



Megan Rothmeyer, principal for Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School, gives a rundown March 18 of what's happening with the school's partnership with the Rural Virtual Academy while Birnamwood Elementary-Middle School principal Cole Irish listens.

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Virtual course options get limits at high school

Some students taking multiple RVA courses, impacting district's budget

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District provides elective options to its high school students through the Rural Virtual Academy, but with some students using the academy excessively, it has decided to put limits on how many courses students can take through the online service.

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood School Board voted March 18 to limit students to two RVA courses per year in their junior and senior years. With the school district adopting a trimester grading format, that means at least one trimester would need to be filled with elective courses provided by the high school.

Megan Rothmeyer, principal at Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School, noted that the trimester system helps students to get their required courses for graduation out of the way, which allows them to explore

options in their junior and senior years. "They can take more classes over the course of their high school career," Rothmeyer said. "One thing that that did is that students, by the time they were seniors, sometimes were like, 'There's not a class here that really fits my needs; I'm going to take an RVA class.' Our district pays for those classes."

Rothmeyer said RVA provides some excellent classes and programs, but when the school district integrated it into its learning system, there were no parameters set as to how much RVA could be utilized. However, with the classes costing \$190 or more per student, it's causing financial haywire for the district.

"We didn't know how much use RVA was going to get," Rothmeyer said.

For the electives that WBHS can provide, the school wants to keep its teachers that teach those classes, something that is proving difficult when enrollment in the in-person classes is dropping. Rothmeyer

said she doesn't want to prevent students from getting learning opportunities through RVA that might prompt families to enroll their students in outside school districts, but there needs to be a balance.

Freshmen and sophomores are not allowed to take RVA courses, a limit that was already in place, because most of their schedule focuses on core courses like English, math, social studies and science. The remainder is limited to the elective courses already in place at the school, which Rothmeyer said the administration wants students to focus on first.

To have the option to take RVA courses in the junior and senior years, Rothmeyer said students must have already taken an introductory course at WBHS in five of seven elective areas — agriculture, art, business, family and consumer sciences, foreign languages, music and career and technical education.

ELECTION 2024: SHAWANO COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 22

Primary survivors face off April 2

Anne Smith and Raymond Rigsby will face off April 2 for the District 22 seat on the Shawano County Board after surviving a three-way primary in February.

Redrawn county supervisor district maps created a different looking District 17 that now includes the Town of Morris, Ward 2; Town of Seneca, Ward 1; Town of Grant, Ward 1; and city of Marion, Ward 4.

Anne Smith

Background and qualifications: I've lived in Shawano County for over 50 years starting my work experience at Midwest Breeders (now Genex) in the PR Department. Married Tom Smith and moved to Wittenberg. I attended UWSP for my bachelor's degree in education and taught elementary/middle school in Bowler for 24 years while obtaining two master's degrees in elementary education and K-12 administration. I currently substitute teach in Wittenberg-Birnamwood and teach catechism classes at St. John Church, Tigerton. Tom and I have three daughters and 11 grandchildren.



ANNE SMITH



RAYMOND RIGSBY

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Most significant issue facing county government: Issues that face county government are many: The rising costs for every department, police safety/protection, highway/road repairs, social services programs, medical issues for our elderly, and improvements to public properties (i.e. library, fairgrounds, airport, and Crawford Center in Shawano). Not enough revenue coming in to balance revenue going out for these services.

Most significant issue for residents: I think the most important issue facing Shawano residents today is the escalating rise in drug and alcohol usage/statistics, as well as the whole nation. Many families are dealing with suicides, juvenile

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Summit shows crisis level for child care

Limited options, difficulty with work schedules among the issues

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Finding adequate child care is not just a local issue — it's a global one, as well.

It's an issue that business owners tried to get their heads around during a March 20 summit at Stubborn Brothers Brewery put on by Shawano County Economic Progress Inc., Shawano County Chamber of Commerce and the Shawano Area Young Professionals.

Bec Kurzynske, a Kra-kow resident and employee benefits director for M3, gave some sobering numbers on Wisconsin's child care crisis. Out of 577 child care facilities in the state, 19% are closing due to reduced capacity, because they can't hire adequate staff to run the program, she said. That results in almost 6,000 slots for children being lost, and 76% of the programs that are still open have waiting lists because they also struggle to hire staff.



Bec Kurzynske, M3 employee benefits director, talks about the difficulty in finding child care not only in Shawano County but throughout the state and nation, during a March 20 summit as Kurt Krizan, Shawano School District superintendent, listens at Stubborn Brothers Brewery.

Kurzynske noted that businesses can do more to help employees as many people are questioning whether they want to have children due to the expense and difficulties of finding child care. She pointed out that only 9% of employers offer family building benefits.

"There's certainly an opportunity, if your organization can be more flexible in terms of the leave that you provide or the benefits that you offer," Kurzynske said.

There are dependent care flexible spending accounts offered through

the federal government, but families only receive \$5,000, an amount that has been in place since 1986, according to Kurzynske. The funds can be saved tax-free for child care, she said.

"This one disgusts me," Kurzynske said. "I think it's ridiculous that the federal government still thinks \$5,000 for dependent care is an appropriate amount that folks are able to save."

She recommended that businesses band together to advocate for changes and updates to programs that would make it easier

for families to afford child care. She also recommended businesses be flexible with their employees' work hours so that they can care for their children after school lets out.

"It could be things like allowing for volunteer time off to allow your employees to be able to volunteer at child care centers," Kurzynske said. "It could be matching funds for contributions for costs that aren't covered related to programming efforts. Are there ways to make accommodations for child care within your environment? When the

school day ends, and your employee has to work until 4:30 or 5, can those kiddos come to work with them?"

A lack of child care facility options has local school districts examining how they can help with the situation. Bon-duel School District has a program in place, while Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District is looking at ways it can provide care. The Shawano School District has plans, if a referendum passes April 2, to convert space at Hillcrest Primary School into a child care facility that would serve up to 88 children.

Kurt Krizan, Shawano's superintendent, noted that a recent survey showed that child care is the No. 1 issue families are concerned with. He said 66% of respondents said they would support a school-based child care program, and that there are five children for every three available spots in facilities.

"We had a staff member in our district who was pregnant. She lives in the Kaukauna area," Krizan said. "On the day she found out, she contacted a day care where she wanted to send her kid. They started charging her \$300 per week to hold her

spot. She was looking at 10 months out, and her kid wouldn't even start until September, and she had the baby in January."

Krizan added that his school district was trying to be a solution to the problem.

However, several child care center operators in attendance expressed concern that the public school center might poach their teachers and caregivers because they can offer higher pay. Emily Schwartz, who operates St. James Early Child Care, said her program has tried to expand but has run into a roadblock from the city of Shawano.

"The church and day care has tried for over two decades trying to buy the lot between here (Stubborn Brothers Brewery) and there (the child care facility)," Schwartz said. "The city will not sell it to us, because they think a business is interested in that lot."

Sam Sperberg, SAYPro president, noted that a local survey showed 63.2% of its members, ages 21-40, need after-school care, and 36.8% need child care before school starts.

"If we don't have child care, we don't have workers," Sperberg said.

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KURT KRIZAN, Shawano School District superintendent

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misbehaviors and addictions. Our health department is working hard to resolve this problem, but it all takes time, resources and collaboration from everyone.

Why should voters choose you over your opponent: As a retired teacher and school board member, I feel I have experience in many of the issues stated above to work with Shawano County and bring solutions to our hurting families while maintaining a low tax rate. With many Shawano County residents striving to help each other, we can improve the concerns and pride in our communities.

Raymond Rigsby

Background and qualifications: I retired from the Army and moved to Shawano in 2011. After working as a substitute teacher in the Bowler, Wittenberg and Shawano districts, I now work

as a special education teacher at Gresham. My wife, Barb, and I are raising three teenagers and a golden retriever. My qualifications for supervisor include leadership roles in the military, Seneca town clerk for eight years, Bowler School Board member and active roles in several clubs and organizations.

Most significant issue facing county government: In my opinion, while there are many issues, one of the most significant issues facing the county government is infrastructure needs. From county buildings to roads, new construction, improvements and necessary repairs cannot happen because of our over reliance on limited property taxes to pay with shared revenue not keeping up.

Most significant issue for residents: One issue that keeps coming up for residents is slow or no internet due to a lack of

broadband service in rural parts of the county and its effect on at-home workers, students and schooling, and entertainment. Rural Shawano does not seem to be the focus when you don't have a telephone company to partner with your township and there is just not the bang for the buck you find with larger population centers.

Why should voters choose you over your opponent: I believe the voters should choose me because of my town clerk experience. My time as a leader in the Gresham Lions Club, Post 390 Gresham American Legion and Shawano-Menominee American Legion County Council and other clubs show I want to serve. I enjoy being a part of a team focused on making our community better. I think these experiences have given me a better understanding of what our citizens want from our government.

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"What that does is it shows us they have explored the courses and the teachers we have here," Rothmeyer said. "I don't want to, down the road, see a loss of actual in-person staff because we're paying RVA to teach our kids. I want our kids to have instruction from our instructors. This is a way to help with that."

Rothmeyer noted that students wanting to pursue RVA's foreign language courses would be required to take a full year of Spanish at WBHS if offered. She said that enrollment is down in Spanish classes, not only in Wittenberg but elsewhere.

"Foreign language is no longer required by a lot of colleges," Rothmeyer said. "It's highly recommended but not required."

Rothmeyer added that the foreign language classes are pricy through RVA, so having students take an in-person course for Spanish would give them the oppor-

tunity to see if they're ready for the rigor of learning a new language.

If students take a class that extends beyond one trimester, that would be the only class that they could take due to the two-class limit.

Another requirement is that, if a student flunks a RVA course, the family will have to reimburse the school district for the cost of the class, Rothmeyer said. If students are taking RVA courses for credit recovery because they failed the WBHS class, families will have to pay those class fees, as well, which might prompt students to retake in-person courses as a thriftier option.

"You may be a junior having to retake freshman English, and if you're embarrassed to go back to that, you take the RVA course, but you pay for it," Rothmeyer said.

School board member Dan Stewart suggested it might be better for the

district to charge the family upfront for courses and then reimburse them if the student gets a passing grade.

"If they fail it, what's the chances of you getting paid?" Stewart said.

Superintendent Garrett Rogowski pointed out that before students can walk across the stage at graduation time to get their diplomas, any outstanding debt from class fees, meal overages and other measures must be paid in full. Rothmeyer added that very few students have failed the RVA courses.

The limits were brought up when some students were taking up to three RVA courses in a single trimester, according to Rothmeyer, which greatly increases the costs for the district when it has to pay the class fees.

"It's going to help them, but it's a lot (cost wise)," she said.

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Teens learn of county government operations

Veterans host annual Youth Government Day

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

More than 160 high school teens descended on the Shawano County Courthouse on March 19 as part of the annual Youth Government Day.

The students toured the many county offices, participated in a mock county board meeting and witnessed a police K-9 demonstration.

The Shawano County Veterans Service Office coordinates the event, and local American Legion units provide lunch for everyone and serve as tour guides, said Jennifer Langlois, benefit specialist with veterans office.

"We had 164 students registered, double the amount from last year," she said.

"This is the biggest crowd we've ever had," added Paul Pionke, director of the CVSO.

With one group holding a mock board meeting and debating a proposed ordinance to create a countywide curfew for anyone younger than 18, others were divided into small groups to tour the

many courthouse offices as well as the sheriff's office, where they viewed the interior of squad car and viewed a K-9 demonstration.

Bob Schmidt, an American Legion member from Caroline, has been participating at every Youth Government Day for 50 years. Schmidt leads the discussion on the mock county board meeting.

"I got hired at the sheriff's department as a jailer by Sandy Montour, and that was my assignment in April of that year," he said. "Some of the other guys didn't like doing that stuff, so every year and every sheriff I worked for knew I was helping with it and just kept me working on it."

An Army veteran who served from 1968-70, Schmidt said it's a great program.

"(It) lets kids see what county government is all about, and the elected officials talk to each group throughout the day," Schmidt said. "I just think it gives them an overall view of what county government is all about and their part in it as citizens."

In previous years, the event alternated between a mock county board meeting and a mock trial.

"What I like is when the kids really want to par-

ticipate with a lot of questions," Schmidt said. "The students seem to enjoy a whole bunch of it."

The sheriff's office is always popular with the students, but so is the technology used in the courthouse, especially when something new is integrated.

At the start of the mock county board meeting, Pionke told students there are three kinds of people in the world.

"Those that watch things happen, those who make things happen and those who ask, 'What just happened?'" he said.

He told students they would be all three of them that day but hopefully would mature into the second group – those who make things happen.

"In order to be a true person, you have to be all three of them," Pionke said. "Eventually you'll make that decision of which lane you want to go to. Hopefully, for the future of America, you'll be making things happen."

Youth Government Day lasted the entire school day and included home school students as well as those from Shawano, Menominee, Wolf River Lutheran, Bonduel, Tigerton and Marion schools.

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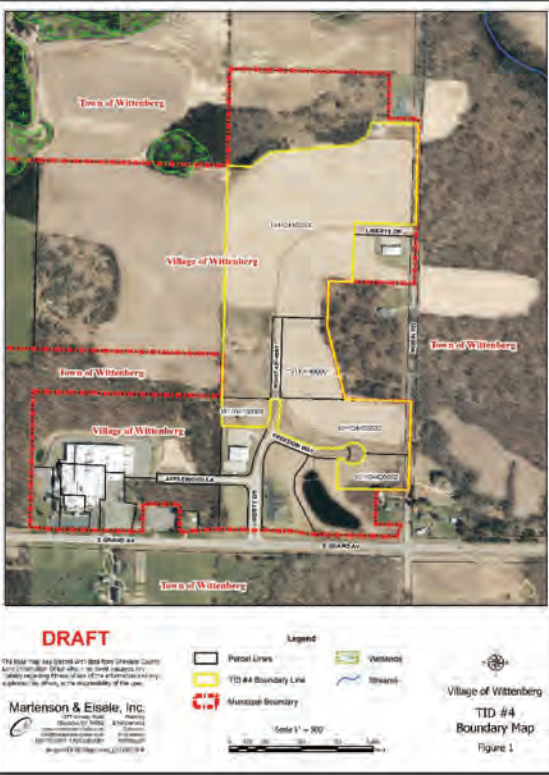


Paul Pionke, director of the Shawano County Veterans Service Office (CVSO), right, talks with American Legion member Bob Schmidt prior to the start of the mock county board meeting, part of Youth Government Day at the Shawano County Courthouse. The CVSO coordinates the daylong event, and Schmidt leads the mock county board discussion. KEVIN PASSON | NEW MEDIA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND JOINT REVIEW BOARD MEETING VILLAGE OF WITTENBERG, WISCONSIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village of Wittenberg will hold a Joint Review Board meeting on April 16, 2024 at 5:00 PM.

The meeting will be held at the Wittenberg Village Community Center, located at 208 W Vinal St.



The purpose of the meeting is to organize the Joint Review Board for consideration of the Village's proposal to create Tax Incremental District No. 4.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Plan Commission of the Village of Wittenberg will hold a public hearing on April 16, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

The meeting will be held at the Wittenberg Village Community Center, located at 208 W Vinal St.

The hearing will be held to provide the public a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed creation of Tax Incremental District No. 4, its proposed boundaries, and its proposed Project Plan.

The District's proposed boundary is identified on the map included in this Notice.

Based on the planned use of properties within the proposed District boundary the Village expects to designate the District as suitable for mixed use development.

Projects to be undertaken within the District and costs to be incurred (Project Costs) will be for the purpose of promoting mixed use development and may include acquisition of property, rights of way or easements, site preparation, installation or rehabilitation of utilities and streets, payment of cash grants as development incentives to owners, lessees, or developers of land located within the District, professional services and organizational costs, administrative costs, financing costs and other costs as may be necessary to implement the District's Project Plan. Projects may be undertaken within the District's proposed boundary and in areas located in the Village within ½ mile of that boundary.

All interested parties will be given a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed creation of the District, its proposed boundaries, and its proposed Project Plan. A copy of the proposed District Project Plan, including a description of the proposed boundaries, is available for public inspection and will be provided on request during normal business hours at the office of the Village Clerk at the Wittenberg Village Hall, located at 208 W Vinal St.

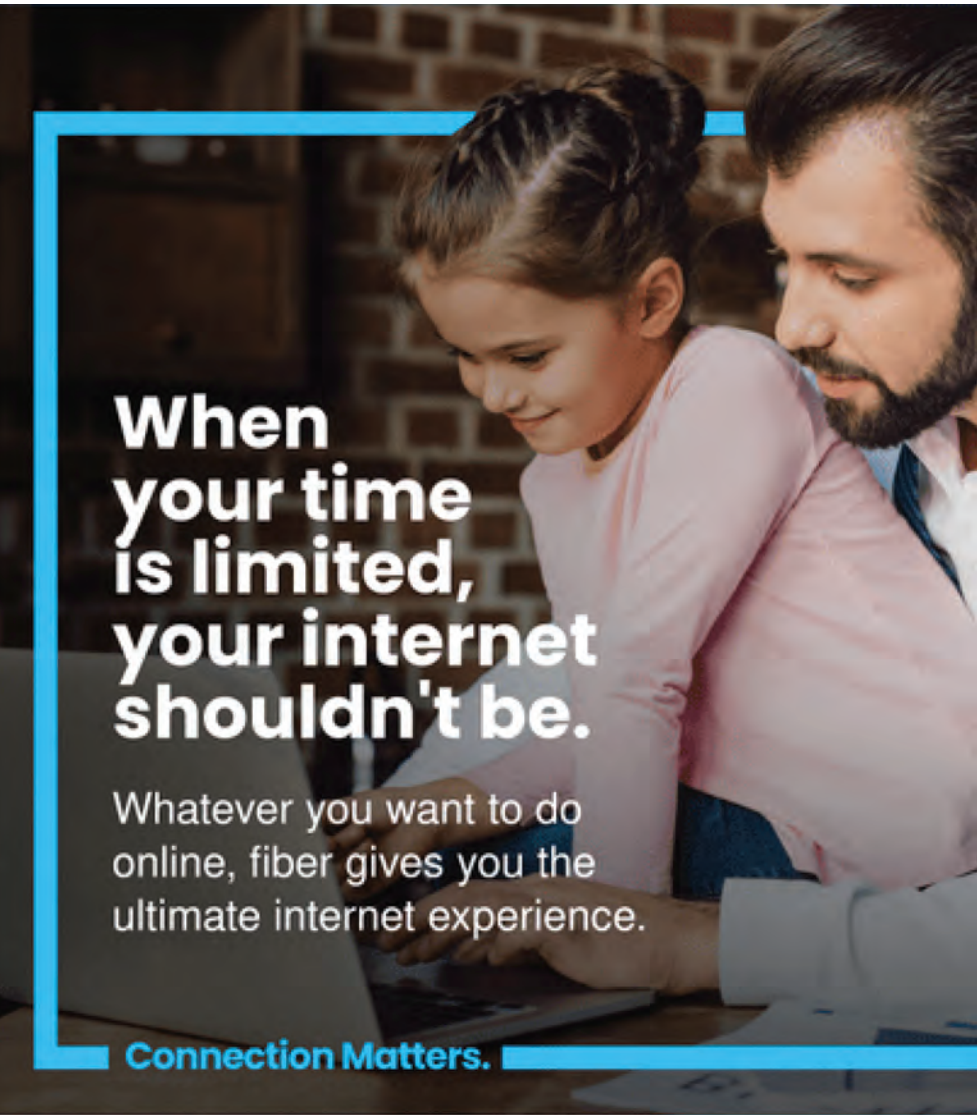
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The meeting will be held at the Wittenberg Village Community Center, located at 208 W Vinal St.

The meeting is being held to consider approval of the resolution adopted by the Wittenberg Village Board amending Tax Incremental District No. 3. The meeting is open to the public.

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Fiber optic grant application denied

Concerns expressed over 911 communication towers

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Hopes to build a fiber optic network from Bowler to Marion were dashed when the Wisconsin Public Service Commission (PSC) recently denied a Shawano County grant application. Matt Hietpas, Shawano County technology services director, broke the news to the Shawano County Executive Committee on March 20.

"I was really shocked at this," he said. "Cirrinity was shocked."

The proposal was for Cirrinity to team up with Shawano County and a few other municipalities to bring broadband to 300-plus homes.

This project would have built a section of fiber optic service from Cirrinity's existing fiber routes in the Stockbridge-Munsee Community in the north and connect with a fiber route in the south of the county near Marion.

The fiber path would make home broadband available to 327 homes and businesses in Leopold and the towns of Pella and

Herman. A Cirrinity proposal to expand service in nearby Langlade County was approved by the PSC.

"Unlike Shawano County, Langlade County has invested in fiber with their own county funds," Hietpas said. "That's what I've been pushing over the last couple of years here. The state looks at that."

Hietpas said the county will continue to search for other funding avenues as this stretch affects six of the county's eight 911 communications towers.

"This is something we really have to think about," he said. "I believe an investment in fiber for our county is pretty much a need now."

The towers are currently connected via point-to-point wireless. With the grant, Cirrinity would have provided fiber strings that would eliminate the point-to-point wireless and the need to replace them. It would also have increased the speed or reliability, and add redundancy across the tower structure.

Fiber connections would also lay the groundwork for future connections with

the other two towers on the county's east side as well as other desired locations in Shawano.

"Each of these pair of microwave dishes between the towers are roughly \$235,000," Hietpas said. "Our towers probably have two sets of these on each of them."

Jim Davel, administrative coordinator, said the equipment is at least 15 years old.

"We've replaced one since I've been here," he said. "We did do one on the Gresham tower, but we had a spare."

Hietpas said the county could have paid for the entire proposed fiber project on its own and still spent less than the cost to replace all of the point-to-point equipment.

"Let's just say there are 10 sets we have to throw on the west end — \$2.3 million," he said. "If we would just pay Cirrinity, it would cost us \$2.1 million right now to put all the fiber in we need to get on their system and add 36 miles of fiber so that we're covered ... redundant all the way to all six towers on the west end."

Shawano County Republicans' censure of Schmidt still stands

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

State Rep. Peter Schmidt, R-Bonduel, will not be supported by the Shawano County Republican Party in a bid for reelection in 2024.

In a statement issued March 20 by the party, GOP leaders said the censure of Schmidt taken at its 2023 caucus remains in effect due to Schmidt's lack of transparency about his personal life prior to the 2022 primary.

Days after the primary, it was revealed that Schmidt had been the victim of a blackmail attempt by a worker on his family farm, who had a video of Schmidt



PETER SCHMIDT

performing oral sex on another man. The same week, another story came to light in which Schmidt had been charged with a felony for choking another worker on his farm but had pleaded it down to a misdemeanor.

The Republican Party of Brown County Candidate Committee did not support Schmidt in 2022 following its vetting process. Shawano County did not have a candidate vetting committee in 2022.

However, Schmidt did

appear before the Shawano County Executive Committee several times in 2022 but did not reveal information on the blackmail or choking cases.

This lack of transparency resulted in Shawano County supporting a write-in candidate in 2022.

In the 2022 general election, Schmidt defeated Democrat William Switalla and Republican write-in candidate Dean Neubert. Schmidt collected 14,710 (55.6%) votes, compared to 7,694 (29.1%) for Switalla and 4,050 (15.3%) for Neubert.

Party leaders said the censure will remain in effect until it is formally repealed.

Gallagher to call it quits April 19

U.S. Rep. Mike Gallagher announced March 22 he will resign his seat in Congress effective April 19.

He had earlier announced he would not seek another term in the November election.

"After conversations with my family, I have made the decision to resign my position as a member of the House of Representatives for Wisconsin's 8th Congressional District," he said. "I've worked closely with House



MIKE GALLAGHER

Republican leadership on this timeline and look forward to seeing Speaker Johnson (R-LA) appoint a new chair to carry out the important mission of the Select Committee on the Chinese Communist Party."

Gallagher said his office will continue to operate

and provide constituent services to the 8th District for the remainder of the term.

Former state Sen. Roger Roth, a Republican who is running for the seat, praised Gallagher's work in Congress.

"While I wish he would have finished out his term, I appreciate Congressman Gallagher's service to northeast Wisconsin, particularly his work to fight the Chinese Communist Party," Roth said.

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Homeschoolers bring classic tale to life

'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang' follows fantasy involving cars, inventions and children-hating royalty

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

One of the scenes in "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" see the Baron and Baroness freaking out at the mention of children.

It's rather ironic, then, that a production of the musical coming to Clintonville is being performed completely by the children of the Wolf River Homeschoolers. The show, which will be performed April 11-14, features more than 40 children ages 6-18.

The musical is based on the 1964 film starring Dick Van Dyke, where the wreck of a champion racecar captures the attention of Jemima and Jeremy Potts. They convince their father, Caractacus, to raise money to fix the vehicle, named Chitty Chitty Bang Bang after the unusual sounds the engine emits.

The car's transformation attracts the attention of Baron Bomburst, who kidnaps the Potts family patriarch, Grandpa, believing he is Caractacus, and demands Grandpa transform the Baron's car into something just like Chitty. Because of this, Caractacus, his children and heiress Truly Scrumptious travel to the fictional land of Vulgaria seeking to rescue Grandpa, not realizing the country has a law against children, and Jeremy and Jemima are also taken captive.

The Wolf River Homeschoolers have a long tradition of bringing entertaining, family-friendly stories to the area, as the group's performing arts program gives youth in Shawano County the opportunity to discover plays and musicals. Peter Kluge, who is playing Caractacus, is one of the young people eager to bring "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" to local audiences.

"It's very energetic," Kluge said. "It's very enjoyable. There's a lot of good character development that they have and it just plays in with every little character so well. It blends so well."

Kluge is one of the older youth in the cast, and he likes being able to work with younger children and give them a love for theater.

"Since we're older with all the expertise we've gathered from past shows, we



Caractacus Potts, played by Peter Kluge, right, and Truly Scrumptious, played by Taya Jannusch, learn from the Toymaker, played by Caleb Bestul, about Vulgaria's law against children in a scene from "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang," which will be performed by the Wolf River Homeschoolers in April.

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AT A GLANCE

WHAT: "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang," performed by the Wolf River Homeschoolers

WHEN: 7 p.m. April 11-13, 2 p.m. April 14

WHERE: Clintonville High School, 64 W. Green Tree Road, Clintonville

ADMISSION: Free

can pass it on," Kluge said. "A lot of us here have choreographed some of the dance scenes and whatnot, just to help out the director. Since we're the ones on the stage, it's easier to know what's really going on."

Taya Jannusch, who plays Truly, enjoys playing such a vibrant character.

"She's very fancy, but she's also very nice," Jannusch said. "It was interesting to be Truly because I had never seen 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang' before we were doing this play. It was interesting to see all that happens to her."

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Baroness and Baron Bomburst, played by Emma Martin and Jameson Byars, react violently to a reference about children in a scene from "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang." The villains kidnap children and lock them away.

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NWTC exhibit tells people's stories of peace



The American Stories exhibit for "A Peace of My Mind," shown in Memphis, Tennessee, is coming April 2-11 to Northeast Wisconsin Technical College's Shawano campus, telling stories about finding peace in an increasingly fractured world. Similar exhibits are being put up at NWTC's Green Bay and Marinette campuses.

JOHN NOLTNER

'A Peace of My Mind' culminates cross-country trip to discover what unifies people

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Peace will come at last to Northeast Wisconsin Technical College.

At the very least, it will be hard to avoid as the college will host "A Peace of My Mind: American Stories," a multimedia project started by Minnesota-based award-winning photographer John Noltner, from April 2-11 at NWTC's Shawano campus, 111 E. Thomas Ave. Almost 60 stories with portraits will be on display in the halls with stories that stem from a single question: What does peace mean to you?

Noltner said that the exhibit is the culmination of a 2½-year road trip he and

ONLINE

More information on the "A Peace of My Mind" exhibits and books can be found at www.apomm.net.

his wife embarked on across the United States.

"In a divided world, I use storytelling and art to try to rediscover what connects us," Noltner said. "We sit down with people from all different backgrounds, and we build an interview and a conversation around the central question."

The stories are not only shared in the "A Peace of My Mind" exhibit, but also in books and podcasts. Noltner has five exhibits in the series, including the American Stories exhibit, as well as four books written from all the interviews.

"During the pandemic, my wife and I sold our house in Bloomington, Minnesota," Noltner said. "We bought an RV

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

GILLET: Easter Eggstavaganza, 10-11:30 a.m., 5890 State Highway 22 West. Games, candy, and outdoor egg hunt.

PULASKI: Easter Egg Hunt, 10-11 a.m., Saputo Stadium, 1040 S. St. Augustine St.

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

MONDAY, APRIL 1

KESHENA: Running and walking program, 4:40-6:30 p.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road.

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

SHAWANO: Opening of "A Peace of My Mind: American Stories, photography by John Noltner," 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, 111 Thomas Ave. More information at apomm.net.

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

SHAWANO: Chamber Coffee Connection, 8-9 a.m., Fanita's Bakery, 428 S. Main St. Guest speaker from Shawano Family Dentistry.

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

NAVARINO: Senior Safari Lunch and Learn, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road, discussion of conservation leader John Muir. Suggested \$4.50 donation for meal.

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

NAVARINO: Evening with the Sandhill Cranes, 6-7 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Watch potentially thousands of birds, register at navarino.org by April 2, fees — members \$5, non-members \$10, families \$20.

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

Yvonne Burr, 715-326-0891.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

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

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

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

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

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

SHAWANO: Auditions for "The Wizard of Oz," 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.,

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

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

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

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

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and spent 2½ years on the road. During that time, we very intentionally went to a lot of our nation's pain points. We went to the border to talk about immigration. We went to Mississippi to talk about moving Confederate monuments. We went to northern Minnesota to talk about Indigenous sovereignty."

Noltner said the goal of the 40,000-mile road trip was to find people seeking creative solutions to the challenging issues of the world, as well as delivering messages reminding people about what connects everyone.

For the American Stories exhibit, "We interviewed people who had marched with Dr. (Martin Luther) King, people who are Holocaust survivors, people who are homeless, folks who are veterans that have been through combat," Noltner said. "There's really a broad cross-section of America,



Photographer John Noltner, who created the "A Peace of My Mind" exhibit that's coming to Shawano in April, embarked on a cross-country road trip to find the common ground that connects people.

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but that same premise and goal is remembering what connects us."

One of those messages came from Bud Welch, who lost his only child, Julie Marie, in the Oklahoma City bombing in 1992, for which Timothy McVeigh was convicted and put to death. Noltner interviewed

Welch and learned how the father's push for vengeance against McVeigh transformed into a path to forgiveness.

"Bud's initial reaction was to seek retribution," Noltner said. "He wanted for Timothy McVeigh to be executed with the thought that then he could

go on with his life."

Noltner said Welch's attitude changed once he saw McVeigh's father, Bill McVeigh, on television. Welch reached out to the father, and through a personal interaction realized that Timothy McVeigh's death was not the solution to the bombing tragedy.

"He looked at him and said, 'Man, that father is as a wrecked as I am. His world changed on the same day my world changed,'" Noltner said. "He realized in that process that he didn't want Tim to die. He worked against the execution of Timothy McVeigh and realized he was forgiving Tim."

Even though Welch's effort to stop McVeigh's execution failed, Noltner said, he's continuing efforts to end capital punishment, "looking at some form of justice that's more healing instead of punitive."

Noltner has had a lengthy career as a freelance photographer shooting for

national magazines, meeting a wide range of people who helped him to find beauty in unexpected places. He said he was increasingly frustrated with all the division that the world was experiencing and the focus on what makes people different instead of what makes them the same.

"I just wondered if there was something I could do with my photography and storytelling, with my skill set, to remember what connects us," Noltner said. "It really started out as a little, personal project, just something I did in my free time in between assignments. Now it's all I do."

With 2024 being an election year, Noltner sees the division of the United States at a high point, which makes the "A Peace of My Mind" exhibits all the more important.

"I don't think anyone would disagree with the notion that we are increasingly divided," Noltner said. "It's an exercise, and

it's a practice to look at those things that connect us, to try to find that common ground to seek out our similar values so we can find a path forward in this frayed civic environment that we have currently."

In addition to the exhibit, Noltner will also be at NWTC-Shawano from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 8 to do studio interviews with interested local residents asking them how they've found strength in the midst of struggle.

"Besides these long-form stories I have done all across the country for the exhibits, we also do these short-form studios," Noltner said. "We will set up a studio. We will invite people to respond to a question, and we ask people to respond in 25 words or less. We do a black-and-white portrait of that person, and then we combine that picture with their words."

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"In a divided world, I use storytelling and art to try to rediscover what connects us. We sit down with people from all different backgrounds, and we build an interview and a conversation around the central question."

JOHN NOLTNER, creator of "A Peace of My Mind"

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Jannusch has been performing in Wolf River Homeschoolers shows since she was 7.

"It's very surreal," Jannusch said. "It's nice to see all of the younger kids and work with them."

Jameson Byars said it was easy to get into his role as Baron Bomburst, the tyrannical ruler of Vulgaria, although he said he was fascinated with how the characters in the musical differed from the ones portrayed in the film.

"It is a well known show, so the character type is more well known, so it's easier to know how to act," Byars said. "I knew from the start what I would like

to try, but it was also interesting reading the play version, because the play/musical is different from the movie, even though I'm most familiar with the movie."

Byars noted that a lot goes into organizing a cast of over 40 to prepare for such a show. The Wolf River Homeschoolers often spend several months rehearsing two or three times a week, and Byars said doing the show is the highlight of the year.

"It's very fun, but also very chaotic," Byars said. "Especially right at the start when you're just getting into it. Not everybody is sure exactly what they're

doing and they're very all over the place, but it's nice as we get closer and closer to show night that it just comes together."

Emma Martin, who plays Baroness Bomburst, is also embracing the opportunity to portray a character from a well-known story.

"It's just fun to get to act like somebody in the movies, to be like them and to do what they do," Martin said. "It's kind of hard, but we're figuring it out."

Director Sue Kluge noted that "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" was a familiar story among the homeschool families, so it was a logical

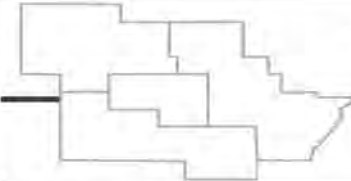
choice for the performing arts program to pursue the musical for its annual show. She said there are some different songs from the film like "Teamwork," "Act English" and "The Bombie Samba," and it also has a number of fun dance numbers for the children to learn.

"It's got so many fun numbers in it and fun songs," Sue Kluge said. "There are plenty of songs that people will remember from the movie. It's centered all around family and saving Grandpa and saving the children that the Baroness doesn't like, and the togetherness of it. It's just a feel-good show."

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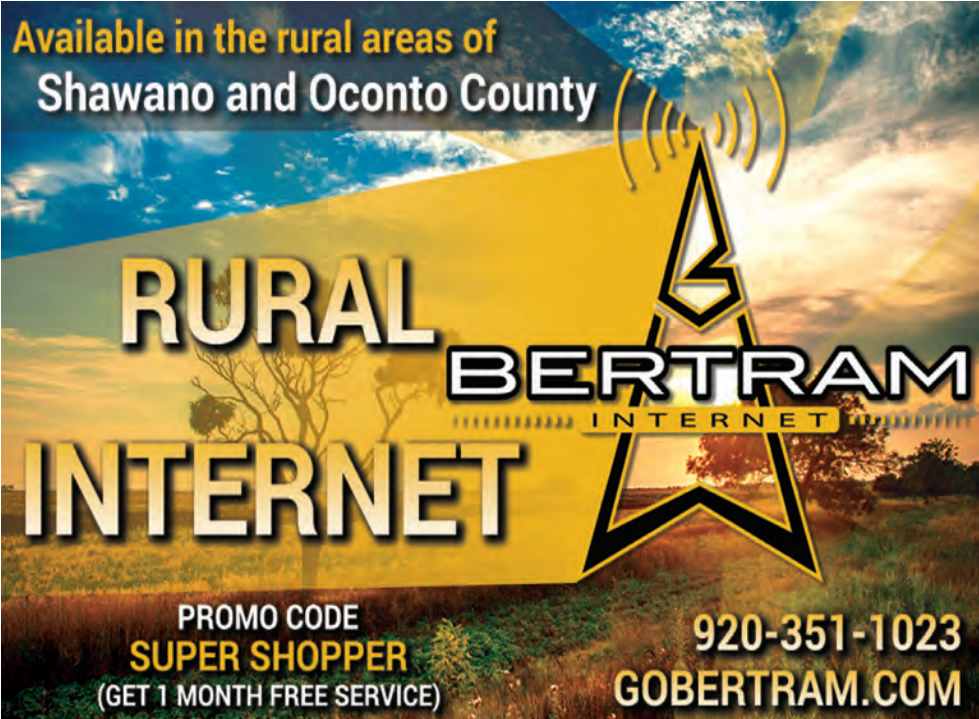
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PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

March 24

Deputies responded to 23 incidents, including assisting with a fire on East Green Bay Street; one 911 call; one reckless driving incident; nine crashes.

March 23

Deputies responded to 22 incidents, including intoxication on Main Street; one 911 call; two reckless driving incidents; three traffic hazards.

March 22

Deputies responded to 31 incidents, including property damage on South Warrington Avenue in Cecil; property damage on North Warrington Avenue in Cecil; harassment on Old 29 Road in the Town of Seneca; property theft on County Road MMM in the Town of Richmond; fraud on state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine; one reckless driving incident; one traffic hazard; four crashes.

March 21

Deputies responded to 28 incidents, including shoplifting at Dollar General, 410 N. State Highway 22, Cecil; assisting with a fire on North Branch Road in the Town of Birnamwood; assisting with a fire on state Highway 29 in the Town of Seneca; found property on Frontage Road in the Town of Washington; harassment on Frazer Corner Road in the Town of Lessor; three 911 calls; two out-of-county warrants; two reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; two crashes.

March 20

Deputies responded to 41 incidents, including a restraining order violation on Glenwood Court in the Town of Wescott; trespassing on County Road D in the Town of Seneca; property theft on Pine Lane in the Town of Belle Plaine; criminal damage on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Fairbanks; fraud on North

Hunter Street in Wittenberg; bail jumping on West Grand Avenue in Wittenberg; trespassing on West Rollman Street in Wittenberg; two 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; two crashes, one involving deer.

March 19

Deputies responded to 38 incidents, including a warrant on Murphys Road in the Town of Bartelme; bail jumping on South Union Street in Shawano; assisting with a fire on Two Mile Road in the Town of Germania; criminal damage on Cherry Road in the Town of Hutchins; scam on Leopold Road in the Town of Herman; one 911 call; three reckless driving incidents; two crashes involving deer.

March 18

Deputies responded to 29 incidents, including a disturbance on Old Keshena Road in the Town of Wescott; two 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; three crashes.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

March 24

Officers responded to 11 incidents, including assisting other law enforcement on Pleasant Street in Gresham.

March 23

Officers responded to 23 incidents, including property damage on South Lincoln Street; threatening on South Union Street; intoxicated person at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.; animal bite on River Heights Drive.

March 22

Officers responded to 21 incidents, including a hit-and-run at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; property theft on Mills Street; fraud on Hillside Lane; child abuse or neglect at an undisclosed location; threatening at an undisclosed location; found property at Kwik Trip, 1241 E. Green Bay St.; fraud at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.

March 21

Officers responded to 18 incidents, including vehicle theft on South Sawyer Street; weapon offense at an undisclosed location; drug offenses at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; truancy at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; reckless driving on South Franklin Street; property theft at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; lost property on East Green Bay Street; drug offenses on West Fifth Street.

March 20

Officers responded to 16 incidents, including noise on South Water Street; vehicle crash at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; reckless driving on South Hamlin Street; bail jumping at Ole Town Tap, 115 N. Main St.; two juvenile problem calls at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; warrant arrest on South River Street.

March 19

Officers responded to 26 incidents, including two truancy calls at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; pornography at an undisclosed location; drug offenses at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; drug offenses on South Sawyer Street; noise on South Water Street; drug offenses on North Union Street.

March 18

Officers responded to 25 incidents, including a juvenile problem on Fairview Way; vehicle crash at Subway, 1230 E. Green Bay St.; drug offenses on Humphrey Circle; juvenile problem at Hillcrest Primary School, 1410 Waukechon St.; traffic hazard on South Airport Drive; drug offenses at Shawano Police Department, 125 S. Sawyer St.; threatening at SAM's House, 105 E. Richmond St.; sex offense on East Center Street; truancy at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B.

COURT NEWS

• Geran D. Metko, 39, pleaded no contest Dec. 15 to three counts of possession with intent to deliver amphetamine, possession with intent to deliver narcotics, possession with intent to deliver THC, possession of a firearm by a person convicted of a felony, possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a drug trafficking place, four counts of possession of narcotic drugs, 23 counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor charges of carrying a concealed knife and operating a motor vehicle while his license was revoked. On March 18, Judge Katherine Sloma sentenced him to seven years in prison followed by 10 years of extended supervision.

• Ryan J. Welch, 33, Shawano, pleaded no contest March 19 to misdemeanor charges of battery, disorderly conduct and victim intimidation. The charges were amended from felonies in a plea agreement. Sloma levied fines and other court costs.

• A jury found Leila J. Bigjohn, 40, Wittenberg, not guilty of possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia after a one-day

trial March 19.

• Dylan L. Corn, 21, Stevens Point, was charged March 18 with possession of narcotic drugs, nine counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, and misdemeanor charges of operating a motor vehicle while his license was revoked and possession of drug paraphernalia. Judge William Kussel Jr. set a \$750 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for March 25.

• Daniel K. Reiter, 37, Birnamwood, was charged March 18 with felony bail jumping and misdemeanor bail jumping. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for April 9.

• Robert W. Harris, 53, Birnamwood, was charged March 18 with nine counts of felony bail jumping, four counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, two misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and a misdemeanor charge of driving without a valid license. Kussel set a \$5,000 cash bond, and a status conference was scheduled for March 25.

• Joel L. Lehouillier, 41, Wittenberg, was charged March 19 with two counts of

felony bail jumping. Kussel set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for April 15.

• Hannah E. Hoffman, 17, Shawano, was charged March 21 with two counts of battery or threat to a law officer, 10 counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of battery, disorderly conduct, and attempted criminal damage to property. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond and a \$10,000 signature bond and scheduled a review hearing for March 28.

• Joseph C. Gleason, 53, Merrill, was charged March 21 with possession of methamphetamine, possession of paraphernalia to manufacture methamphetamine, possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and six counts of felony bail jumping. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond and a \$2,500 signature bond and scheduled a status conference for May 7.

• Terrell R. Waukau, 24, Shawano, was charged March 21 with four counts of felony bail jumping and two counts of knowingly violating a domestic abuse injunction. Kussel set a \$15,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for March 28.

YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW

Opees honor efforts to promote transparency

For the 18th straight year, the Wisconsin Freedom of Information Council is recognizing outstanding efforts to protect the state's tradition of open government through its Openness in Government awards, or Opees.

The awards are being presented as part of national Sunshine Week, March 10-16.

Awards are being given this year in six categories. The winners are:

- Public Openness Award ("Popee"): Curt Green

When a Milwaukee Journal Sentinel investigative team set out to gather information on state gun deaths due to suicide, it encountered some resistance. But Green, the coroner for Manitowoc County, grasped the value of this story and set to work providing what the paper said was "by far the most detailed" gun death data of any county in the state in the hopes of identifying patterns that could prevent future deaths. It's great when public officials act with the "public" firmly in mind.

- Media Openness Award ("Mopee"): Jacob Resneck

An investigative reporter with Wisconsin Watch, Resneck broke the story on how police agencies in Wisconsin are citing Marsy's Law, the state constitutional amendment meant to protect victims' rights, to shield the identity of police officers who shot someone, on grounds that the officers are victims of the people they shoot. He also made extensive use of public records to report on a police cadet who was fired after reporting that a fellow cadet had sexually assaulted her. And Resneck wrote a column for the council about police video and accountability.

- Open Records Scoop of the Year ("Scooppee"): Lucas Robinson

This Wisconsin State Journal reporter uncovered multiple instances in which the local sheriff's department sought charges against guards at the state's Green Bay Correctional facility for offenses including smuggling items into the prison for inmates to neglecting inmates. One inmate died after guards denied him a wheelchair to go to the infirmary, then failed to check on him. No guards were charged with crimes. Robinson's reporting, as well as that of The New York Times and other news



Bill Lueders
Guest columnist

media outlets, prompted lawmakers to seek reforms.

- Citizen Openness Award ("Copee"): Common Ground

This Milwaukee-based interfaith advocacy group launched a campaign last year to gather information, much of it from public records, on hazardous conditions inside affordable housing apartments. It then shared this information with tenants and journalists to push the Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee to make improvements. Earlier this year, the group sounded an alarm about dangerously cold apartments, a "systemic problem" the housing authority has known about for years. Now everybody knows.

- Whistleblower of the Year ("Whoopie"): Mark Gierl

This former Mequon alderperson twice sued the Mequon-Thiensville School District for denying his requests for email distribution lists. Gierl, represented by Tom Kamenick of the Wisconsin Transparency Project, won each case at both the trial and appellate court level, firmly establishing that such lists kept by government entities must be released on request. An honorable mention in this category goes to the state prison inmates who pushed to make the public aware of dire situations within the state's correctional system.

- No Friend of Openness ("Nopee"): Bonnie Kindschy

Rarely are public officials as brazen in their contempt for open government as Kindschy, the coroner of Trempealeau County. Alone among the state's 72 coroners or medical examiners, Kindschy refused to provide records in response to the Journal Sentinel's gun death investigation. Even after the threat of a lawsuit prompted the county to release the records, Kindschy remained defiant, saying she would "probably not" heed a future request. Arrogant and unaccountable is never a good look.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Knudl chairing elections a stain on democracy

To the editor:

The Wisconsin State Legislature adjourned for 2024. The Assembly closed out last month and the Senate last week. Among five bipartisan bills passed by the Assembly, which were not acted on by the Senate, is one which would allow election clerks to count absentee ballots before or concurrent with in-person voting. The goal of the bill is to relieve pressure on election officials and result in short circuiting candidates' claims that absentee ballots were/are somehow manufactured to overcome an in-person vote deficit. This legislation is supported by clerks statewide.

One would think this bipartisan Assembly bill should have been enacted for our November 2024 elections. The representatives must have spoken to their local election officials before voting on this bill, which serves the interests of all of our citizens. Having been the Democratic party voter protection attorney for Shawano County from 2004 through 2020, I say, kudos to all our election personnel, officials and volunteer staff, county and municipal, who unfailingly perform their nonpartisan civic duties every election cycle, professionally and honestly.

Further examination reveals the Senate election committee chair who failed to allow the bill to the floor is Daniel Knudl, R-Germantown. Knudl was one of the Wisconsin legislators who petitioned Vice President Mike

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Pence to violate his constitutional duties and give the state legislatures time to meet to try to overrule the will of the people.

Isn't it time to drop the partisan chicanery regarding our elections? In civil litigation, all the fake Wisconsin electors admit that they were misled and Joseph Biden won Wisconsin in 2020.

Andrew Hitt, former GOP chairperson, went on "60 Minutes" and stated the same, saying he signed as a fake elector because he was afraid for the safety of his family. Most importantly, James Troupis and Kenneth Cheseboro, architects of the fraud, have also been brought to heel in civil court. Troupis is paying an undisclosed sum to the plaintiffs. Cheseboro is cooperating with federal law enforcement investigating false electors in several states.

It remains to be seen whether Wisconsin Attorney General Josh Kaul's investigation leads to charges against the false electors or whether Wisconsin would be better served by a non-charge given the repudiation of the "big lie" by Hitt and the other fake electors.

The appointment of Daniel Knudl as the election committee chair is a perpetuation of denialism and a stain on our democracy.

Stephen Menard, Shawano
Vote yes on both state referendum questions

To the editor:

On the April 2 election, there will be two constitution referendums. A little history as to why these referendums came to being.

During the 2020 elections, Mark Zuckerberg funneled millions of dollars into selected local elections. The primary cities of Green Bay, Madison, Milwaukee, Racine and Kenosha collectively received \$8.8 million with Green Bay receiving \$1.6 million. The money was funneled through Center for Tech and Civic

Life (CTCL). The CTCL money came with specific requirements, or the cities would have to pay that money back.

Also, during the 2020 November election, a New York liberal operative funded with the CTCL money played a critical role in running the central count in Green Bay. His name is Michael Spitzer-Rubenstein.

We all know that clerks employ many dedicated volunteers that live in the voting district. The second referendum would ensure non-resident people such as Michael Spitzer-Rubenstein cannot disrupt our very important local elections.

Question 1: Shawano Republican Party recommends a yes vote. Prohibits any level of government in the state from applying or accepting non-governmental funds or equipment for election administration. A "yes" vote on this referendum would amend the Wisconsin Constitution to essentially stop "Zuckerbucks" from influencing our election administration here in Wisconsin.

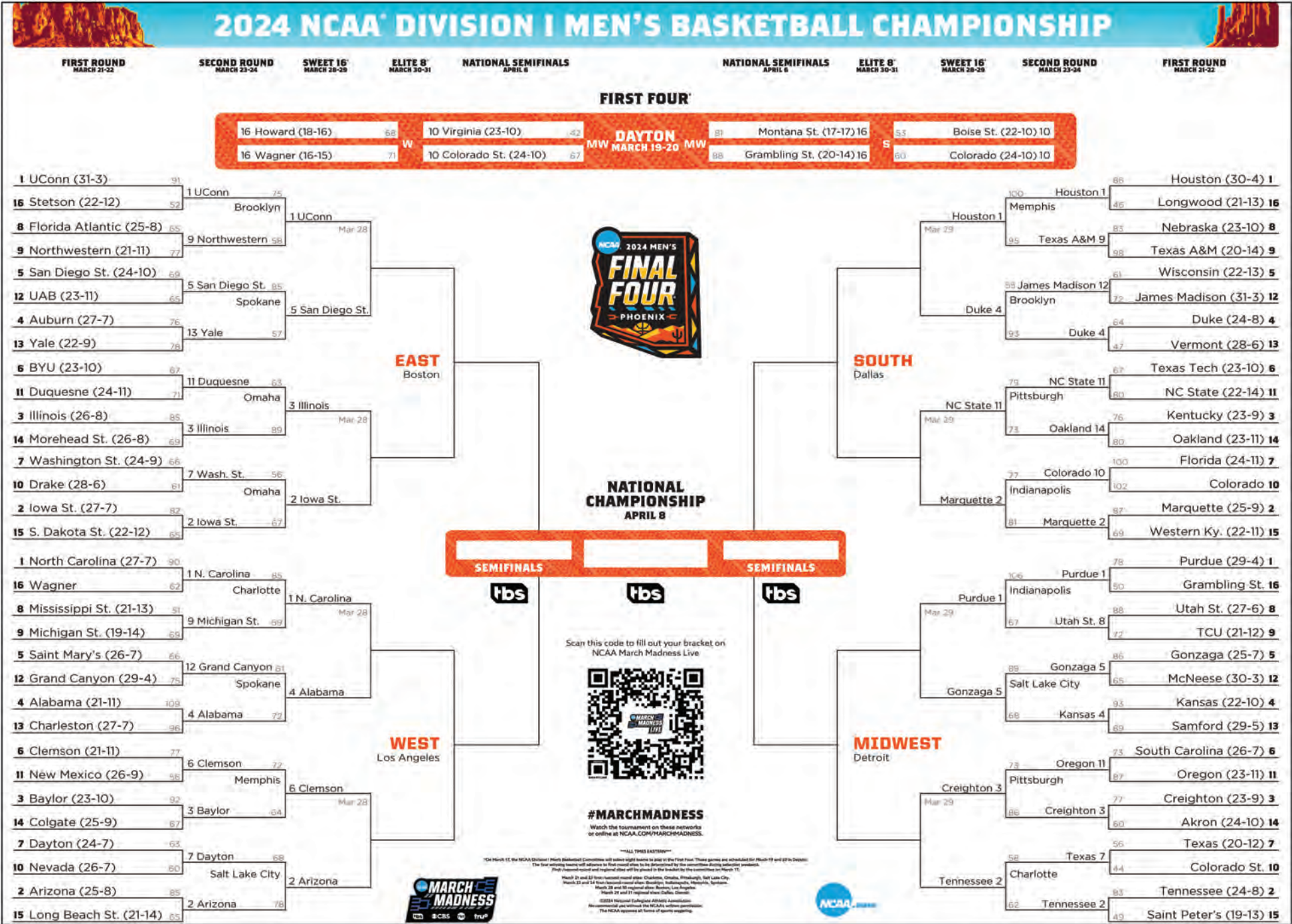
Question 2: Shawano Republican Party recommends a yes vote. Provides that only election officials designated by law may administer elections. A "yes" vote on this question will amend the Wisconsin Constitution to make clear that only election officials designated by law may administer elections. Again, this is an effort to stop Zuckerberg and Co. from embedding non-governmental officials in our election administration and operations.

Richard W. Kucksdorf, Bonduel



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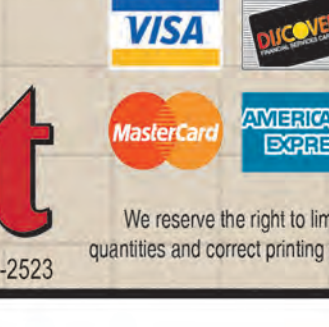
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Area boys, girls earn Academic All-State honors

The Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) announced the 2024 Basketball Academic All-State Award to the outstanding individuals who attain a high level of success in the classroom. Several girls from Bonduel, Oconto Falls and Wittenberg-Birnamwood were among the honorees this year, as well as boys from Gillett, Oconto Falls and Shawano.

The WBCA, in a continued quest to recognize the outstanding work of the student-athletes around Wisconsin, has modified and expanded the Academic All-State program for 2024. New in 2023, Academic All-State requires that nominated athletes be varsity players from any grade level and hold a GPA of at least 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale). These players will receive a WBCA certificate from their school. Elite Academic All-State is similar to what the WBCA has produced in the past, incorporating more robust academic review and incorporating on-court performance as well. This recognition continues to be for seniors only and will be announced at a later date.

More than 1,800 girls and 1,200 boys basketball players met the minimum requirement to be recognized as WBCA All-State.

Girls receiving the honor were:

Bonduel: junior Josie Anvelink, senior Ella Hischke, sophomore Juliana Jacobs, senior Ashlyn Kurey, freshman Paige Niquette, junior Taylor Rank, sophomore Jayla Reinke, sophomore Cierra Schnell, junior Tatum Sporisky, senior Hailee Thompson, junior Audrey Weier, sophomore Mariah Wondra, senior Hailey Zernicke, sophomore Allison Zernicke.

Oconto Falls: senior Bailee Gorman, senior Brynn Hodkiewicz, junior Ava Hodkiewicz, junior Josie Holtz, junior Lylia Leja, senior Hannah Ludemann, junior Madeline Maloney, senior Morgan Moynihan, junior Amber Otto, senior Madysen Przybylski, senior Kathryn Raddatz, senior Allison Remic, sophomore Rylie Shallow, senior Kyndra Staild.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood: senior Amelia Bessert, freshman Ava Brei, freshman Nora Bushman, sophomore Melaina Granquist, junior Abby Jackan, junior Brianna Krueger, sophomore Brie Ladika, junior Faith Resch, freshman Harper Rogowski, sophomore Rory Salvesen, senior Kit Stewart.

Gillett boys who were honored were seniors Bradin Bjelland, Garrett Klein, Grayson Klein and Benjamin Matczak; and juniors Jesse DeBauch and Ryan Pensis.

From Oconto Falls High School, honorees were juniors Isaac Bramer, Grayson Cahak, Easton Engel, Emerich Skarban and Evan Yuma; and senior Alex Haines.

Shawano students honored were sophomores Anderson Schmidt and Ryan Schwitzer; juniors Warner Beyer, Parker Beyer, Jerzy Brocker and Logan Sipple; and senior Ethan Onesti.

Gillett senior competed in WIAA challenge at Kohl Center

Gillett High School senior Aydin Franti was the No. 1 3-point shooter in the Division 5 this season, which earned him a spot in the 2024 WIAA Boys 3-Point Challenge on March 16 at the Kohl Center in Madison.

At the event, he sunk 11 of 25 in the first round and did not advance to the semifinals.

During the season, Franti completed 45 of 94 3-point attempts for a 47.9% success rate. Coming in at No. 2 was Heath Poppy of Shullsburg, who completed 69 of 146 for 47.3%.

Ten participants were selected for the event based on information entered by coaches into the WisSports.net database. The top two 3-point shooters (with a minimum 75 attempts) from each division were chosen to participate.

Each player shot five balls from the same five points on the court.

Other area players qualified for the top 10 in their respective divisions but were not high enough to make it to the 3-point challenge.

In Division 3, Pulaski's Colin Schultz, a junior, was ranked sixth, completing 63 out of 143 attempts for a 44.1% completion rate.

In Division 4, Bonduel freshman Quinn Wesenberg was eighth and made 33 out of 77 for 42.9%.

In addition to Franti being No. 1, a pair of other Gillett players were in the top 10.

Senior Ben Matczak completed 53 of 116 for 44.8% to earn the No. 3 spot. At No. 5 was junior Jesse DeBauch, who made 36 out of 83 for 43.4%.



Braelyn McDonald of Oconto, Kaelyn Cook of Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy, Rylie Shallow of Oconto Falls and Bella Jones of Gibraltar run the first of 10 heats in the girls 45-yard dash during a six-school indoor track and field meet March 19 at Oconto Falls High School. Shallow's time of 5.7 seconds topped all runners.
WARREN BLUHM | NEW MEDIA

Bonduel wins 8 of 12 events at Seymour track meet

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Shawano, March 23

Adalyn Barkley led the Shawano girls track and field team with the best finish, after placing first in the triple jump in the Ripon College Showcase Meet on March 23. Shawano claimed another dozen top-10 finishes.

Barkley had a total distance of 34 feet 7.5 inches. Teammate Macey Nelson placed seventh.

Lily Guenther ran to a third place in the 3,200-meter run, with teammate Anabelle Schroeder placing ninth.

Both the 4x400-meter relay team and the 4x800-meter relay team finished in third place.

Barkley was also fourth in the 400-meter dash.

Grace Chelberg placed fifth in the 800-meter run.

Natalie Bystol was seventh in the high jump.

In the shot put, Hatty Fritz was eighth and Madison Weinig was ninth.

Shawano's 4x200-meter relay team placed 10th.

Witt-Birn, March 21

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's 86.5 points placed them third at the Marshfield Tiger Girls Invite on March 21. The Chargers just missed out on second place, earned by D.C. Everest with 87 points. Marshfield won with 129 points.

Nora Bushman's time of 2:36.9 was the best in the 800-yard run, as her first place netted the team 10 points. She collected another 10 points with her first-place finish in the 1-mile run with a time of 5:51.88.

Faith Resch led the Chargers with a first in the high jump at 4 feet 10 inches. Ava Brei placed sixth.

Also taking first place was the team of Harper Rogowski, Brei, Kylee Bev-

ersdorf and Resch in 4:40.53 in the 4x440-yard relay.

The 4x880-yard relay team of Beversdorf, Charlie Eichman, Lily Metropulos and Bushman finished second.

In the 440-yard dash, it was Rogowski claiming second and Brie finishing third.

Resch placed fourth in the 60-yard hurdles.

Bushman claimed fourth in the triple jump, and Resch was ninth.

Brei placed fourth in the 220-yard dash, with Rogowski taking eighth.

In the shot put, it was Kaydence Burclaw finishing in sixth place.

The foursome of Kaitlin Tushkowski, Reese Dickman, Metropulos and Kelsie Davis earned a seventh-place finish in the 4x160-yard relay.

Another seventh place was earned in the 4x220-yard relay, this time with Tushkowski, Dickman, Metropulos and Jayden Zeinert running the race in 3:22.36.

Bonduel, March 21

Bonduel collected 38.5 points as the girls placed third at the Seymour Invitational on March 21.

Junior Audrey Weier captured first place in the 200-meter hurdles in 36.46. Addison Raymakers was fourth, and Hailey Berg was fifth.

Junior Abbi Heller led a contingent of six teammates earning top-10 finishes in the shot put. Heller set the pace with first-place finish at 26 feet 4.25 inches. She was followed by McKenna Onesti in second, Hailey Spates in third, Morgan Staszak in fifth and Caroline Richter in eighth.

Olivia Giese placed second, Berg was fourth and Weier was sixth in the 55-meter hurdles.

Paige Niquette, a freshman, placed second in the 55-meter dash.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Giese, Josie Anvelink, Rachyl Hutter and Niquette took second place.

Weier was fourth in the high jump and was joined by Staszak in fifth and Hailey Eggert in ninth.

Giese was sixth in the 400-meter dash.

In the 800-meter run, it was junior Seidy Blandon in sixth.

Eggert was seventh in the long jump, and Isabella Rizzo was 10th.

Oconto Falls, March 19

The Oconto Falls girls track team didn't have as many first-place finishes as the boys at the Oconto Falls Indoor 1 on March 19, but they still won a majority of the events.

The Panthers nabbed seven of the top 10 spots in the 45-yard dash, including Rylie Shallow's first-place finish. Chloe Anastasopoulos placed second, Anna Spaulding was third, Hailyn St. Louis tied for fourth (with Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy's Kaelyn Cook), Kati Raddatz was sixth, and Abby Budz and Bailee Gorman tied for 10th.

Gorman won the 200-meter dash and was joined by teammates St. Louis in fourth place, Rhina Vandeyacht in sixth, Jasmine Lamal-Martinez in ninth and Gwen Maggio tied for 10th with Lena/STAAA's Karli Fischer. Other Lena/STAA runners in the top 10 were Abigail Kostreva in second, Eva Brooks in third and Kali Fischer in seventh.

For the 400-meter dash, it was Miriam Alberts of Lena/STAA in first, Oconto Falls' Mackenzie Lotto in second and Lena/STAA's Kate Peters in third.

Oconto Falls grabbed spots one through four and seventh in the 800-meter run. Maddy Przyblski won the race, with Hannah Ludeman in second, Hailey

Delzer in third, Arianna Impastato in fourth and Allison Kramer in seventh.

Brooke Hodkiewicz of Oconto Falls won the 1,600-meter run, and teammate Emma Meissner placed second.

In the 55-meter hurdles, it was Oconto Falls' Josie Saari placing second and Lena/STAA's Alexis Maloney in third.

Oconto Falls won the 4x100-meter relay, and Lena/STAA placed second. The Panthers were the only competitor in the 4x400-meter relay and 4x800-meter relay, thereby winning both events.

The Panthers placed five team members in the top 10 for shot put. Morgan Moynihan won the event, followed by Aly Yuma in second, Grace Molitor in third, Raddatz in fifth and Kylee Williams in seventh. Also, Lena/STAA's Mackenzie Vorpahl was fourth.

The high jump title went to Brooks, with Hodkiewicz in fourth, Peters in fifth, Maggie in sixth, Oconto Falls' Eloise Thompson in eighth and Lily Van De Ven in ninth.

Kostreva won the long jump, followed by St. Louis in second, Vandeyacht in fourth, Maggio in fifth, Przyblski in sixth, Lamal-Martinez in ninth and teammate Johanna Mikulik in 10th.

Budz claimed the top spot in the triple jump, followed by Kali Fischer in the No. 2 spot, Oconto Falls' Emery Pagel in third, Lena/STAA's Kaitlyn Borkovec in fourth, Delzer in fifth and Mackenzie Lotto in sixth.

Pulaski, March 19

The Red Raiders captured four first-place awards at the Ripon College Invite on March 19.

Olivia Sprangers won the 200-meter dash in 27.1 seconds, with Rachael Allen

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Hawks go 2-1 at Hodag softball tournament

Shawano's girls softball team opened the 2024 season with a 7-4 win over Thorp on March 22 at the Danny Mac Softball Classic at the Hodag Dome in Rhinelander.

The Hawks would split their two games March 23 to end up 2-1 on the weekend.

In their first game on March 23, Shawano lost 12-10 to Stratford. The Hawks bounced back in their final game, shutting out Clintonville 12-0.

The event included three days of competition featuring 24 teams split into three brackets of eight teams each.

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taking fifth. Ella Ficarri won the 60-meter hurdles in 9.92.

Hallie Morz claimed the top spot in the pole vault at 11 feet, and the 4x200-meter relay team won in 1:51.94.

Ella Hasser claimed the third position in the 400-meter dash, and the 4x400-meter relay team was also third.

Hasser was fourth in the triple jump.

Megan Kraft was fifth in the long jump.

Olivia Stedl was fifth in the 800-meter run, while Emerson Fabry was sixth.

Faye Brunke was sixth in the 60-meter dash,

Bonduel, March 18

Bonduel girls earned eight first-place finishes out of 12 events at the Seymour Indoor Quad on March 18.

Paige Niquette placed first in the 55-meter dash in 7.97 seconds. She was joined by Addison Raymakers in sixth, Sophie Smith in eighth and two others.

Seidy Blandon ran to first in the 800-meter run in 3:36.78.

Cierra Schnell earned first place in the 200-meter hurdles in 35.44. Hailey Berg was third, and Olivia Giese was fourth.

Bonduel won all three relay races, the 4x200, the 4x400 and the 4x800.

In the 1,600-meter run, Mariah Wondra placed first in 6:04.43, and Teagan Engel placed second.

Josie Anvelink earned the top spot in the shot put at 33-2. Five other Bonduel girls finished in the top 10 and three more captured the 11th, 12th and 15th spots. Rachyl Hutter was third, McKenna Onesti placed fifth, Hailey Spates was sixth, Abbi Heller finished in ninth, and Rose Siewert was 10th.

Raymakers was the top Bonduel athlete in the 400-meter dash, finishing in third.

In the 55-meter hurdles, Giese finished second and Hailey was third.

All three girls finished in the top 10 in the high jump. Isabella Rizzo placed fourth, Hailey Eggert was sixth, and Riana Bahr placed seventh.

Eggert finished third in the long jump, while Rizzo was fifth.

Shawano, March 18

Shawano track and field athletes racked up 57 points and finished third out of 17 teams at the Oshkosh High School Invitational on March 18.

West De Pere placed first with 88 points, while Appleton North was second with 65 pants.

The team of Bailey Hendricks, Adalyn Barkley, Maci Beyer and Lilly Guenther placed first in the 4x800-meter relay in 10:26.99.

Grace Chelberg set the pace in the 1,600-meter run, grabbing first place in 5:27.8. Hendricks placed eighth.

Barkley earned more team points with a second-place finish in the 400-meter dash. Guenther was second in the 3,200-meter run.

Shawano also earned points in the triple jump, with Barkley nabbing second and Macey Nelson seventh.

Barkley, Beyer, Tela Hopfensperger and Hendricks teamed up for a fifth-place finish in the 4x400-meter relay.

Nelson finished sixth in the long jump.

Chelberg was sixth in the 800-meter run.

The 4x200-meter relay team placed ninth, just one spot out of the points. Hopfensperger, Beyer, Natalie Bystol and Nelson had a time of 1:59.01.

Basketball coaches pick Lena's Brooks for all-state team

Lena's Eva Brooks has been named to the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Division 5 All-State Team.

Brooks led Lena (28-3) to a state runner-up finish in the program's first state tournament appearance since 1991. The 6-1 forward averaged 19.8 points, 12.1 rebounds, 3.5 assists, 2.7 steals and 3.3 blocks per game for coach Tim Goldschmidt and the Wildcats. Brooks will enter her senior year with 1,153 career points. Lena has a 63-20 record over her first three seasons.

The WCBA all-state team is headlined by two-time selections Alana Durtschi of Albany/Monticello and Sarah Shaw of Assumption.

Durtschi led Albany/Monticello (27-3) to the Division 5 state

championship. The 5-8 guard averaged 13.1 points, 6.6 rebounds, 5.2 assists and 3.1 steals per game for coach Derik Doescher and the Albany/Monticello co-op. Shaw led Assumption (26-3) to a sectional final and has helped the team to a 77-11 record in her first three seasons.

Other all-state selections were Hailee Bauer, junior, Lourdes Academy; Kylie Butler, sophomore, Argyle/Pecatonica; Sophia Coker, senior, Athens; Izabel Durst, sophomore, Barneveld; Marah Gruen, senior, Royall; Emmalee Mann, senior, Cochrane-Fountain City; Mackenzie Tarman, senior, Turtle Lake; and Jadeyn Zdroik, freshman, Pacelli.

Rylee Yaeger, a senior at Wabeno/Laona, received honorable mention.



Lena's Eva Brooks brings the ball up court during the Wildcats' state championship game March 9 at the Resch Center in Ashwaubenon. Brooks was named to the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Division 5 All-State Team.

FILE | NEW MEDIA

Oconto Falls dominates home meet

By KEVIN PASSON
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Shawano, March 23

The Shawano boys captured nine top-10 finishes at the Ripon College Showcase Meet on March 23.

Will Chelberg ran to a third-place finish in the 3,200-meter run, while teammate Josiah Kuehl placed eighth.

Ethan Onesti captured fourth in the 800-meter run. He was also fifth in the 1,600-meter run.

Shawano's 4x400-meter relay team placed sixth, with the 4x800-meter relay team finishing in seventh and the 4x200-meter relay team claiming eighth.

Drake Herm jumped to eighth place in the pole vault.

Lucas Nuthals earned a 10th-place finish in the 60-meter dash.

Shawano, March 21

Shawano placed second with 97 points at the Wausau West Boys Small School Invitational on March 21. Northland Pines won the meet with 174 points.

Shawano's sole win was in the sprint medley relay in 2:29.72.

Shawano placed three in the top 10 in the 400-meter dash. Ryan Schwitzer led the Hawks in second place, with Joshua Lesperance in seventh and Maverick Theis in ninth.

The Hawks also had three in the top 10 in the 200-meter dash. Drake Herm placed second, Logan Korth placed third, and Schwitzer finished sixth.

Aiden Rasmussen placed third and Kaden Ewert was fourth in the 55-meter dash. Shawano also placed third in the 4x400-meter relay.

Herm jumped to fourth place in the pole vault, while Schwitzer was sixth. Korth was fourth in the long jump.

Joseph Kelliher finished in fifth in the 1,600-meter run. He also finished 10th in the 200-meter hurdles.

Shawano was sixth in the 4x800-meter relay, and Lesperance was sixth in the triple jump.

Theis was seventh in the shot put.

Aiden Sischo placed 10th in the 800-meter run.

Bonduel, March 21

The Bonduel boys earned 53 points and placed second out of four teams at the Seymour Invitational on March 21.

The team of Griffin Uelmen, Oliver Chitwood, Joah Dworniczak and Garrett Anderson placed first in the 4x200-meter relay in 10:32.63.

Uelmen won the 800-meter run in 2:31.85.

Freshman Malachi Gray won the 55-meter dash in 7.55, while sophomore Mason Ballwahn placed fourth.

Gage Anderson won the 400-meter dash in 1:04.15.

Gage School won the long jump at 16 feet 6 inches, with Gage Anderson leaping to third.

Uelmen finished second in the high jump, and Ballwahn tied for seventh.

Three freshmen placed third, fourth and fifth in the 1,600-meter run. They were Chitwood, Anderson and Dworniczak, respectively.

In the 200-meter hurdles, it was Scholl in third and Ballwahn in fourth.

The 4x400-meter relay saw Scholl, Gray, Adam Beaulieu and Thorneorow place fourth.

Kaiden Thorneorow, Isaac Seefeldt, Ballwahn and Gray were fifth in the 4x200-meter relay.

Senior Eduin Romero placed fifth in the shot put, and Seefeldt was 10th.

Oconto Falls, March 19

Several Panthers cleaned up when they hosted the Oconto Falls Indoor 1 on March 19.

Isaac Brauer earned first place in the 45-yard dash, with Lucas Heimke of Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy finishing fourth. Oconto Falls' Brady Bursa was fifth, Evan Lotter-Greetan was sixth, Croix Gardebrecht placed seventh, and Bryce Schefdore and Alex Frehse tied for eighth. Lena/STAA runner Gonzalo Del Val Arroyo was among five who tied for 10th.

Bramer also won the 200-meter dash, with Heimke in second, Frehse in fifth, Del Val Arroyo in sixth, Oconto Falls' AJ Hendricks in eighth

and Panther Cason Weenig in ninth.

Oconto Falls' Emerson Rice earned first place in the 400-meter dash. Suring's Quinn Thomson finished second and Jake Cornell placed third, with Gardebrecht in fourth, Panther Carter Hill in sixth, Suring's Dayne Ermis in seventh and Oconto Falls' Kolton Krueger in eighth.

First place in the 800-meter run went to Ben Adams of Oconto Falls, with Erik Kosch of Lena/STAA in second, Oconto Fall's Sage Mendolla in third, Braxton Rajkovich of Oconto Falls in fourth, Suring teammates Jayden Frank and Garrett School taking sixth and seventh, respectively, and Lena/STAA's Robert Alberts in seventh.

In the 1,600-meter run, it was Oconto Falls' Griffin Kopke taking first and Suring's Liam Matelski placing second.

The 55-meter hurdles had Alex Haines of Oconto Falls in first, teammate Emerich Skarban in second and Suring Trent VanDenElzen in third.

The 4x100-meter relay was won by Oconto Falls, with Suring taking second and another Oconto Falls foursome in third.

Suring won the 4x400-meter relay, and Oconto Falls was second. The finishing order flipped in the 4x800-meter relay.

The shot put title belonged to Anthony Seefeldt of Lena/STAA, with Schefdore in second, Lena/STAA's Colton Skrobel in fourth, Suring's Trent Thomson in fifth, and Oconto Falls teammates Tanner Arndt and Jonathan Moody placing sixth and seventh, respectively.

Skarban won the high jump, with Haines in second, Ermis in fourth, VanDenElzen in sixth, and Oconto Fall's Boden Gilson and Hendrix Cheek placing seventh and eighth, respectively.

The top spot in the pole vault went to VanDenElzen, with teammate Taylor Brown finishing in second. Krueger placed fifth, Suring's Garrett Peters was sixth, and Hill was seventh.

Bursa won first place in

the long jump, with Heimke in second, Thomson in fourth, Potter-Greetan in fifth, Oconto Falls' Weston Hoskins in sixth, Suring's Kroix Kempka in eighth and Suring's Dylan Flynn in 10th.

Bursa also won the triple jump, followed by Heimke in second, Cornell in third, Gardebrecht in fourth, Ermis in fifth, Peters in sixth and Gillett's Bradin Bjelland in seventh.

Pulaski, March 19

Pulaski's boys earned five top-10 finishes at the Ripon College Invite on March 19.

Keaton Dauk finished fourth in the 60-meter hurdles.

Jacob Heston was fourth in the triple jump, while Aiden McGin was seventh.

Parker Marshall placed seventh in the 3,200-meter run, and Daniel Augustine was eighth in the 800-meter run.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood, March 19

Landen Schmidt led the Chargers with a fourth-place finish in the shot put at the Marshfield Tiger Boys Invite on March 19.

Donald Komosa finished fifth in the 440-yard dash, and Michael Gunter placed eighth in the 220-yard dash.

Bonduel, March 18

Two individuals and one foursome earned first-place spots for Bonduel at Seymour Indoor Quad on March 18. Several others earned top-10 finishes.

Gage Anderson was the best in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:03.78. Joah Dworniczak placed seventh.

Griffin Uelmen was first in the 800-meter run in 2:33.78.

The 4x400-meter relay team was first in 4:38.59.

Relay teams in the 4x200 and 4x800 placed second, as did Ben O'Brien in the 1,600-meter run and Malachi Gray in the long jump. O'Brien was sixth in the long jump.

Mason Ballwahn placed third in the 55-meter dash, followed by Gray in fourth and Gage Scholl in ninth.

Eduin Romero earned sixth place in the shot put, and Isaac Seefeldt was 10th.

Pulaski names new girls golf coaches

Pulaski High School girls golf will have three new coaches next season. John Heinz is the new head coach. Assistants will be Kimberly Froseth and Taylor Walters, who will co-coach the junior varsity squad.

"I would like to thank Sarah Kohls for her many years of service leading the PHS girls golf team and am thankful for Andy Bock's knowledge and expertise that he shared with our student athletes over the last years," said PHS athletic director Janel Batten.

Batten is excited by the new coaching staff.

"I believe our girls golf program will be in good hands for years to come," she said.

Heinz has worked as a Pulaski Community School District paraprofessional for 10 years. He's also driven a bus for the district. Previous coaching experience includes being on the freshman baseball coaching staff for seven years and freshman football staff for six years.

He's been married to Lori for 30 years and they have four children, Jack,

Owen, Lucas and Ella, all of whom are PHS graduates. The Southern Door High School graduate has lived in the Pulaski area for 32 years.

Heinz credits his wife for getting him into golfing when they were first married, and they hit the links regularly when Wisconsin's weather permits.

"I am super excited about coaching," Heinz said.

Heinz has earned his commercial driver's license, so he will be able to drive the team to its meets.

Froseth is a PHS English teacher. She has been in Pulaski for five years, and prior to that she taught in Manitowoc for eight years. She graduated from UW-Milwaukee with a bachelor's degree in English education. She will graduate next month from Western Governors University with a master's degree in educational leadership. She is married to Adam and they have two children — Easton, 8, and Joelle, 6.

"My husband and I started golfing a few years ago just for fun, and I

started to truly enjoy the sport and become more competitive with it," she said. "I am not new to coaching, but I am new to coaching golf."

Walters has taught family and consumer sciences education at PHS for eight years. She is a 2011 PHS graduate and a 2015 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

She and her husband, Zach, have 17-month-old twins, Jax and Gracie.

"My extended family enjoys golfing, even having our own family golf outing each fall," Walters said. "My husband and I started golfing about five years ago for fun, and we have grown to love and enjoy the sport. I am new to coaching golf, and I am excited for the new experience."

Heinz is excited to work with the other members of the coaching staff.

"We're all going to learn and grow together, and I think that would be an environment for something really positive," he said.

The coaches have been meeting regularly to get to know each other and to plan for next season.

New fishing season comes with new rules

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced that the 2024-25 Guide To Wisconsin's Fishing Regulations is available online.

These regulations, which include changes to walleye and sauger bag limits on inland waters and new registration rules for small tournaments, will go into effect on April 1.

All residents and non-residents over 16 must have a 2024-25 general fishing license to fish in Wisconsin. Annual resident licenses cost \$20 each, or purchase a spousal license for \$31 so you and your spouse can fish together.

Several new regulations and changes to bag limits have been implemented this year.

These changes include the following:

- A new small tournament registration requirement.
- Statewide daily bag limit of three walleye and sauger per day on all inland waters.
- Walleye bag limits for the Great Lakes (including Green Bay) and Wisconsin-Iowa, Wisconsin-Minnesota and Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters will remain unchanged, as will limits on any water with a bag limit currently lower than three.
- A person may har-

vest walleye from two different lakes or rivers with a three-fish daily bag limit as long as they don't exceed the five-fish total daily bag limit.

- A daily bag limit of 10 panfish in Lake Mendota in Dane County.

- Changing the musky minimum length limit to 50 inches on the Wisconsin River from the Lake DuBay Dam upstream to the first dam in Merrill.

- Creating an urban fishing pond in Suamico in Brown County.

New bag and length limits have also been enacted for specific waterbodies in Oconto County and other Wisconsin counties.

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ThedaCare understands the importance of keeping patients connected with their loved ones while receiving care. To stay

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Masking continues to be optional for patients, visitors and staff, except if you have fever, sore

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Some areas, such as

cancer care units, may have their own masking policies. ThedaCare would ask that you follow any unit-specific policies regarding masking. Please ask a member of your care team if you have questions.

Notice of Spring Election and Sample Ballots

April 2nd, 2024

Office of the Shawano County Clerk

To the voters of Shawano County:

Notice is hereby given of a spring election to be held in Shawano County on April 2nd, at which the officers named below shall be nominated. The names of the candidates for each office, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office (or appropriate offices), are given under the title of the office, each in its proper column, together with the questions submitted to a vote, for a referendum, if any, in the sample ballot below.

Information to Voters

Upon entering the polling place and before being permitted to vote, a voter shall:

- state their name and address
- show an acceptable form of photo identification*
- sign the poll book**

*If a voter does not have acceptable photo identification, the voter may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.

****If the voter is unable to sign the poll book due to disability, a poll worker may write the word "exempt."**

If a voter is not registered to vote, they may register to vote at the polling place serving their residence if the voter provides proof of residence.

Where ballots are distributed to voters, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot.

Upon being permitted to vote, the voter shall enter a voting booth or go to a machine and cast their ballot. The vote should not be cast in any manner other than specified here. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the voter in marking their ballot may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone so as to reveal how the ballot is marked.

A voter who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the voter's minor child or minor ward.

An election official may inform the voter of the proper manner for casting a vote but the official may not advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Assistance for Voting

A voter may select an individual to assist in casting their vote if the voter declares to the presiding official that they are unable to read, have difficulty reading, writing, or understanding English, or that due to disability are unable to cast their ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the voter's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the voter.

Where Paper Ballots are Used

The voter shall make a mark (X) in the square next to the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall make a mark (X) in the square next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall make a mark (X) in the square next to "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Optical Scan Voting is Used

The voter shall fill in the oval next to the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote and fill in the oval next to the write-in line. On referendum questions, the voter shall fill in the oval next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall fill in the oval next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using an electronic ballot marking device ICE or ICX to mark an optical scan ballot, the voter shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Touch Screen Voting is Used

The voter shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

After Voting the Ballot

After an official paper ballot is marked, it shall be folded so the inside marks do not show, but so the printed endorsements and inspectors' initials on the outside do show. The voter shall deposit the voted ballot in the ballot box or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit and shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official optical scan ballot is marked, it shall be inserted in the security sleeve, so the marks do not show. The voter may insert the ballot in the voting device and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the voter shall insert the ballot in the ballot box and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official touch screen ballot is cast, the voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

Spoiling Ballots

If a voter spoils a **paper or optical scan** ballot, they shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one voter. If the ballot has not been initiated by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the voter shall return it to the election official who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

The voter may spoil a **touch screen** ballot at the voting station before the ballot is cast.

The following is a sample of the official ballot. The sample ballots for all municipalities are located on the Shawano County website at [https://www.co.shawano.wi.us/Voting/Election Information](https://www.co.shawano.wi.us/Voting/Election%20Information)

Kara Skarlupka, Shawano County Clerk
WNAXLP

Ballot ID: 2083

Village of Eland, Ward 1

Official Ballot **Presidential Preference Vote** **Nonpartisan Office and Referendum** **April 2, 2024**

Notice to voters: If you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initiated by two (2) election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initiated by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials (see end of ballot for initials).

General Instructions	Presidential Preference Vote	Judicial
If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help (absentee voters: contact your municipal clerk). To vote for a name on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the name like this: ☐ To vote for a name that is not on the ballot, write the name on the line marked "write-in" and fill in the oval next to the name like this: ☐	Choose a party in which to vote Fill in the oval next to your party choice, like this: ☐ Choose only ONE ☐ Democratic Party ☐ Republican Party ☐ Uninstructed Delegation ☐ write-in: Democratic Party Primary <i>If you vote in this party's primary, you may not vote in any other party's primary.</i> President of the United States Vote for 1 ☐ Joe Biden ☐ Dean Phillips ☐ Uninstructed Delegation ☐ write-in: ☒ End Democratic Party Primary ☒ Republican Party Primary <i>If you vote in this party's primary, you may not vote in any other party's primary.</i> President of the United States Vote for 1 ☐ Chris Christie ☐ Vivek Ramaswamy ☐ Ron DeSantis ☐ Nikki Haley ☐ Donald Trump ☐ Uninstructed Delegation ☐ write-in: ☒ End Republican Party Primary ☒ End Presidential Preference Vote	Circuit Court Judge Branch 2 Vote for 1 ☐ William F. Kussel Jr. ☐ write-in: County Supervisor District 25 Vote for 1 ☐ Dennis Knaak ☐ write-in: Municipal Village Trustee Vote for not more than 2 ☐ Wally Lenzner ☐ Kevin Low ☐ Greg Rosenow ☐ Howard Graves ☐ write-in: ☐ write-in:
Presidential Preference Vote In the Presidential Preference Vote: - You may vote for only ONE candidate. - You may vote in only ONE party. - If you choose a party, votes cast in that party will be counted. Votes cast in any other party will not be counted. - If you do not choose a party, and you vote in more than one party, no votes will be counted. Special Instructions for Presidential Preference Vote Choose the party in which you will vote. Within the party you have chosen, you will have ONE of three choices: - Vote for a candidate whose name is printed on this ballot in the party you have chosen. - Vote for an uninstructed delegation from Wisconsin to the national convention of the party you have chosen. - Write in the name of another person to become the presidential candidate of the party you have chosen. Fill in ONE oval in ONE party.		

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School District	Referendum
School District of Wittenberg-Birmamwood School Board Member Area 2 Vote for 1 ☐ Cory Scharrer ☐ write-in: School Board Member Area 4 Vote for 1 ☐ Jessica White Wing Clark ☐ write-in: School Board Member Area 5 Vote for 1 ☐ Jason C. Hanson ☐ write-in:	To vote in favor of a question, fill in the oval next to "Yes," like this: ☐ To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to "No," like this: ☐ State QUESTION 1: "Use of private funds in election administration." Shall Section 7 (1) of article III of the constitution be created to provide that private donations and grants may not be applied for, accepted, expended, or used in connection with the conduct of any primary, election, or referendum?" ☐ Yes ☐ No QUESTION 2: "Election officials." Shall section 7 (2) of article III of the constitution be created to provide that only election officials designated by law may perform tasks in the conduct of primaries, elections, and referendums?" ☐ Yes ☐ No Municipal Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Village of Eland for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, is limited to a 0% increase, which results in a levy of \$19,602.00. Shall the Village of Eland be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025 for the Village of Eland's share of the increase in cost for emergency medical services, BY A TOTAL OF 40.115%, which results in a levy of \$27,464.00, and on an ongoing basis include the increase of \$7,863.00 for each fiscal year going forward? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Official Ballot Presidential Preference Vote Nonpartisan Office and Referendum April 2, 2024 for Village of Eland, Ward 1 Shawano County Ballot ID: 2083	Ballot issued by _____ Initials of election inspectors Absentee ballot issued by _____ Initials of Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk ☐ If issued by SVDs, both must initial Certification of Voter Assistance I certify that I marked or read aloud this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §6.82 to receive assistance. _____ Signature of assistor For Official Use Only Inspectors: identify ballots required to be remade ☐ Overvoted ☐ Damaged ☐ Other If this is the Original Ballot, write the serial number here: _____ If this is the Duplicate Ballot, write the serial number here: _____ Initials of inspectors who remade ballot
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APRIL 2, 2024 PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE VOTE AND SPRING ELECTION CONTESTS AND CANDIDATES

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE	
VOTE FOR 1	OR VOTE FOR 1
DEMOCRATIC PARTY	REPUBLICAN PARTY
Joe Biden	Chris Christie
Dean Phillips	Vivek Ramaswamy
	Ron DeSantis
	Nikki Haley
	Donald Trump
MENOMINEE/SHAWANO COUNTY	
----- COURT JUDGE -----	
VOTE FOR 1	
William F. Kussel Jr.	
--- SHAWANO COUNTY SUPERVISOR ---	
District	VOTE FOR 1
1	City of Shawano (Wards 1 & 2) Mike Wizner
2	City of Shawano (Wards 3-4) Annelies Hartwig
3	City of Shawano (Wards 5-6) Jacob Hartwig
4	City of Shawano (Wards 7-8) Kimberly Leffel Blake A. Hampton
5	City of Shawano (Wards 9-10) No Candidate
6	City of Shawano (Wards 11-12) Randy G. Young
7	Town of Wescott (Wards 1-2) and Town of Washington (Ward 4) Jeremy Gretzinger Michael L. Stupecky
8	Town of Wescott (Wards 3-4) Martin C. Elmer
9	Town of Washington (Wards 1 & 2) and Village of Cecil Ken Capelle
10	Town of Green Valley (Wards 1 & 2) and Town of Washington (Ward 3) Terry Tipton
11	Town of Angelica (Wards 2 & 3) James Przybylski
12	Town of Angelica (Ward 1), Town Maple Grove, and Village of Pulaski (Wards 4 & 7) Dustin Julius Robaidek Kathy Liebke
13	Town of Lessor (Wards 1 & 2), Town of Navarino (Ward 1) Kevin Conradt
14	Town of Hartland (Ward 1) and Village of Bonduel (Ward 2) Matt Pleshek
15	Town of Hartland (Ward 2), Village of Bonduel (Ward 1), Town of Navarino (Ward 2) and Town of Waukechon (Ward 2) Russell R. Gehm
16	Town of Waukechon (Ward 1) and Town of Belle Plaine (Wards 3 & 4) No Candidate
17	Town of Belle Plaine (Ward 1) and Town of Richmond (Wards 1 & 2) Jesse Rankin Al Kuhn
18	Town of Richmond (Ward 3) and Town of Wescott (Ward 5) Randy Mallmann Devin M. Krizan
19	Town of Belle Plaine (Ward 2), Town of Red Springs (Ward 2), Town of Pella Lynn Tober-Steinke Tyler Steenbock
20	Town of Herman (Ward 1), Town of Red Springs (Ward 2), and Village of Gresham Rick Glese
21	Town of Bartelme, Town of Red Springs (Ward 1), and Village of Bowler (Ward 1) Joseph Miller
22	Town of Morris (Ward 2), Town of Seneca, Town of Grant, City of Marion R. Raymond Rigbsby Anne L. Smith
23	Town of Morris (Ward 1), Town of Fairbanks and Village of Tigerton Steven J. Natzke
24	Town of Wittenberg (Ward 2), Village of Wittenberg (Ward 2) and Town of Germania William J. Switalla

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25	Town of Wittenberg (Ward 1), Village of Wittenberg (Ward 1), Town of Birnamwood and Village of Eland Dennis Knaak
26	Town of Aniwa, Village of Aniwa, and Village of Birnamwood Thomas Kautza
27	Village of Bowler (Ward 2), Town of Hutchins, Town of Almont, Village of Mattoon Theresa Tess Serrano
----- MUNICIPAL OFFICES -----	
MUNICIPAL JUDGE CITY OF SHAWANO	
AND VILLAGE OF BONDUEL	
VOTE FOR 1	
John Mocadlo	
CITY OF SHAWANO MAYOR	
VOTE FOR 1	
Bruce Milavitz	
CITY OF SHAWANO ALDERPERSON	
District	VOTE FOR 1
2	Jim Hauer
VOTE FOR 1	
4	No Candidate
VOTE FOR 1	
6	John Hoeffs
Brian G. Surprise	
TOWN OF WESCOTT	
TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR 1	
VOTE FOR 1	
Terry Moede	
TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR 3	
VOTE FOR 1	
Bruce Duffy Schultz	
VILLAGE OF ANIWA	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Jeffrey A. Reissman	
VILLAGE OF BIRNAMWOOD	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Mark Klumppyan	
Ed Resch	
Jody Dombrowski	
VILLAGE OF BONDUEL	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Kay Hottenstine	
Matt Pleshek	
Brenda Staszak	
VILLAGE OF BOWLER	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Brock Strassburg	
No Candidate	
No Candidate	
VILLAGE OF CECIL	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Mark Hendricks	
Caspar Wallrich	
Pat Westcott	
VILLAGE OF ELAND	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2	
Wally Lenzner	
Kevin Low	
Greg Rosenow	
Howard Graves	
VILLAGE OF GRESHAM	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Tom Madsen	
Blaine D. Ebert	
Ethan Schmidt	
VILLAGE OF MATTOON	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Corey Zarda	
Brian Owen	
Jeffery Steig	
Mort Paul Beck	

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VILLAGE OF PULASKI	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Stephanie A. Rodgers	
Ernie R. Allen Jr.	
Bruce Brzezczkowski	
VILLAGE OF TIGERTON	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Shawn Much	
James Gauthier	
Jeff Koepke	
VILLAGE OF WITTENBERG	
Village Trustee:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Barbara Buchholz	
Tanya Lange	
Paul Yaeger	
----- SCHOOL DISTRICTS -----	
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ANTIGO	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Danny P. Pyeatt	
Jennifer Welch	
Jill Mattek Nelson	
Leigh A. Roehring	
Jenny Kressin	
Scot Peterson	
BONDUEL SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, PARTS OF TOWNS OF ANGELICA, GREEN VALLEY AND WASHINGTON:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Dale Bergsbaken	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, VILLAGE OF CECIL AND PART OF THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Nathan Burton	
BOWLER SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, TOWN OF BARTELME:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Jill Duranceau	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, TOWN OF SENECA:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Raquel Treptow	
CLINTONVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AT-LARGE:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Klint Barkow	
Ben Huber	
Marie Vandenberg	
Kris Strauman	
GILLETT SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AT-LARGE:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 3	
Kimberly M. Schaal	
Jamie Heroux	
Scott Buhrandt	
GRESHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AT-LARGE:	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2	
Lanell Thorne	
Patrick Pleshek	
MARION SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER - CITY OF MARION	
VOTE FOR 1	
Ronnie R. Faehling	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER - TOWNS OF GRANT, PELLA, HERMAN AND SENECA:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Lynn A. Tober-Steinke	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER - TOWNS OF LARRABEE, DUPONT, HELVETIA, UNION, WYOMING AND VILLAGE OF BIG FALLS	
VOTE FOR 1	
Dawn Papendorf	
MENOMINEE INDIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, NEOPIT AREA:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Nanette Corn	
Menominee Indian School District continued at the top of next column.	

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, SOUTH BRANCH:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Karen Washinawatok	
PULASKI COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AT LARGE:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Steve Liegl	
Jennifer Rybicki	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, ZONE 2:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Dennis Kaminski	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, ZONE 5:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Sara Mangold	
SEYMOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, ZONE 3:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Beth Schmalz	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, ZONE 4:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Jessica Melchert	
SHAWANO SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AREA I: PORTION OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND, PART OF TOWN OF HERMAN AND PELLA	
VOTE FOR 1	
Alfred P. Pyatskowit	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AREA III: PORTIONS OF THE TOWNS OF WESCOTT AND WASHINGTON (2-YEAR TERM)	
VOTE FOR 1	
No Candidate	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AREA IV: CITY OF SHAWANO (1 3-YEAR TERM AND 1 1-YEAR TERM)	
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2	
Christine McKinnies	
Karen Smith Houston	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AT-LARGE:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Frank Kugel	
TIGERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, TOWNS OF FAIRBANKS AND WYOMING:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Jill Brown	
Hunter J. Kopitzke	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, TOWNS OF GRANT AND SENECA:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Scott Suehring	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, VILLAGE OF TIGERTON:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Kathryn Robbins	
WITTENBERG-BIRNAMWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AREA 2	
VOTE FOR 1	
Cory Schairer	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AREA 4:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Jessica White Wing Clark	
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, AREA 5:	
VOTE FOR 1	
Jason C. Hanson	
----- REFERENDA -----	
STATE	
QUESTION 1: Use of private funds in election administration. Shall section 7(1) of article III of the constitution be created to provide that private donations and grants may not be papplied for, accepted, expended, or used in connection with the ocnduct of any primary, election, or referendum.	
YES OR NO	
QUESTION 2: Election Officials. Shall section 7(2) of article III of the constitution be created to provide that only election officials designated by law may perform tasks in the conduct of primaries, elections, and referendums?	
YES OR NO	
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VILLAGE OF ELAND	
QUESTION: Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Village of Eland for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, is limited to a 0% increase, which results in a levy of \$19,602.00. Shall the Village of Eland be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025, for the Village of Eland's share of the increase in cost for emergency medical services, BY A TOTAL OF 40.115%, which results in a levy of \$27,464.00, and on an ongoing basis include the increase of \$7,863.00 for each fiscal year going forward?	
YES OR NO	
VILLAGE OF MATTOON	
QUESTION: Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Village of Mattoon for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, s limited to 1.213%, ,which results in a levy of \$54,753.00. Shall the Village of Mattoon be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025, for the increase in cost for emergency medical services, by a total of 76.255%, which results in a levy of \$96,505.00, and on an ongoing basis, include the increase of \$41,752.00 for each fiscal year going forward?	
YES OR NO	
SEYMOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT	
QUESTION: Shall the Seymour Community School District, Outagamie and Shawano Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$3,800,000 for the 2024-2025 school year, by \$5,200,000 for the 2025-2026 school year, and by \$6,000,000 for the 2026-2027 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including expenses related to staffing and to maintain programs and services?	
YES OR NO	
SHAWANO SCHOOL DISTRICT	
QUESTION: Shall the Shawano School District, Shawano County, Wisconsin, be authorized to issue, pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$54,500,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: renovations, additions, building infrastructure and systems improvements at the Shawano Community High School, including for classrooms, technical education, fitness, performing arts, the outdoor athletic facility and swimming pool; building infrastructure, systems and ADA accessiblity improvements at Olga Brenner Intermediate School; renovations and building infrastructure improvements at the Hillcrest Primary School building, including for classrooms and early childhood education space; captial maintenance improvements at the Shawano Community Middle School; districtwide site improvements; and districtwide acquisition of furnishings , fixtures and equipment?	
YES OR NO	

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5 Brewers execs sent maximum donations to Vos after stadium deal approved

BY PETER CAMERON
The Badger Project

The Wisconsin Legislature is sending nearly \$366 million of public funds to renovate and update American Family Field, where the Milwaukee Brewers play.

The Brewers sent a little back to Speaker Robin Vos, the most powerful politician in the legislature and the top Republican in Wisconsin.

At least five top executives from the ball club sent Vos the maximum donation allowable by law — \$1,000 — in November

after sealing the deal. According to campaign finance records filed with the state, Milwaukee Brewers President Rick Schlesinger and four other top executives each made the top donation to Vos on or around Nov. 28, two weeks after the stadium funding bill passed both Republican-controlled houses of the Legislature. Gov. Tony Evers, a Democrat, signed the bill into law a week later in December. The other four executives who made the top donation are Marti Wronski, chief operating

officer; Daniel Fumai, chief financial officer; Tyler Barnes, senior vice president of communications and affiliate operations; and Steve Ethier, senior vice president of stadium operations. The executives did not donate to any other Wisconsin politicians in 2023, nor have they ever given to any candidate or politician in the state, according to campaign finance records. Neither the ball club nor Vos responded to messages seeking comment. Wisconsin Democracy Campaign was the first to

break the story. The Brewers also reported spending more than \$1.5 million in the past nine years, and nearly \$900,000 in 2023, to lobby the Legislature on the funding issue. The stadium's majority owner is the public, though the Brewers still have a large piece. The Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District, a public entity created by the Legislature, owns nearly 64% of the stadium. The Brewers own

the remaining 36%. The Brewers are owned by Mark Attanasio, whose net worth is estimated to be around \$700 million. Vos might need every dollar he can get. He could face another primary challenge this year. He narrowly defeated a primary challenger in 2022. Vos is the longest-serving Assembly speaker in state history, holding the position since 2013. In exchange for the public funding, the Brewers agreed to extend their lease and stay in Milwaukee through the 2050 season. The Brewers say the 22-year-old stadium needs major renovations. The building's outfield doors, seats and concourses need replacing, its scoreboard and suites need upgrades and its retractable roof, parking lots, elevators and escalators need updates, too.

The Badger Project is a nonpartisan, citizen-supported journalism nonprofit in Wisconsin.

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM ELECTION
APRIL 2, 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the several towns, villages, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin, on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, the following questions will be submitted to a vote of the people pursuant to law:

2023 ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION 78

To create section 7 of article III of the constitution; relating to: prohibiting state and local governments from using privately sourced moneys or equipment in connection with the conduct of elections and specifying who may perform tasks related to the conduct of an election (second consideration).

Whereas, the 2021 legislature in regular session considered a proposed amendment to the constitution in 2021 Senate Joint Resolution 101, which became 2021 Enrolled Joint Resolution 17, and agreed to it by a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses, which proposed amendment reads as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 7 of article III of the constitution is created to read:

[Article III] Section 7 (1) No state agency or officer or employee in state government and no political subdivision of the state or officer or employee of a political subdivision may apply for, accept, expend, or use any moneys or equipment in connection with the conduct of any primary, election, or referendum if the moneys or equipment are donated or granted by an individual or nongovernmental entity.

(2) No individual other than an election official designated by law may perform any task in the conduct of any primary, election, or referendum.

SECTION 2. Numbering of new provision. If another constitutional amendment ratified by the people creates the number of any provision created in this joint resolution, the chief of the legislative reference bureau shall determine the sequencing and the numbering of the provisions whose numbers conflict.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution is agreed to by the 2023 legislature; and, be it further **Resolved, That** the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution be submitted to a vote of the people at the election to be held on the first Tuesday of April 2024; and, be it further **Resolved, That** the questions concerning ratification of the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution be stated on the ballot as follows:

QUESTION 1: "Use of private funds in election administration. Shall section 7 (1) of article III of the constitution be created to provide that private donations and grants may not be applied for, accepted, expended, or used in connection with the conduct of any primary, election, or referendum?"

QUESTION 2: "Election officials. Shall section 7 (2) of article III of the constitution be created to provide that only election officials designated by law may perform tasks in the conduct of primaries, elections, and referendums?"

EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS AS TO THE TWO QUESTIONS

1. Explanatory statement regarding Question 1:

The Wisconsin Constitution does not limit the ability of the state or local governments to receive non-governmental grants, funds, or equipment to assist in carrying out election-related responsibilities. Question 1 would add a new provision to the Constitution to prohibit the state or local governments from applying for, accepting, expending, or using such funds to assist with carrying out "any primary, election, or referendum." The question would appear to apply to any type of non-governmental grant or funding, no matter how general in scope.

A "yes" vote on Question 1 would vote to create a new provision of the Wisconsin Constitution—Wis. Const. art. III, § 7(1). That provision would prohibit a state agency or local government from applying for, accepting, expending, or using any non-governmental moneys or equipment in connection with the conduct of any election.

A "no" vote on Question 1 would vote not to add Wis. Const. art. III, § 7(1) to the Wisconsin Constitution.

2. Explanatory statement regarding Question 2:

Wisconsin statutes define and regulate how clerks can designate individuals to serve as election officials and carry out various tasks relating to elections. The Wisconsin Constitution does not separately spell out which individuals can do that work.

Question 2 would add a new provision to the Constitution to prohibit individuals from performing tasks related to an election unless they are an "election official designated by law." Under current statutes, clerks have the statutory power to designate individuals to carry out election-related tasks, and so such designated individuals could continue doing their work as an "election official designated by law." But that power is only statutory, and if the statutes changed, the new constitutional provision would bar clerks from designating individuals to assist with election-related tasks.

A "yes" vote on Question 1 would vote to create a second new provision of the Wisconsin Constitution—Wis. Const. art. III, § 7(2), which would prohibit an individual from performing election-related tasks unless they are an "election official designated by law."

A "no" vote on Question 1 would vote not to add Wis. Const. art. III, § 7(2) to the Wisconsin Constitution.

DONE in the City of Shawano of Shawano County,
this 20th day of March, 2024.
Kara Skarlupka, Shawano County Clerk

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NOTICE OF ELECTION
Partisan Primary – August 13, 2024
And
General Election – November 5, 2024
Election of Presidential Electors

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an election to be held in the several cities, villages, towns, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin, on November 5, 2024, ten electors for President and Vice President of the United States, one for each congressional district and two for the state at-large, are to be elected. The names of presidential electors do not appear on the ballot, but each vote cast for a presidential candidate is a vote for the electors of the candidate. Independent candidates for President or Vice President may circulate nomination papers beginning July 1, 2024, and must file nomination papers with the Wisconsin Elections Commission no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 6, 2024. The Wisconsin Elections Commission is located at 201 W Washington Avenue, 2nd Floor, Madison, Wisconsin.

Partisan Primary and General Election

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a primary election will be held in the towns, villages, cities, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, and an election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. The following officers are to be nominated and elected:

Congressional Officers

One United States Senator, for the term of 6 years, to succeed the present incumbent listed, whose term of office will expire on January 3, 2025:

Tammy Baldwin

One Representatives in Congress, for the term of 2 years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose terms of office will expire on January 3, 2025:

8th Congressional District Mike Gallagher

Legislative Officers

Two State Senators, for a term of 4 years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose term will expire on January 3, 2025:

Redistricting Disclaimer: On February 20, 2024, 2023 Wisconsin Act 94 was signed into law. The Act described the boundaries of new senate and assembly districts which will go into effect in November 2024. The districts and incumbents listed in this notice consist of those that are currently in place, not those that will be in place pursuant to the new redistricting law.

District 2	Robert Cowles
District 12	Mary Felzkowski

Three Representatives to the Assembly, for a term of 2 years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose term will expire on January 3, 2025:

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District 6	Peter Schmidt
District 35	Calvin Callahan
District 87	James Edming

District Attorneys

Menominee-Shawano County District Attorneys, each for the term of four years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose terms of office will expire on January 6, 2025:

Menominee-Shawano County Gregory Parker

County Officers

County Officers for Shawano County, for a term of 4 years, to succeed the present incumbents in the office of County Clerk, Treasurer and Register of Deeds whose terms of office will expire on January 6, 2025:

County Clerk	Kara Skarlupka
Treasurer	Debra Wallace
Register of Deeds	Amy Dillenberg

For Candidates

The first day to circulate nomination papers is April 15, 2024, and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 2024. Candidates for constitutional, congressional, and legislative officers file with the Wisconsin Elections Commission. All county partisan office candidates file with their respective county clerk. Congressional and legislative district boundaries are described in Chapters 3 and 4 of the Wisconsin Statutes by 2023 Wisconsin Act 94, which is available at: <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2023/related/acts/94>. The state legislative maps will be updated for the fall elections. The new maps can be viewed by clicking the "Download Data" option for the 2023 Wisconsin Act 94 legislative districts at: <https://gis.ltsb.hub.arcgis.com/pages/district-maps>. Additional information regarding which legislators represent which districts is available at: <https://maps.legis.wisconsin.gov/?version=2022>.

Additional Information

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles. DONE in the City of Madison on March 18, 2024

Meagan Wolfe, Administrator
Wisconsin Elections Commission
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608-261-2028
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‘Pastries and Pilfering’ a short, light cozy mystery

I chose the unlikely title “Pastries and Pilfering” by Danielle Collins. This was the third book in her Margot Durand series of cozy mysteries, but it is OK as a short stand-alone book.

Margot Durand had a good life and solid marriage until her detective husband was brutally murdered. Detective Adam Eastwood was assigned to the case, and before long, he recognized Margot’s keen powers of observation and instincts. By working together, they solved the case and became close friends.



Jan Jones
Columnist

After the incident, Margot decided to leave the corporate world and live her dream of owning a pastry shop in North Bank, Virginia. “The Parisian Patisserie” is doing well and acquiring a real community of loyal patrons.

Margot is thrilled when Addie Petit asks her to be her guest on a cruise. Addie was one of the young women Margot mentored in French pastry school. Addie is now head French pastry chef and baker on Carousell Luxury Cruises. She will be receiving an award during the cruise and hopes Margot will help her with some special pastries for the big night and attend the awards banquet. Since the shop is running well, Margot eagerly agrees.

Because the cruise leaves from Long Beach, California, and her sister, Renee, lives there, it is the perfect opportunity for Margot to visit and reconnect. To her surprise

and pleasure, Margot learns that Adam Eastwood is in Long Beach, too. He tells her he’s on a temporary assignment, so they can go to dinner before she leaves.

That’s where she is introduced to Adam’s friend, Gage Williams. Margot surmises that he must be in some form of law enforcement and neither he nor Adam tell her much, but he’s just too slick for her.

Once on board, Margot settles in then goes to find Addie. She overhears Addie scolding her assistant, Michael, for having as much flour as she’d ordered. Addie apologizes to her old friend and promises to meet later.

Margot finds a quiet place to read but is interrupted by well-known actor Brice Simmons and his bikini-clad assistants. His smug attitude doesn’t impress the 40-something Margot so she leaves.

Later, she is on her way to meet Addie when she spots Gabe. What is he doing here? She carefully follows him to the gym’s equipment room but hides in a closet until he comes out. Curious,

Margot goes into the equipment room and discovers the body of a young woman. Security insists it was an overdose, but Margot doubts that.

She and Addie plan to visit an island, but once again Addie is a no show. Margot is sure that her friend is hiding something but can’t press her. She follows Brice through the village but nearly gets mugged. Gabe comes to her rescue and demands to know what she’s doing. She learns that he is undercover investigating a gem smuggling ring connected to the cruise ship.

When Addie’s assistant, Michael, is killed, Adam appears and takes over the investigation. As the pieces fall in place, they learn that Brice and friends were smuggling gems but others were actually working a double cross to smuggle both drugs and gems. Greed got in the way and murder soon followed.

Once back on dry land, Margot has another week of vacation where she’ll mull over her true feelings about Adam and his mysterious assignments.

AT A GLANCE

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Tuesday, April 2, 2024

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Notice is hereby given that Spring Election will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 in all Towns, Villages and City in Shawano County. All polling places will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will close at 8:00 p.m. All polling places are accessible to elderly and voters with disabilities.

Town, Village or City	Polling Place-Town, Village or City Hall Address	Municipal Clerk	Phone
Town of Angelica	Angelica Town Hall, N3285 Co. Rd C, Pulaski	Connie Przybylski	920-822-3112
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Town of Lessor	Lessor Town Hall, W4055 Landstad Rd., Bonduel	Mark Heling	715-280-1005
Town of Morris	Morris Town Hall, N15320 Berg Rd Tigerton	Jennifer Dzioba	715-881-1751
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Town of Waukechon	Waukechon Town Hall, N3999 Co. Rd. K, Shawano	Chris Prey	715-853-7001
Village of Bonduel	Bonduel Village Hall, 117 W. Green Bay St. Bonduel	Michelle Maroszek	715-758-2402
Village of Bowler	Bowler Village Hall, 107 W Main St. Bowler	Kerry Breitrick	715-793-4713
Village of Cecil	Cecil Community Hall/Fire Station, 111 E. Hofman St., Cecil	Teri Westerfeld	715-745-4428
Village of Gresham	Abby Bank, 801 Main St., Gresham	Judy Kristof	715-787-3991
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Village of Tigerton	Tigerton Community Center, 221 Birch St., Tigerton	Helen Selle	715-535-2262
Village of Wittenberg	Wittenberg Community Center, 208 W. Vinal St, Wittenberg	Traci Matsche	715-253-6063
City of Shawano	Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St. Shawano	Lesley Nemetz	715-526-6138

Notice of Meeting of the Local and Municipal Board of Canvassers

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, the Election Inspectors will convene as a joint meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers and the Municipal Board of Canvassers for the purpose of conducting the local and municipal canvasses pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§7.51 and 7.53(1). This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

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PUBLIC NOTICE is given to all persons in the Village of Wittenberg that a public hearing will be held on April 2, 2024, at 6:00PM, to solicit comments on proposed floodplain ordinance revisions that are required by state and federal law. These revisions govern development in mapped floodplain areas. The proposed ordinance revisions are on file in the office of the Village Clerk. The proposed regulations are intended to protect life, health and property in floodplain areas and will govern uses permitted in mapped floodplains. Activities such as dredging, filling, excavating and construction of buildings are generally allowed, but may be restricted according to which flood zone the property is in. A copy of the proposed ordinance will be on file and open for public inspection in the office of the Village Clerk for a period of two weeks prior to this public hearing. All persons interested are invited to attend this hearing and be heard.

Written comments may be submitted to:
Village of Wittenberg Clerk
Dated at Wittenberg, WI, this 6th day of March, 2024

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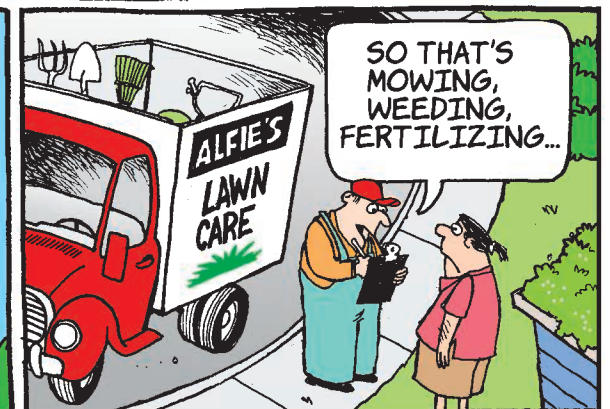
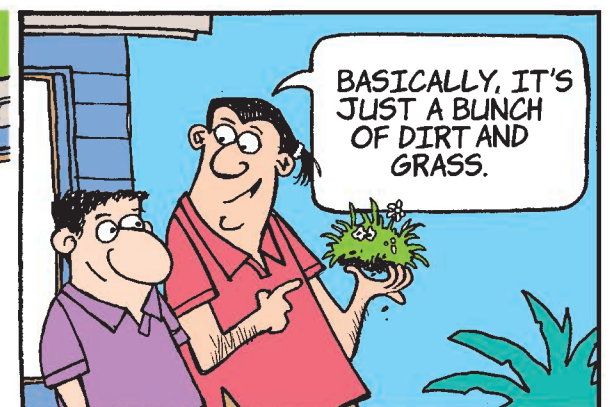
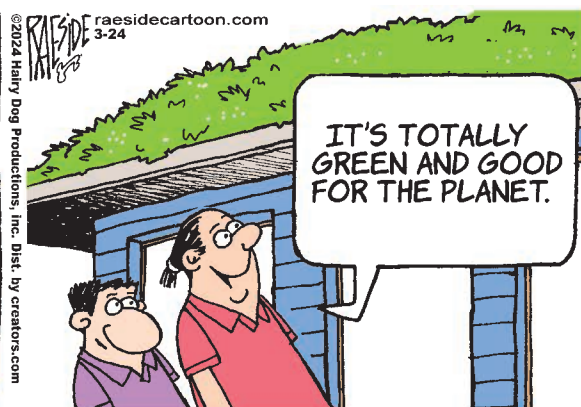
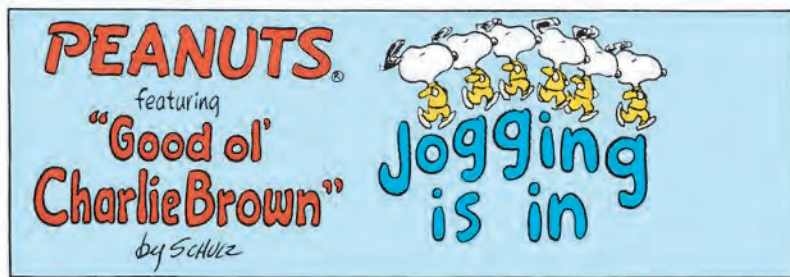
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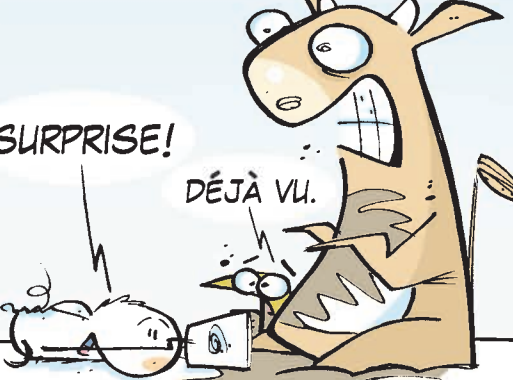
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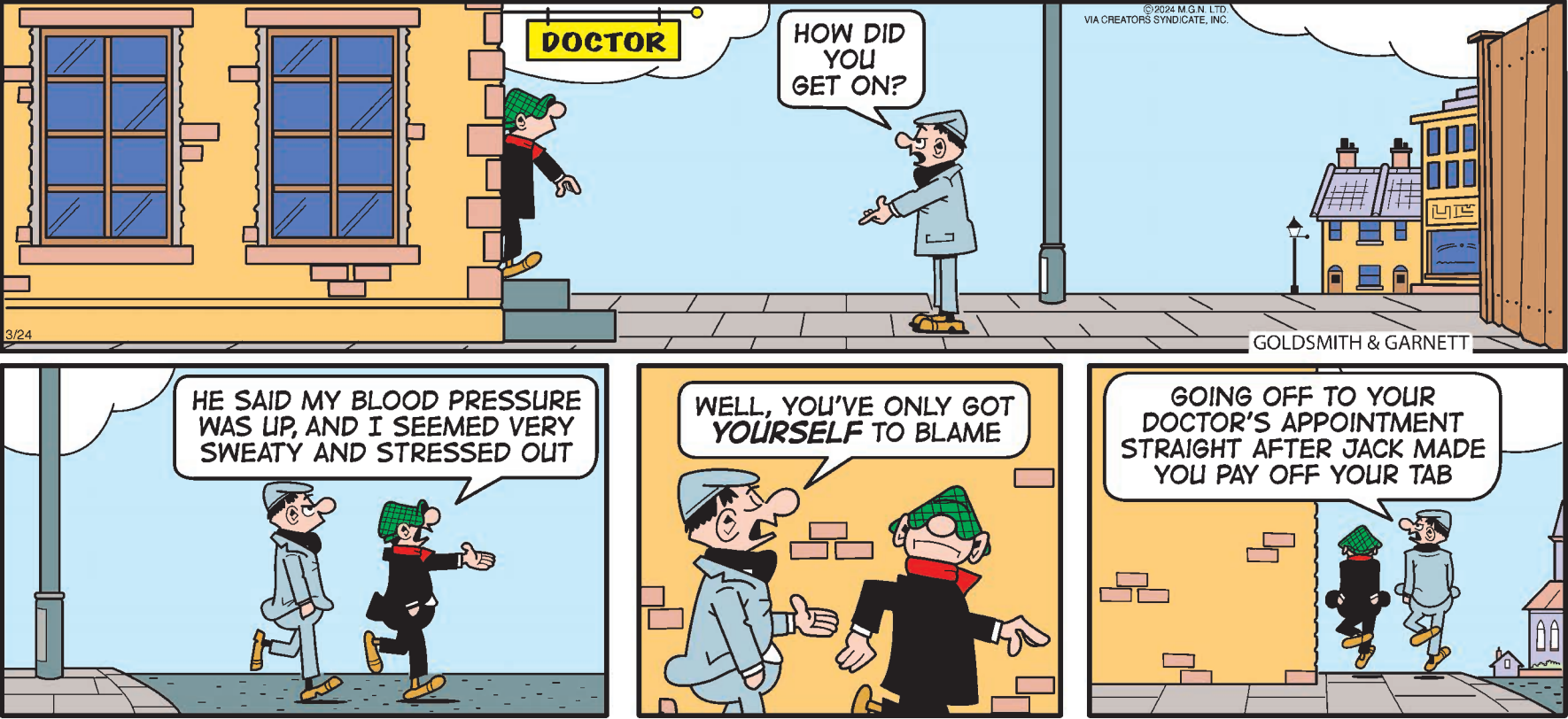
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