinese Restaurant, 145 S. Main St.; lost property at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; vehicle crash with property damage, 1351 E. Green Bay St.; intoxicated person on West Fifth Street; animal bite at an undisclosed location; bailjumping at Huber Work Release Center, 1240 Engel Drive; traffic hazard on West Green Bay Street; drugs on South Main Street. **June 24**
Officers responded to 31 incidents, including reckless driving on County Road BE in the Town of Wescott; neglected animal at Ihop, 1398 E. Green Bay St.; scam on Engel Drive; fraud on East Green Bay Street; failure to register as a sex offender at an undisclosed location; property theft at Lebakken's, 1200 E. Green Bay St.; vehicle crash at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; found property at Sturgeon Park, 811 S. Water St.; injured animal on Woodlawn Drive; repossession on Robin Lane.



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- Juan M. Chavez, 22, Shawano, was charged June 24 with strangulation and suffocation and misdemeanor counts of battery and disorderly conduct. Judge Katherine Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for July 3.
- Kaylean J. Frechette, 27, Shawano, was charged June 24 with two counts of child abuse, four counts of felony bail jumping and two misdemeanor counts of disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$2,500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 27.
- Virgil R. Wilber, 52, Neopit, was charged June 24 with battery and disorderly conduct as a domestic abuse repeater, along with a misde-

meanor count of resisting or obstructing and officer. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for July 3.

- Trisha A. Cardish, 44, Suring, was charged June 24 with three counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of operating while revoked and violating an ignition interlock device order. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for July 24.
- Misael Portillo, 35, Waukesha, was charged June 25 with second-degree recklessly endangering safety and misdemeanor counts of battery, disorderly conduct and victim intimidation. Sloma set a \$10,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for July 2.

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- Dustin P. Andre, 42, Shawano, was charged June 25 with strangulation and suffocation, child abuse, and misdemeanor bail jumping. Sloma set a \$10,000 signature bond. In a separate file, Andre was charged June 25 with attempted strangulation and suffocation, two misdemeanor counts of battery and one count of disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$5,000 cash bond in that case and scheduled a preliminary hearing in both cases for July 1.
- Lena M. Malone, 33, Wittenberg, was charged June 25 with two counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of disorderly conduct and criminal damage to property.

Adults urged to have advance directive for health care

Who will make and communicate your medical decisions if you are unable to speak for yourself?

Many people don't realize that Wisconsin and Michigan are not next-of-kin states. This means that spouses, adult children, parents of adult children or other family members are not automatically authorized to make medical decisions for you.

That's why all adults are urged to complete an advance directive – a document that specifies who you

choose to be your power of attorney for health care.

“An advance directive allows you to choose who you want to make medical decisions for you if you’re not able to make them for yourself,” said Julie Barge, advance care planning coordinator with Aspirus Health. “It also enables you to specify your wishes regarding care facility placement, and the type of treatment you want or don’t want.”

Having an advance directive is a win-win – even if you live in a next-

of-kin state, like Minnesota. Should the time ever come that you cannot make or communicate your own medical decisions, you will have identified who you want to make those decisions for you, and that person will know your wishes. They can be your voice.

Research has shown that this reduces stress, guilt, and questioning whether the right decisions were made. It can also prevent delays and costly legal expenses.

"If you don't have an advance directive that names your power of attorney for health care, the case may go to court, which can delay treatment decisions and cost thousands of dollars," Barge said. "In addition, if your loved ones don't agree on your care plan, it can cause a lot of stress."

When choosing a health care agent or advocate, consider who will honor your wishes, even if they don't agree with them. Who can

handle stress and will be a good advocate for you? As life changes, a new document should be completed to reflect current choices, values and wishes.

Completing an advance directive may be easy for some and difficult for others. Aspirus offers free assistance with trained facilitators either in person, via phone or virtually.

“We go through the form and answer your questions,” Barge said. “We can help you think about scenarios

you may not have thought about and discuss what your wishes would be. The document is then scanned into your medical record, you keep the original, and we can make copies for you at no charge."

Advance care planning kits are available in Aspirus clinics and hospitals and at aspirus.org/advance-directives. You may also request a kit be mailed to you by calling Aspirus Customer Contact Center at 800-847-4707.

Wisconsin corn planting 96% complete

Wisconsin had 2.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending June 23, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Heavy rainfall occurred throughout the state, making it challenging for farmers to complete field activities. Although some field work was completed early week before the wet weather occurred, very little was accomplished later in the week.

Topsoil moisture condition rated zero percent very short, zero percent short, 53% adequate and 47% surplus. Subsoil moisture condition rated zero percent very short, zero percent short, 62% adequate and 38% surplus.

Corn planting was 96% complete. Corn emergence was 89% complete, one week behind last year and three days behind the five-year average. Corn condition was rated 65% good to

excellent, down 4% from last week.

Soybean planting was 97% complete. Soybean emergence was 90% complete, eight days behind last year but one day ahead of average. Soybean condition was 64% good to excellent, down 3% from last week.

Oat emergence was 93% complete, and the crop was 56% headed. Oat condition decreased 4% to 79% good to excellent statewide.

Winter wheat was 97% headed. Winter wheat coloring was 35% complete. Winter wheat condition increased to 86% good to excellent, up two percentage points from last week.

The first cutting of alfalfa hay was 83% complete, 13 days behind last year and six days behind average.

All hay condition decreased to 66% good to excellent, down seven percentage points from last week.

Stores take part in harvest programs

Shawano County is participating in Wisconsin Harvest of the Month, a statewide campaign that encourages community members to eat more fruits and vegetables.

Each month, three grocery stores across Shawano County, including Charlie's Country Store, Hanke's/Wittenberg Sentry Foods and Cedar Street Market in Tigerton, will feature one Wisconsin-grown fruit or vegetable that is seasonally available.

Residents are encouraged to taste, explore and learn about the importance of eating fruits and vegetables and try some new recipes.

Menominee County/Nation is participating in the Menominee Harvest of the Moon program, which was created to strengthen connections to food through the integration of Menomi-

nee language, the Menominee Moons, Menominee art, and Indigenous recipes.

Each of these components relates to each other, and combined, a thriving and complex learning system exists. Within this learning system are the solutions to building a healthy and thriving community.

Each moon, Save-a-Lot in Keshena will feature the harvest that is seasonally available. Again, families are encouraged to taste, explore and learn about these traditional Menominee foods and recipes.

Both Harvest of the Month and Harvest of the Moon displays will include recipes that can be prepared at home.

This healthy eating campaign is a program of the Shawano-Menominee Healthy Communities committee.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT BROWN COUNTY
CIVIL DIVISION

ONEMAIN FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC AS SERVICER FOR ("ASF")
WILMINGTON TRUST, N.A., AS ISSUER LOAN TRUSTEE FOR ONEMAIN FINANCIAL
ISSUANCE TRUST 2022-S1
601 NW Second Street
Evansville IN 47708

Plaintiff,

vs.

Case No.: 2024CV000781
Classification Code: 303
The amount claimed is over \$10,000.

LONDON BRAATZ
AND
NICOLE M. BRAATZ
503 E GREEN BAY ST
SHAWANO WI 54166

Defendants.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS

The STATE OF WISCONSIN, To the person named above as a defendant:
You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within 40 (forty) days after 06/28/2024, 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 100 S JEFFERSON STREET GREEN BAY, WI 54305 and to Dobberstein Law Firm, LLC, the plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is 225 S. Executive Drive, Brookfield, Wisconsin 53005. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper answer within 40 (forty) days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 6/21/2024 day of 6/21/2024

Dobberstein Law Firm, LLC
Attorneys for the plaintiff

Electronically signed by Jillian E Caggiano
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Public Notice,
Invasive Plant Control Project.**

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources plans to treat 176.1 acres of non-native common reed (*Phragmites australis* var. *australis*) and non-native cattail (*Typha x glauca* & *Typha angustifolia*) in wetlands on public lands and waters throughout the State. Applications will occur at the following locations: Mullet Creek Wildlife Area (50.4 acres), Sheboygan Marsh Wildlife Area (34 acres), Mack Wildlife Area (28.2 acres), Green Bay West Shores Wildlife Area (9.7 acres), Navarino Wildlife Area (1.3 acres), Horicon Marsh Wildlife Area (26.1 acres), Theresa Wildlife Area (16.6 acres), Allenton Wildlife Area (0.2 acres), Jackson Marsh Wildlife Area (9.6 acres).

Treatment would be conducted on public lands and waters only.

Non-native common reed (*Phragmites australis* var. *australis*) and cattail (*Typha x glauca* & *Typha angustifolia*) are invasive plants that overtake native vegetation while providing little value as wildlife habitat in wetlands. This project is an attempt to control invasive species, improve wildlife habitat and improve public access. Treatment would be done chemically with a commercial herbicide containing the active ingredient Imazapyr in an aquatic formula, along with an aquatic-approved surfactant. Application would be done from the air and the treatment would occur between August 1st to September 13th . The Department will not conduct any spraying during the early teal hunting season between September 1st and the 9th .

This project is an equivalent analysis action under chapter NR105.20 Wis. Adm. Code. The Department also prepared an environmental assessment (EA) that analyzes *Phragmites* treatment. The EA is available upon request by contacting Adrian Copping using the means listed below.

A public information meeting on the proposed herbicide application and this project can be requested by local landowners or others with an interest in this project. The request must be made in writing within five days of this notice. Send request to: Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Land & Habitat Section (WM/6), PO Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707-7921.

Comments, questions, and requests for documentation may be directed towards Adrian Copping, Assistant Wetland Habitat Specialist, at 608-228-7470 or adrian.copping@wisconsin.gov.

Mailing address: Department of Natural Resources, WM/6, PO Box 7921, Madison, WI 53706.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY

CASE NO. 2024CV000070
FORECLOSURE CASE CODE: 30404
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION

Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON GAMBSKY; COREEN WETTSTEIN A/K/A COREEN GAMBSKY;
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JASON GAMBSKY, IF ANY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF
COREEN WETTSTEIN A/K/A COREEN GAMBSKY, IF ANY; CAPITAL CREDIT UNION;
et al.,
Defendants.

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
TO COREEN WETTSTEIN A/K/A COREEN GAMBSKY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF
COREEN WETTSTEIN A/K/A COREEN GAMBSKY, IF ANY You are hereby notified
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Within 40 days after June 28, 2024, you must respond with a written answer, as that term
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Circuit Court, , WI and to Scott D. Nabke, Diaz Anselmo & Associates, P.A.,
Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. BOX 19519, Suite 309, Fort Lauderdale, FL
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Dated this 17th day of June 2024.

Respectfully submitted,
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BBB warns about Publishers Clearing House scam

Those who enter sweepstakes and lotteries always await that special phone call notifying them that they've won big.

Unfortunately, scammers know just how to play into people's emotions and are tricking people into paying for prizes they haven't actually won. BBB has received several reports of phone calls that impersonate Publishers Clearing House to BBB Scam Tracker.

Victims receive a phone call from someone claiming to be a Publishers Clearing House employee. They tell them they've won millions of dollars and a brand-new car. The person sends a photo of the new car and

all the money they will receive. Even better, they say that real celebrities will come to the house in the coming days to award prizes.

However, there's a catch. Before people can receive their prizes, scammers say they must first pay a fee for an "IRS requirement" or a "broker's fee."

To pay these fees, the individual on the phone may instruct victims to purchase a gift card and provide them with the numbers on the back of the card. They may also tell them to send money to a specific bank account or mail it to an address in another state. These fees can be hefty, ranging from a few hundred to

thousands of dollars.

The person on the phone may also ask for more personal information from victims, like bank name, bank account and routing numbers. They may also ask victims about their current financial situation or the savings accounts they currently hold.

If people catch on to the scam and hang up the phone, the scammer may call back multiple times and leave several messages asking for the money, making it difficult to end communication with them.

"If you are told you have won a prize but have to pay any money, hang up the phone, rip up the letter, delete the social

media contact, and report the contact to your local law enforcement agency," said Christopher L. Irving of Publishers Clearing House, a BBB Accredited Business. "(Publishers Clearing House) will never call or private message a consumer on social media to let them know they have won and will never ask for payment."

For more information, contact the Wisconsin BBB at www.bbb.org/wisconsin, 414-847-6000 or 800-273-1002.

Consumers also can find more information about how to protect themselves from scams by following the Wisconsin BBB on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube.

30 years of service



Detective Chris Gamm recently marked 30 years of service to the Shawano County Sheriff's Department. Gamm has worked nearly every position within the department. In his current role, Gamm has proven to be an asset when it comes to forensic analysis of electronics and computer-related crimes. He has been a lead investigator on several large cases, including many internet crimes against children cases.

CONTRIBUTED

DOT plans Highway 141 project for 2028

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation Northeast Region has announced a new U.S. Highway 141 design project website is now available to view proposed improvements on the highway between the state Highway 22 interchange in Oconto County and the state Highway 64 interchange in Marinette County.

DOT is seeking public comment on the proposed improvement project's scope, sched-

ule, and traffic impacts and provide comments before the final design. There is a comment form on the website, <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/ne/us141kv22to64/default.aspx>, with a prepaid mailer to reply to the project team.

The website includes maps of the project limits and location, scope and schedule, traffic impacts, displays and exhibits, and resources for business in work zones.

The project aims to improve the safety of Highway 141 and eliminate the severity of pavement heaving during the winter months. The heaving is caused when ice forms under the pavement.

Proposed improvements include removing sections of the existing concrete pavement on Highway 141 at 15 locations between highways 22 and 64 for frost heave mitigation. Crews will excavate four feet below

the pavement surface to remove frost-susceptible soils and prevent reoccurrence. Work also includes resurfacing of two railroad crossings in the project limits.

Construction is currently scheduled for 2028. Highway 141 will remain open for construction using flagging and lane closures. County Road A and County Road B will be closed and detoured during work on intersection ramps.

The Gathering closes its doors in June

There will be no more gathering at The Gathering in Shawano.

The banquet hall and restaurant closed for good after serving one last Fathers' Day brunch in June.

The Gathering, 2600 E. Richmond St., has been sold to Charter Arrowcast, which is directly east of the restaurant.

Keith and Kelly Bau-mann continue to own and operate Farm Inn On Main Restaurant and Bakery, 123 N. Main St., Shawano.

Charter is comprised of

four companies — Charter Steel, Charter Wire, Charter Dura-Bar and Charter Arrowcast.

According to its website, Charter Arrowcast produces ductile and gray iron castings for customers in various industries. From government and defense customers to agricultural and heavy truck equipment manufacturers, and an array of companies who need pumps, valves and compressors, Charter Arrowcast creates custom castings.

Cows produce 2,205 pounds of milk a month

Milk production in Wisconsin during May 2024 totaled 2.81 billion pounds, up 1% from the previous May, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service Milk Production report.

The average number of milk cows during May, at 1.27 million head, was unchanged from last month but up 2,000 from May 2023. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,205

pounds, up 20 pounds from last May.

Milk production in the 24 major states during May totaled 18.9 billion pounds, down 0.7% from May 2023.

April revised production, at 18.3 billion pounds, was down 0.4% from April 2023. The April revision represented a decrease of 27 million pounds or 0.1% from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in

the 24 major states averaged 2,122 pounds for May, three pounds below May 2023.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major states was 8.89 million head, 52,000 head less than May 2023 but 5,000 head more than April 2024.

Milk production in the United States during May totaled 19.7 billion pounds, down 0.9% from May 2023.

Production per cow in

the United States averaged 2,105 pounds for May, three pounds below May 2023.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.35 million head, 68,000 head less than May 2023 but 5,000 head more than April 2024.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Peshtigo bank offering fair project scholarships

Peshtigo National Bank has announced the launch of its new fair project scholarship, a program designed to support and recognize the hard work and dedication of county fair participants.

This scholarship aims to provide financial assistance to young farmers and fair participants who are actively working with fair animals.

"At Peshtigo National

Bank, we understand the vital role that agriculture plays in our communities and the importance of fostering the next generation of agricultural leaders," said Kelly Heroux, president and chief executive officer at Peshtigo National Bank. "We are proud to offer this scholarship as a way to support and encourage the educational pursuits and fair projects of local youth."

The \$100 scholarship is

open to all Shawano, Marinette, Oconto, and Langlade county fair participants. Applications are due on or before Aug. 15.

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on their application materials, with special consideration given to the dedication and effort demonstrated in their fair projects. Recipients will be notified in August, and their achievements will be showcased

by Peshtigo National Bank to highlight their contributions to the local agricultural community.

"We believe that by investing in the education and development of young farmers, we are investing in the future of our communities," Heroux said. "We are excited to see the innovative projects and accomplishments that will come from this new scholarship program."

Papa Murphy's owners looking to retire, sell

Bart and Sue Mattson, owners of Papa Murphy's Take 'N' Bake Pizza stores in Shawano and Antigo, announced their plans to retire and sell both stores.

The Shawano store is located at 1063 E. Green Bay St.

The couple has owned the stores for more than 10 years.

"We have been blessed with an amazing staff and with meeting so many awesome customers that have grown into friends," Sue Mattson wrote on social

media. "So, if you know anyone looking for a great opportunity, this is a profitable, simple, fun business with a proven business model."

Both stores have an experienced staff. New owners will get six weeks of corporate owners training, and in-store corporate staff would help at the opening.

Mattson wrote new owners do not need any business experience.

Serious inquiries can be directed to Bart Mattson at bartmattson@att.net.

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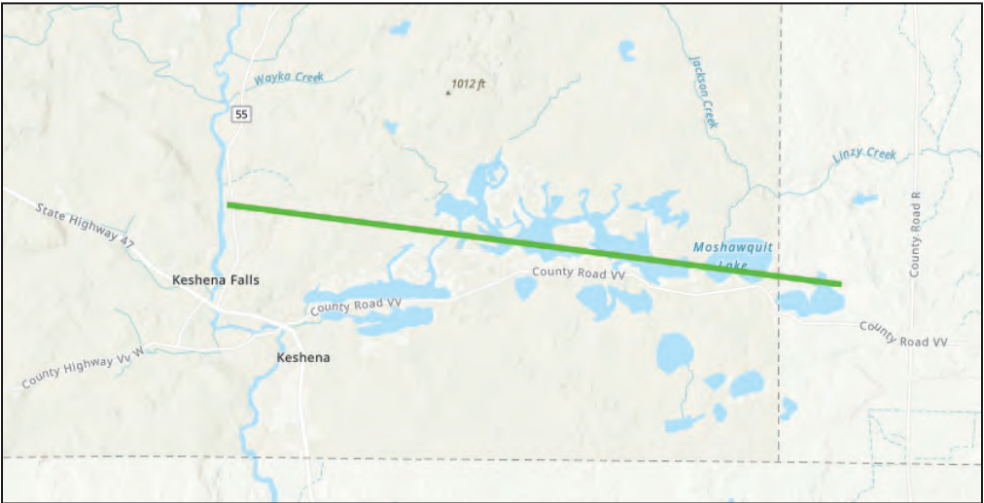
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Homes, businesses struck by tornado



The houses on Emile Court that were previously nestled into a very wooded area are now fully exposed. Most of the trees are now gone. The National Weather Service (NWS) Green Bay office determined the EF1 tornado was on the ground for five minutes starting at 2:27 a.m. June 25.

ISAAC FOLLETT



An EF1 tornado touched down near Keshena and only lifted after it reached Berry Lake almost 9 miles to the east the morning of June 25. Trees were snapped, power lines were down and campers at a campground were damaged.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE



Trees were snapped in half and power outages were common in the area when severe storms struck the night of June 24-25.

NWS STORM SURVEY



Krueger's Campground in the Town of Underhill suffered extensive damage from a June 25 tornado. Luckily, no one was injured, and cleanup began the next morning. Storms developed across western Wisconsin the night of June 24, consolidated and then raced southeast across the area between midnight and 5 a.m. June 25, NWS officials said. A few storms developed ahead of the line, producing some large hail and brief gusty winds as well.

OCONTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT



Bill Hurley, standing, and Mike Daley perform at Primal Eats. The duo play once a month there and once a month at Stubborn Brothers Brewery. They will also perform July 9 at the Art Park in Wittenberg. CONTRIBUTED

Hurley, Daley to perform at Art Park on July 9

Two men perform at shows at two area restaurants

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Bill Hurley and Mike Daley grew up together in the 1960s and 1970s, so it's only natural that 50-some years later, their music would reflect that era. "We sing along with our two acoustic guitars and a drum machine," Daley said. "People can dance to us. We play a lot of Everly Brothers, Beatles, Eagles, Elvis, Simon and Garfunkel, Neil Diamond."

Hurley and Daley will perform from 6-8 p.m. July 9 at the Art Park in Wittenberg. They are part of the summer concert series.

The Wittenberg show will include free ice cream with other food for sale by Redeemer Church. Concert goers are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs. In case of rain, the show will be moved inside the adjacent

WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St.

Hurley and Daley really started to play together on a regular basis around 2010.

"In 2021, we started to take it more seriously," Daley said. "Now, we have monthly gigs at Stubborn Brothers Brewery and Primal Eats. We pick up another show here or there; in the summer, we'll play three shows a month."

In 2021, both men worked at Seagrave Fire Apparatus in Clintonville. Daley said he received a call from Caroline Implement (now Riesterer and Schnell) asking if he could play for a 75th customer appreciation party. He said he wasn't in a band, but he knew someone (Hurley), and the two could certainly put together a show.

The two men were eating at Stubborn Brothers Brewery one evening when they were approached about performing on a regular basis at the restaurant. They started in July of that year.

"The guys at Primal Eats heard about it and asked us to do the same thing there," Daley said.

"We started there in October."

Both members of the duo sing and play.

"We're very harmony-based," Daley said. "Our vocals are strong."

Before joining as a duo, Hurley and Daley played separately with a variety of bands over the years, while each held other full-time jobs.

Daley eventually played music full time. A band he was in opened for groups like the Grass Roots, Tommy James and The Shondells, and the Monkees.

"I got to know the guys in the Grass Roots and became their drummer in 1981-82," Daley said. "I guess that's my five minutes of fame."

Both men are now retired.

They get together once a week to practice and continue to add songs to their sets.

"When we play, we play for three hours straight with no breaks," Daley said. "There are a lot of favorites in those sets. We move songs around, add new ones, all without a break."

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Street reconstruction projects underway

Shawano using \$1 million grant for work on South Franklin, Lutz and Andrews streets

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Summer road construction projects are underway in Shawano.

East Fifth Street from North Main Street to Hamlin Street is undergoing utility work and street reconstruction. East Fifth Street is now fully closed from Union Street to Hamlin Street.

Throughout June and until July 12, single blocks within the work zone will be fully closed for utility reconstruction progressing westerly. The entire work zone will be partially pulverized and on gravel until July 15 when full closure to through-traffic will begin until completion of the project in September.

The corridor will always remain open to all businesses in the work zone.

Also underway are full reconstructions of South Franklin Street from West Stevens Avenue to West Lieg Avenue, South Lutz Street from East Zingler Avenue to East Lieg Avenue, and South Andrews Street from East Zingler Avenue to East Lieg Avenue.



Crews work on Fifth Street between Hamlin and Union streets the afternoon of June 26. East Fifth Street from North Main Street to Hamlin Street is undergoing utility work and street reconstruction.

KEVIN PASSON | NEW MEDIA

The city received \$1 million in a Community Development Block Grant Public Facilities grant to help pay for these three road projects.

Work include sanitary sewer, water mains, storm sewer, curb and gutter, sidewalks and pavement replacement.

Matt Pleshek, city engineer, last year estimated the projects to cost \$1.65 million, with the city paying everything above the \$1 million grant. Bids for the work came in at \$1.62

million, about \$30,000 less than the estimate.

Pleshek said these three streets represent some of the oldest parts of the city, and the South Lutz Street blocks are the most densely populated of all blocks in the city.

Finally, as part of the regular street maintenance plans, South Lafayette Street from Sunset Avenue to West Lieg Avenue is also being reconstructed.

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CORRESPONDENTS

NEW Media is looking for correspondents to help with every aspect of our information efforts. We're looking for the following:

• **NEWS CORRESPONDENTS:** With limited staff to cover government meetings, community events and other things taking place in Shawano, Oconto and Menominee counties, we're looking for people who like to track down news, write stories and take photos to keep locals informed. If you have the interest but not necessarily the skills to write stories, we can provide you with training through the Wisconsin Newspapers Association to help you learn how to be a top news hound.

• **FEATURE CORRESPONDENTS:** While hard news tends to dominate the papers, we occasionally get to showcase the brighter side of northeast Wisconsin, especially Shawano, Menominee and Oconto Counties. From incredible volunteers to brilliant authors and artists to theatrical productions and so much more, we want to show it all. Feature writers who are good at photography grab a lot of attention online and in print, and the area has plenty of talented people in the shadows that we hope to bring into the light.

• **SPORTS CORRESPONDENTS:** We're looking for sports writers interested in covering games in Shawano, Menominee and Oconto counties. These correspondents might also be asked to cover things like college signings and player features. We cover more than a dozen high schools in the area, and writers who can report a game fairly and accurately while producing jaw-dropping action photos can go far with us.

Send a cover letter describing your interest and writing/photography samples, if available, to city editor Lee Pulaski at lpulaski@newmedia-wi.com.



Pulaski police remind about use of vehicles on streets

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

The Pulaski Police Department is reminding residents of the local ordinances regarding the use of mini dirt bikes, electric bikes, electric skateboards, mopeds and other modes of transportation.

"Your cooperation helps keep our community safe and enjoyable for everyone," the department said in a statement. "Let's make

this summer safe and fun for all."

Mopeds, electric scooters and electric bicycles are allowed on roadways, while mini bikes, mini ATVs and electric skateboards are not. Riders of mopeds and electric scooters must be at least 16, while electric bike riders must be 16 only if the throttle power reaches speeds up to 28 miles per hour.

Mopeds are the only type of these vehicles that

require a driver's license to operate on roadways, but all can be used on private property.

Mopeds are also the only vehicles that need at Department of Motor Vehicles title and must be registered with the DMV. Safety equipment (headlights for night driving, lights, brakes and turn signals) is also required on mopeds.

Passengers are not permitted on any of these vehicles.

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Fresh Face Company oasis for the soul

Brady makes sure that her customers get specialized, focused care

BY KAY REMINGER
 Correspondent

Megan Brady, owner of Fresh Face Company, is all about individualized treatment — not only her client's facial and scalp needs, but as well offers an oasis for the soul.

"I am committed to giving every single person that comes in here specialized, focused care," Brady said.

Everything Brady does at her exclusive shop is customized to each person.

"Many of my clients literally come in with no expectation, and based on my conversation with them, I determine what their skin needs are," Brady said. "Sometimes an acne treatment is needed with lights bright; sometimes people come in just to receive, to rest. We may talk about things from gut health to deep meditation facial experiences. I adjust to their needs, giving them undivided attention with meditation music playing. It's all very individualized and provides a safe place for people to relax."

Offered at Fresh Face is head spa, a distinctive service and one of very few in the state. The idea came to Brady on a trip.

"My creativity opens up when I get away and am able to relax," she said.

During her eight days away after pondering this new service, she had ordered a bed and got construction lined up to build the room. Everything just fell into place. With the treatment table established and her business launched, she started practicing.

Brady's unique head spa treatment is a facial for the scalp and can be a healing experience for people.

"A client gets their head rubbed for an hour," Brady said. "I use vibroacoustic therapy, which is vibration-music healing for the body."

Provided as well is a sensory-pleasing rain-water encounter, which is gently experienced across the client's forehead.

"I desire to create a respite for my clients, a custom-made experience tailored



Megan Brady, owner of Fresh Face Company, started doing facials in 2020 after losing her job to the pandemic, and now she has a booming business in downtown Shawano. KAY REMINGER

just for them," Brady said. "Whatever feels comfortable for each individual is my main focus and goal. I've discovered that people hold so much emotion in their faces; it's literally the billboard to a person's inner feelings."

Brady offers a variety of products at

her shop which include natural makeup, hair, skin, and body care. Everything on her shelves is pre-approved by her.

"If it's not right for my skin, it's not going out," she said.

Brady's mentor offered a prophetic message for her back in 2018. At that time,

Brady was employed at Nueske's as a traveling salesman. Her friend and mentor told her she was not meant to be working for someone else, that she was going to own her own business. At one point in Brady's life, she realized getting back into wellness is what she should be doing.

Losing her traveling sales job at Nueske's in 2020 due to COVID-19, she decided the timing was perfect, so she began doing facials, slowly dappling back into the wellness service and establishing herself as a new businessperson.

Falling in love with the Shawano community, the people and the other young entrepreneurs in town, everything felt right. Settling herself in a brick and mortar building, Brady explains her current working situation as, "I've got a hobby and I'm getting paid for it."

This has been her mindset with Fresh Face from day one. The income is just a blessing, which made her realize she's in the right spot.

Recently hiring two head spa girls to provide the head service, Brady said she exclusively provides the skin care and wellness aspect of her "sanctuary of beauty."

"I attended esthetician school, which is a branch of beauty school," she said. "There I completed a six-month certificate program. Branching knowledge off of that, I worked for a doctor for a time, at which point, I advanced to master esthetician."

Brady acknowledged she is learning as she goes and continues gaining knowledge to better individually serve her clients.

Asking about her long-range plans, she feels because she is growing rapidly, she may need to hire another esthetician to handle head spas and facials, which would free her to hold more retreats.

"In 2025, I'd like to create and host more wellness events outside of the beauty amenities such as head spas and facial services," Brady said. "I'd like to offer mind-body-soul healing, which includes strong emotional health and positive self-growth, for people to have a safe place to fall."

Last year, Brady held a retreat in the Woodruff area, which for three days focused on resetting the mindset and

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Jon and Kathleen Marsh will briefly reprise Red Light Saloon characters in "Cate and Jack and the River Rats" on July 13 at the Holt and Balcom Logging Camp Museum in Lakewood. CONTRIBUTED

River rats subject of Holt and Balcom program

Holt and Balcom Logging Camp Museum will present a new program, "Cate and Jack and the River Rats" at 1 p.m. July 13.

The presentation will feature Pat Lowery, who just returned from touring in Ireland, and Kathleen and Jon Marsh, who will reprise their iconic roles as Cate, Madame of the Red Light Saloon, and her wayward husband, Jack.

The program includes a slide presentation that tells the story of thousands of unsung heroes, fearless lumberjacks who extended their seasonal employment during the Big Pine Era. Signing on as log drivers, these legendary supermen were also known as river pigs and river rats. They skillfully navigated a series of dams, streams and rivers to deliver millions of saw logs that would be turned into lumber to build America.

Holt and Balcom's river rats utilized McCauslin Brook and branches of the Oconto River to guide the floating logs to the company's mill in Oconto. Facing unimaginable dangers and hardships almost

beyond human endurance, these hardy souls were at the mercy of the weather, swarms of biting insects, perilous rapids and logjams of epic proportion. Injury or death was always close by, just one miscalculation or careless step away.

Part of the presentation is a Learning and Laughter program inspired by "Breakfast in Hell," a song recorded by Slaid Cleves. Written by Robin Frederick as "The Ballad of Sandy Gray," the song immortalized a valiant log driver who lost his life clearing a logjam on Ontario's Musquash River in the early 20th century.

Holt and Balcom, the oldest logging camp in America sitting where it was built in 1881, is located off County Road F within McCauslin Brook Golf Course, 17067 Club House Lane, Lakewood. Patrons can park in the golf course lot; the museum is behind the clubhouse and open for visitors prior to the show.

Admission is \$5 per person. The show is not suitable for those under age 10. Seating is limited.

FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Lies fine when planning jaw dropping surprise

It had been six years since our three adult children have been home, all at the same time. Knowing our sons had planned on attending a relative wedding with us, which happened to fall on the Saturday before Father's Day, wistfully I mentioned to our daughter a couple of weeks ago, wouldn't it be nice if she could fly up from Texas?

Earlier this month, she had thought her schedule wouldn't allow it. A mere few days before Father's Day weekend, I tried again. Considering it, she blew me away with a sudden plan.

"I have an idea. What if I fly up and surprise Dad, just walk in on him?"

It started the ball rolling on what would eventually bless her dad with a jaw-dropping surprise.

Arranging a flight from Dallas to Chicago to Wausau, a friend from college offered to pick her up from the airport, driving her home late Friday evening when we would be asleep.

Back and forth text questions flew like startled birds in flight. When would she surprise him? How? Should she wait for the morning? If so, how would she get past her dad in the night?

Securing the exact scenario took a few days. Like Barney on "The Andy Griffith Show," when there was to be a truck carrying gold coming through Mayberry and it needed



to be kept quiet, so did I. Barney, busting with the news, spilled the beans to his secret love, Juanita, and before the gold truck came in the whole entire town knew. I vowed that would not happen.

One day my husband asked, as occasionally is his custom, "What's new?"

I had to turn my head so he wouldn't see the smile threatening to go ear-to-ear. We were in our side-by-side going for a spin around the county. Facing the window I whispered quietly (because not to at least tell the window, I'd bust right there), what's new? Only that your daughter is flying home from Texas, will be pulling in tonight while you're sleeping and walk down the stairs saying "Hey, Dad" tomorrow morning. That's what's new.

I started perfecting the art of lying.

Blanking out my face before I turned to him I replied, "Nothin'."

Texting my daughter, I instead conjured up texts with friends.

"Who're you texting?"

Oh, just my friend. She's asking a lot of questions.

That early evening, what

we thought was a fool-proof plan, we discovered, ah, not so fast. A text came in around supper time; her flight was delayed. I have a love/hate relationship with flights. This trip had me on my knees in prayer and God, in His generous grace, came through again.

"Mom. We've been delayed quite a bit so please pray I make my connection."

Pork roast stuck halfway down my throat. Keeping my face bland, inside I was frantically praying.

Another text: "Oh no Mom there are no other flights out of Chicago tonight to Wausau. I'm going to miss it. We land at 8pm and my next one takes off at 8:19pm. Prayyyy."

5:15 p.m.: "Father, we cannot have come this far, without Your hand in this. Delay the connecting plane, God, so Your precious daughter can make it." His rock-solid peace settled me.

6:19 p.m.: Connecting flight unexplainably delayed. Yes. He did it again, delaying the plane so there was enough time for my daughter to make it. As soon as she walked up to the gate the attendant said, "Okay, we might as well board now." It was simply astounding with not one indicator of anything less than a divine miracle.

Later, relaxing in the living room after supper (which I could finally



It took some work and a few prayers for Kay Reminger, second from left, to get her daughter, Jessica, left, home to surprise her husband, John, but everything worked out in time for the whole family, including sons Judd, second from right, and Jay, to attend a wedding.

digest) my husband started coughing. This had been an annoyance for the previous couple of nights, and he was longing for a good night's rest.

"Would you want a couple of Tylenol PM's just so you could settle?" I asked with a hidden agenda.

So not only did I withhold information from my husband, lied about who I was texting, I was now pumping him with drugs to make him sleepy. This was a full-blown Forensic Files in the making.

We went to bed. I actually fell asleep. So did he. At precisely 11 p.m. I awoke with a start and quietly slip-

ping out of bed, started texting my daughter. Just then, I glanced out the window to see a car silently coast in, lights cut.

Meeting her at the door (we need to get some WD-40 on that door) we silently squealed and hugged each other tight. Creeping up the stairs, she made it past her drug-induced, snoring dad and unbeknownst to him, slept the night in her bed.

Texting back and forth next morning, "Is he awake yet?"

"Yes! Come downstairs, he's in his chair!"

"Tootsie! How-how-what-what? How'd you get here? You're ... home?"

Watching his face as he caught sight of his precious girl definitely made all the clandestine planning worthwhile.

("But I'll keep coming closer and closer to You, Lord Yahweh, for Your name is good to me. I'll keep telling the world of Your awesome works, my faithful and glorious God!" Psalm 73:28, 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.

Dwarf bearded irises smaller but still lovely

Throughout our area, the dainty beauty of dwarf bearded irises now adorn garden beds and borders. Of shorter stature than the tall bearded iris that come later in May and June, the dwarf bearded iris are a joy unto themselves.

For those who may not have the space for the mass of tall bearded iris, or those who are looking for iris varieties for the front of garden beds and borders and walkways, dwarf bearded iris are ideal.

They come in colors and patterns as varied as their tall bearded iris cousins, only much smaller. Many dwarf bearded iris may only reach 6-10 inches in height. Clumps may reach just a foot or two across at full size.

This is quite a comparison to tall bearded iris that may be 3-4 feet tall and wide.



Dwarf bearded iris are also just as fragrant as their wonderfully scented tall bearded iris cousins. There are a variety of scents and fragrances to choose from. Some are sweet and sugary. Some are spicy. Some are fruity or grape-like.

Dwarf bearded iris are easy to grow and multiply rapidly from potato-like rhizomes that sprout sword-like foliage. The foliage remains attractive all year long, even when the plant is finished blooming.

Dividing dwarf bearded iris is as simple as tall bearded iris. Simply lift the clump and cut or break off sections that contain a bit

of the rhizome and at least one fan of leaves. Replant at the soil surface. Do not plant too deeply or flower production will be limited. The top part of the rhizome should be just above the soil surface, with just the roots and half of the rhizome beneath the soil.

Once they have finished blooming in spring, it's a great time to divide, or wait for the cooler weather of fall.

Visit your local garden center to see the selection of dwarf bearded iris in stock, or order online from reputable iris nurseries such as Schreiner's Iris Gardens.

Enjoy exploring the world of dwarf bearded irises.

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



Dwarf bearded iris are perfect for low borders and beds where shorter perennials are desired.

ROB ZIMMER

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nutrition — giving her clients time to be quiet, to find peace alone and also to meet in groups. They focused on yoga, meditation, cooking, singing; everything together. Her group at that time con-

sisted of eight women.

"Small groups are intimate and more personal," Brady said. I can spend extra time with each individual in this manner and find mind/body/spirit enhancement opportunities.

Asking Brady what would she want people to know about her, she said, "I am fully present for them. As they enter, I put all my own interests and distractions aside. Every single person I am

with has my 100 percent, undivided attention. I do all I can so they feel safe. With the negativity and gloom and doom in this world, I want people to come to a safe, quiet, peaceful place to

feel pampered and to re-energize."

To be notified concerning retreats or updates about Fresh Face Co, contact Brady at freshfaceco.meg@gmail.com.

Fresh Face Company is located at 217 N. Main St., inside Revived Salon, in Shawano. Bookings are taken at freshfaceco.glossgenious.com or by calling/texting 715-581-9986.



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Marshfield Clinic continues to seek ticks

As summer begins, scientists at Marshfield Clinic Research Institute are asking the public to submit ticks for the Tick Inventory via Citizen Science (TICS).

TICS was launched in April to survey the distribution of tick species in Wisconsin, including any new, invasive ticks that may be moving into the state. People scooped up ticks they found in nature or crawling on themselves or their pets and sent them to the research institute in pre-paid collection kits.

So far, scientists have

identified more than 3,200 ticks, most prominently the American dog (wood) tick and the deer (black-legged) tick.

Researchers also have identified nine brown dog ticks, which are most frequently found in the southern U.S. and five lone star ticks, mainly found in the southern and eastern U.S.

“The presence of brown dog and lone star ticks is intriguing as it may indicate spread from their typical habitats to Wisconsin,” said Alexandra Linz, Marshfield Clinic Research

Institute associate research scientist. “We are trying to determine the extent and significance of this spread and the potential health effects.”

Ticks carry pathogens that may cause diseases such as Lyme disease, anaplasmosis and babesiosis. With new tick species becoming more prevalent in Wisconsin, the risk for potential newly introduced diseases increases. Brown dog ticks spread Rocky Mountain spotted fever and lone star ticks spread ehrlichiosis, primarily in warmer U.S. settings. Pos-

sibly because of climate change, the incidence of both conditions has increased three-fold in the last two decades.

“Residents who enjoy the outdoors and physicians need to be aware of these diseases and their symptoms,” said Jennifer Meece, Marshfield Clinic Research Institute executive director. “As researchers, the information from this study and future studies can help us improve disease prevention efforts and early detection as well as develop better diagnostic tools and treatments.”

For more information, or to request a pre-paid collection kit be sent to you, contact tics@marshfieldclinic.org or 715-389-7796, ext. 16462. Parks and nature centers interested in having kits available for their visitors also are encouraged to contact Marshfield Clinic Research Institute.

Once the tick, dead or alive, has been placed in the collection kit, just drop it in the mail to submit. Each kit will come with a unique identification number that people can use to look up, via an online

dashboard, the species of ticks they submitted.

The mild winter resulted in a bountiful tick population this spring, which means a greater chance of contracting a tick-borne illness. Symptoms of illnesses resulting from a tick bite can include rash, fever, joint pain and fatigue.

To reduce the risk of tick bites, spray insecticide such as permethrin on clothing, sleeping bags, and tent fabric. Wear clothing that covers your skin. Finally, have someone help you check for ticks after time spent outdoors.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

GILLET: Independence Day Celebration, 4 p.m. to 11 p.m., Zippel Park. Lawn chair concert 4-7 p.m., truck pull 7 p.m., music by Country Rewind 7-11 p.m.

OCONTO: Waterfest, 4-11 p.m., Breakwater Park and Harbor, 1301 Harbor Road. Live music, kids' activities, food, and refreshments, fireworks at 10 p.m.

SHAWANO: Shawano Ski Sharks Waterski Show, 6 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive. Junior show 5:30 p.m. Free admission, donations accepted.

NEOPIT: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. The Circle House, W6715 Shawpokasic St. Information: Mindy Thunder at 715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

SHAWANO: Fireworks, dusk, Shawano Airport, 248 Airport Road.

THURSDAY, JULY 4

LEOPOLIS: Triathlon and Cornhole Tournament, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., A.N. Brunner Field, 11930 Third St. Registration 8-9:30 a.m. 9:30 at Leopold Pond. Parade at noon, float line up 11 a.m. in the Corral parking lot. Cornhole tournament registration 12:30 p.m., start 1:30 p.m. \$20 per team, 100% payout, 24-team maximum.

GILLET: Independence Day Celebration, 9 a.m. to midnight, Zippel Park. Horse pull 8:30 a.m., car and truck show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fun Time Polka Band 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., tractor pull noon, parade 2 p.m., Back When/Reminis 3-6 p.m., antique tractor pull 5 p.m., Rapid Transit 7-11 p.m., fireworks at dusk.

BONDUEL: Fourth of July Celebration, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Village Park, 214 E. Park St. Parade 11 a.m., Legion baseball 2 p.m., bike giveaway 3 p.m., family and kids' games 7 p.m. fireworks at dusk.

TOWNSEND: Fourth of July Celebration, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Fire Station, 17937 Front St. Crafters, food, beer, soda, raffles, and music from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Parade at noon, fireworks at dusk at Townsend Ball Park, Grove and Wheeler streets.

GILLET: Community Market, 5-7 p.m., Gillett Public Library, 200-204 E. Main St.

SHAWANO: Thursdayz at Franklin, 6-8:30 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Music with Spark, Spark, Bang!

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

FRIDAY, JULY 5

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

SATURDAY, JULY 6

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions Flea Market special holiday market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. \$2 admission.

TOWNSEND: Kids Fishing Tournament, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Wendt's Sandbar Resort, 16688 Nicolet Road. Registration starts 7 a.m., open to kids 15 and under.

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. First Presbyterian Church will have bake sale at the market this week.

SHAWANO: Fourth annual Craft and Antique Sale, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Bottle House Antiques, 701 S. Main St.

MOUNTAIN: Independence Day Celebration, 10 a.m. to dusk. Craft fair, kids' activities, raffles, food, fireworks at dusk.

TOWNSEND: Watermelon Eating Contest, 11 a.m., Oughton Park on

Pickel Lake.

SHAWANO: Naberhood Block Party, 5:30-8 p.m., 214 S. Main St. Music by Zakk Abbitz.

SHAWANO: Stock car racing, 6-10 p.m., Shawano Speedway, 990 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$12 17 and up, \$6 12-16, free 11 and younger with paid adult.

BELLE PLAINE: Cloverleaf Lakes Fireworks Show, dusk, Pine Lake.

SUNDAY, JULY 7

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. \$2 admission.

SHAWANO: Music at Arlington Park, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Arlington Park, 300 Humphrey Circle. Sarah Koenig and Hus Band.

MONDAY, JULY 8

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, JULY 9

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto County Farmers Market, 4-8 p.m., Highland Square.

SHAWANO: Naberhood Block Party, 5:30-7 p.m., 214 S. Main St. Family Yoga and Art Expression.

WITTENBERG: Free concert with Bill Hurley and Mike Daley, 6-8 p.m., WOW Art Park, 114 Vinal St. Rain or shine, free Ice cream, food for sale by Redeemer Church. Bring a lawn chair.

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, JULY 10

GRESHAM: American Red Cross

blood drive, noon to 5 p.m., St. Francis Solanus Catholic Church, 1050 Main St.

NEOPIT: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. The Circle House, W6715 Shawpokasic St. Information: Mindy Thunder at 715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

THURSDAY, JULY 11

SHAWANO: Community Chat with Superintendent Kurt Krizan, 8-9 a.m., Glas Coffee Conference Room, 511 N. Main St.

NAVARINO: Senior Safari Lunch and Learn, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Porcupines and Fishers. \$4.50 suggested donation. Registration required by calling Heidi at 715-526-4686.

GILLET: Garden Walk and Home Tours, 4-8 p.m., various locations. Passes \$15, available for purchase at Gillett Public Library and City Hall.

GILLET: Community Market, 5-7 p.m., Gillett Public Library, 200-204 E. Main St.

SHAWANO: Thursdayz at Franklin, 6-8:30 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Music with Copper Box.

SHAWANO: Kids from Wisconsin, 7 p.m., Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B.

SHAWANO: “The Wizard of Oz,” 7 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Presented by Box in the Wood Theatre Guild. Tickets \$15 adults, \$10 18 and under.

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

FRIDAY, JULY 12

BOWLER: American Red Cross blood drive, 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Bowler High School, 500 S. Almon

St.

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

SHAWANO: “The Wizard of Oz,” 7 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Presented by Box in the Wood Theatre Guild. Tickets \$15 adults, \$10 18 and under.

SATURDAY, JULY 13

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions Flea Market special holiday market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. \$2 admission.

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. First Presbyterian Church will have bake sale at the market this week.

SHAWANO: Shawanofest, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., downtown. Free live entertainment, food trucks, over 150 craft vendors located on the Main Street, kids' games and car show.

SHAWANO: Stock car racing, 6-10 p.m., Shawano Speedway, 990 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$12 17 and up, \$6 12-16, free 11 and younger with paid adult.

SHAWANO: “The Wizard of Oz,” 7 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Presented by Box in the Wood Theatre Guild. Tickets \$15 adults, \$10 18 and under.

SUNDAY, JULY 14

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. \$2 admission.

SHAWANO: “The Wizard of Oz,” 2 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Presented by Box in the Wood Theatre Guild. Tickets \$15 adults, \$10 18 and under.

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Lead contamination impacts children especially

Lead has been in the news often with reports about contaminated food products and concerns about popular drinkware. Children who are exposed often do not look sick, but even small amounts of lead can harm the brain and cause learning and behavior difficulties. “It’s important for parents to know the risks and take steps to protect kids from lead exposure,” said Dr. Michelle Gerow, a ThedaCare pediatrician. “Protecting children, from exposure to lead is important to lifelong good health. It is also critical to understand that no safe blood lead level in children has been identified.” Gerow has been monitoring recent lead concerns that have gained national attention. In late 2023, the U.S.



MICHELLE GEROW

Food and Drug Administration recalled certain brands of cinnamon applesauce and apple puree that were found to contain high levels of lead and chromium. The products were sold under the brand names WanaBana, Schnucks and Weis. The FDA traced the contamination to cinnamon that was included in the pouches. To date, more than 400 children spanning 44 states, including Wisconsin, have been poisoned in the outbreak. Chromium is made up of several compounds and is a naturally occurring element with trace levels normally found in the diet,

according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The exact form of chromium in the recalled applesauce products is unclear. However, lead chromate previously has been reported as a contaminant in spices and foods. The CDC has advised that people should not eat cinnamon-containing apple purée or applesauce products included in the FDA recall announcements. Anyone who may have eaten the affected products should talk with their health care provider. In early March, the FDA also recalled several brands of ground cinnamon, mainly sold at discount stores including Family Dollar and Dollar Tree. Consumers should dispose of any of the recalled products that they may have in their homes. Lead can make it into

spices in several ways. These include natural sources such as soil and water, leaded gasoline and through the manufacturing, storage or shipping process. According to the FDA, lead chromate has been illegally added to certain spices to increase their weight and enhance their color, which increases the monetary value of the adulterated spices. The FDA suspects the cinnamon’s manufacturer likely altered the product for economically motivated reasons. In recent months, concerns have arisen about lead used in the manufacture of popular water bottles, most notably Stanley cups. Stanley released a statement saying that while it uses lead in manufacturing its products, no lead comes into contact with consumers.

Though the company is facing a lawsuit about the use of lead, experts have widely agreed with the company’s assertion that consumers are highly unlikely to come into contact with lead through the products. At the same time, some experts question the decision to use lead when many other water bottle brands do not. Dust from lead house paint remains the biggest lead hazard in the United States, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics. The use of lead paint stopped in 1978, so older homes pose a risk. Lead also may exist in service lines carrying water to homes and lead solder used in plumbing. The United States tries to monitor for lead in food and toys. However, lead also can appear in cer-

tain imported products, including spices, candies, cosmetics and nutritional supplements. The CDC stated that the health effects of lead exposure are more harmful to children younger than six years of age because their bodies are still developing and growing rapidly. Young children also tend to put their hands or other objects, which may be contaminated with lead dust, into their mouths, so they are more likely to be exposed to lead than older children. “Children with lead exposure may have no apparent acute symptoms,” said Gerow. “Even low levels of lead have been associated with learning and behavior problems, hearing and speech problems, and slowed growth and development.”

Wisconsin's egg production down 7% from last year

Wisconsin egg production during May was 204 million eggs, down 7% from the previous May, according to the latest Chickens and Eggs report from the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. The average number of all layers on hand during May was 7.83 million, down 6% from last year. Eggs per 100 layers for May was 2,609, down 1% from a year ago. United States egg production totaled 9.10 billion during May, down 2% from last year. Production included 7.81 billion table eggs, and 1.30 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.20 billion were broiler-type and 99.7 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during May totaled 372 million, down 3% from last year. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,450 eggs, up 1% from May 2023. Total layers in the United States on June 1 totaled 371 million, down 3% from last year. The 371 million layers consisted of 306

million layers producing table or market type eggs, 61.7 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs and 3.83 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on June 1 averaged 78.9 eggs per 100 layers, up 1% from June 1, 2023. Egg-type chicks hatched during May totaled 58.2

million, down 1% from May 2023. Eggs in incubators totaled 56.6 million on June 1, up 2% from a year ago. Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 257,000 during May, down 1% from May 2023.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during May totaled 860 million, up 1% from May 2023. Eggs in

incubators totaled 736 million on June 1, up 1% from a year ago. The complete report

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GUEST COLUMN

Quick pivot back to partisan talking points

I joined millions in watching televised coverage of D-Day's 80th anniversary ceremonies earlier this month.

I wept. Who didn't? The dwindling number of centenarian heroes on stage. The historic footage of that landing, a daring dash that literally saved the world. Rows of silent white crosses. The artillery salute. The fly-over. The soaring words of inspiration, and not just — or even foremost — by the political leaders. I was most touched when the young uniformed woman read the adapted version of "The Watch."

"Eighty years ago, these sailors stood the watch. While some of us were in our bunks at night, these soldiers stood the watch. While some of us were in school learning our trade, marines, airmen and coasties stood the watch. Yes, even before some of us were born into this world, the men behind me stood the watch. ..."

Perhaps most importantly, this: "You stand relieved. We have the watch."

Do we? I decided to spend a few hours paying attention to how various media covered the day, mostly switching back and forth from CNN and Fox and MSNBC, but also occasionally monitoring the Associated Press, the Washington Post and other papers. Call it my bias, if you will, but as I fully expected the men and women of the printed word did the best job sticking to the story of the day as it unfolded.

The television talking heads, not so much. In the blink of an eye, the anchors and guests pivoted to their usual talking points.

For liberals — MSNBC is the place to be — the message of the day seemed to be that the democracy the heroes of June 6, 1944, fought and died for is being tested again by Donald Trump



Bill Barth
Guest columnist

and his autocratic allies. For conservatives — Fox is their den — it was Joe Biden's weak America on display, and the nation is not respected by allies or feared by foes. Conversations — for that's what television is, talking and more talking — centered around how it all relates to the election this November.

In no time at all, way too much focus was on Biden and Trump. Not on the old men on stage. Not on the young men whose remains lie beneath those white crosses.

These so-called television news channels have been weaponized. All politics, all the time. They do not have audiences. They have converts.

By the way, CNN played it straighter than either of the two primary partisan channels. That's not to say CNN is centrist; it leans left. A viewer can still see the center from there, which is more than can be said of Fox or MSNBC.

Here's a thought, from an old gray-headed journalist. In today's fragmented media world these channels are riding the crest of a wave they created. In the age of information by avalanche, it's all but impossible to put out a profitable product that tries to be what newspapers once were — a product intended for broad appeal.

That's one big reason print media, which still largely embraces facts and not spin, faces so many challenges. Cable, talk radio, online sites, podcasts and so forth picked sides, narrowed their focus, and carved out niche audiences that are told what they want to hear. Social media throws gas on the fire.

I call it outrage as a

business plan. If a viewer or listener is not fuming with anger by the end of a program, the host has failed.

With whom are they angry? People who used to be their friends and neighbors. American against American.

We were led here by profit-seeking ideologues who realized hate and anger can be monetized.

After the D-Day coverage, that almost immediate pivot back to politics-as-war was impossible to miss. It is disgusting. I hope that offends the left and the right. You do not have a monopoly on good ideas, morality or patriotism. In what is clearly a 50-50 country, you do not have a right to impose your way.

The old men on stage, the boys in those graves, did not fight for that.

I'm old enough, at the 80th anniversary of D-Day, to remember the 40th. In 1984, it was President Ronald Reagan delivering the message. I am still inspired by Reagan, and by his successor George H.W. Bush, both of whom led with strength and compassion for all, punctuated with a sunny outlook and faith in the future guided by past and principle.

Here's what Reagan said: "We are bound today by what bound us 40 years ago, the same loyalties, traditions and beliefs. We're bound by reality. Here in this place where the West held together, let us make a vow to our dead. Let us show them by our actions that we understand what they died for. ... Strengthened by their courage, heartened by their valor and borne by their memory, let us continue to stand for the ideals for which they lived and died."

Today's partisan bickering and hatefulness is unworthy of their sacrifice.

Bill Barth is the former editor of the Beloit Daily News, and a member of the Wisconsin Newspaper Hall of Fame. Readers can contact him at bbarth@beloitdailynews.com.

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Ski Sharks spending summer at Camp Onawahs

Waterskiers entertain crowds with jumps, pyramids, flips, barefoot stunts and more

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

A slight breeze, lots of sunshine and the aroma of grilled food welcome the throngs of people to Smalley Park for the weekly Shawano Ski Sharks water-ski show.

"This year, we are simply working on getting bigger," said Dave Passehl, Ski Sharks president. "Our pyramids are big like last year, and our prebuilt pyramid is the largest we've ever done with intentions of going bigger."

"We also have a large amount of skiers that jump, including those the flip and spin, and even our adaptive skier pulls a jumper over the ramp. Our jump act has been solid all year long."

The group performs at 6 p.m. Wednesdays now through Aug. 14.

The theme for this year is Camp Onawahs (Shawano spelled backwards), a show about what happens at summer camp.

Show directors are Carsten McHugh, Dana McHugh (Carsten's mother) and Taya Conrad (Dana's niece) are the 2024 show directors.

"I have been skiing since I was very little but joined the Ski Sharks three years ago," Conrad said in a social media post. "You can find me in the opening pyramid, ballet, jump, prebuilt and end pyramid. My favorite act is either prebuilt or jump; I can't choose."

As in years past, show directors for the upcoming years are chosen at the end of the season in August.

"They typically have a theme in mind when they run for the position but then take the winter to develop it along with the announcing crew," Passehl said.

Writing the script is a team effort. The show directors have the idea, and the announcing crew works with them to make it come alive, Passehl said.

"It takes many meetings over winter to get it ready, and then still needs adjusting early on in the season when we find things that do and don't work," he said. "Our show order doesn't typically change much in an effort to keep our flow consistent. We try to tie the acts into a relevant part of the theme where they are within the show."

The show directors design the costumes. Dana McHugh, one of the show directors, and her family spend the entire winter sewing the costumes.

"The costumes tie into the theme sometimes but



The Shawano Ski Sharks kick off their weekly show with a pyramid stunt. Shows are held at 6 p.m. Wednesday through Aug. 14 at Smalley Park.

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The Shawano Ski Sharks are bringing waterskiing to those with disabilities, who may have thought it was not possible before, through adaptive skiing. Special gear called "sit skis" along with the use of side skiers are used to give people the opportunity to waterski.

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typically are designed to be flashy and really show up on the water," Passehl said.

The Ski Sharks are made up of about 100 members ages 3-63. About 40 are skiers with the remaining 60 or so acting as support staff.

"We were able to pick up about 10 new skiing members this off season,

all that can ski and have made it into our main show already," Passehl said. "Mick Siolka is our longest serving member. He's been with the team around 40 years."

The Ski Sharks officially organized in 1977.

While it's easy to applaud the skiers, Passehl also acknowledges the support staff each week.

"We have an amazing and committed boat crew," he said. "We have a core group of show drivers and some additional practice drivers as well. Many of them have family on the team, but some of them simply do it for the love of it."

The Ski Sharks have

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Single skiers, pairs, lines and pyramids are mixed throughout the Shawano Ski Sharks' weekly performances. This year's show directors are Carsten McHugh, Dana McHugh and Taya Conrad.

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four towboats, one pick-up boat and a floating barge. That makes for a drive/spotting team of 11-12 people.

“As you can imagine, it takes an army on and off the water to make what we do a success,” he said.

All shows are free, but donations are appreciated. Sponsors are also regularly sought to help cover the cost to put on the shows.

“We spend a lot of time building awareness of our team and its needs and have been blessed to secure some significant partners along the way,” Passehl said. “We sell advertising in our annual program, sell a cash raffle, partner with major corporations, etc.”

About \$60,000 is needed annually, which includes an insurance bill of \$20,000 and fuel bills of about \$8,000.

Remaining funds are used to fix and update equipment, create costumes, fix the docks and more. There is also a reserve fund used to purchase new boats and engines.

“This past year was particularly expensive with the purchase of a new boat, and (we) had to invest \$8,134 to move our boat lifts to a new location in an effort to be a good neighbor,”

Passehl said. “These expenses are unexpected, but fortunately, we are fiscally responsible and plan for these things.”

The Ski Sharks have invested \$240,000 of its money into Smalley Park to help make it what it is today.

“We have a great partnership with the city of Shawano and the Park and Rec, but each of us have worked very hard to create this beautiful space,” he said.

All the docks at Smalley Park are owned and maintained by the waterski team. While the public is welcome to use them, they are asked to respect them as well.

“Like many parks, Smalley Park has seen its share of vandalism this summer, and we really hope we can get hold of that and help people understand that using a city park is a privilege, not a right,” Passehl said.

At Smalley Park, bleacher seating is available, but many people bring lawn chairs or blankets.

Cash-only concessions are offered onsite at each show and include bottled water, soda, sports drinks, burgers, brats and popcorn.

Raffle tickets are also available at each show.

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Hundreds of residents and visitors show up each week to watch the Shawano Ski Sharks perform jumps, flips (above), pyramids and other stunts on the Wolf River at Smalley Park. The group includes about 40 skiers and 60 support staff. Below, the Shawano Ski Sharks show directors design the costumes each year. Dana McHugh, one of the show directors, and her family spend the entire winter sewing the costumes.

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Four pairs of performers entertain the crowd at Smalley Park on June 26. The Shawano Ski Sharks will be at the park each week through Aug. 14. Jumps, flips, barefoot lines, pyramids and more are part of the show. All shows are free, but donations are appreciated. Sponsors are also regularly sought to help cover the cost to put on the shows. The group has to raise about \$60,000 annually, which includes an insurance bill of \$20,000 and fuel bills of about \$8,000. Remaining funds are used to fix and update equipment, create costumes, fix the docks and more. There is also a reserve fund used to purchase new boats and engines.

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- 25 2012 Super Bowl MVP [DITTO]
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75 Prince William's eldest
77 Osaka "OK"
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79 Too-snoopy one [EUROPE]
81 Stubborn equine
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101 Conditional release
105 Crop watering [EUROPE]
108 Analogy, e.g. [DITTO]
110 Regan's father
111 *Beauty and the Beast* girl
112 Not as wild
113 Lost traction
114 R&D locales
115 Stand in good __ (be of value)
116 Concise
117 Countless years

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- 2 Bath gel additive
- 3 Try out
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- 5 Elite group
- 6 Dracula alter ego

- 7 Apple music player
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10 Big rig's fuel
11 Luxury watch brand
12 Oklahoma city
13 Desired result
14 Goat call
15 Genghis Khan, for one
16 Diabolical
17 Russo of films
18 Measures of work
24 Fully aware of
26 Central points
29 Gleamed
32 Gorged oneself
34 Toys that might talk
35 "All" prefix
36 Originate
37 Walk-on part
38 Expedient practice [AFRICA]
40 Sharp tugs
41 Fist, informally
42 Jewish ritual
43 Rolling, as terrain
44 Guacamole maker's risk
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45 "It's the truth!"
46 Reside
48 Did bartering
49 Superman's birth name
52 Some cereal
53 Intuitive feeling
54 Put off for a while
58 Life's work
60 Snoops (around)
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65 Folklore fiend

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STATE OF WISCONSIN

IN CIRCUIT COURT FOR MENOMINEE
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SHAWANO COUNTY DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE FORECLOSURE
OF THE TAX LIENS, PURSUANT TO SECTION
75.521 WISCONSIN STATUTES BY
SHAWANO COUNTY, LIST OF TAX
LIENS FOR THE YEAR 2020
THROUGH 2023

PETITION AND NOTICE AND LIST
OF TAX LIENS OF SHAWANO
COUNTY BEING FORECLOSED BY
PROCEEDING IN REM 2024,
NUMBER FORTY EIGHT

TO THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN:
Now comes Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, by Debra Wallace, its County Treasurer, and Larenda J. Maulson, Shawano County Corporation Counsel, and files this list of tax liens of Shawano County for all taxes of 2020 through 2023, sales of 2021 through 2023, and alleges and shows to the Court:
1. That each of the following described parcels of land has been sold to Shawano County for delinquent taxes and the tax certificates therefore have been outstanding for two or more years and said years being the sales of the years indicated below.
2. That Shawano County is now the owner and holder of tax liens for the taxes of the years indicated in this list, as evidenced by the tax sales certificates numbered below.
3. That Shawano County has by ordinance adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of said county on the 2nd day of November, 1971, elected to proceed under Section 75.521 of the Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of enforcing tax liens in said county.
4. That said list, made and filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 75.521, Wisconsin Statutes, is as follows, to-wit:

	Description	Owners	Interested Parties And Lien Holders	Ctf. No.	Year Sold	Tax Year	Amount of Tax
	TOWN OF ALMON						
1	North 363 Feet of East 247.5 Feet of Southeast 1/4 Northeast 1/4 Section 22 Township 28 North Range 12 East N8397 Regina Road-Regina Cemetery Parcel #002-22140-0010 TOWN OF ANIWA	Bethany A Schmude		11531 12273 13401	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,573.78 1,422.86 1,591.43 1,503.92
2	West 428 Feet of North 278 Feet of Southeast 1/4 Southwest 1/4 Section 19 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-19340-0010	Mark A Low A/K/A Mark Low	State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources	11462 12308 13474	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	889.86 911.64 985.61 1,005.61
3	North 600 Feet of East 330 Feet Southeast 1/4 Southeast 1/4 Except Highway 45 Section 19 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-19440-0000	Donna Norton	Town of Aniwa	11468 12309 13461	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	550.41 728.34 747.02 761.39
4	Southwest 1/4 Southwest 1/4 Section 25 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-25330-0000	Patsy C Pingel		11585 12327 13463	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	763.04 782.56 760.54 782.63
5	Southwest 1/4 Southeast 1/4 Section 26 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-26430-0000	Patsy C Pingel		11595 12312 13476	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	726.86 743.77 721.22 745.18
6	Southeast 1/4 Southeast 1/4 Except East 209 Feet of North 418 Feet Section 26 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-26440-0010	Patsy C Pingel		11598 12328 13477	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,077.11 1,034.32 1,019.88 1,049.66
7	East 240 Feet of North 190 Feet of South 770 Feet of Northeast 1/4 Southeast 1/4 Except Highway 45 Section 31 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-31410-0030	Dale Meverden	GTE North Incorporated	11682 12313 13467	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	191.78 322.24 167.51 355.93
8	Northwest 1/4 Northeast 1/4 Section 35 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-35120-0000	Patsy C Pingel		11750 12332 13480	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	838.82 858.34 837.81 858.95
9	Northwest 1/4 Southeast 1/4 Section 35 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-35420-0000	William J Pingel Jr.		11761 12320 13469	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	726.86 743.77 721.22 745.18
10	Southwest 1/4 Southeast 1/4 Section 35 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-35430-0000	William J Pingel Jr.		11764 12321 13481	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	574.51 588.45 557.40 586.07
11	Northwest 1/4 Northeast 1/4 Section 36 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-36120-0000	Patsy C Pingel	William A Rusch Ryan T Rusch Jennifer L Rusch Gertrude Mundt	11766 12333 13482	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	744.08 763.17 740.19 763.21
	TOWN OF GREEN VALLEY						
12	Commencing at Point 175 Feet West of Northwest Corner Lot 7 Block 2 Issacsons Addition Village of Green Valley Thence 95 Feet West 125 Feet South Thence 95 Feet East Thence North to Point of Beginning Part of Northwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Section 25 Township 27 North Range 18 East Parcel #020-25220-0050	Ann Marie Andrews A/K/A Ann M Andrews A/K/A Ann Andrews	LeGros Enterprises Achilles Finance, LLC D/B/A Advance Financial	11582 12488 13695	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	672.17 638.48 773.29 1,230.01
	TOWN OF HERMAN						
13	East 209 Feet of South 209 Feet of Southwest 1/4 Northeast 1/4 Section 9 Township 27 North Range 14 East Parcel #024-09130-0010 TOWN OF NAVARINO	Lester R Hess		11295 12558 13731	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	291.53 639.88 637.56 537.70
14	Village of Galesburg P.F. Dolans Addition Now Known as Lot 1 Volume 17 Certified Survey Map Page 60 Map Number 3813 Township 25 North Range 16 East Survey on File Number 9006430PS Parcel #034-55150-0090	Pao Her A/K/A Pao Choua C Her	Milwaukee County Child Support See Seng Town of Navarino Shawano County	11952 12664 13871	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,605.02 1,575.45 1,560.34 1,864.54
	TOWN OF SENECA						
15	Southeast 1/4 Southeast 1/4 Section 16 Township 27 North Range 13 East Now Known as Lot 2 Volume 18 Page 248 Certified Survey Map Number 3973 Parcel #042-16440-0000	Lynn M Kersten	Joshua M Henry A/K/A Joshua Henry Rachal A Henry A/K/A Rachal Henry	11428 12768 13982	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,788.53 1,397.97 1,411.03 1,432.04
16	Southeast 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Section 21 Township 27 North Range 13 East Parcel #042-21240-0000	Lynn M Kersten A/K/A Lynn Kersten	Joshua M Henry A/K/A Joshua Henry Rachal A Henry A/K/A Rachal Henry Jeffrey P Rach Virginia K Schuller-Rach Michels Pipeline Construction Incorporated	11519 12769 13983	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	613.34 621.44 637.71 633.69

	TOWN OF WASHINGTON						
17	Hidden Pines Part Northeast 1/4 Southwest 1/4 and Fractional Northwest 1/4 Southwest 1/4 Section 6 Township 27 North Range 17 East Lot 13 Parcel #044-60150-0120	Steven J Matekel		11971 12850 14052	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,145.32 1,300.22 774.41 743.00
	TOWN OF WESCOTT						
18	Part of Southeast 1/4 Southeast 1/4 That Part Lying Southeast of Edgewood Road Section 20 Township 27 North Range 16 East Parcel #048-20440-0001	Klayton E Kellogg Lydia G Feliz A/K/A Lydia Feliz	Wisconsin Michigan Power Company	11508 12894 14098	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	294.37 315.82 218.59 245.85
19	Commencing Northwest Corner Northwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Thence South Along Section Line 285 Feet to Point of Beginning Thence Continue Said Line 85 Feet South Thence East to East Body Northwest-Northwest-Northwest Thence North 21 Feet Thence North 85 Degree 44 Feet West to Point of Beginning Section 30 Township 27 North Range 16 East Parcel #048-30220-0040	Timtza Etzepo Corporation of USA Incorporated, a Delaware Corporation	Draeger Oil Company Incorporated Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology Incorporated Integrity First Bank Wells Fargo Bank National Association MMG Financial Corporation Commercial Mortgage Fund, LLC LSREF 2 Cobalt LLC LSREF 2 Cobalt Trust 2013	11659 12955 14155	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	2,251.98 2,417.30 2,281.92 1,286.07
20	North 140 Feet of South 290 Feet Northwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 and Thence Part Described Volume 664 Page 739 Section 30 Township 27 North Range 16 East Parcel #048-30220-0050	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated	Draeger Oil Company Incorporated Wells Fargo Bank National Association Integrity First Bank MMG Financial Corporation LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 LSREF 2 Cobalt LLC	11660 12895 14156	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	6,461.45 6,933.52 6,070.25 3,416.50
21	South 150 Feet of Northwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Except Part Described Volume 664 Page 739 Section 30 Township 27 North Range 16 East and N5654 State Highway 47-55 Parcel #048-30220-0060	Midwest Properties of Shawano LLC A/K/A Midwest Properties LLC	Wells Fargo Bank National Association LSREF 2 Cobalt LLC LSREF 2 Cobalt Trust 2013 Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology Incorporated A/K/A Dr Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology Incorporated Wisconsin Gas Company	11661 12896 14102	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	3,839.72 4,120.77 3,732.77 2,101.98
22	Achten's First Addition to Sunset View Section 24 Township 27 North Range 15 East Lot 7 Block 3 Parcel #048-40100-0060	Beit Mamtakim Corporation of USA Incorporated, a Delaware Corporation	Urban Telephone Corporation	11820 12958 14105	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	5,212.23 5,593.27 5,522.42 3,108.43
23	Parkwood Estates Part Northeast 1/4 and Southeast 1/4 Section 1 Township 27 North Range 16 East Lot 66 Parcel #048-70350-0690	Don W Stieglbauer		12098 12979 14266	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	174.34 184.28 174.06 201.08
24	Wescott Acres Part of North Fractional 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 Described Volume 427 Page 2 Section 1 Township 27 North Range 16 East Lot 17 Parcel #048-85150-0160	Rodney A Borkenhagen	Wisconsin Department of Revenue Oconto Electric Cooperative of Oconto	12224 12990 14133	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	132.48 140.09 96.86 109.09
25	Wescott Acres Part of North Fractional 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 Described Volume 427 Page 2 Section 1 Township 27 North Range 16 East Lot 18 Parcel #048-85150-0170	Rodney A Borkenhagen	Wisconsin Department of Revenue Oconto Electric Cooperative of Oconto	12225 12991 14281	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	132.48 140.09 96.86 109.09
26	Wescott Acres Part of North Fractional 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 Described Volume 427 Page 2 Section 1 Township 27 North Range 16 East Lot 19 Parcel #048-85150-0180	Rodney A Borkenhagen	Wisconsin Department of Revenue Oconto Electric Cooperative of Oconto	12226 12938 14282	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	128.78 136.22 94.17 106.05
	VILLAGE OF ANIWA						
27	Village of Aniwa Northeast 1/4 Northwest 1/4 East 600 Feet of West 804 Feet of South 600 Feet Section 8 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #101-08210-0010	Beverly J Faust	Check and Cash LLC	11281 13034 14202	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	51,099.17 2,285.94 168.69 158.11
28	Village of Aniwa Original Plat Lots 1-2 and 3 Block 5 Parcel #101-70100-0060	Diane Lynn Sibilia A/K/A D. Sibilia A/K/A Diane L Sibilia Charles R James A/K/A Charles Raymound James	Donald Karcz Venita Karcz Wisconsin Department of Children and Families	12060 13039 14204	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	12.32 11.59 10.84 33.68
29	Village of Aniwa Original Plat East 1/2 Lots 5 and 6 Block 5 Parcel #101-70100-0070	Diane Lynn Sibilia A/K/A D. Sibilia A/K/A Diane L Sibilia Charles R James A/K/A Charles Raymound James	Donald Karcz Venita Karcz Wisconsin Department of Children and Families	12062 13040 14205	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	4.61 4.34 4.06 12.35
	VILLAGE OF BONDUEL						
30	Village of Bonduel Whitnee Woods Plat Section 8 Township 26 North Range 17 East Lot 7 Parcel #107-87100-0060	James F Hutter A/K/A James Hutter Suzanne J Hutter A/K/A Suzanne Hutter	Bonduel State Bank Internal Revenue Service Wisconsin Department of Revenue Village of Bonduel Discover Bank	12234 13067 14193	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	669.49 634.11 612.41 632.89
	VILLAGE OF ELAND						
31	Village of Eland Lull and Mylrea's Addition Was Lot 1 and Part Lot 2 Volume 15 Certified Survey Map Page 87 Map Number 3527 Section 31 Township 28 North Range 11 East Now Known as Lot 1 Certified Survey Map Number 4707 Parcel #121-65050-0040	Brett J Roehl A/K/A Brett Roehl	Audrey S Gallow, Trustee of the A & R Gallow Trust Dated July 17, 2013 MRC Telecommunications Incorporated Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources	11976 13105 14246	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	374.42 546.14 555.18 535.64
	VILLAGE OF MATTOON						
32	Village of Mattoon Original Plat Lots 4 & 5 Block 18 Parcel #151-70050-0300	Geraldine T Cox A/K/A Geraldine Cox	CoVantage Credit Union	12024 13147 14250	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,169.18 1,560.08 1,749.86 1,695.38
33	Village of Mattoon Original Plat Lot 6 Block 20 Parcel #151-70050-0510	Rebecca Osborn A/K/A Rebecca L Osborn A/K/A R.Osborn A/K/A Rebeca Osborn	Sandra S Franken Midland Credit Management Incorporated Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC	12028 13148 14251	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,064.41 944.40 818.74 753.34
34	Village of Mattoon Original Plat East 60 Feet Lots 1 and 2 All Lots 3-4 and 5 and Lot 6 Except East 28 Feet Block 22 Parcel #151-70050-0580	Ronald K Monteith Trevor D Burns		12034 13140 14262	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	421.08 670.30 668.48 630.31
	VILLAGE OF TIGERTON						
35	Thence Part of Southwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Known as Lot 2 Certified Survey Recorded Volume 4 Page 265 Map Number 1211 Section 9 Township 26 North Range 12 East and Highway Access Restrict Described Volume 878 Page 173 Parcel #186-09230-0010	Performance Torque Convertors Incorporated A/K/A Performance Torque Converters A/K/A Performance Torque Converters Incorporated	Marion State Bank Wisconsin Department of Revenue Charles Gehrman James M Badalik Bantam Tool Wisconsin Power and Light Company Wisconsin Department of Transportation	11303 13172	2021 2022	2020 2021	177.29 80.75

36	Village of Tigerton Mill Site Described Volume 288 Page 611 Part South 1/2 Southwest 1/4 Section 9 Township 26 North Range 12 East Parcel #186-65050-0020	John A Whitewing Pamela Hesse A/K/A Pamela M Whitewing	Midland Credit Management Incorporated	11975 13161 14353	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	121.71 122.17 112.89 111.37
37	Village of Tigerton Original Plat Lots 1 and 2 Block 34 Except South 10 Feet Parcel #186-70050-1360	Brian K Jensen Amy J Jensen A/K/A Amy Jensen	Wisconsin Department of Revenue Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources	12050 13166 14377	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	2,596.55 1,504.29 1,985.58 2,202.17
38	Village of Tigerton Original Plat Lot 3 Block 34 Except South 10 Feet Parcel #186-70050-1370	Brian K Jensen Amy J Jensen A/K/A Amy Jensen	Wisconsin Department of Revenue Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources	12051 13167 14378	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	968.74 427.01 493.85 1,036.25
	CITY OF SHAWANO						
39	City of Shawano Southwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Known as Lot 1 Certified Survey Recorded Volume 4 Page 345 Map Number 1263 Section 30 Township 27 North Range 16 East Parcel #281-30230-0000	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated	Draeger Oil Company Incorporated Integrity First Bank MMG Financial Corporation Wells Fargo Bank National Association LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 LSREF2 Cobalt LLC	11662 13271 13365	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	2,973.52 3,011.82 2,983.26 637.43
40	City of Shawano North 12 Rods of West 10 Rods Southwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Section 30 Township 27 North Range 16 East Parcel #281-30230-0010	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated	Fox Valley & Lake Superior Rail System, LLC Wisconsin Central LTD Draeger Oil Company Incorporated Integrity First Bank MMG Financial Corporation Wells Fargo Bank National Association LSREF2 Cobalt LLC LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 Urban Telephone Corporation	11663 13217 13366	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,695.50 1,714.34 1,710.48 624.25
41	City of Shawano West 1/2 of the East 1/2 Northwest 1/4 Northeast 1/4 Except West 165 Feet Section 32 Township 27 North Range 16 East Part Lot 1 and all Lot 2 Volume 4 Page 83 Certified Survey Map Number 1089 Parcel #281-32120-0010	Beit Mamtakim Corporation of USA Incorporated, a Delaware Corporation	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated Phillip S Anello A/K/A Phillip Anello Rita Anello A/K/A Rita Ann Anello AKJ Development Corporation D/B/A Americ Inn of Shawano	11687 13272 13367	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	7,352.65 7,446.69 7,374.51 1,612.16
42	City of Shawano Part Northeast 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Section 32 Township 27 North Range 16 East Lot 1 Certified Survey Recorded Volume 2 Page 286 Map Number 578 Also Known as Lot 2 Certified Survey Volume 4 Page 154 Map Number 1137 Except Part South of Sanitary District Line Parcel #281-32210-0120	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated	Draeger Oil Company Incorporated City of Shawano Department of Public Works Integrity First Bank MMG Financial Corporation Wells Fargo Bank National Association LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 LSREF2 Cobalt LLC	11693 13273 13369	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	5,054.58 5,116.39 5,079.54 1,538.32
43	City of Shawano Part Northeast 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Section 32 Township 27 North Range 16 East Lot 1 Certified Survey Recorded Volume 2 Page 286 Map Number 578 Also Known as Lot 2 Certified Survey Volume 4 Page 154 Map Number 1137 Except Part North of Sanitary District Line Parcel #281-32210-0121	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated	Draeger Oil Company Incorporated Integrity First Bank MMG Financial Corporation Wells Fargo Bank National Association LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 LSREF2 Cobalt LLC City of Shawano Department of Public Works	11694 13274 13370	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	874.76 885.95 877.36 232.07
44	City of Shawano South 1/2 of Northwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Known as Lot 2 Certified Survey Recorded Volume 4 Page 320 Map Number 1247 Section 33 Township 27 North Range 16 East and Exchange of Property With City in Volume 872 Page 596 Parcel #281-33220-0080	Midwest Properties of Shawano LLC		11714 13219 13325	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	2,276.70 2,305.83 2,283.47 603.40
45	City of Shawano Part of The Southeast 1/4 of The Northeast 1/4 The East 340.14 Feet West of Highway North of Mills Street and South of Railroad Except Certified Survey Recorded Volume 7 Page 339 Section 25 Township 27 North Range 15 East Known as Meadowglow Condo's Parcel #281-39140-0020	Midwest Properties of Shawano LLC	Wells Fargo Bank National Association LSREF2 Cobalt LLC LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 Shawano Municipal Utilities Urban Telephone Company Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology Incorporated	11788 13276 13326	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	5,742.73 5,813.34 5,769.74 2,212.90
46	City of Shawano Arlington Addition Lot 10 Block 1 Parcel #281-40300-0060	Midwest Properties of Shawano LLC	Wisconsin Gas LLC D/B/A We Energies Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Wells Fargo Bank National Association LSREF2 Cobalt LLC LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology Incorporated	11837 13278 13327	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	2,985.48 3,020.82 3,004.28 796.30
47	City of Shawano Assessors Map Lot 3 Block 33 Thence West 60 Feet Parcel #281-40400-2770	Wilbur Bubolz Jr. A/K/A Wilbur Lee Bubolz	Shawano County Child Support	11853 13222 13374	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	543.39 752.29 1,749.91 1,534.44
48	City of Shawano Danks and Richmond Plat South 33 Feet Lot 8 and South 33 Feet Lot 9 Block 2 East of Alley Parcel #281-45150-0240	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated	Wells Fargo Bank National Association Integrity First Bank LSREF2 Cobalt LLC LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 City of Shawano Redevelopment Authority A/K/A RDA	11887 13230 13382	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	2,414.52 2,439.21 2,454.63 539.46
49	City of Shawano Danks and Richmond Plat Lot 1 and North 20 Feet Lot 5 Block 3 East of Alley Parcel #281-45150-0280	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated	Wells Fargo Bank National Association Integrity First Bank LSREF2 Cobalt LLC LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 City of Shawano Redevelopment Authority A/K/A RDA	11888 13286 13334	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,637.42 1,653.21 1,668.03 384.75
50	City of Shawano Danks and Richmond Plat Lot 2 Block 3 and South 20 Feet of North 40 Feet of Lot 5 Block 3 East of Alley Parcel #281-45150-0290	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated	Wells Fargo Bank National Association Integrity First Bank LSREF2 Cobalt LLC LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 City of Shawano Redevelopment Authority A/K/A RDA	11889 13287 13335	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,637.42 1,653.21 1,668.03 361.84
51	City of Shawano Fairview Addition Lot 5 Block 5 Except West 6 Feet Parcel #281-50100-0190	Brian E Bornhofer A/K/A Brian Bornhofer A/K/A Brian Edward Bornhofer Stephanie Bornhofer A/K/A Stephanie NMI Bornhofer	NEWCAP Incorporated Midland Credit Management Incorporated Wisconsin Department of Revenue Riverside Finance Incorporated Shawano Medical Center Incorporated	11926 13240 13407	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	2,150.42 2,176.03 2,176.27 2,116.59
52	City of Shawano Fairview Addition Part Lots 1 and 2 Block 8 Commencing at Southwest Corner Lot 1 Thence Northeasterly Along North Body Railroad 120 Feet Thence North Parallel to Cleveland Street 60 Feet Thence Westerly to Point on East Body Said Street 78 Feet North Beginning Thence South 78 Feet to Beginning Parcel #281-50100-0410	Tina F Gouty-Yellow A/K/A Tina Gouty-Yellow	Internal Revenue Service	11929 13288 13340	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,839.33 1,155.41 1,165.54 997.05

53	City of Shawano Liegs Addition Lot 11 Block 4 Parcel #281-65150-0380	Falon I Spiegel A/K/A Falon I Schmeling James H Zierden, Vendor		12000 13293 13411	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	1,277.99 1,292.44 1,301.24 1,292.25
54	City of Shawano Sawyer and Andrews Plat Lot 1 Block 16 The E 50 Feet Parcel #281-75100-0880	Midwest Properties of Shawano LLC		12160 13261 13355	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	206.02 208.37 208.54 49.50
55	City of Shawano Smalley's Addition Lot 5 Block 28 Parcel #281-75200-1880	John J Miller II A/K/A John Miller A/K/A John J Miller	Midland Funding LLC	12192 13318 13432	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	116.64 216.94 215.48 199.82
56	City of Shawano Sawyer and Andrews Plat Lot 1 and Part of Lot 2 Block 31 Now Known as Lot 1 Volume 3 Certified Survey Map Page 252 Map Number 898 Except Highway Document Number 731634 Parcel #281-75100-2170	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated 3RD Dimension Holdings a Wisconsin Limited Liability Company, Vendor Steven F Erickson A/K/A S.F. Erickson A/K/A Steve Erickson A/K/A Steven Erickson, Vendor Gail J Eberhardt A/K/A Gail Erickson A/K/A Gail J Erickson, Vendor Lindsey L Erickson A/K/A Lindsey Erickson A/K/A Lindsay Erickson A/K/A L Erickson, POA	Wells Fargo Bank National Association LSREF2 Cobalt LLC LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 Wisconsin Department of Transportation Integrity First Bank Draeger Oil Company Incorporated City of Shawano	12170 13267 13364	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	5,452.48 5,511.93 5,529.81 1,332.24
57	City of Shawano Sawyer and Andrews Plat Lot 3 Block 31 Also Known as Lot 2 Certified Survey Recorded Volume 3 Page 252 Map Number 898 Parcel #281-75100-2180	Dr R C Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, Incorporated 3RD Dimension Holdings a Wisconsin Limited Liability Company, Vendor Steven F Erickson A/K/A S.F. Erickson A/K/A Steve Erickson A/K/A Steven Erickson, Vendor Gail J Eberhardt A/K/A Gail Erickson A/K/A Gail J Erickson, Vendor Lindsey L Erickson A/K/A Lindsey Erickson A/K/A Lindsay Erickson A/K/A L Erickson, POA	Wells Fargo Bank National Association LSREF2 Cobalt LLC LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013 Wisconsin Department of Transportation Integrity First Bank Draeger Oil Company Incorporated City of Shawano	12171 13262 13425	2021 2022 2023	2020 2021 2022 2023	367.48 368.75 382.52 85.83

All Unknown spouses of the above-named parties.
Interest on the principal sum of each tax lien listed above is charged at the rate of 1% per month from February 1 of the year of sale to date of redemption.
All descriptions by lot and block numbers refer to plats and maps filed in the office of the Register of Deeds of Shawano County, Wisconsin.
5. That no municipalities other than Shawano County have any right, title or interest in the above described lands or in the tax liens or in the proceeds thereof, except as stated herein.
WHEREFORE, Shawano County petitions for judgment vesting title to each of said parcels of land in said Shawano County, as of the date of entry of judgment in this action, and barring and foreclosing any and all claims whatsoever of the former owner, and any person having any right, title, interest, claim, lien or equity of redemption and any person claiming through and under them to said lands since the date of filing this list of tax liens in the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court of Shawano County.
Dated this 19th day of June, 2024.

SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN:

Debra Wallace
Debra Wallace, County Treasurer

Larenda J. Maulson
Larenda J. Maulson, Corporation Counsel

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SHAWANO)

Debra Wallace, being first duly sworn, on oath says that she is the County Treasurer of Shawano County, Wisconsin, and that the foregoing list of tax liens and statements and data therein contained are true and correct according to the records of the office of the affiant.

Debra Wallace
Debra Wallace, County Treasurer

Subscribed and Sworn to before me
This 19th day of June, 2024.

Kara Skarlupka
Notary Public, Shawano County, Wisconsin

My Commission Expires 7/12/2025

NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT OF
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FORECLOSE TAX LIENS BY
SHAWANO COUNTY

TAKE NOTICE that all persons having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in or lien upon the real property described in the list of tax liens Number Forty Eight, on file in the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court of Shawano County, dated June 19, 2024, as hereinabove set forth, are hereby notified that the filing of such list of tax liens in the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court of Shawano County constitutes the commencement by said Shawano County of a special proceeding in the Circuit Court for Shawano County to foreclose the tax liens therein described by foreclosure proceeding in rem and that a notice of the pendency of such proceeding against each piece or parcel of land therein described was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court on June 19, 2024. Such proceeding is brought against the real property herein described only and is to foreclose the tax liens described in such list. No personal judgment will be entered herein for such taxes, assessments or other legal charges or any part thereof.
TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that all persons having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in or lien upon the real property described in said list of tax liens are hereby notified that a certified copy of such list of tax liens has been posted in the office of the County Treasurer of Shawano County and will remain posted for public inspection up to and including September 30, 2024, which date is hereby fixed as the last day for redemption.
TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any person having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in or lien upon any such parcel may on or before said September 30, 2024, redeem such delinquent tax liens by paying to the County Treasurer of Shawano County the amount of all such unpaid tax liens, and in addition thereto, all interest and penalties which have accrued on said unpaid tax liens, computed to and including the date of redemption, plus the reasonable costs that the county incurred to initiate the proceedings plus the person's share of the reasonable costs of publication under sub. (6).

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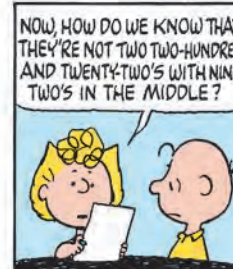
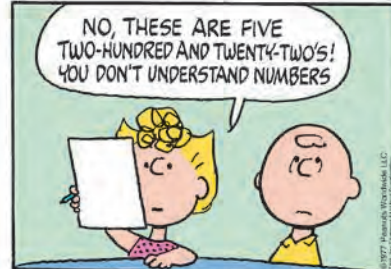
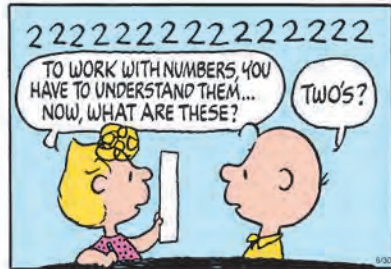
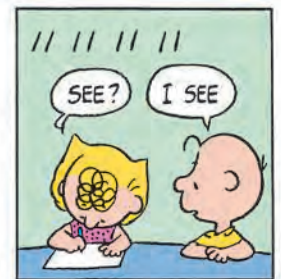
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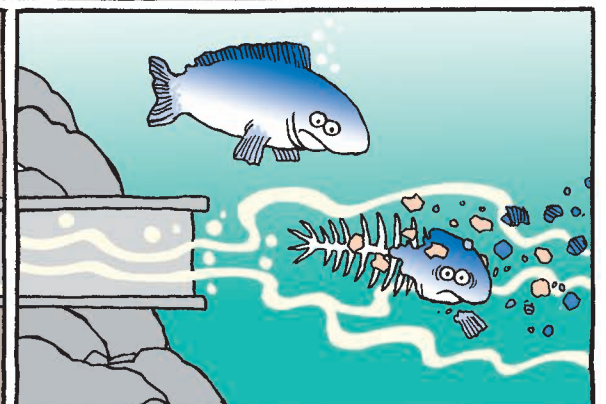
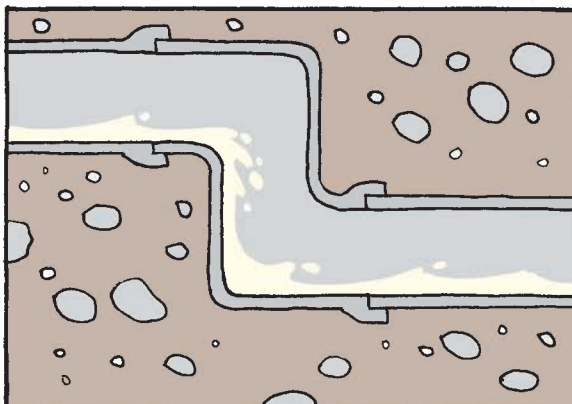
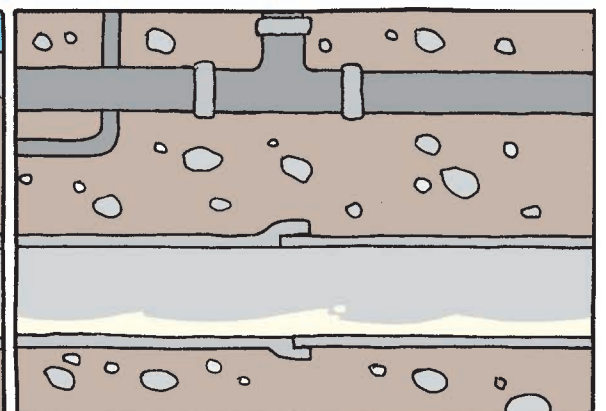
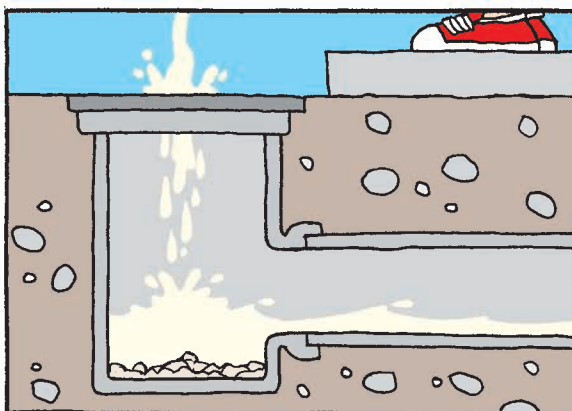
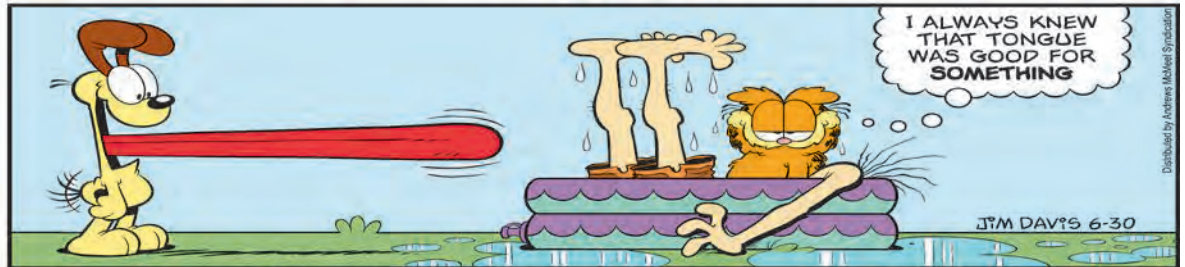
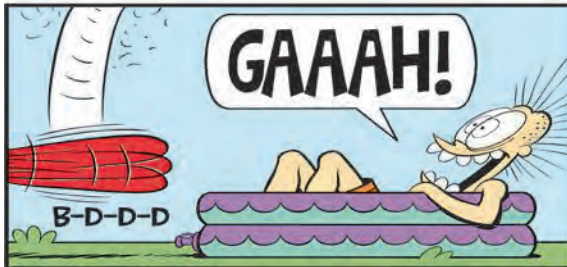
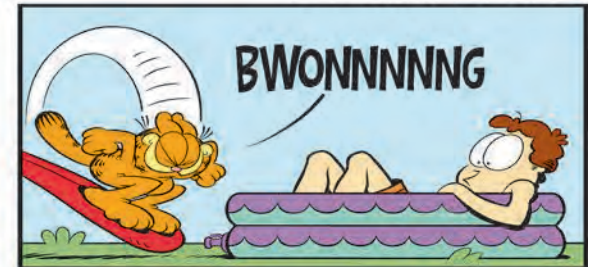
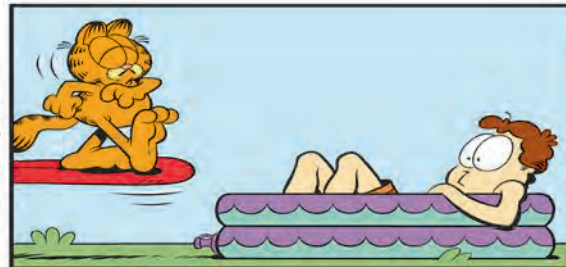
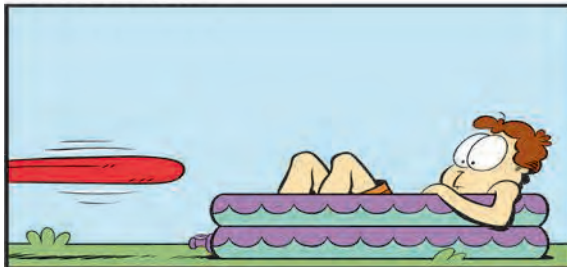
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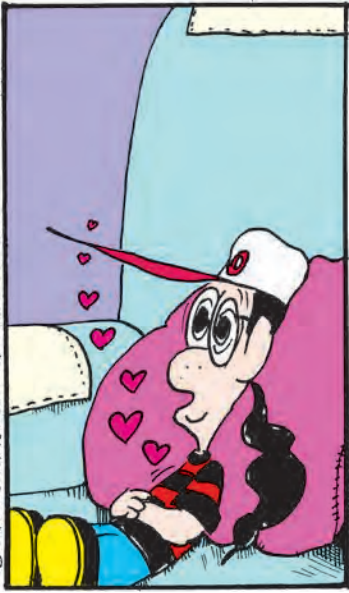
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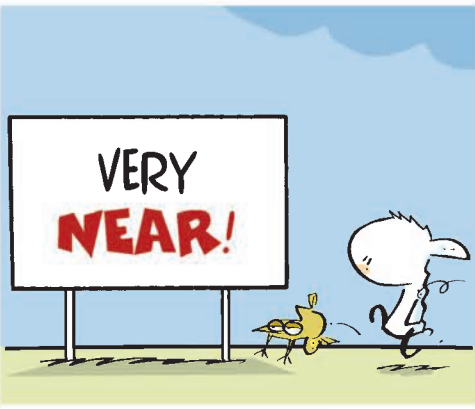
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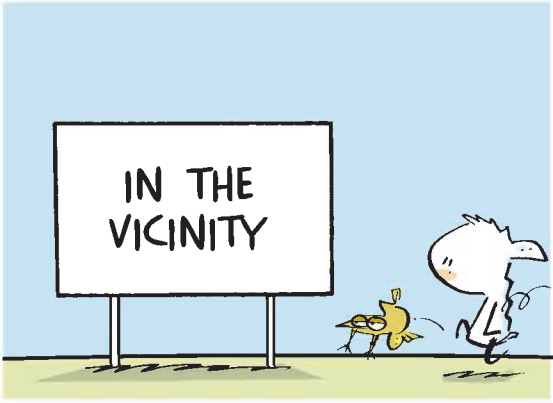
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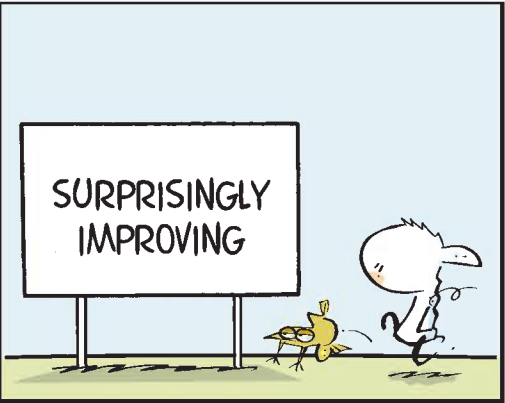
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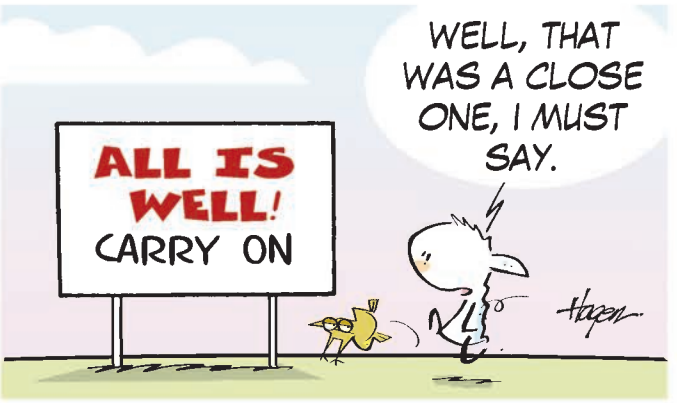


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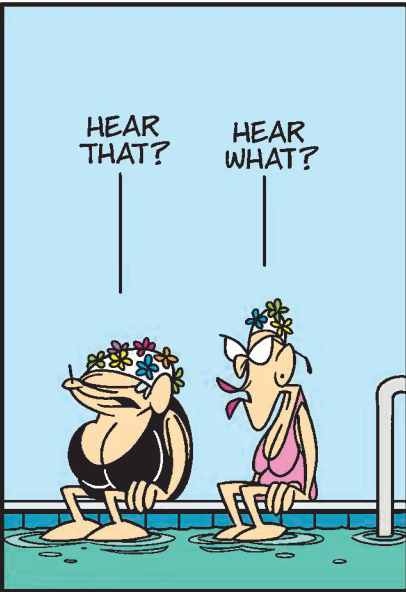
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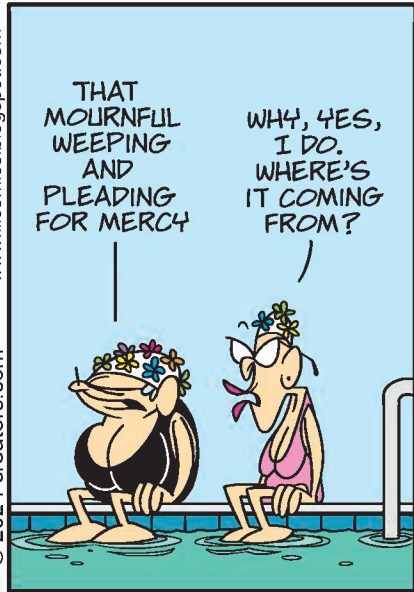
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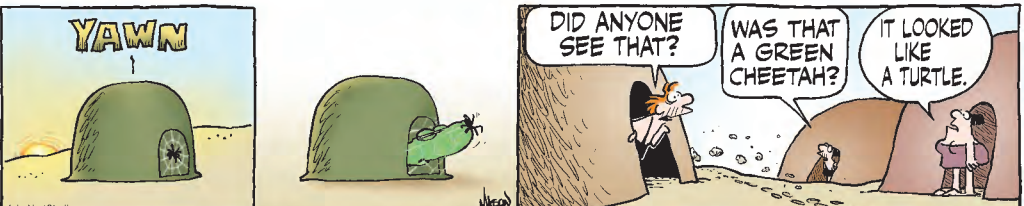
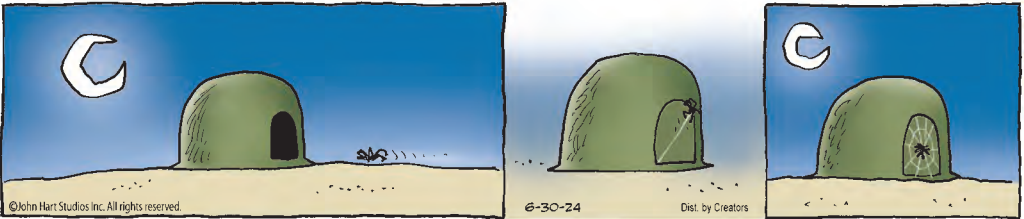
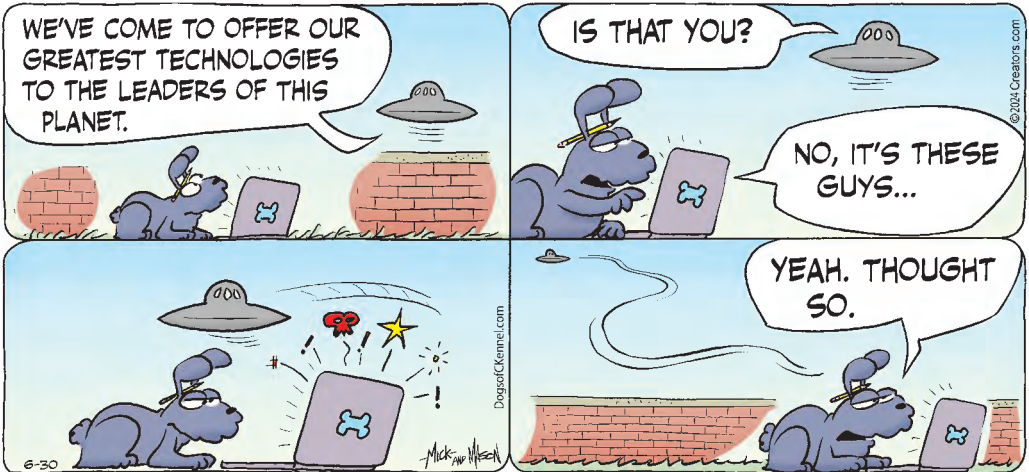
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Food and beverages at the Civic Club Stand and the Beer Stand July 3, 4pm-11pm and July 4 9am-11 pm.,
JULY 3 4pm-7pm Lawn Chair Concert with music by Back When and Wunderstate; 4pm-5:30pm \$2 hamburgers, hot dogs and beer. 7pm Truck pull, 7pm-11pm music by Country Rewind.
JULY 4 8am House Pull; 9am Antique & Classic Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show; 10am-1pm Polka Music by Fun Time Polka Band; 12pm Mini and Modified Tractor Pulls (LAMMTPA); 2pm 4th of July Parade (theme Courtesy of the Red, White, & Blue); 3-6pm Music by Back When/Reminis; 5pm Antique Tractor Pull; 7-11 pm Music by Rapid Transit; Fireworks Show at Dusk.

**JULY 3
CLINTONVILLE**

Clintonville A's fireworks will begin at dusk July 3 at W.A. Olen Park, 10 Memorial Circle. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase and there will be music.

OCONTO WATERFEST

Time: 4:00 pm - 11:00 pm Celebrate the 4th of July in Oconto with a bang! The Oconto Elks are hosting the annual "Waterfest" with live music, kid's activities, food, and refreshments starting at 4 pm. At 10:00 pm, the fireworks display will light up the sky at the Oconto Breakwater Park & Harbor. Boaters can anchor on the Oconto River or by the mouth of the Bay for the perfect view! Location: Breakwater Park and Harbor

**JULY 4
BONDUEL**

Parade 11 a.m. - Mardi Gras theme. Legion Baseball with Bonduel Grizzlies vs Shawano 2pm. The Mix Polka Band after the parade at Village Park followed by Doozey 5:30-9:30pm. Bike Giveaway 3:pm. Food, refreshments, kid's activities. Fireworks at dusk.

JULY 4

BREED

Parade 10am, watch from seating under the canopies at Emmanuel Lutheran Church Hwy 32 North to AA of Suring, Breed, WI. Bucket Raffles, Homemade Pies, Ice Cream, Burgers, Hot Dogs, Soda, Water. Tickets for Bike Giveaway drawing available after the parade.

LEOPOLIS

Triathlon, Registration 8-9:30 a.m., Races 10am (Jocks, under 16 and Beer Belly divisions). **Cornhole tournament**, Registration 12:30pm Start 1:30 p.m., A.N. Brunner Field, 11930 3rd St. Competitive and casual divisions available (bring your own bags, some available).

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Tigerton's 4th of July Block Party. There will be chalk drawings, a 5K fun run, Adelle's Bluebird Cafe pie and ice cream, a brat & hamburger fry and also our fabulous fireworks at dusk.

TOWNSEND

Annual 4th of July Celebration. Time: 11:00 am - 6:00 pm. The 4th of July Celebration at the Fire Station on Front Street has crafters, food, beer, soda, raffles, and music from 11 am-6:00 pm. The parade starts at noon, going from Front Street south to School Street to Pickerel Lake Road north, then west on Timberedge. Townsend Fireworks starting at dusk. The fireworks will be shot off by the Townsend Ball Park (Grove Street & Wheeler Street) Location: Corner of Grove Street & Wheeler Street

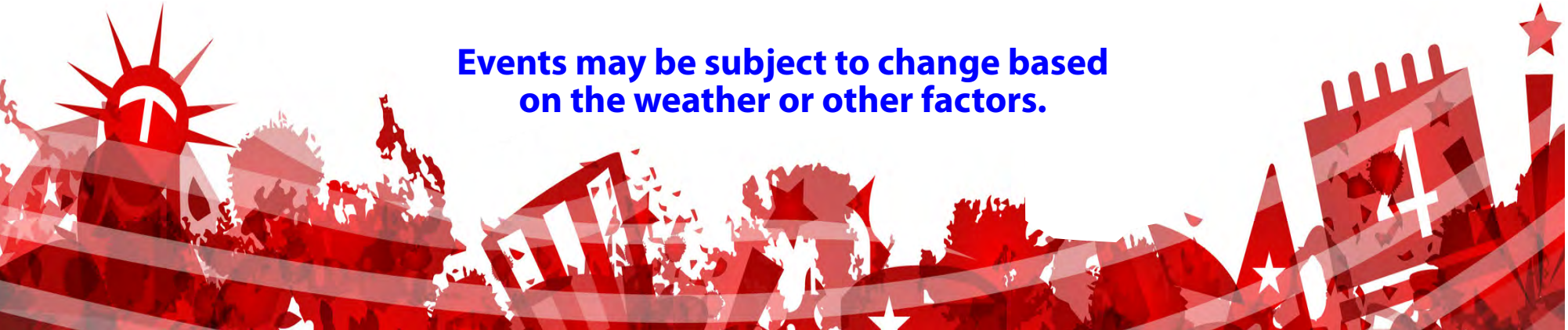
**JULY 6
CLOVERLEAF LAKES**

Boat Parade 6:30 pm, Kiddie Parade 10am, Fireworks at dusk

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Fourth of July-Independence Day

History of Independence Day

The Fourth of July—also known as Independence Day or July 4th—has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941, but the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18th century and the American Revolution. On July 2nd, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson. From 1776 to the present day, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American independence, with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades and concerts to more casual family gatherings and barbecues. The Fourth of July 2023 is on Tuesday, July 4. When the initial battles in the Revolutionary War broke out in April 1775, few colonists desired complete independence from Great Britain, and those who did were considered radical. By the middle of the following year, however, many more colonists had come to favor independence, thanks to growing hostility against Britain and the spread of revolutionary sentiments such as those expressed in the bestselling pamphlet “Common Sense,” published by Thomas Paine in early 1776. On June 7, when the Continental Congress met at the Pennsylvania State House (later Independence Hall) in Philadelphia, the Virginia delegate Richard Henry Lee introduced a motion calling for the colonies’ independence. Amid heated debate, Congress postponed the vote on Lee’s resolution, but appointed a five-man committee—including Thomas Jefferson of Virginia, John Adams of Massachusetts, Roger Sherman of Connecticut, Benjamin Franklin of Pennsylvania and Robert R.

Livingston of New York—to draft a formal statement justifying the break with Great Britain. On July 2nd, the Continental Congress voted in favor of Lee’s resolution for independence in a near-unanimous vote (the New York delegation abstained, but later voted affirmatively). On that day, John Adams wrote to his wife Abigail that July 2 “will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival” and that the celebration should include “Pomp and Parade...Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other.” On July 4th, the Continental Congress formally adopted the Declaration of Independence, which had been written largely by Jefferson. Though the vote for actual independence took place on July 2nd, from then on the 4th became the day that was celebrated as the birth of American independence.

Early Fourth of July Celebrations and Traditions

In the pre-Revolutionary years, colonists had held annual celebrations of the king’s birthday, which traditionally included the ringing of bells, bonfires, processions and speechmaking. By contrast, during the summer of 1776 some colonists celebrated the birth of independence by holding mock funerals for King George III as a way of symbolizing the end of the monarchy’s hold on America and the triumph of liberty. Festivities including concerts, bonfires, parades and the firing of cannons and muskets usually accompanied the first public readings of the Declaration of Independence, beginning immediately after its adoption. Philadelphia held the first annual commemoration

of independence on July 4, 1777, while Congress was still occupied with the ongoing war. George Washington issued double rations of rum to all his soldiers to mark the anniversary of independence in 1778, and in 1781, several months before the key American victory at the Battle of Yorktown, Massachusetts became the first state to make July 4th an official state holiday. After the Revolutionary War, Americans continued to commemorate Independence Day every year, in celebrations that allowed the new nation’s emerging political leaders to address citizens and create a feeling of unity. By the last decade of the 18th century, the two major political parties—the Federalist Party and Democratic-Republicans—that had arisen began holding separate Fourth of July celebrations in many large cities.

Fourth of July Fireworks

The first fireworks were used as early as 200 BC. The tradition of setting off fireworks on the 4 of July began in Philadelphia on July 4, 1777, during the first organized celebration of Independence Day. Ship’s cannon fired a 13-gun salute in honor of the 13 colonies. The Pennsylvania Evening Post reported: “at night there was a grand exhibition of fireworks (which began and concluded with thirteen rockets) on the Commons, and the city was beautifully illuminated.” That same night, the Sons of Liberty set off fireworks over Boston Common.

Fourth of July Becomes a Federal Holiday

The tradition of patriotic celebration became even more widespread after the War of 1812, in which the United States again faced Great Britain. In 1870, the U.S. Congress made July 4th a federal holiday; in 1941, the provision

was expanded to grant a paid holiday to all federal employees. Over the years, the political importance of the holiday would decline, but Independence Day remained an important national holiday and a symbol of patriotism. Falling in mid-summer, the Fourth of July has since the late 19th century become a major focus of leisure activities and a common occasion for family get-togethers, often involving fireworks and outdoor barbecues. The most common symbol of the holiday is the American flag, and a common musical accompaniment is “The Star-Spangled Banner,” the national anthem of the United States.

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We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. — That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Tyranny, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security. — Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former system of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world. — He has refused his assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good. — He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them. — He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only. — He has called together legislative Bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their Public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures. — He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the People. — He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remains in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions of civil war within. — He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands. — He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers. — He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries. — He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our People, and eat out their substance. — He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our Laws; giving his assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation: — For quartering large bodies of armed troops among us: — For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States: — For exercising in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by jury: — For transporting us beyond seas to be tried for pretended offences: — For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies. — For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments: — For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with powers to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever. — He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging war against us. — He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our People. — He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to complete the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of cruelty, rapacity and parallelled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation. — He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands. — He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions. In every stage of these Oppressions We have petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered by repeated injury. A Prince, whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free People. Nor have We been wanting in attention to our British brethren. We have warned them from time to time of our dangerous situation, and have urged them to unite with us in ceasing to support the King. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of rectitude towards us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have begged them to be just as we would be just to them. It is now the time to sever our connections with the British Crown, and to hold the rest of mankind as our associates and friends. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, as our associates and friends. We therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.

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South Carolina:

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Georgia:

Button Gwinnett, Lyman Hall, George Walton



John Trumbull painting: Signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Nine surprising facts about the Declaration of Independence

1. The Declaration of Independence wasn't signed on July 4, 1776.

On July 1, 1776, the Second Continental Congress met in Philadelphia, and on the following day 12 of the 13 colonies voted in favor of Richard Henry Lee's motion for independence. The delegates then spent the next two days debating and revising the language of a statement drafted by Thomas Jefferson. On July 4, Congress officially adopted the Declaration of Independence, and as a result the date is celebrated as Independence Day. Nearly a month would go by, however, before the actual signing of the document took place. First, New York's delegates didn't officially give their support until July 9 because their home assembly hadn't yet authorized them to vote in favor of independence. Next, it took two weeks for the Declaration to be "engrossed"—written on parchment in a clear hand. Most of the delegates signed on August 2, but several—Elbridge Gerry, Oliver Wolcott, Lewis Morris, Thomas McKean and Matthew Thornton—signed on a later date. (Two others, John Dickinson and Robert R. Livingston, never signed at all.) The signed parchment copy now resides at the National Archives in the Rotunda for the Charters of Freedom, alongside the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

2. More than one copy of the Declaration of Independence exists.

After the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, the "Committee of Five"—Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman and Robert R. Livingston—was charged with overseeing the reproduction of the approved text. This was completed at the shop of Philadelphia

printer John Dunlap. On July 5, Dunlap's copies were dispatched across the 13 colonies to newspapers, local officials and the commanders of the Continental troops. These rare documents, known as "Dunlap broadsides," predate the engrossed version signed by the delegates. Of the hundreds thought to have been printed on the night of July 4, only 26 copies survive. Most are held in museum and library collections, but three are privately owned.

3. When news of the Declaration of Independence reached New York City, it started a riot.

By July 9, 1776, a copy of the Declaration of Independence had reached New York City. With hundreds of British naval ships occupying New York Harbor, revolutionary spirit and military tensions were running high. George Washington, commander of the Continental forces in New York, read the document aloud in front of City Hall. A raucous crowd cheered the inspiring words, and later that day tore down a nearby statue of George III. The statue was subsequently melted down and shaped into more than 42,000 musket balls for the fledgling American army.

4. Eight of the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence were born in the U.K.

While the majority of the members of the Second Continental Congress were native-born Americans, eight of the men voting for independence from Britain were born in the United Kingdom. Button Gwinnett and Robert Morris were born in England, Francis Lewis was born in Wales, James Wilson and John Witherspoon were born in Scotland, George Taylor and Matthew Thornton were born in Ireland and

James Smith hailed from Northern Ireland.

5. One signer of the Declaration of Independence later recanted.

Richard Stockton, a lawyer from Princeton, New Jersey, became the only signer of the Declaration of Independence to recant his support of the revolution. On November 30, 1776, the hapless delegate was captured by the British and thrown in jail. After months of harsh treatment and meager rations, Stockton repudiated his signature on the Declaration of Independence and swore his allegiance to King George III. A broken man when he regained his freedom, he took a new oath of loyalty to the state of New Jersey in December 1777.

6. There was a 44-year age difference between the youngest and oldest signers.

The oldest signer was Benjamin Franklin, 70 years old when he scrawled his name on the parchment. The youngest was Edward Rutledge, a lawyer from South Carolina who was only 26 at the time. Rutledge narrowly beat out fellow South Carolinian Thomas Lynch Jr., just four months his senior, for the title.

7. Two additional copies of the Declaration of Independence have been found in the last 25 years.

In 1989, a Philadelphia man found an original Dunlap Broadside hidden in the back of a picture frame he bought at a flea market for \$4. One of the few surviving copies from the official first printing of the Declaration, it was in excellent condition and sold for \$8.1 million in 2000. A 26th known Dunlap broadside emerged at the British National Archives in 2009, hidden for centuries in a box of papers captured from American colonists during the Revolutionary War. One of three Dunlap broadsides at the National Archives, the copy

remains there to this day.

8. The Declaration of Independence spent World War II in Fort Knox.

On December 23, 1941, just over two weeks after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, the signed Declaration, together with the Constitution, was removed from public display and prepared for evacuation out of Washington, D.C. Under the supervision of armed guards, the founding document was packed in a specially designed container, latched with padlocks, sealed with lead and placed in a larger box. All told, 150 pounds of protective gear surrounded the parchment. On December 26 and 27, accompanied by Secret Service agents, it traveled by train to Louisville, Kentucky, where a cavalry troop of the 13th Armored Division escorted it to Fort Knox. The Declaration was returned to Washington, D.C., in 1944.

9. There is something written on the back of the Declaration of Independence.

In the movie *National Treasure*, Nicholas Cage's character claims that the back of the Declaration contains a treasure map with encrypted instructions from the founding fathers, written in invisible ink. Unfortunately, this is not the case. There is, however, a simpler message, written upside-down across the bottom of the signed document: "Original Declaration of Independence dated 4th July 1776." No one knows who exactly wrote this or when, but during the Revolutionary War years the parchment was frequently rolled up for transport. It's thought that the text was added as a label.

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July 1. Maj. Gen. Henry Heth marches toward Gettysburg to seize supplies. In an unplanned engagement, they confront Union calvary. Brig. Gen. John Buford slows the Confederate advance until the infantry of the Union I and XI Corps under Maj. Gen. John F. Reynolds arrives. Reynolds is killed in action. Soon Confederate reinforcements under generals A.P. Hill and Richard Ewell reach the scene. By late afternoon, the wool-clad troops are battling ferociously in the sweltering heat. Thirty thousand Confederates overwhelm 20,000 Federals, who fall back through Gettysburg and fortify Cemetery Hill south of town.

July 2. On the second day of battle, the Union defends a fishhook-shaped range of hills and ridges south of Gettysburg. The Confederates wrap around the Union position in a longer line. That afternoon Lee launches a heavy assault commanded by Lieut. Gen. James Longstreet on the Union left flank. Fierce fighting rages at Devil's Den, Little Round Top, the Wheatfield, the Peach Orchard, and Cemetery Ridge as Longstreet's men close in on the Union position. Using their shorter interior lines, Union II Corps commander Maj. Gen. Winfield S. Hancock and others move reinforcements quickly to blunt Confederate advances. On the Federal right, Confederate demonstrations escalate into full-scale assaults on East Cemetery Hill and Culp's Hill. Although the Confederates gain ground on both ends of their line, the Union defenders hold strong positions as darkness falls.

July 3. Believing his enemy to be weakened, Lee seeks to capitalize on the previous day's gains with renewed attacks on the Union line. Heavy fighting resumes on Culp's Hill as Union troops attempt to recapture ground lost the previous day. Cavalry battles flare to the east and south, but the main event is a dramatic infantry assault by 12,500 Confederates commanded by Longstreet against the center of the Union position on Cemetery Ridge. Though undermanned, the Virginia infantry division of Brig. Gen. George E. Pickett constitutes about half of the attacking force. Pickett, ordered by Lee to advance his division toward the enemy through a mile of unprotected farmland, replies, "General, I have no division," but the order stands. During Pickett's Charge, as it is famously known, only one Confederate brigade temporarily reaches the top of the ridge—afterwards referred to as the High Watermark of the Confederacy. This daring strategy ultimately proves a disastrous sacrifice for the Confederates, with casualties approaching 60 percent. Repulsed by close-range Union rifle and artillery fire, the Confederates

retreat. Lee withdraws his army from Gettysburg late on the rainy afternoon of July 4 and trudges back to Virginia with severely reduced ranks of wasted and battle-scarred men. As many as 51,000 soldiers from both armies are killed, wounded, captured or missing in the three-day battle. The carnage is overwhelming, but the Union victory buoys Lincoln's hopes of ending the war. With Lee running South, Lincoln expects that Meade will intercept the Confederate troops and force their surrender. Meade has no such plan. Even as Lee's escape is hampered by flooding on the Potomac, Meade does not pursue them. When Lincoln learns of this missed opportunity on July 12, he laments, "We had only to stretch forth our hands & they were ours." Months later, in November 1863, a portion of the Gettysburg battlefield becomes a final resting place for the Union dead. President Lincoln uses the dedication ceremony at the Gettysburg's Soldiers' National Cemetery to honor the fallen and reassert the purpose of the war in his historic Gettysburg Address: "Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth, upon this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation, so conceived, and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met here on a great battle field of that war. We are now have come to dedicate a portion of it as the a final resting place of for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But in a larger sense we can not dedicate—we can not consecrate—we can not hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember, what we say here, but can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they have, thus far, so nobly carried on. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to the that cause for which they here gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation shall have a new birth of freedom; and that this government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

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