



Kathy Kristof of Bevent dances with her husband, John, on the back of a semi-trailer truck June 15 during the Birnamwood Polka Days parade. Besides the parade, the three-day annual festival included several polka bands. GREG SEUBERT

County clerk to resign July 11

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Shawano County Clerk Kara Skarlupka has been contemplating retirement “for a while” and chose July 11 as her last day on the job at the courthouse.

“After thoughtful consideration, I have decided to retire at this time,” she said. “I want to emphasize that this decision is in no way a reflection on Shawano County. It has been a privilege to work here for the past 12 years, and I am truly grateful for the opportunities and experiences I’ve had.”

Skarlupka was elected in November to another four-year term that ends Dec. 31, 2028.

Her replacement will be appointed by the county board. A job posting for the role was placed on the county website June 5 and was not visible June 11. County Board Chairman Tom Kautza said June 10 the county had received a couple of applications.

The appointment by the board will be for the remainder of the four-year term.

Vacancies in the position are filled by appointment of the county board at the recommendation of the executive committee, which can either be for the remaining length of the term or until a special election is held before the end of the term.

Kautza said the appointment will be for the remainder of the term.

“Because of the expense of a special election, we will post the position and take applications to fill the rest of the term,” he said.

While Skarlupka is leaving her job with the county, she said she will continue as town clerk in the Town of Washington.

“In regards to the Town of Washington, I do plan on staying with them until I fully retire,” she said. “This is not a new position for me. I have been with the town for over 10 years as their clerk.”

Skarlupka did not share what she will do once she retires.

“I would rather not share my retirement plans, other than spending more time with my family,” she said.

The clerk operates under the direction of the county board.

The clerk serves as the election official for the county; oversees the election process of various federal, state, county, school board and local elections; serves as the clerk of the county board and custodian of records adopted by the board; issues marriage licenses and permits to the general public; and provides general information to the public.

The current pay is \$72,904.67 per year.

Erica Davel is the current deputy county clerk, and Charlene Milavitz is the assistant deputy county clerk.

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‘Polka music is happy music’

Birnamwood rolls out the red carpet for polka lovers

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

Pulaski isn’t the only area community that goes all out when it comes to polka music.

After reviving the event a few years ago, Birnamwood hosted its annual Birnamwood Polka Days on June 13-15. The celebration included a parade, raffles, food and, of course, plenty of live polka music.

“Polka music is happy music,” said Tanya Tautges, one of the driving forces behind the event each year and president of the Birnamwood Polka Days board of directors.

“Everybody likes to come out and dance,” she said. “Especially for our small community, we just don’t have a lot going on. It’s something nice. It draws local people, but it also brings in people from out of the area that get to see what we have to offer.”



Bonduel's John Wudtke performs with The Music Connection on the final day of Birnamwood Polka Days in Birnamwood. GREG SEUBERT

Organizers work all year long to help make Birnamwood Polka Days a reality, according to Tautges.

“We have different groups – the American Legion, the Shawano County Ag Ambassadors, the Boy Scouts – come together and help us put the event on,” she said.

Weather can make or break attendance at the event. Although it rained the first two nights of the festival, the sun came out Sunday afternoon.

“This is actually the first year since we started it back up that we had a poor weekend for weather,” Tautges said. “We did have rain Friday and Saturday and the temperatures were cooler, so it did cut the crowd back. We still had a nice turnout.”

Organizers have a plan in case the weather decides to not cooperate.

“We put the tent sides up and try to offer more shelter,” Tautges said. “The nice thing about Friday and Saturday is we had music inside and outside so they can go in the ballroom (at Chet & Emil’s) if they prefer to do that rather than be in the tent.”

Birnamwood Polka Days used to be a one-day event, but eventually began to fizzle out.

“When it happened years ago, there just wasn’t enough help,” Tautges said. “Now, we have a good group of people who are willing to come together to put the time in.”

A high school graduation in Tautges’ family helped bring the festival back.

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Shawano Adventure Sports looks for others to join them outdoors.

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Wittenberg Community Days returns this weekend

By MIRIAM NELSON
Correspondent

The carnival is back along with plenty of fun for the whole family this weekend, June 20-22, at Wittenberg Community Days.

On June 20, the carnival rides go from 5-10 p.m. Among the rides will be the kiddie roller coaster, the Ferris wheel, the Flying Dutchman and the Tilt-A-Whirl.

Food and refreshments are once again offered by American Legion Post 502 at the pavilion, and the ever popular deep fried cheese curds will be available at the iconic yellow trailer of the Wittenberg Lions Club all

weekend long.

From 7-11 p.m., Infer/Red brings their classic rock, alternative rock and grunge sound from the bandshell in Washington Park.

The fun starts all over again June 21 with the carnival rides going from noon to 10 p.m. Vendors offering a variety of crafts will be set up and selling their wares from noon to 5 p.m.

There are plenty of free fun activities for children, including face painting from 3-9 p.m. and then Balloon Guy will be back this year making fun balloon hats and animals from 4-8 p.m. New this year is the Kindschi Pedal Races for the 4- to 12-year-old crowd

to pedal a tractor for prizes. This event starts at noon.

Walls of Wittenberg will once again provide free tours of the downtown murals from the comfort of a tractor pulled wagon.

From 2-6 p.m. under the pavilion, Lovin' Country will cover country and classic rock songs.

Cougars take the bandshell stage from 7-11 p.m. rocking a playlist from classic to contemporary pop and rock.

Fireworks will go off at dusk.

The parade starts June 22 at noon following the route on Webb Street through downtown Wittenberg between College

Avenue and Walker Street.

Free WOW mural tours and face painting will be available from 1-4 p.m. New this year, the Wittenberg Area Historical Society will provide free horse-drawn wagon rides to the museum where you can see the treasures within and enjoy some free ice cream.

From 1-5 p.m. Night Shift will perform from the bandshell.

At 5 p.m., the Wittenberg Area Chamber of Commerce will hold the raffle drawing for the Polaris Ranger SP 570 UTV grand prize and cash prizes.

For more information, go to the group's Facebook page.



Emily Torres, of Galloway, gets ready to dig into her plate of cheese curds at Wittenberg Community Days in 2024. The 2025 festival kicks off June 20. FILE | NEW MEDIA

CWEC teaches electricity safety to fourth grade students

To help promote Electrical Safety Month in May, Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative (CWEC) provided classroom electricity safety demonstrations to fourth grade students at six elementary schools in the area, including those located in Birnamwood, Bowler, Tigerton and Wittenberg.

The demonstrations, conducted by CWEC linemen, showed students firsthand the dangers that could occur if they aren't safe around electricity. Students got to see some of the safety equipment a lineman has to wear when they work around power lines. They were also shown examples of what overhead and underground power lines look like, and why they are constructed

the way they are. Linemen also showed students what happens if a tree branch, kite string and fishing line come in contact with a power line.

"It's important for students to understand how dangerous electricity can be, and that they should never go near a downed power line or something that is in contact with a power line," said Bert

Lehman, member relations specialist at CWEC. "During the classroom demonstrations, students see smoke and sparks, which help to reinforce that they need to stay away from power lines."

To help convey how dangerous electricity is, one of the demonstrations used a hot dog to simulate what would happen if a human body contacted a

power line.

"Students are always amazed by the hot dog portion of the demonstration," Lehman said. "They generally have a lot of questions about electricity after that."

Students were informed about what to do if they were involved in a vehicle accident that resulted in a downed power line and, if need be, how to prop-

erly exit a vehicle in that situation.

"Our linemen enjoy giving back to the community by providing these demonstrations to students," Lehman said. "They feel it is important for kids to know why linemen take so many precautions when working around power lines, and why the public needs to stay away from power lines."



Gabe Pospyhalla, a lineman with Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative, shows fourth grade students at Birnamwood Elementary-Middle School what would happen if a fishing line came in contact with a power line. CONTRIBUTED



Chris Tuszke, a lineman with Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative, uses a hot dog to simulate to fourth grade students at Bowler Elementary School what would happen if a human came in contact with a power line. CONTRIBUTED

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"Actually, what got it going was when our son graduated high school, we had a polka band for his graduation," she said. "My husband and I are local business owners, and we opened it as a customer appreciation and invited the public. People said, 'That was really cool, why don't you guys bring back Polka Days?' We asked Chet & Emil's if they'd be willing to help us out, a couple other good friends of the family became board members and it just spiraled from there."

This year marked the fourth Birnamwood Polka Days celebration.

"When it took place years ago, it was

Birnamwood Polka Day, a one-day event where nine bands were in Birnamwood Park," Tautges said. "I don't think it was Father's Day, but the reason we do Father's Day is because that's when Birnamwood Homecoming always was. They used to have a carnival and music in the park. We stuck with that, because it was a familiar date to the community."

Tautges is surprised by how the event bounced back.

"I get emotional every year seeing how many people come," she said. "We have people coming from Massachusetts, Utah, Florida, California."

Not all of the visitors have a connection to the community.

"It's the music," Tautges said. "They like to follow the bands, they like the dance. You get the locals, but it's also the outside surrounding area that likes to come, because they like the polka festival."

Tautges is the first to admit that some people make fun of polka music or don't take it seriously, but that's not the case in Birnamwood.

"The Polish music is more upbeat and bouncy, but we offer both," she said. "We offer Dutchman, which generally has a tuba. That's something the older genera-

tion grew up with. The Polish music draws the younger crowd, and it just has that bounce. Your foot's tapping and you're swaying."

This year's event included dance lessons.

"Even if you can't dance and maybe you don't have rhythm, if you're smiling and having a good time, that's what it's all about," Tautges said.

She said she is convinced the celebration will continue for years.

"It has grown in the four years we have done it," she said. "As long as I'm still upright, we're going to keep it going."

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'No Kings' movement draws large crowd

Protesters urge end to Trump's latest immigration roundup actions, budget cuts

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

With chants of “No Kings” and support from others honking their horns as they drove past the Shawano County Courthouse the morning of June 14, the Shawano-Menominee Counties Democratic Party joined millions of other protesters around the nation opposed to President Trump, his actions and proposed policies.

Several local residents offered brief speeches mixed in with songs as about 250 people held up poster and signs in opposition to the president.

“In the beginning, they said they were going to deport the undocumented criminals out of America,” Jack Young said. “Then it became just the undocumented. Then it became the documented, but they said the wrong thing about the wrong people at the wrong time. Then all of a sudden they start taking U.S. citizens and taking them out of the country to foreign prisons in El Salvador without so much as a court hearing.

“I don’t know about you, but I looked it up in the Constitution, and that ain’t legal. When you think, ‘Oh, that’s just some undocumented person,’ what if it’s you next? What if they take you and don’t give you a trial, and send you to jail or prison, and you never have a chance to communicate with your

family? This is the risk that we have right now.”

Some demonstrators carried American flags upside down, while others had posters comparing Trump to Hitler.

An SUV with a handful of counterprotesters appeared across the street from the No Kings rally. One man with a bullhorn shouted “White power” and “I’m proud to be a racist” while offering up a Nazi salute.

From the steps of the courthouse, protesters were urged to ignore the man and stay peaceful. Many lined up along Main Street with the signs, but other than boos and chants of “Shame!” there was no other confrontation between the sides.

A lone city police officer stood watch from the edges of the protest.

Dr. Heather Nennig told the gathering of her medical training days in California.

“We saw patients who died from preventable cancers like cervical cancer. We saw patients who had limbs removed because of diabetic ulcers, because of people who had cuts on their feet and didn’t come in until it was too late,” she said. “We saw moms who didn’t come in for prenatal care, because they didn’t have care or were afraid to come in and get their care.”

She said medical care is a human right for everyone.



About 250 demonstrators gather at the Shawano County Courthouse on June 14 for rally in opposition of President Trump and his policies. Similar events in large and small cities across the nation drew millions of protesters on what was the president's birthday. A military parade that same day in Washington, D.C., marked the 250th anniversary of the U.S. Army.

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“They didn’t get care because they were undocumented workers. They were migrant farm workers. They were poor that couldn’t afford Medicaid or didn’t know how to get Medicaid,” Nennig said. “They waited, because they didn’t have the insurance that we all take for granted when we have that insurance.”

Nennig said the current bill in front of Congress would results in cuts of more than \$8 billion from Medicaid in the next 10

years, as well as reducing subsidies for the Affordable Care Act.

It’s been reported that 15 million Americans will lose their health care due to this bill, and 15,000 people will die due to this bill every year.

“We are going to start seeing this kind of care everywhere, not just at places like county hospitals,” she said. “The hospital just down the street, we’re going to start seeing people who don’t have care, and they’re going to wait, and

they’re going to wait until it’s too late. When they come in, they might have to lose a limb. They might not make it. They might die, because they didn’t get the care they needed in a timely fashion.”

Nennig said the change will affect everyone, even those with private insurance.

When people without proper insurance don’t seek medical help until it’s too late, the costs of that care is more than the preventive care. Those

higher costs get passed along to insurance companies, who pass it along to the consumers through higher premiums, copays and other fees.

Demonstrations like Shawano’s were held in large and small cities across the nation. Trump was in Washington for a military parade marking the Army’s 250th anniversary that coincided with the president’s 79th birthday.

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Demonstrators line Main Street in opposition to a counterprotester at the No Kings rally June 14 at the county courthouse. Protesters were urged to stay peaceful despite the man’s racist comments.

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A No Kings counterprotester offers up a Nazi salute June 14 in Shawano. While 250 demonstrators protested President Trump and his policies, this unidentified man and a few supporters shouted white supremacist remarks.

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Jack Young pauses during his opening remarks at the No Kings rally June 14 in Shawano. Young said President Trump’s anti-immigration roundup policies are illegal and warned protesters they could be next for opposing the administration.

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Bike trail path subject of public meeting

Shawano Pathways aims for safer route in Town of Richmond

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

A \$35,000 grant to conduct a feasibility study for a new route for the Mountain-Bay Trail in the Town of Richmond is coming to fruition with a public meeting scheduled for June 25.

The public is invited to attend the meeting from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in Room A of the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St.

“The Mountain-Bay Trail covers 53 miles through the county and 81 miles or so through three counties,” said Nancy Brown-Koeller. She is president of the nonprofit Shawano Pathways group that facilitates the development, implementation and maintenance of a biking and walking trail system in Shawano County. “All of it is on an old railroad bed, except for 4 1/2 miles in the Town of Richmond.”

Officials with the engineering firm MSA Professional Services,

Friends of the Mountain-Bay Trail and Shawano County Parks Department will discuss the need for a new route and the five alternatives explored as part of the study. MSA officials will make a specific recommendation as to a preferred route between Maple Avenue and County Road M.

Brown-Koeller said this area of concern has been at the top of user surveys the past several years.

“Tourism gets calls from people who get lost on this stretch of the trail,” she said. “We’ve been looking for years at what are some options.”

Safety, accessibility and connectivity for all trail users are the goals of the new route.

Displays at the meeting will showcase existing conditions, proposed trail alignments and environmental considerations. Attendees can review the routes and provide feedback to project planners.

“We work with the city



Lee Bengston and Christine Bartz work on bridge repairs along the Mountain-Bay State Trail west of Shawano.

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and county parks departments,” Brown-Koeller said. “We’re glad to have such great partnerships with both of them.”

The Transportation Alternatives Program grant

covered 80% of the cost of the study. The remaining 20% was contributed by Shawano Pathways, Friends of the Mountain-Bay Trail and Shawano County tourism.

Brown-Koeller said it took years to get to this stage; once a new path is adopted, it will most likely be another five years for it to be completed.

“We need to talk with

the Department of Transportation, the DNR about wetlands, and what grant sources are available to pay for it,” she said.

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Shawano Pathways' fundraisers help community

Fourth user-activated light for street crossing is next contribution to city

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Shawano Pathways will host a beverage booth and 50/50 raffle at various Thursdayz at Franklin concerts this summer with a few goals in mind.

First, sales of beer, water, soda and raffle tickets are a great way for to increase awareness of the group and add members.

“We can always use new members to help out at our events,” said Nancy Brown-Koeller, Shawano Pathway president.

Second, proceeds of the fundraisers will help Shawano Pathways contribute a fourth user-activated light setup on another city street; a crossing in front of Hillcrest Primary School will be the location for the next light.

“We have one on Main Street where the Mountain Bay Trail crosses and another on Green Bay Street where the Mountain-Bay Trail crosses,” Brown-Koeller said. “The third one where the trail crosses Airport Road — that one will be installed this summer.”

These lights, which flash when pedestrians press a button to cross, enhance safety by increas-

ing visibility and driver awareness.

While Shawano Pathways provides funding, the city of Shawano and Shawano Municipal Utilities handle the installation of the lights.

Shawano Pathways will sell 50/50 raffle tickets, beer, water and soda at Thursdayz at Franklin on June 19, July 10, Aug. 7, 14 and 21.

Shawano Pathways also has the Shawano Paddlers and the Shawano Adventure Sports under its umbrella.

Shawano Paddlers members host events on the rivers and lakes in the county. Adventure sports include a variety of activities such as rock climbing, parasailing, white water rafting and snowboarding.

Shawano Paddlers and Shawano Adventure Sports will host the annual Wolf River Paddle & Pedal on June 21.

Participants will paddle from Judd Park in Shawano to the County Road CCC boat landing and wayside park in the Town of Waukechon, then bike back on an 8- or 12-mile route. The cost is \$30 per person, or \$50 with kayak rental. The fee includes yoga, shuttle for boat,

snacks, maps, security for bikes and emergency sag vehicles.

Call 715-524-8823 to reserve a kayak ahead of time. Preregistration on Eventbrite is appreciated; walk-ins accepted.

Great Wolf Tubing, 1013 S. Water St., will team up with the Wolf River Paddle & Pedal and offer brats, hamburgers, veggie burgers and beverages from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. as a fundraiser.

The Paddlers also have informal weekly paddles on Tuesdays or Wednesdays. Just arrive at the meeting place and go — all lakes, no shuttles.

Elvie Schrock is back with bike repairs from 5-7 p.m. Mondays (except Labor Day) at 620 S. Main St. Look for him in the east section of the old railroad depot (northside door). He can do some quick fixes on site or take bikes back to his main shop in Cecil.

Shawano Adventure Sports will team up with International Youth Sailing of Oshkosh and the Shawano Parks and Recreation Department for Summer on the Water at the Shawano County Park. Preregistration is required as space is limited.

For \$10, take part in



Shawano Pathways members Melanie Curti, left, and Nancy Brown-Koeller stand at the Main Street user-activated lights in downtown Shawano. The nonprofit organization is raising funds for a similar light to be installed at Hillcrest Primary School.

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sailing from 4-5:30 p.m. or 5:30-7 p.m. June 21 or June 23-25, or from 2-3:30 p.m. or 4-5 p.m. June 22.

Free windsurfing will be offered for community members from 6-8 p.m. June 23 and June 25. A youth camp is offered from 1:30-4:30 p.m. June 23-26.

Stand-up paddleboard yoga is offered at 7:30 a.m. June 26 for a fee of \$10.

Shawano Pathways holds monthly public meetings on the second Tuesday of each month from 6-8 p.m. at the Shawano Civic Center, 225 S. Main St. (lower level,

entrance off Washington Street).

To learn more about Shawano Pathways, become a member or make a donation, visit www.shawanopathways.org.

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Superintendent to get goals to accomplish

90-day reviews expected to help school board with annual evaluation

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Efforts are underway in the Shawano School District to improve its attention to shifts in the school landscape, including better ways to evaluate Superintendent Kurt Krizan's leadership.

Part of the push, which Krizan said is greatly needed, comes from Tim Renard, the new Shawano School Board president. Krizan said that, when he was promoted to superintendent almost three years ago, there were no systems in place to indicate wheth-

er schools, classrooms and staff were improving.

Krizan attended the Wisconsin Association of School Boards convention earlier this year, and he said a lot of discussion surrounded quarterly cycles, with assessments every three months on how things are progressing. He said the system could also be used by the local school board to see how he is performing.

Three to five goals for the superintendent would be put in place, Krizan said, and then every three months, the board would review how he is progress-

ing. The goals would need to be achieved by the time the annual evaluation would come around.

"I started working through this with my admin team a little bit, and we looked at, for 90 days, what are our vitals?" Krizan said. "What are the things we want to look at weekly to determine the health of our organization? Also, our rocks, those big projects we have to work on."

Some of those vitals, according to Krizan, include weekly student attendance levels, readiness for iReady exams in the schools and open staff positions in the district at a given time.

Renard told the district's executive committee June 9 that one of the difficulties he's had in the past year after joining the school board is de-

termining exactly where the district is at. A recent evaluation of Krizan's performance was difficult for Renard, because most of his interaction with the superintendent was at board and committee meetings. That's something he wants to change.

"I want to see a better tracking, if you will, over the course of the year on how we're progressing," Renard said. "Kurt has pointed out that, with the board members, some of us only see Kurt and others at board meetings. We don't have that touchpoint with him throughout the course of the year. So finding a way to get snapshots at smaller portions of the year to track that progress will be more meaningful when we go to do his evaluation."

Board member Jeana

Winslow agreed there needed to be more to the annual evaluations than what board members could recall over the course of the year.

"We've done this before, but I don't know why it felt so impersonal this year," Winslow said. "I don't feel like we, as a board, have goals for you or goals for us as a board. I feel like if we're part of the team, then we want to see the district in a particular place."

Among the things the district is looking to improve is having the best staff available to work with students. Krizan noted that it can be difficult, because sometimes Shawano will wrap up an interview just in time for another school district to make an offer for the position.

"We're hearing some districts that are calling

people who are still in the parking lot — they haven't left yet — and they're making them an offer," Krizan said. "If we can get under 24 hours, that would help."

Open enrollment is another issue. Krizan noted that the district has no plan in place to stop students living in the Shawano area from attending school in another school district; an estimated \$8,000 to \$9,000 in funding is lost for each student who enrolls in another district.

"The ones that are really concerning are the ones that are living two blocks from Hillcrest (Primary School) and going somewhere else," Krizan said. "We've got to figure out why they're leaving, but also, why aren't they coming in?"

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Radford still seeks attorney in homicide case

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

James Radford is still waiting on an attorney taking on his case, a June 9 status conference revealed.

Radford, 39, is being charged with first-degree reckless homicide in the death of his wife, Sabrina Radford.

Deputies responded April 11,

2016, to a residence on County Road J in the Town of Fairbanks for a report of a woman who had sustained a gunshot wound. The caller, identified as her husband, reported that his wife had shot herself.

At the time of the initial response, investigators were unable to conclusively determine the cause of death. However, due

to the suspicious circumstances surrounding the incident, a formal investigation was initiated.

Over the course of nine years, investigators dedicated significant time and effort to this case. Numerous interviews were conducted with James Radford and other individuals connected to the case, and previously collected evidence was reexamined.

With the aid of advanced investigative tools, evolving forensic technology and the involvement of expert witnesses, investigators determined that the death of Sabrina Radford was not the result of suicide.

On April 15, Radford was taken into custody in Waukesha County. He was subsequently transported back to Shawano

County, where he was booked into the Shawano County Jail and held on a cash bond of \$800,000.

Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge William Kussel Jr. scheduled another status conference for 9:30 a.m. July 28 to see if an attorney had been appointed by then. According to online court records, Radford is hiring his own attorney.

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Olson Dairy Farms to host Shawano County's brunch

Looking for a fun-filled way to kick off summer with the whole family? Mark your calendar for June 22 and head to Olson Dairy Farms Inc., N9124 Butternut Road, Birnamwood, for the 2025 Shawano County Brunch on the Farm.

From 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., enjoy a delicious country breakfast, explore a modern dairy farm and take part in a morning packed with family friendly activities.

Hosted by the Shawano County Farm Bureau, this annual event is a local favorite and part of Wisconsin's June Dairy Month celebration. Attendees will get an up-close look at farm life and dairy innovation while enjoying a relaxing, educational and entertaining morning on the farm.



Olson Dairy Farms Inc., near Birnamwood, is a multi-generational, family-owned dairy farm including, front row, from left, Reid, Carter and Evan Olson. Back row, from left, are Luke, Kurt Jr., Krysta, Kurt and Cindy Olson.

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Guests will enjoy:

- A country-style breakfast featuring scrambled eggs with ham, sausage, hash browns, cinnamon bread, cheese,

yogurt and milk.

- Guided farm tours, including a look at robotic milking technology.
- Wagon rides, a petting zoo and children's activities.
- Ice cream sundaes.
- Church service at 8 a.m.

Olson Dairy Farms is owned and operated by Kurt and Krysta Olson, with help from their children — Carter, Luke, Evan and Reid. Retired second-generation owners Kurt and Cindy Olson remain an integral part of the farm's history.

The family milks 600 cows and manages 1,500 acres of cropland. In 2020, the farm underwent a major modernization, installing a 10-robot milking system to improve efficiency and work-life balance.

The Olsons also have a calf barn equipped with three robotic calf feeders.

"Brunch on the Farm is more than a meal; it's a chance to connect with the people, animals and technology behind Wisconsin's dairy industry," said Christa Hoffman, Brunch on the Farm general chair. "We are proud to partner with Olson Dairy Farms to continue this educational and family-centered event."

Tickets are available for cash only onsite. Adults and children 12 and older cost \$10, children 4-11 are \$5 and children 3 and younger are free.

For updates and additional details, follow the Shawano County Farm Bureau and the Shawano County Brunch on the Farm event page on Facebook.

Man, 80, dies in two-vehicle crash

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

An 80-year-old man died in a two-vehicle crash June 15 on Highway 29.

According to the Shawano County Sheriff's Department, around 10:22 a.m., the dispatch center received multiple 911 calls reporting a crash on the highway east of Broadway Road in the Town of Hartland.

A preliminary investigation indicates that an SUV

traveling eastbound on Highway 29 collided with a motorcycle that had just entered the highway from a nearby business. It appears the SUV was unable to brake in time to avoid the collision.

The SUV was occupied by a single individual who was uninjured. The motorcycle was operated by an 80-year-old man from the Bonduel area. He was found unresponsive at the scene and was pronounced deceased shortly thereafter.

The Shawano County Sheriff's Department was assisted at the scene by the Bonduel Fire Department, Shawano Ambulance, Bonduel EMS, Shawano County Highway Department and the Shawano County Coroner's Office.

The names of those involved are being withheld pending notification of family. The crash remains under active investigation.

Lighted fountain installed in Mielke Park pond

Family foundation prepares for more investments

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

A fountain with lights that change colors has been added to the center of the pond at Mielke Park.

The fountain was paid for by the Mielke Family Foundation, which continues to invest in the park.

Earlier this year, a pair of local residents proposed privatizing the park, but that proposal was denied when officials discovered the land must either remain as a park or be returned to the Mielke family.



A new fountain featuring changing colors of lights has been installed in the pond at Mielke Park. The fountain is the latest park improvement funded by donations from the Mielke Family Foundation.

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Shawano County officials have since been talking more with the family and debating whether to renew the lease for the Mielke Arts Center with the Shawano County Arts Council.

"After our discussion with the Mielke family and foundation, I think your lease is fine. I don't have any concerns with the lease," Jim Davel, the county administrative coordinator, told the public property committee June 12. "What I would recommend is we get that back to Tom Martel (with the corporation counsel's office). The next meeting, we can come, make sure you sign it, and we'll get it to the Mielke Foundation for their signature."

Davel said the family wants to make donations for more projects at the

park to help increase its usage by residents.

"They are looking at some other projects," Davel said. "We have better communication with them right now in terms of what they want. What we learned is we need to deal with the foundation and the family, and not the arts council."

More and improved walking trails are among the additional amenities.

"They're trying to get some other larger donations," Davel said. "They would like to do some landscaping projects, etc."

The 32-acre county park is located on Airport Road and Lake Drive on Shawano's east side.

The Mielke Family Foundation was

established in 1963 by Dr. Edward F. Mielke and his wife, Beulah (Bee), together with sisters Ruth and Sarah Mielke. A native of Shawano, Edward Mielke practiced medicine in Appleton for 60 years. Ruth Mielke presided over the library at Appleton West High School for 40 years, and Sarah Mielke taught advanced mathematics at Shawano High School.

The Mielke Park land was donated to Shawano County in 1971 by Edward Mielke. The Mielke Family Foundation donated funds to build the Mielke Arts Center, a 250-seat black-box theater in the center of the park, with groundbreaking in 1975.

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Do you know how to treat bug bites, stings?

Bug bites and stings are a routine part of summer, especially during outdoor activities like hiking, gardening or spending time in the backyard. While most cause only mild discomfort, some can lead to more serious symptoms.

"There are many different bugs you might encounter during the summer, such as mosquitoes, bees, ticks and spiders," said Olivia Bishop, Aspirus pharmacy resident. "Each one can bite or sting in its own way, and the symptoms can vary."

For mild reactions, simple over-the-counter treatments can provide relief.



For mild reactions, to bug bites and stings, simple over-the-counter treatments can provide relief. In more serious cases, bug bites or stings can trigger allergic reactions that require urgent care, says Olivia Bishop, Aspirus pharmacy resident.

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trigger allergic reactions that require urgent care.

"If you notice swelling around your face, eyes or lips or symptoms like hives, nausea, vomiting or trouble breathing, those could be signs of anaphylaxis," Bishop said. "Call 911 right away. If the

person has an EpiPen, help them use it immediately."

If a bite or sting is not healing, getting worse or causing concern, contact your health care provider to determine whether you should be seen in the clinic or the emergency department.

Heading out for some golf



Golfers head out on the Shawano Lake Golf Course on June 10 for the annual Shawano Area Waterways Management golf outing. Funds raised help the group to improve and maintain water clarity and quality in the Wolf River, Shawano Lake and the channel that connects them.

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Where's WAMSCO?

Family friendly scavenger hunt highlights waterways in Shawano, Menominee counties

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Waterways Association of Menominee and Shawano Counties is holding its fourth annual Where's WAMSCO event. The scavenger hunt began June 15 and continues through July 20.

This is a family friendly scavenger hunt within the borders of Shawano County. There are four "treasure boxes" placed strategically in recreational areas along waterways. Each location show-

cases a different area of natural resources in Shawano County and has some fun facts about that area. There is a token prize to take at each site. For participants who find all four treasure boxes, there will be a raffle drawing for prizes donated by local businesses. WAMSCO will post weekly clues for each of the four locations on its website and social media sites. Registration is open for the event through July 20.

Participants must register prior to submitting proof of discovering all four boxes and to be entered into the prize drawing. A registration link can be found at www.wamsco.org/events/wheres-wamsco, on the group's social media pages or by scanning the QR code on its posters. The treasure boxes are all labeled with the WAMSCO logo and have a WAMSCO logo standing sign; nothing will need to be disturbed to find them.



The AbbyBank Foundation Inc. supported Down with Milestones with a \$1,500 donation toward its all-inclusive playground project in Olen Park in Clintonville. From left, are Dayna Conradt, treasurer, Down with Milestones; Lisa Hill and her son Myles; and Michael Morse, vice president-commercial banking, Shawano AbbyBank.

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AbbyBank Foundation donates to all-inclusive playground

The AbbyBank Foundation Inc. supported Down with Milestones with a \$1,500 donation toward its upcoming all-inclusive playground project in Olen Park in Clintonville. The new park is designed to provide a safe,

welcoming space where children of all abilities can play, explore and enjoy the outdoors together. The AbbyBank Foundation was formed in 1986 as a private charitable foundation of AbbyBank, which has contributed

more than \$1,826,300 to the foundation. Since 1986, the foundation has made donations to Abbotsford, Appleton, Gresham, Medford, Shawano, Wausau, Weston and neighboring area organizations totaling more than \$1,413,830.91.

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Nathan Edwards, shown just prior to a 2022 performance with the Kids From Wisconsin, is one of the Shawano performers in the Northeast Wisconsin Jazz Ensemble. Edwards is an alum from Shawano Community High School. The ensemble is being organized by another SCHS alum, Hunter Krolow.

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Big band bringing all that jazz to Shawano for summer

Headed by Shawano alum, ensemble generating more music in Franklin Park

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Anyone who feels like they've lost their soul can get it back through the jazz-ridden interludes of Revive 715, a summer show being put on the Northeast Wisconsin Jazz Ensemble.

The ensemble is an 18-piece professional big band that consists of educators, composers and performers from throughout northeast Wisconsin. They will be in Shawano five times this summer, beginning at the end of June and ending with a couple of shows at the Shawano Farmers Market.

Brought together by mastermind Hunter Krolow, who graduated from Shawano Community High School in 1981 and knows the jazz world well through his time with the high school's jazz band, the shows will feature many classic jazz songs but also incorporate some modern compositions, too.

"Born of barn dances and supper clubs, parades and polka halls, Lawrence recitals and smoky lounges in Milwaukee, Revive 715 emerges from the soil of central Wisconsin to bring big band music into the heart of our communities," Krolow said. "With roots in jazz, limbs in tradition and eyes on the horizon, we're reigniting a sound that once filled ballrooms, school gyms and town squares. We are the sons and daughters of this place, steeped in its rhythms and dialects. We've gone to the coasts, the conservatories, the clubs — and brought back something real. Something local. Something alive."

The show will have some classic jazz songs such as "Fly Me to the Moon," arranged by Quincy Jones, and "Moon River,"



Harrison Sturycz, like Hunter Krolow, studied music at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and will be one of the performers with the Northeast Wisconsin Jazz Ensemble.

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arranged by Rick Stitzel. It will also have some arrangements like "Kiss of Fire" and "Rust and Resin" by Krolow himself, who studied jazz music at University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. Krolow just finished a year of music education with the Menominee Indian School District and will be teaching next year in the Suring School District.

Besides Krolow, there will be some other familiar faces from Shawano and Menominee

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: Revive 715, a series by the Northeast Wisconsin Jazz Ensemble

WHEN: 7 p.m. June 27, July 14 and July 28; 10 a.m. Aug. 9 and Aug. 23

WHERE: Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St., Shawano

ADMISSION: Free

ONLINE: More information can be found at hsmusiccollective.org/new-jazz-ensemble, and anyone wanting to donate to the group can do so through Venmo or Patreon.

nee counties, including Harrison Sturycz, Marcus Welander, Nathan Edwards, Will Myers and Quintin Fernandez.

All of the shows will take place at Franklin Park in Shawano, a fitting place as the park is already well-known for the Thursday at Franklin music series, where bands perform during the summer months from a wide variety of genres. Revive 715 will also have variety of styles, including bossa nova, samba, afro-cuban, video game music and even metal-jazz fusion.

With the band in its infancy, the Northeast Wisconsin Jazz Ensemble is looking for benefactors to contribute to the effort, which helps pay for musician travel, performance logistics and public outreach. Accounts are available through Venmo and Patreon, ranging from a friend donation of \$50 to a headliner donation of \$500.

Krolow credited the SCHS music program for giving him an appreciation for jazz in all its forms.

"Just from my own experience through middle school and high school, the music

Bowhunting heirs visit museum, share memories

As I grow older, I find myself drawn to earlier and simpler times. Cell phones are everywhere, and we can now make calls anywhere, including our cars or even the

bathroom. I remember the old Ma Bell phones that were built like anvils and almost as



Ross Bielema
Columnist

heavy. We paid high prices for long-distance calls, but local calls were almost free. You didn't have a choice of carriers. It was AT&T or nothing.

Are cell phones better? I have continual issues making calls in our woodsy state, as 5G relies on cell towers every 5 miles, and our old 3G could make crystal-clear calls anywhere. Two steps forward, one step back.

I would probably set my time machine to the 1950s or 1960s. I was born in 1959 but would enjoy seeing that era as an adult. Everyone enjoyed hunting, kids owned and shot guns with no suspicion, there were no school shootings, kids mostly respected their elders, and you could buy guns and ammo at most hardware stores.

I felt that the time machine had landed in the 1930s to 1960s on June 7 when I attended the Wisconsin Bowhunting Museum open house in Clintonville. I hobnobbed with the offspring of Wisconsin bowhunting royalty, brushed shoulders with seniors who still hunt with traditional bows and wandered through the displays of historic archery gear with a huge smile as I daydreamed of Fred Bear, Howard Hill, Ben Pearson, Roy Case and John Schoenike.

America's bowhunting history is forever linked to our state's bowhunting history, because we were the first to have a bowhunting season in 1934. But four years earlier, a bowhunter and inventor named Roy I. Case (son of Jackson I. Case, an executive with J.I. Case Plow Works and grandson of Jerome Increase Case, founder of J.I. Case Plow Works and J.I. Case Threshing Machine Co.) shot the first deer with archery gear under authority of the state conservation department.

Roy Case and his son, Roy Jr., started a home archery business and built longbows and recurves, as well as several styles of broadheads, including his famed Kiska design (now very collectible). Case, his son and a third person also started Racine Ar-

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The history of Wisconsin bowhunting was highlighted June 7 at the Wisconsin Bowhunting Museum in Clintonville during a 20th anniversary open house. Among the sport's celebrity guests was Teresa Case-Doney, granddaughter of Roy I. Case, who shot this buck in 1930 in Vilas County under special permission with state conservation officials. It was the first time in Wisconsin and American history that a white man shot a deer legally with archery equipment. More of Case's gear is visible in the background.

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IN THE KITCHEN WITH FRANCESCA

Recipes add flavor to dairy month

June is Dairy Month in Wisconsin. So, for this column, I decided to include recipes that used two or more dairy ingredients.

Hoth cocoa cream puffs are, as could be guessed from the name, from the Star Wars cookbook. These puffs are so good. The rich chocolate pudding is encased in the crispy-chewy shells and topped with super-sweet, toasted marshmallow cream.

These cream puffs are definitely a decadent dessert. Although there are many steps in the recipe, they are not really hard, just a little time consuming. The first time I made these cream puffs several years ago, they did not turn out well. They did not rise, the pudding flavor was kind of strange, and I even think I burnt the puffs.

When I was looking for recipes with lots of dairy, I found this recipe (this recipe uses three dairy products, heavy cream, whole milk, and butter) and decided to try again.

This time was a whole different story. Most of the puffs rose spectacularly. I was shocked when I checked on them. At first, I thought I had done something wrong, but no, they were just rising as they should. Three puffs did decide not to rise, but as 10 others did, I must have done something right. It is hard to beat the eggs into the flour paste. I started out by using my favorite wooden spoon, but had to resort to a fork to ensure that everything was mixed evenly.

The pudding filling also turned out. The last time I made it, I used instant coffee. This time I decided to try espresso powder, reducing the amount accordingly. The filling tastes so good; the espresso powder heightens the chocolate flavor, while the cinnamon provides a subtle heat. This results in a spicy chocolate pudding that is even good to eat on its own. This filling is basically a dressed-up chocolate pudding. In fact, it is remarkably similar to a



It's June Dairy Month, but dairy lovers won't have to travel all the way to the fictional Star Wars planet Hoth just to enjoy some delicious Hoth cocoa cream puffs.

FRANCESCA ULLMER

HOTH COCOA CREAM PUFFS

Filling:
1 tsp. espresso powder, or 4 tsp. instant coffee granules (optional)
1 cup heavy cream
1/2 cup whole milk
Cream puffs:
3/4 cup water
Pinch of salt
Topping:
1 jar of marshmallow crème
Filling: Dissolve the espresso powder or coffee in the boiling water in a medium bowl. Add the cinnamon, pudding mix, cream, and milk. Beat on low speed for 2 minutes. Cover and refrigerate until ready to use.
Cream Puffs: Combine the water, butter, sugar, and salt in a sauce pan. Bring to a boil over medium heat, stirring occasionally to melt the butter. As soon as it boils, remove the pan from the heat and add the flour all at once. Stir until it forms a ball around the base of the spoon. Return to low heat and dry the paste out slightly, stirring constantly, for about 30 seconds. A dry film will form on the bottom of the pan. Cool the paste 10 minutes. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees and line two rimmed baking sheets with parchment paper. Brush the parchment lightly with water. Whisk one egg in a bowl and set aside. Stir remaining eggs, one at a time, into the dough, beating thoroughly after each addition. Drop dough by tablespoons onto prepared baking sheets, trying to make them the same size and as neat as possible. With your fingertips dipped into the extra beaten egg, gently smooth out the tops of the cream puffs. Discard remaining egg mixture. Bake puffs for 15 minutes. Reduce heat to 350 degrees and bake 10-13 minutes more or until golden. The puff sides should be dry and not soft. Remove from oven and transfer puffs to a cooling rack; cool completely. Using a serrated knife, slice each cooled puff in half horizontally. Spoon a scoop of filling into the bottom half; replace top. Repeat with remaining puffs. Top each puff with some marshmallow cream. To toast the marshmallow cream, broil cream puffs for about 30 seconds to 1 minute, watching constantly to avoid burning.



super-simplified chocolate silk.

The first time I made these cream puffs, I used whipped cream instead of marshmallow cream for

the topping. This time I decided to follow the recipe and used the marshmallow cream. Make sure to watch the puffs carefully while broiling. Once the oven heats up, the marshmallow cream browns quickly.

Taco dip is my other dairy recipe. Using two dairy ingredients, sour cream and cream cheese, this is one of my favorite party foods. I have fond memories of eating this dip at countless piano recitals. Now, I enjoy eating it at any time that we have the ingredients for it.

This dip is super

simple. With only three main ingredients, it whips up really quickly, can be doubled or halved very easily, and can include as many toppings as you like. I like cheese, lettuce, and tomato, but you could also add olives, onions, salsa, etc. I also love that this taco dip is meatless, making it a perfect dish for Fridays, or for Advent or Lent. This dish is perfect for parties or for a simple meal or snack at home.

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

TACO DIP

8 oz. cream cheese
1 package Ortega taco seasoning
Chopped lettuce
8 oz. sour cream
Shredded cheese
Diced tomatoes
Mix softened cream cheese and sour cream together until smooth. Add taco seasoning little by little, until reaching the desired flavor. Spread evenly in a 9-inch square baking dish. Sprinkle cheese on top. Refrigerate until serving. Right before serving, add the lettuce and tomatoes, and any other desired toppings. Serve with chips.



For those who want to lighten the sugar content in their June Dairy Month celebrations, enjoying some taco dip with chips is a perfect alternative.

FRANCESCA ULLMER

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chery Club. Case also was a founder of the Wisconsin Bowhunters Association.

His granddaughter, Teresa Case-Doney, a state veterinarian who attended the open house, recalled fondly how her grandpa taught her how to shoot a bow and arrow at his Racine home on Lake Michigan.

She remembered a moving target his creative mind built so he could practice shots at running deer. His home was one of the first in Racine with electricity.

Although shoulder issues have kept her away from the sport, she enjoyed archery golf for many years with her grandpa and others.

Also there to reminisce and help with fundraising efforts for the museum, which is overseen by the Wisconsin Bowhunting Heritage Foundation, was Bill McCrary, author of both "The History of Wisconsin Bowhunting: 1930-2014" and "Roy I. Case: Wisconsin's Bowhunting Legend." He signed copies of his books while Case-Doney signed photos of her grandpa with his legendary buck.

The best deals for both visitors and the museum were bags of collectible broadheads, priced at six for \$10. I quickly snapped up six packages, with McCrary helping me select a few that had oddities such as a six-bladed head. I had never heard of such a broadhead, and now I have two. Case was an avid broadhead collector, and his extensive collection can also be seen in the museum.

McCrary still hunts deer with bow and arrow, although he has switched to the compound bow. The mechanical advantage

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the music programs weren't anything incredible or stellar or out there rocking the industry, but it gave me that appreciation, and it gave me the drive to see what happens when you bring a bunch of people together for a common goal," Krolow said.

Besides his university efforts, Krolow also worked with musicians around Milwaukee, Madison, Chicago and Rochester, New York, before returning home to bring everyone together to revive the big band sound of yesteryear.

"The big band medium is what I chose, for one, because it's what I've been studying to write for since the beginning of my undergrad," Krolow said. "I first started to put little pieces of music together and experiment and find cool little techniques and ways, and that eventually that grew into a full-blown study of composition and the history of jazz and jazz ensembles. Those worlds colliding in my creative voice, I now have an ensemble of local

offered by pulleys allows the hunter to hold just a fraction of the bow's initial draw weight, thus making a more relaxed shot even when holding for many seconds. Unless you are a bodybuilder, that's not possible with a recurve or longbow.

I had breakfast with the son and grandson of legendary Clintonville archery pioneer John Schoenike, who has a chapter in McCrary's history book. Schoenike, who painted gold leaf lettering on fire trucks for FWD in Clintonville, founded and ran Stalker Archery Co. in his basement for decades. At one time, it was one of the largest archery shops in the Midwest.

He also invented one of the first bow quivers. Samples can be seen in the museum.

Son Jerry Schoenike and his son, Jim Schoenike, mingled in the rooms and shared a few memories with visitors who couldn't get enough.

Bud Wiesman of Caroline and his wife Karen, both avid archers, recalled the time Fred Bear spoke to bowhunters at the Caroline Ballroom, which was destroyed in a fire. Bud said he has killed five bears with a Wing Thunderbird recurve bow and once went on a Canadian bear hunt with the late Schoenike.

You don't need a time machine to visit the museum at 17 E. 3rd St. in Clintonville (just south of Walgreen's). You don't even need money, because it's always free admission. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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people who are my friends and have worked with in the past come together and share something all of us have practiced and have an inner voice for."

Krolow sees the jazz ensemble as an opportunity for future musicians to come forth and achieve their performance dreams.

"I see this ensemble morphing and evolving over the coming years, but I also want it to be an opportunity for college students to come sit in with some local professionals," Krolow said.

Krolow believes there's plenty of interest in Shawano County and the surrounding areas to make the jazz ensemble bigger and better in the coming years.

"We have a lot of musical love in this area," Krolow said. "I want to see that musical love through artistic values, and I think we're ready for that. I think we've always been ready for that, but we need the right voice to speak it."

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Try these 10 ways to cut back on processed foods

Eating healthy and doing so consistently can be a tall order for many people, especially with the popularity of fast and processed food options. Fortunately, the cycle can be broken, said Lori Knapp, a registered dietitian with ThedaCare. A few key steps can help people begin to rely less on processed foods. “It would be difficult to avoid processed foods altogether, but eating them frequently can harm your health,” Knapp said. “If you’re looking to eat more whole foods, you can start with some simple changes to begin to shift

your habits.” Knapp shared these tips for scaling back on processed foods:

- Start by adding. Everyone has favorite junk foods. You don’t need to eliminate them entirely. Instead, add lean proteins, vegetables, fruits and healthy snacks such as nuts to your diet. These can help you feel fuller and reduce cravings.
- Read and compare food labels. Watch for ingredients such as added sugars, salt or ingredients that are unfamiliar to you.
- Schedule a meal prep day. Busy schedules can derail healthy eating. Con-

sider adding meal prep to your schedule. Evaluate your week and plan for a slow cooker meal on a busy day. Or make a large meal or two in advance and eat the leftovers with salads and fresh vegetables. Similarly, plan ahead for breakfasts, lunches and snacks. This can help cut down on waste, save you money and simplify meal prep.

- Shop the perimeter. Healthy eating means buying most of your foods from the edges of the supermarket, where the fresh food is. Stick to the produce section, dairy case and fresh meat

and fish areas. Avoid the bright, flashy boxes and bags in the center aisles.

- Skip processed drinks. Soda and energy drinks are some of the biggest culprits in weight gain and obesity. Opting instead for water, seltzer or unsweetened teas can help eliminate some empty calories.
- Make a fruit bowl. Keeping a fruit bowl on your counter or tabletop can make it easy for you and your family to grab a healthy, refreshing snack.
- Chop it up. Keep a selection of veggies on hand. Prep them ahead of time so they’re ready for snacks, salads and easy cooking. Most veggies store well in airtight containers in the refrigerator. Consume, cook or freeze cut veggies. Store carrots, celery and radishes in water in the fridge for up to five days. Replace the water regularly.
- Keep staples on hand. They can include lean proteins such as chicken or fish, beans, eggs, healthy whole grains like quinoa and brown rice, and veggies and fruits. These foods can serve as a foundation for healthy meals. You can also keep some fresh dairy like yogurt and a few healthy snack items like nuts and popcorn.
- Plan a cooking night. Invite friends over or

plan a cooking night with your family. This can help make healthy meal prep an event, a time to socialize and an opportunity to catch up on what’s happening with the people in your life while sharing a healthy, non-processed dinner together.

- Enjoy a night out once in a while. Think consciously about these meals rather than making them a go-to for when you’re too busy to cook. Choose your restaurants and meals wisely. Look for eateries that offer locally sourced veggies and meats or those that offer heart-healthy options. Then savor the time with your family or friends.

Processed foods are those that have been altered in some way. Most contain additives that give them a longer shelf life. “Basically, anything in a box or a package — like cereals, breads or even frozen vegetables — is processed food,” Knapp said. “Always read labels, even on those packages of frozen vegetables, because they may have additives like salt or preservatives.”

Other examples of processed foods include peanut butter and canned vegetables. Peanut butter is primarily made from peanuts but can contain other ingredients such as sugar, salt and oils.

Canned vegetables often include high amounts of sodium. While it’s best to consume mostly whole foods, a healthy diet can include some processed foods. Examples include whole-grain breads and pastas, canned veggies and beans and tofu. “And then there are ultra-processed foods,” Knapp said. “They often contain empty calories and offer little to no nutritional value. They usually have a heavy amount of added sugar or salt. Think potato chips, doughnuts, sugary cereals and candy. Consuming too much of these over time can lead to serious health issues.”

A 2024 Journal of the American Medical Association article stated that diets high in ultra-processed foods contribute to weight gain and are associated with increased risk for more than 30 health conditions. These include cardiovascular disease-related deaths, mental health disorders and type 2 diabetes. “You don’t need to completely eliminate ultra-processed foods from your diet. Remember to think of them as treats and consume them sparingly,” Knapp said. “Strive to eat more foods that offer you the nutrition your body needs.”

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FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Sights and smells of seasons on the farm

The serenity of rural life cannot be measured. All around, there is beauty in the countryside, if only we have eyes to see and noses to smell.

During this time of harvesting first-crop hay, the air is filled with the tantalizing aroma of fresh-cut alfalfa. Some fields yield a bountiful harvest, due to fertilizer spread earlier, either natural liquid straight from the pit or manufactured and spread, using trailers.

The natural fertilizer produced from cows has its own potent fragrance — you need sinuses cleared? Take a deep breath in passing a field being spread with liquid manure.

The massive equipment used these days makes our farming of days-gone-by antiquated. We would cut what we could handle, sometimes just one field at a time, depending on the size.

The triple-cuts, some 30-feet wide, knock down hundreds of acres in a day. The massive mergers drive in and merge numerous rows together. Soon after, the enormous self-propelled choppers get to the field to chew up those rows quick as lightning. Semis drive alongside the chopper and once filled, head off to the main farm to pile it. They leave and heavy pack tractors start in, driving up and down the mound, packing it tight to preserve the feed.



A massive chopper chews up merged rows of alfalfa.

KAY REMINGER



Closer to home, a number of years ago we splurged and hired a landscaper. Enhancing the front deck of our full-of-character (old) farmhouse, it is one of my favorite spots. Occasionally enjoying first morning coffee out there, the smell and pleasure of fresh-brewed coffee sipped outside accompanied by birdsong and a brand new day dawning, is a treat.

At the time we put in new landscaping, the guy we hired suggested they dig out a particular rosebush they deemed was in the way of their notion of the plan. Simultaneously, my husband and I disagreed.

“Ah, no. That’s a special rosebush. It has to stay.” My mother-in-law had planted that many years ago. Every year when it blooms I think of her and smile. She was a beautiful rose of a mama, and we just could not uproot that special little bush.

Strategically placed just beyond the farmhouse are pots of flowers we had

purchased from an Amish greenhouse. They are magnificent and my hope is that I keep them alive all season. It gives pleasure to the eye and nose, in chorus.

Fresh-washed clothes drying in the sun is another seasonal pleasure for the senses. It’s free from God, with a little effort on our part.

Another God-orchestrated smell is rain. Sometimes I can even smell it coming. There’s nothing like getting caught in the rain — scurrying to the shed and hearing the steady hammering on a tin roof makes me thankful, especially when we’d been

praying for rain.

Awe-inspiring country sunrise-brilliances to sunset-beauties are gifts straight from our Creator God.

Gazing at twinkling stars on a clear, calm night with no other light to deflect or interfere makes me feel small, compared to the immense vastness of the night sky.

Planting our garden with the wide expanse of fresh-tilled dirt just waiting to press the seed in the ground has a delightful aroma. The anticipation of a meal from there makes my live-off-the-land-farmer-girl-heart swell. Inhaling garden tomatoes are a delight. There’s not much of a smell when I pick some up from the grocery store. The taste isn’t the same, either.

Fresh-cut grass (and the satisfaction that comes so I can appreciate fresh-cut grass) entices me to inhale deeply. Soaking in the sight of our lawn after a full day of mowing brings a rush of contentment. I’m tired but happy. The downfall? It’s short-lived. Next week, back at it.

We have ongoing issues with skunks digging up the front lawn, especially when dry and hard. There are teeny holes with dirt splayed around them, and while I never spot them in action, their lingering odor is a dead giveaway. It’s one of the smells of the season I could do without.

Once years ago while

we were still milking cows, my husband caught sight of one in the barn. With his only instinct to get rid of the thing, he eliminated it. Never, ever again. We learned our lesson. The smell lingered for weeks, and we couldn’t even walk inside the barn right after without it literally making our eyes water.

Diamond, our sweet yellow lab, got mixed up with a skunk one year. We washed her down with soap and water and rubbed tomato juice all over her. We had to tie her to the swing set so she’d stay still long enough to rinse-wash-repeat. It was nasty.

While having a bad rap, according to Siri at cga.org, “Skunks play an important role in controlling pests such as rats, mice and other rodents.”

Thanks, but my cats do that.

Season sights and smells — good or bad — add to the deep satisfaction of rural life. I wouldn’t change a thing.

(“For God’s mighty miracles astound me! His wonders are so delightfully mysterious that they leave all who seek them astonished.” Psalm 111:2, The Passion Translation)

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

WHAT’S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

GRESHAM: Swing Through the Decades Inaugural Golf Outing for SAM25, 8:30 a.m., Pine Hills Golf Course, N9499 Pine Hills Drive. Registration 8:30 a.m., shotgun start 10 a.m., \$100 per player covers 18 holes with cart, lunch and family style dinner. Register at 715-916-3045 or mail/drop off an order form to SAM25, 105 E. Richmond St.

KESHENA: Kehtekaewak Farmers Market, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., College of Menominee Nation, N172 State Highway 47-55.

SHAWANO: Walk to End Alzheimer’s, 3-5 p.m., The Cottages on Golden Pond, Memory Care, 103 Madison Way. Walk around the pond to support residents and their families affected by the disease; ice cream sundaes, baked goods, Sun Drop slushies and crafts. All proceeds donated to the Alzheimer’s Association.

WITTENBERG: Community Days, 5-11 p.m., Washington Park, 104 Park St. Carnival rides 5-10 p.m., food and raffles 5-11 p.m., live music with Infer/Red 7-11 p.m.

OCONTO FALLS: Music by the River, 6-9 p.m., East Side Beach, North Main Street. Live music by Carbon Road.

SURING: Recovery Talking Circle, 6-8 p.m. South Branch

Community Center, W1281 County Road M.

OCONTO: Movie Night Under the Stars, dusk, Joel’s Reel Inn, 400 Holtwood Way. “Monster Trucks.”

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

SHAWANO: Wolf River Paddle and Pedal, 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Judd Park, 1121 S. Water St. Paddle from Judd Park in Shawano to CCC Boat landing/Wayside Park, 1013 S. Water St., bike back on an 8- or 22-mile route. Hosted by Shawano Paddlers & Shawano Adventure Sports branches of Shawano Pathways. \$30 per person (\$50 with kayak rental), register at www.eventbrite.com/e/wolf-river-paddle-pedal-tickets-1368123537329

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.

SHAWANO: Rhubarb Fest, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Heritage Park, 524 N. Franklin St. Live music, crafts, children’s games, pie contest, plant sale and tours. Hosted by Shawano Historical Society.

WITTENBERG: Emerging Talent XI, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 W. Vinal St. An exhibit celebrating the creativity and imagination of student artists in kindergarten through 12th grade.

WITTENBERG: Community

Days, noon to 11 p.m., Washington Park, 104 Park St. Carnival rides noon to 10 p.m., food and raffles 2-11 p.m., craft/vendor show noon to 5 p.m., pedal races noon to 5 p.m., WOW mural tours 2-6 p.m., face painting 3-9 p.m., Balloon Guy 4-8 p.m., live music with Lovin’ Country 2-6 p.m. and Cougars 7-11 p.m. Fireworks at dusk.

SHAWANO: Naberhood Block Party, 6-8 p.m., The Naberhood, 214 S. Main St. Live music with Charms.

SHAWANO: Shawano Speedway, 6 p.m., 990 E. Green Bay St. Gates open 4 p.m. \$12, ages 12-16 \$6, and younger than 11 free.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

SHAWANO: Zurko’s Midwest Promotions Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. \$2 admission, 12 and under free with adult.

WITTENBERG: Community Days, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Washington Park, 104 Park St. Community breakfast 7-11 a.m., parade at noon, carnival rides noon to 4 p.m., food and raffles noon to 5 p.m., pedal races noon to 5 p.m., WOW mural tours 1-4 p.m., Museum horse wagon rides 1-4 p.m., face painting 1-4 p.m., kids money dig 2 p.m., live music with Night Shift 1-5 p.m., drawing for UTV and cash prizes 5 p.m.

BIRNAMWOOD: Shawano County Brunch on the Farm, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Olson Dairy Farm Inc., N9124 Butternut Road. Hearty country breakfast, wagon rides and farm tours, petting zoo, children’s activities. Tickets (cash only, on site) \$10, ages 4-11 \$5, 3 and younger free. Dairy Dash 5K run/walk 7:30 a.m.

KESHENA: St. Michael’s Parish Picnic, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., N816 State Highway 47-55. Picnic follows 9 a.m. Mass with free children’s games, cash raffle, karaoke with Father Hanz, basket raffles, Thrift & Gift and Household Garage.

WITTENBERG: Emerging Talent XI, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 W. Vinal St. An exhibit celebrating the creativity and imagination of student artists in kindergarten through 12th grade.

SHAWANO: Music in the Park at Arlington, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Arlington Park, 300 N. Humphrey Circle. Live music with Jacob Fannin.

MONDAY, JUNE 23

TOWNSEND: American Red Cross blood drive, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Town Hall, 16564 Elm St. Appointments at RedCross-Blood.org or 1-800-733-2767.

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, JUNE 24

CECIL: Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce Annual Golf Outing, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Golden Sands Golf Course, 300 Nabor Road.

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto County Farmers Market, 4-8 p.m., Memorial Field. Vendors, live music, food trucks.

SHAWANO: Naberhood Block Party, 6 p.m., The Naberhood, 214 S. Main St. Dinosaur Dimensions.

SHAWANO: Evening Paddle with Shawano Paddlers, 6 p.m., Lighthouse Bar, W6440 Gumaer Road.

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, JUNE 25

BONDUEL: Farmers Market, 4-7 p.m., corner of Cecil and Green Bay streets.

SHAWANO: Ski Sharks, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Wolf River Beach at Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Park; enter ski site from Third Street.

SHAWANO: Mountain Bay Trail Feasibility Study Meeting, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Courthouse, Meeting Room A, 311 N. Main

St. Findings and public input on five potential trail routes between Maple Avenue and County Road M.

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

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

NAVARINO: Star Wars Camp, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Members \$40, non-members \$50, details and registration at navarino.org.

SHAWANO: Morning Paddle with Shawano Paddlers, 9 a.m., Huckleberry Harbor, 217 E. Fifth St.

SHAWANO: Kickoff to Summer, 4-6 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Kids activities, resource fair/information about early childhood programs, dental checks, car seat checks.

GILLET: Community Market, 5-7 p.m., Ebenreiter Square, 200 E. Main St.

SHAWANO: Thursday at Franklin, 6-8:30 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Live music with Brass Differential.

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



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

Shawano County has a variety of natural offerings for those who enjoy the outdoors, whether it's in the water, land or air.

A relatively new group, Shawano Adventure Sports, is making good use of those resources to have some fun while meeting new friends with similar interests.

"The idea actually came from Matt Hendricks (Shawano parks director) in a meeting we were having about building a mountain bike trail in Shawano," said Brian Grieves, an organizer of SAS. "We had worked together already on a windsurfing and sailing program, and he half-jokingly — I think — said, 'You guys should start a club.' So we did. Initially we thought to call it Shawano Silent Sports, but we didn't know if the term 'silent sports' was widely recognized. So we changed it to adventure sports."

Organizing the group and its activities is an adventure in itself. Members participate in a diverse set of activities.

"We've hosted a variety of events, including downhill skiing, indoor rock climbing, yoga and mountain biking," Grieves said. "Looking ahead to this summer, we're planning a low-cost community sailing, SUP yoga and free windsurfing event next week. Times and sign-up are available through the Shawano Park and Rec website. We're also planning another mountain bike outing, along with assisting the Shawano Paddlers in the Paddle & Pedal event (June 21)."

Members include Dan Wilhelm, a former member of a ski patrol, and Jasmine Wiley, a cross-country ski instructor. Steve Eliason is the founder of International Youth Sailing of Oshkosh. Garrett Smith races mountain bikes; Brian Moristad guided white water rafting.

"We continue actively working to increase awareness, opportunities and participation in various outdoor adventure sports in Shawano, and build community around them," Grieves said. "This is a great place to be active outside."

The group is a subcommittee of the larger and well-established Shawano Pathways.

"The Shawano Optimists have also been amazing to work with, as we also have a youth focus, and the bike rodeo they do is a natural fit with our pump track," Grieves said.

SAS has been working with the city parks and recreation department for almost two years to plan to build a pump track at the far east end of Kuckuk Park, incorporating the existing bike path.

A pump track is a continu-



Community sailing and windsurfing are among the activities hosted in the past by the Shawano Adventure Sports group in conjunction with other organizations. More events are planned for this summer.

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Shawano Adventure Sports members get outside and enjoy what nature has to offer when they participate in such events as sailing, windsurfing, mountain biking, skiing and more. Being in nature provides a peaceful escape to connect with and enjoy nature, taking the participant into the present moment in a way that fosters mindfulness and relaxation.

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ous loop of rollers, berms and other features designed to be ridden by "pumping" — using

body movements to generate and maintain speed, rather than pedaling. The tracks are popular

for various wheeled activities like cycling, skateboarding and scootering.

"Our initial fundraising push was very successful, and we are about 75% to our anticipated build cost," Grieves said. "After working with a few larger contractors, we believe we have found our best fit and hope to be under contract with them within the next few weeks. If all goes as anticipated, it should be ready to ride next summer."

Grieves believes there are many benefits to their "silent" sports.

"Being in nature and on the water in these ways offers a unique combination of mental and physical benefits," he said. "They provide a peaceful escape to connect with and enjoy nature and take you into the present moment, in a way that fosters mindfulness and relaxation."

"There's something special about the feeling of gliding over the water powered only by the wind that's hard to describe. You can also get exercise without even realizing or feeling like you are."

Anyone interested in learning more about the group can contact Grieves with a text to 715-851-1722 or email to bmrgrieves@hotmail.com.

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Lena golfer takes 13th, Pulaski golfer is 17th at state

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The WIAA boys championship was held June 9-10 at University Ridge Golf Course in Verona, near Madison.

On the par-72 course, Belongia finished the first day with an 82, 10 strokes over par and tied for 13th. He carded an 81 on the second day for a total of 163, 19 strokes above par, and still tied for 13th place.

Bonduel golfers had a tougher time on the

course.

Colin Fischer finished in a two-way tie for 35th with a 181, 37 strokes above par. He was tied for 31st with an 89 after the first day, but a 92 on the second day dropped him back a few spots in the standings.

Jaxon Bogacz was tied with Fischer on the first day, but a 93 on the second day dropped him back to a two-way tie for 37th place with a 182 total.

Griffin Uelmen maintained his 48th position both days. He was in a tie on the first day with a 102, but his 98 on the second day gave him a 200 total and sole possession of 48th

place.

Cole Westphal and Cory Wussow were tied at 105 for 50th place after the first day. Sam Roberts filled in for Westphal on the second day and carded a 104 for sole possession of 50th place at 209.

Wussow carded a 106 on the second day for total of 211, which placed him in 51st.

As a team Bonduel placed eighth out of eight teams, with no changes in the finishing order from the first to the second day.

On the first day, the Bears tallied 385, 97 strokes over par. The leader, and eventual state champion,

Durand-Arkansaw, was at 320, 32 strokes over par.

On June 10, Bonduel golfers scored a 387 for a two-day total of 772, 196 strokes over par. Durand-Arkansaw was at 651, 75 over par.

Division 1

Pulaski's Brady Hayward moved up four spots from June 9 to June 10 to finish in a tie for 17th place in the Division 1 competition.

On June 9, Hayward was tied for 21st with a 75, three strokes over par. On June 10, he scored a 76 for a total of 151, seven strokes over par but then in a three-way tie for 17th.

Wtt-Birn, Lena come up short in baseball sectional finals

Lena and Wittenberg-Birnamwood baseball teams each came within a game of advancing to the state tournament, but each was defeated June 10 in their sectional final games.

Division 3

Wittenberg-Birnamwood advanced to the sectional final after beating Oconto 3-0 at Chilton High School.

Seeded at the top in their bracket, the Chargers moved on to face Kewaunee, second seed in its bracket, after Kewaunee beat Chilton 1-0.

Kewaunee prevailed in the sectional final 6-5 to move on to the state tournament.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood, which won the CWC East with a 13-1 record, finished the season 26-3 overall.

According to wissports.net, Zandyr Barke led

the Chargers with a .494 batting average, followed by Owen Dickman with a .410.

Dickman and Oliver Fraaza each had 26 RBIs.

Chris Sippl recorded 10 wins on the mound, and Barke had six.

Division 4

Lena, seeded No. 1, first defeated St. Thomas Aquinas 4-3 in the sectional semifinal game at Memorial Field in Plover.

Pacelli, also seeded No. 1 in its bracket, advanced to the sectional final with a 6-3 win over Gibraltar/Washington Island.

In the sectional final game, Pacelli moved on to state with an 8-1 victory over the Wildcats.

Lena finished the regular season in a two-way tie for second in the Marinette & Oconto Conference with a 9-3 record. The team was 14-7 overall.

Shawano athletes earn recognition for all-conference

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

More than two dozen Shawano Community High School athletes earned all-conference honors in the Bay Conference spring sports season.

Senior infielder Pete Bruette was a first team unanimous selection for baseball.

Senior infielder Crew Weisnicht was named to the second team. Honorable mention was earned by junior pitcher Grant Keszo and junior utility player and designated hitter Ayden Bystol.

On the softball team, senior outfielder Marissa Tomashek and senior infielder Ella Stuber were unanimous selections for the first team.

Junior pitcher Kadence Meyers was named to the second team, and junior infielder Gracee Johnson was named to the honorable mention team.

Senior forward Trinity Popelka was named to the soccer team first team.

Senior Kyla Dove made second team defense. Honorable mention was earned by senior midfielder Adrienne Rekow and junior Madelyn Moesch on defense.

The doubles duo of Hail Abraham Kim and Evan Anderson were named to

the first team for tennis. Second team honors were awarded to the doubles team of Kiernan Sheldon and Charlie Grieves.

For the girls track and field team, first team honors went to the 4x200 team of senior Adalyn Barkley, junior Maci Beyer, freshman Mikelah Powers and junior Tela Hopfensperger. The same four were honored in the 4x400, and Beyer was named first team in the high jump.

Bailey Hendricks, a junior, was named to the second team for the 1,600-meter run, as was senior Bailey DeFere in the discus.

Honorable mention went to Barkley in the triple jump and senior Madisyn Weinig in the discus.

For the boys, juniors Bryce Lammers and Aiden Rasmussen and sophomores Maverick Theis and Cambren Zeuske were honored in the 4x200-meter relay.

Senior Francesco Curto was named to the second team in the 110-meter hurdles. Honorable mention went to the 4x400 team of juniors Joshua Lesperance and Ryan Schwitzer, Theis and Zeuske.

Blake Knope earned honorable mention status for the golf team.

Local athletes earn player of the year honors in golf, baseball, softball

Lena's Mason Belongia is the golfer of the year for 2025 in the Marinette & Oconto Conference.

Joining him on the all-conference first team were teammates Copper Demmith and Mason Spice.

Tanner Behnke and Vance Turecek were named to the second team.

Lena was also the conference champion.

In baseball, senior Tyler

Shallow was the conference player of the year. He was joined on the first team by junior Colt Miller.

Second team honors were earned by senior Dane Comins, senior Caleb Schlosser and Spice.

Also on the second team was Parker Haak, a junior on the Gillett/Suring squad.

Honorable mention was earned by Mikey Pecanus,

a Gillett/Suring senior, and Isaac Peterson, a Lena freshman.

Gillett/Suring infielder Emma Kristof, a senior, is the softball player of the year. With her on the all-conference first team were senior Maddy Kushner, a catcher with the Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy team and sophomore Adrena Rabas, an outfielder with the Lena/STAA team.

Named to the second team were Peyton Dorow, senior, pitcher, Lena/STAA; Hannah Thomson, senior, infielder, Lena/STAA; and Clara School, sophomore, outfielder, Gillett/Suring.

Honorable mention status was earned by Gillett/Suring sophomore Aleena Broetzman and Lena/STAA senior Hanna Parrett.

Menominee notches pair of BABA wins

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

East/West Division June 15
Crandon 3, Marion 1
Matt Schallhorn had two hits to help lead the Kentucks over the Meisters.

Nick Schoen, Jake Westphal, Hayden Miller and Kaleb Roth had a hit for Marion.

Curtis Paschen picked up the win, and Joe Weyenberg took the loss.

Tigerton 9, Shawano 5
Jayden Sivertson and Tyler Steinbach led Tigerton with three and two hits, respectively, as Patrick Bailey got the win on the mound.

Robert Zhukosee had two of Shawano's hits, while Kaiden Ihrke and

Kris Krause each added a double.

Jacob Springborn took the loss for Shawano.

Gresham 13, Tilleda 3 (7 inn.)
Jerzy Bocker, Trayvon Granquist and Carter Weisnicht each had two hits in the Gophers' win.

Aiden Brei had two hits for Tilleda.

Paul Murphy picked up the win, and Zach Fehrman took the loss.

Neopit 6, Caroline 3
Bob Peters and Jamison Beasaw had two hits for the Chiefs, and winning pitcher Walker Miller added a home run in a win over the Cougars.

Klay Barkow led Caroline with two hits and also took the loss on the mound.

Menominee 8, Leopoli

lis 2
Jordan Johnson picked up the win on the mound as the Indians completed a sweep of a pair of weekend games.

Pete Bruette led Menominee with three hits, while Mitchell Vande-Walle, George Bruette and Eli Zablocki added two each.

Jaden Stuhr had three hits to lead Leopoli at the plate, and Ryan Malueg took the loss.

Little Falls 17, Clintonville 7
Clintonville came up with seven runs, but still came up 10 short against the Loggers.

Kyle Finger had three hits and drove in three runs to lead Little Falls at the plate. Parker Gullixon added a pair of doubles,

and Drew Radies and Spencer Strebe also drove in three runs each.

Hunter Vollmer had three hits for the A's, while Colton Kluth added two hits and Brock Smejkal hit a home run and drove in a pair of runs.

Carter Kurki picked up the win on the mound, and Jaden Doornink took the loss.

June 13
Menominee 9, Crandon 6
The Indians defeated the Kentucks under the lights in Keshena. No other details were available.

North Division June 15
Birnamwood 18, Hatley 3
The Kings headed to Hatley and returned home with a 15-run win over the

Braves.

Zander Barke led Birnamwood with four hits, while Owen Dickman and Tommy Gagnon added three each, and Conner Meverden and Evan Meverden had two.

Nick Cotter and Tanner Kocher led the Braves with three and two hits, respectively.

Mason Meverden picked up the win and Kocher took the loss.

Eland 15, Aniwa 7 (10 inn.)
Tyler Nelson and Jacob Ligenza each had four of Eland's 21 hits, while Charlie Woida, Ryan Richter, Nicholas Barnes, Shane Larson, Jarod Richter and Joe Buss added two each.

Chris Weisman hit a game-tying two-run home run with two outs in the

bottom of the ninth inning, but the Orioles still came up short.

Weisman and Gavin Steppert led Aniwa with three hits each.

Dylan Trigg picked up the win on the mound, and Roman Maguire took the loss.

June 13
Wittenberg's home game against Elderon was rained out.

June 13
Scandinavia 6, Weymont 0
Cyle Zblewski struck out 13 batters and held the White Bass scoreless while picking up the complete-game win.

Jesse Dickert had two hits for the Vikings, while Brock Wilde, Trevor Wetzel and Wyatt Wetzel had a hit for Weymont.

Cecil gets 10-inning Dairyland win over Nichols

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

June 15
Cecil 8, Nichols 7 (10 inn.)
Ken Casper's run-scoring single in the bottom of the 10th inning broke a 7-7 tie and gave the Mudhens a home win over the Nitros.

Cecil opened the scoring in the bottom of the first on an RBI single from Noah Beilfuss.

Nichols took a 3-2 lead in the fourth, but the

Mudhens regained the lead in the bottom half of the inning.

Nichols tied the game at 4-4 in the fifth inning as Justin Krull stole home, but a Nitros error led to the Mudhens taking a 5-4 lead in the sixth.

The Nitros tied the game again at 5-5 in the seventh, but Brodie Hartmann's RBI double in the bottom of the eighth and Reese Stoltzenow's single gave Cecil a two-run advantage.

The Nitros tied the

game at 7-7 with a pair of runs in the top of the ninth before Casper came up with the game-winning hit in the next inning.

Relief pitcher Jack Acdar picked up the win on the mound, and Jonny Pinter took the loss for Nichols.

The teams combined for 33 hits in the game, including 19 from Cecil and 14 from Nichols.

Pulaski 9, Shawano 8
The Reds trailed heading into the eighth inning, but came back to get a win

over the Lobos.

Austin Hendricks picked up the win on the mound.

Waupaca 5, Hofa Park 0
Brenden Canterbury's three-run home run in the bottom of the eighth inning helped the Lakemen defeat the Panthers.

Winning pitcher Cam Seidl held Hofa Park scoreless over five innings and finished with 12 strikeouts.

Brett Ellestad allowed two runs over seven innings and took the loss on

the mound.

Canterbury finished with four RBIs, and Alex Pankratz had two of Waupaca's nine hits.

Hortonville at Bonduel
No results available.

Marinette at Navarino
No results available.

June 13
Bonduel 8, Cecil 2
The Broncos had 12 hits in a win over the Mudhens.

Easton Reinke led the way for Bonduel with three hits, while Chase

Reinke, Barret Bohm and Cade Johnson chipped in with two each.

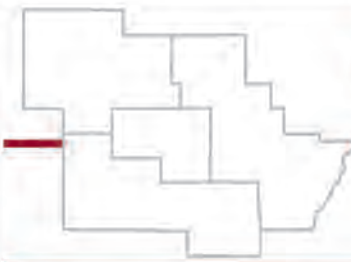
Chase Reinke held Cecil to two runs and struck out seven batters to get the win on the mound.

Ken Kasper and Noah Beilfuss each had two of the Mudhens' seven hits.

Hofa Park 3, Pulaski 2
Hofa Park handed the Reds a one-run loss.

Waupaca at Hortonville
No results available.

Marinette at Shawano
Game postponed.



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The Department has tentatively decided that the above specified WPDES permit should be reissued.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Brian Hanson, DNR, 647 Lakeland Rd., Shawano, WI, 54166-3843, (920) 366-3302, Brian.Hanson@wisconsin.gov

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, the terms of the nutrient management plan, or the application, or to request a public informational hearing may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Anyone providing comments in response to this public notice will receive a notification of the Department's final decision when the permit is re-issued. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination. If no comments are received on the proposed permit from anyone, including U.S. EPA, the permit will be re-issued as proposed.

The Department may schedule a public informational hearing if within 30 days of the public date of this notice, a request for a hearing is filed by any person. The Department shall schedule a public informational hearing if a petition requesting a hearing is received from USEPA or from 5 or more persons or if the Department determines there is significant public interest. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit and fact sheet (if required), the operation's nutrient management plan and application may be inspected and copied at the permit drafter's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (920) 366-3302 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (15 cents per page for copies and 7 cents per page for scanning) will be charged for information in the file other than the public notice and fact sheet. Permit information is also available on the internet at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/PublicNotices.html>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be made to qualified individuals upon request.

NAME OF PUBLISHING NEWSPAPER: Shawano Leader
ADDRESS OF PUBLISHING NEWSPAPER: 1464 E Green Bay St., Shawano, WI 54166
Date Notice Issued: Friday, June 20, 2025
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06/13/25, 06/20/25, 06/27/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN - CIRCUIT
COURT - BROWN COUNTY

CREATIVE FINANCE, INC.
815 Business Park Road
PO Box 454
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965,
Plaintiff,
v.

CORY DEWAYNE REED.
W3249 East Slab City Road
Bonduel, WI 54107
Defendant.

Case No. 25CV4040
6-02-2025

SUMMONS
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

To each person named above as a Defendant:
You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above Creative Finance, Inc., by its attorney, Christopher M. Kern, filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.

Within Forty (40) days the 2nd day of June, 2025, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is: Clerk of Circuit Court, Brown County Courthouse, 100 South Jefferson Street, PO Box 23600, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54305, and to Plaintiff's attorney, Christopher M. Kern, 815 Business Park Road, PO Box 454, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin, 53965. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper answer within forty (40) days, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real Clerk of Circuit Court Brown County, WI 2025CV000404.

estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property. Dated this 2nd day of June, 2025.

General Counsel for Plaintiff

Signed By: Christopher M. Kern
Christopher M. Kern

State Bar Number: 1093883

Creative Finance, Inc.
815 Business Park Road
P.O. Box 454

Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
Phone: (808) 254-8855
Fax: (808) 253-5005

legal@creativefinanceinc.com
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06/06/25, 06/13/25, 06/20/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT
COURT SHAWANO COUNTY

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

Plaintiff,

vs.

Allen Michael Kersten

Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Case No. 24-CV-000230

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on March 12, 2025 in the amount of \$90,446.99 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:

TIME: July 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold as is and subject to all liens and encumbrances.

PLACE: In the front lobby of the Shawano County Courthouse, City and County of Shawano

DESCRIPTION: PART OF BLOCK THIRTEEN (13) OF THE VILLAGE ELAND ORIGINAL PLAT DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A CEDAR STAKE 285 FEET NORTH AND 330 FEET WEST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF BLOCK NO. THIRTEEN (13) OF THE VILLAGE OF ELAND; THENCE WEST PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID BLOCK, 224 FEET TO A CERTAIN CEDAR STAKE; THENCE IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION PARALLEL TO THE EAST BOUNDARY OF MILL SITE, 90 FEET TO A CERTAIN CEDAR STAKE; THENCE EAST PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID BLOCK, 191 FEET AND THREE INCHES TO A CEDAR STAKE; THENCE NORTH PARALLEL TO THE EAST BOUNDARY OF SAID BLOCK, 84 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. ACCORDING TO SURVEY OF SAME HERETOFORE ESTABLISHED. ALL IN THE VILLAGE OF ELAND, SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: N7716 Pine St

Eland, WI 54427-9507

DATED: April 14, 2025

Gray & Associates, L.L.P.,

Attorneys for Plaintiff

16345 West Glendale Drive

New Berlin, WI 53151-2841

(414) 224-8404

George Lenzner

Shawano County Sheriff

Please go to www.gray-law.com to obtain the bid for this sale. Gray & Associates, L.L.P., is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.

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06/20/25, 06/27/25, 07/04/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT
COURT
FAMILY COURT BRANCH
SHAWANO COUNTY

In Re The Marriage Of:
Craig Armour,
Petitioner,
v.

Jennifer Armour,
Respondent.

NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING

Case No. 20 FA 118

To: Craig Armour
N3991 Maple Lane
Tigerton, WI 54486

IT IS ORDERED:

This Notice be published advising you that a Notice of Motion and Motion for Contempt in this matter be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, Branch 1, 2nd Floor, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin 54166 on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, before the Honorable Katherine Sloma, Circuit Court Judge.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR, the court may hear testimony in support of the allegations in the Motion for Contempt and grant the request of the Respondent to find the Petitioner in contempt. If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526-9352 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not

provide transportation Attorney Mark J. Tyczkowski Remley Law, S.C. 2 Neenah Center - Suite 100 Neenah, WI 54956 Telephone: 920-725-2601 State Bar: 1011571

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06/06/25, 06/13/25, 06/20/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT
COURT SHAWANO COUNTY

Novus Home Mortgage, a division of Ixonia Bank
c/o Cenlar FSB
425 Phillips Blvd., FC-236
Ewing, NJ 08518
Plaintiff,

vs.

Allison Cohoon
618 E Division St
Shawano, WI 54166-2506

John Doe Cohoon
618 E Division St
Shawano, WI 54166-2506

Defendants.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS

Case No. 25-CV-000093

The Honorable William F. Kussel Jr.

Case Code 30404

(Foreclosure of Mortgage)

The amount claimed exceeds \$10,000.00

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

To each person named above as a defendant:

You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.

Within 40 days after June 6, 2025 you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166-2145 and to Gray & Associates, L.L.P., plaintiff's attorney, 16345 West Glendale Drive, New Berlin, WI 53151-2841. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

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

Dated this 22nd day of May, 2025.

Gray & Associates, L.L.P.,

Attorneys for Plaintiff

Robert M. Plette

State Bar No. 1018058

Case No. 25-CV-000093

16345 West Glendale Drive

New Berlin, WI 53151-2841

(414) 224-1987

Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.

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06/06/25, 06/13/25, 06/20/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN COURT,
SHAWANO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Barbara J. Kosmal DOD 03/06/2025

Notice to Creditors

(Informal Administration)

Case No. 25 PR 30

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 07/15/1940 and date of death

03/06/2025, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 725 Randall ST Shawano, WI 54166.

3. All interested persons waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is September 10, 2025.

5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office - James E. Aschenbrenner P.O. Box 146, Shawano, WI 54166, USA 715 524 6258 1008896

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06/20/25, 06/27/25, 07/04/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN COURT,
SHAWANO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Patricia M. Hoffman

DOD 04/07/2025

Notice to Creditors (Informal

Administration)

Case No. 25 PR 38

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/12/1938 and date of death

04/07/2025, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1341 Schabow ST Gresham, WI 54128.

3. All interested persons waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is September 19, 2025.

5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office

James E. Aschenbrenner P.O. Box 146, Shawano, WI 54166 USA 715 524

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Notice of Public Hearing

Planning, Development and Zoning

Committee Meeting

Wednesday, July 2, 2025 @ 9:00 AM

Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A & B

Members: Ken Capelle, Jeremy

Gretzinger, Lowell Hammett, Kathy

Luebke, Theresa Serrano

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Shawano County Planning, Development and Zoning Committee under the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 40, in Rooms A/B of the Shawano County Courthouse on July 2, 2025 at 9AM, to consider the following application:

CU-4-25: Tabb R and Sarah J Magee request conditional use permit for the purpose of establishing a Commercial Animal Services and Boarding (land use) in the OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District on approximately 10.23 total acres. Property is located and described as part of the SW ¼ of the NE ¼, Section 10, T27N R14E located in the Town of Herman. Tax Parcel #024-10130-0010. Property address: N6750 County A Road, Gresham, WI 54128.

CU-5-25: Christopher T and Sandra J Lecher Revocable Trust of 2024 request conditional use permit for the purpose of constructing a 40' x 80' Hunting, Fishing or Recreational Shelter (land use) in the FP, Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District on approximately 35.80 total acres. Property is located and described as part of the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ lying East of Road, Section 11, T26N R12E located in the Town of Fairbanks. Tax Parcel #014-11240-0000. Property address: N4336 Spiegel Road, Tigerton, WI 54486.

Any interested person may address the Planning, Development and Zoning Committee by letter or appear in person, or by agent, and be heard at the public hearing. Written correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer. The Committee will accept and review all previously received pertinent information relative to the above listed item(s) during the open session of the public hearing on July 2, 2025. Notice is further given that printed copies of these proposals are available for public inspection in the Planning and Development office during regular business hours.

Please note that upon reasonable notice, effort will be made to accommodate the needs of any person wishing to attend who, because of disability, requires special accommodation through appropriate aids and services. Call 715-526-6766 to leave a message for arrangements.

Dated this 4th day of June, 2025.

For: The Shawano County Planning, Development and Zoning Committee

By: Kyle Waelchli, Zoning Administrator

NOTE: Any person may appear at the public hearing and be heard and/or submit comments to be read into the record for Committee consideration.

Correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer.

Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766

Meeting notice emailed/posted: Shawano County Courthouse, Department of Human Services, Shawano County Library, Shawano Leader, WTCH Radio, Shawano County Civic website @ coshawanow.civicweb.net

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06/13/25, 06/20/25, 06/27/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN COURT,
SHAWANO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

JANICE E. LARSON

DOD 02/08/2025

Notice Setting Time to Hear

Application

and Deadline for Filing Claims

(Informal Administration)

Case No. 25PR36

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 12/26/1942 and date of death

02/08/2025, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of c/o Meadow View Assisted Living, 400 W. Mill Street, Bonduel, WI 54107.

3. The application will be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St. Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, before Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar, on July 15, 2025 at 10:00 am.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is September 14, 2025.

5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St. Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202.

6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.

Dated: June 3, 2025

Electronically signed by Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar

Attorney Magnus Zaunmueller

Menn Law Firm, Ltd.

2501 E. Enterprise Avenue

06/13/2025, 06/20/2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Shawano Plan Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 25, 2025, at 5:00 PM at Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St., Shawano, WI to consider the following:

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT to allow Steven Hottenstine to have a 8' x 10' temporary shelter structure at 846/848 S. Park Street, Shawano, WI per City of Shawano Municipal Code Section 10-86(4) Temporary shelter structure, as a conditional use. The property is located in the Multi Family Residential-10 (MR-10) zoning district. *(Legal description: City of Shawano Assessors Map Prt Blk 22 Com 60' N o f NW Cor Blk 4 Kadletz 1st Add to City Th E 77.39' Th N 124' Th W 77.29' Th S 124' to POB; Tax parcel #281-404001940).*

At the above time and place all interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard.

Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk
City of Shawano.

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ORDINANCE NO.: 2043

SPONSORED BY: Alderperson Barkow

INTRODUCED BY: Meyer

SECONDED BY: Young

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHAWANO, WISCONSIN, DO ORDAIN that CHAPTER 1, GENERAL GOVERNMENT, SECTION 1.07 Plan Commission, is hereby amended as follows:
§ 1.07 Plan Commission.

Members. The Commission shall consist of the Mayor, who shall be its presiding officer, two Alderpersons, who shall be appointed by the Council, and six citizens. Citizen members shall be persons of recognized experience and qualifications. Citizen members shall be appointed for three-year terms by the Mayor, subject to confirmation of the Council.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

CITY OF SHAWANO

Adopted: June 11, 2025 By: /s/ Bruce Milavitz
Bruce Milavitz, Mayor

Published: June 20, 2025 By: /s/ Lesley Nemetz
Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk

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06/20/2025

ORDINANCE NO.: 2044

SPONSORED BY: Alderperson Barkow

INTRODUCED BY: Meyer

SECONDED BY: Hoeffs

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHAWANO, WISCONSIN, DO ORDAIN that CHAPTER 9, PUBLIC NUISANCES, SECTION 9.08 Chronic Public Nuisances – Residential and Commercial Properties, is hereby created.

Ordinance #2044 puts in place a plan and procedure for law enforcement to act on chronic public nuisances for both residential and commercial properties.

Due to the extended length of the ordinance, a full version of the ordinance can be obtained by visiting the city's website or by sending a request via email to lnemetz@cityofshawano.com.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

CITY OF SHAWANO

Adopted: June 11, 2025 By: /s/ Bruce Milavitz
Bruce Milavitz, Mayor

Published: June 20, 2025 By: /s/ Lesley Nemetz
Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk

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06/20/2025

TOWN OF WESCOTT

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following applications for alcohol beverage licenses have been filed with the Clerk in the Town of Wescott for the licensing period of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Names and addresses of applicants are as follows:

CLASS "B" BEER AND "CLASS B" LIQUOR

American AMVETS Post #10 – agent Bobbette Hacker, W5785 Lake Dr, Shawano, WI 54166

Golfside, LLC-agent Anthony Powers, W5802 Lake Dr, Shawano, WI 54166

Classic's Restaurant & Lounge LLC – agent Robin Himebauch, W6026 Lake Dr, Shawano, WI 54166

Shalagoco LLC – agent Kort Knope, W5714 Lake Dr, Shawano, WI 54166

Jeff & Tammy's Lighthouse LLC-agent Jeffery Stachowiak, W6440 Gumaer Rd, Shawano, WI 54166

Billy's Higher Wire, LLC -agent Victoria Weaver, N6017 Lake Dr, Shawano, WI 54166

Acres for Recreation- Agent Monique Knope- N6999 Retreat Rd, Shawano, WI 54166

Brothers Pub, LLC- agent Dustin White, N5867 Lake Dr, Shawano, WI 54166

Coachlight Bar and Grill, LLC- agent Gregory Buss, W5814 Lake Dr, Shawano, WI 54166

Bamboo Bar, LLC- agent Rory Burns, W5884 Cedar Ct, Shawano, WI 54166

Big Time Sports Bar and Grill, Inc, agent Tawni Belonger, W6014 Lake Dr, Shawano, WI 54166

Brother Pub, LLC- agent Jeffrey White, N5858 Lake Dr, Shawano, WI 54166

Docker's On The Corner Supper Club,LLC-agent Scott Mocco, N5846 Lake Dr

CLASS "A" BEER AND "CLASS A" LIQUOR

Lake Mart LLC-agent Tammy Hass, N6612 Lake Dr, Shawano, WI 54166

Shawano Mini Mart, LLC. – agent Prabhu Dhungana, N5847 State Road 47-55, Shawano, WI 54166

SIX-MONTH CLASS "B" BEER

Shawano Archery Club – agent Mary Pluger, N5820 Old Lake Rd, Shawano, WI 54166

CLASS "B" BEER

Holzmann Motorsports, LLC-agent Robert Holzmann-W5901 Cty Rd BE-Shawano, WI 54166

Angela Vreeke, Clerk

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Town of Lessor

Notice of Alcoholic Beverage License Application

Notice is Herby Given that the following renewal application has been filed with the clerk of the Town of Lessor.

Class B Combination License:

Applicants: Brandon Diemel and Baylee Mauthe (Sportsmans Bar of Navarino LLC) ,

Tavern is located at W4114 State Hwy 156, Bonduel.

Alexis Olson, Clerk

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TOWN OF RED SPRINGS

NOTICE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following alcohol license applications for the year July 1, 2025 thru June 30, 2026 have been filed with the Town of Red Springs Clerk, Gwen Olsen, W11019 W, Townhall Rd., Gresham, WI

CLASS B COMBINATION (Beer & Liquor)

Pine Hills Golf Course/Supper Club

N9499 Pine Hills Drive, Gresham, WI 54128

Many Trails Banquet Hall

N4698 Big Lake Road, Gresham, WI 54128

Jeremey Pennewell - Agent

Captain's Cove Resort, LLC

N9099 Big Lake Road, Gresham, WI 54128

Doug Gay- Agent

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06/20/2025

TOWN OF BARTELME

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that an application has been filed with the Town Clerk for a Class A license to deal in the sale of beer and intoxicating liquor at the Little Star Convenience Store for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026:

Location of premises
W12140 CTH A Bowler, WI 54416.

Agent Shannon Holsey
Beth Grosskopf
Town of Bartelme Clerk

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TOWN OF BARTELME

SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that the following application for Combination Class B license to deal in the sale of alcoholic beverages, including beer and liquor, has been filed with the Town Clerk for the following described premises:

North Star Casino gaming room, bingo hall, bar, storage areas, and hotel premises located at: W12180 CTH A, Bowler, WI 54416 for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026

Agent Shannon Holsey
Beth Grosskopf
Town of Bartelme, Clerk

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Don't store it in the attic. SELL IT!





NEW MEDIA INC.

715-526-6188

06/20/2025

NOTICE OF ANNUAL JOINT REVIEW MEETING

FOR TAX INCREMENTAL FINANCE DISTRICTS NO. 1 & 2

VILLAGE OF GRESHAM

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Gresham will hold a meeting of the Joint Review Board (JRB) for the Village of Gresham TIF Districts on Thursday, June 26, 2025, 9:00 A.M. at the Gresham Village Hall, 801 Main Street, Gresham, WI. Representatives of tax underlying districts are encouraged to attend.

Judith Kristof, Clerk
Village of Gresham

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06/20/2025, 06/27/2025

Deputy Clerk/Deputy Court Clerk

The City of Shawano wants you to join our team! There are so many amazing things happening in our community, and we would like you to be a part of it. We are currently seeking applications for the position of Deputy Clerk/Deputy Court Clerk. Under the direction of the City Clerk/Community Relations Manager, this position provides high-level professional administrative support to the office of the City Clerk/Community Relations Manager. Responsibilities include a wide range of complex duties such as election administration, records management, agenda and minute management, and issuance of licenses and permits, all performed in compliance with state statutes, local ordinances, and city policies. This role requires a strong commitment to delivering exceptional customer service to the public, elected officials, and city staff. This position also serves as the Deputy Municipal Court Clerk in the absence of the Municipal Court Clerk.

The complete job description as well as information regarding the application process can be found online at www.cityofshawano.com. The starting wage will be \$20.00 - \$23.00 per hour, DOQ. This position also provides an excellent fringe benefits package.

Please send a cover letter, resume, and completed application to Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk/Community Relations Manager, at 127 S. Sawyer Street, Shawano, Wisconsin 54166, or email to lnemetz@cityofshawano.com. Application closing date: Thursday, July 3, 2025, by 4:00 PM.

For additional questions, please contact Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk/Community Relations Manager with the City of Shawano at lnemetz@cityofshawano.com or by phone at (715) 701-8903.

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JOB VACANCY POSTING

Job Title: Assistant Cook

Hours: 5-6 hours per day, exact hours to be determined

Position: Part-time

Starting Salary: \$15.00/hr, negotiable based on experience. This part-time position is eligible for Wisconsin Retirement System benefits.

Job Description: The School District of Bowler is seeking an enthusiastic and positive Assistant Part-time Cook. Duties include, but are not limited to, food preparation and serving of nutritious meals to students and staff. Assisting with dish washing and cleaning of the kitchen and cafeteria.

Qualifications/Duties:

- Experience in food preparation/baking/serving is required
- Work as a team member in providing quality food preparation and service to school-aged youth and staff
- Basic math computations
- Ability to lift to 50 pounds
- Effectively operate kitchen equipment
- Work with cleaning agents
- Able to do considerable bending and standing for long periods on cement floors
- Ability to tolerate a wide range of temperatures (refrigerator, freezer, cooking, etc.)
- Maintain high standards of sanitation, personal hygiene, etc.
- Work quickly and efficiently, and demonstrate time management skills
- Attend periodic trainings
- Other related duties assigned

To apply for this position, submit a cover letter with qualifications and a Bowler School employment application along with the policy-required background check form to the Bowler School District Office.

Mail: School District of Bowler Attn: Christine Backes
500 South Almon Street Bowler, WI 54416
Email: christinebackes@bowler.k12.wi.us

- Positions could lead to full-time.

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Email your story ideas to
news@newmedia-wi.com

50-year membership award



Ronald Schwanz, right, was awarded a Certificate of Continuous Membership for 50 years of membership in the John Owen American Legion Post 287 in Mattoon. Post Commander Steve Henry presented the certificate at a spring meeting. Schwanz is a Navy veteran. CONTRIBUTED

OBITUARIES

Cheryl Ann Klapste



Cheryl Ann Klapste, 76, of Shawano, passed away on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at her home.

Cheryl was born Aug. 15, 1948, in Shawano to the late Curtis and Maxin (Stroud) Inderahl. On June 21, 1966, she was united in marriage to Richard Klapste in Wittenberg.

Throughout the years, Cheryl had many jobs, including bus driving, Meals on Wheels and drove clients to doctor appointments through the ADRC. She owned a couple of businesses as well, including Sleepy Haven Motel in Wittenberg and Morning Glory Distribution.

Cheryl loved to travel with her family and friends. She volunteered her time with the AM-VETS Auxiliary. She adored animals, especially her dogs, Minni and Olivia.

Cheryl is survived

by her former spouse, Richard; children, Tamara McCabe, Lynn Klapste, David (Jennifer) Klapste and Shelly (Greg Polzin) Klapste; grandchildren, Cheyenne (Matthew) Gray, Rachel Klapste, Jonathon Klapste, Calynn McCabe and Autumn McCabe; many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Gail Schopke; and special

friend, Janet Wickman.

Cheryl was preceded in death by brothers, Kurt Inderahl and William Inderahl; son-in-law, Mike McCabe; special dog, Angelo; and special friend, Patronella Stoik.

A celebration of Cheryl's life will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 22, 2025, at Shawano American Legion.

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06/20/2025
Notice of Application for Liquor License
Notice is hereby given that the following application for a Class B Beer & Liquor license has been filed with the Village Clerk.
Name: Jeanne Groshek
Trade Name: Mark's Bar
Address: 211402 State Hwy 49, Elderon, WI 54429

Notice of Application for Liquor License
Notice is hereby given that the following application for a Class B Beer & Liquor license has been filed with the Village Clerk.
Name: Julie Wanta
Trade Name: Mama's Place
Address: 184012 State Hwy 153, Elderon, WI 54429

Notice of Application for Liquor License
Notice is hereby given that the following application for a Class B Beer & Liquor license has been filed with the Village Clerk.
Name: Amanda Schmidt
Trade Name: Straight Home, LLC
Address: 184080 State Hwy 153, Elderon, WI 54429

Notice of Application for Liquor License
Notice is hereby given that the following application for a Class A Beer & Liquor license has been filed with the Village Clerk.
Name: Chris Brown
Trade Name: Elderon Food Store
Address: 211212 State Hwy 49, Elderon, WI 54429

Rob H. Wyman: Village of Elderon Clerk
June 5, 2025
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• Mitchell T. Malone, 39, Gresham, pleaded no contest June 10 to three misdemeanor charges of negligent operation of a motor vehicle. The charges were amended from felony counts in a plea agreement. Judge Katherine Sloma levied fines and sentenced him to 60 days in county jail.

• Alex J. Cassidy, 36, Algoma, had his probation revoked April 25 from a 2021 conviction for possession of methamphetamine. Sloma sentenced him June 12 to one year in county jail.

• Jose L. Fermin, 48, Bowler, pleaded no contest June 12 to felony bail jumping and driving or operating a vehicle without the owner's consent. Sloma imposed and stayed a prison sentence, then placed him on three years of probation with conditions.

• After a preliminary hearing, Sloma dismissed a felony bail jumping charge against Leonard J. Pecore, 32, of Neopit, ruling that the state failed to meet the burden of proof that a crime had occurred.

• Kenneth W. Long, 26, Suring, was charged June 9 with four counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of carrying a concealed weapon and resisting or obstructing an officer. Judge William Kussel

Jr. set a \$2,500 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for July 9.

• Macheonquet Peters, 20, Suring, was charged June 9 with four counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of carrying a concealed weapon and resisting or obstructing an officer. Kussel set a \$3,000 cash bond, and Sloma scheduled a status conference for July 14.

• Latasha J. Linders, 44, Shawano, was charged June 9 with a sex offender registration violation. Kussel set a \$5,000 signature bond and scheduled a status conference for Aug. 12.

• Bernard G. Doud, 33, Neopit, was charged June 10 with battery or threat to a law officer, three counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of disorderly conduct and resisting or obstructing an officer. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 26.

• Andres Garcia, 31, Shawano, was charged June 10 with felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond, ordered a competency evaluation and scheduled a review hearing for July 29.

• Rodney G. Reed, 33, Green

Bay, was charged June 10 with possession of THC (second or subsequent offense). Kussel set a \$1,500 signature bond and scheduled a status conference for Aug. 4.

• Aleta M. Kinney, 35, Shawano, was charged June 11 with child abuse intentionally causing harm and a misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct. Kussel set a \$2,500 signature bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 25.

• Autumn T. Grulkowski, 23, Suring, was charged June 13 with first-degree recklessly endangering safety, possession of narcotic drugs, and a misdemeanor count of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (first offense). Kussel set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 20.

• Laura L. Kelley, 44, Green Bay, was charged June 13 with three counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (second offense) and operating while revoked. Kussel set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 20.

• Tyson A. Peters, 31, Shawano, was charged June 13 with possession of methamphetamine, 15 counts of felony

bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of child neglect and possession of drug parapher-

nal. Kussel set a \$5,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 20.

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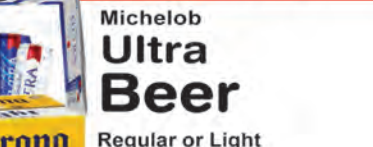
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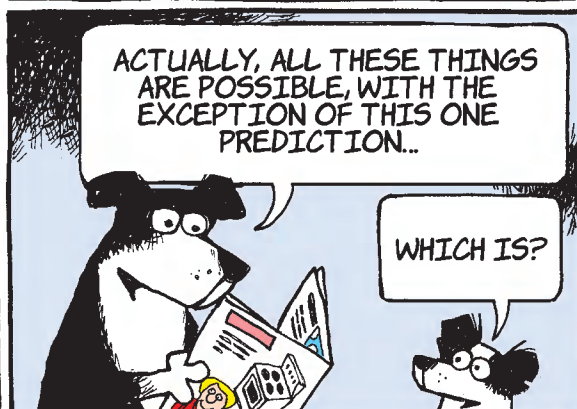
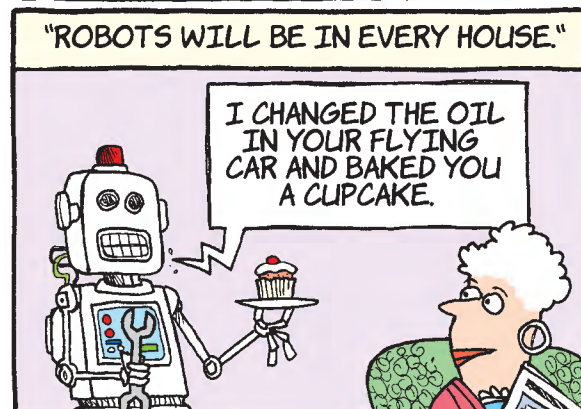
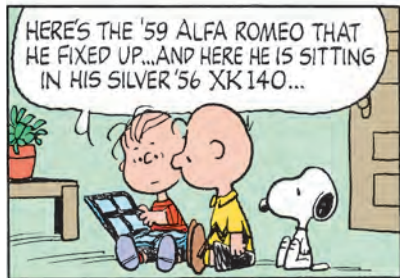
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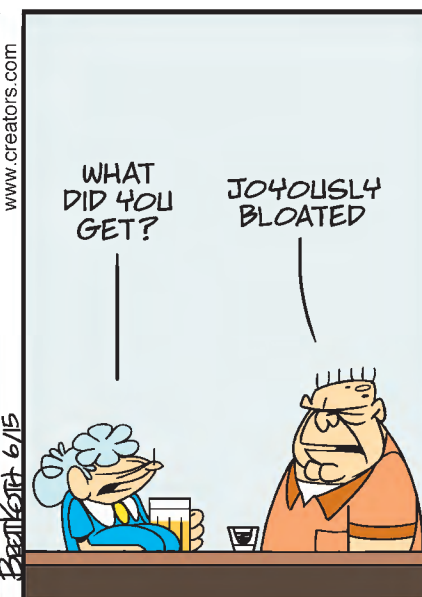
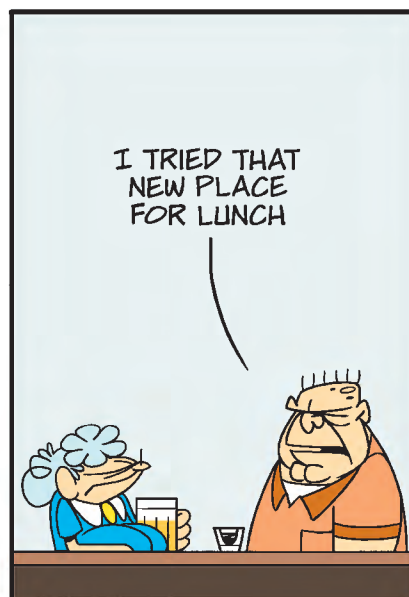
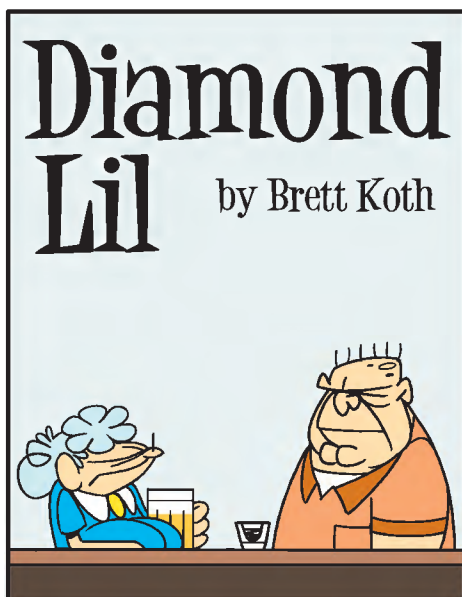
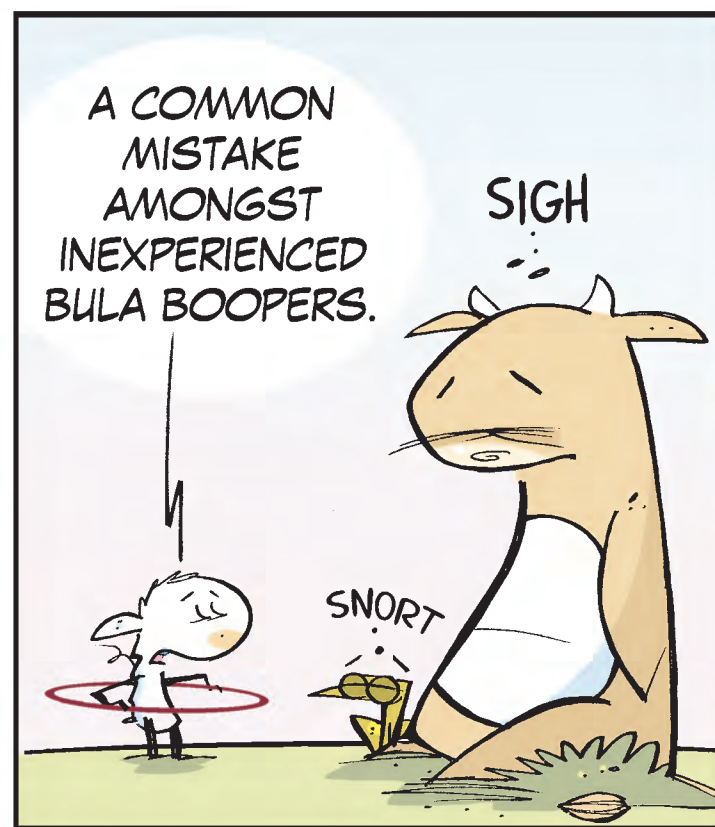
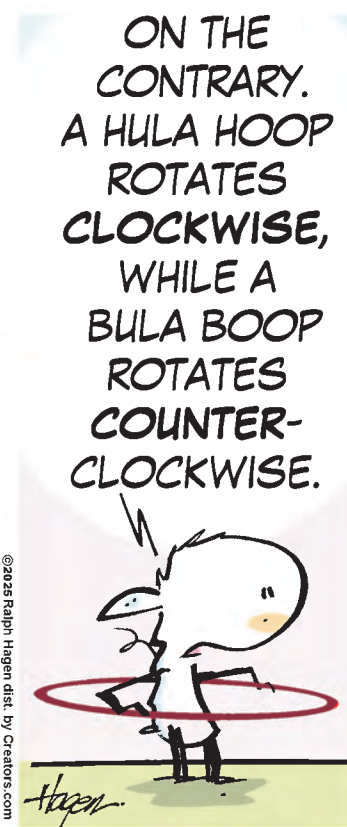
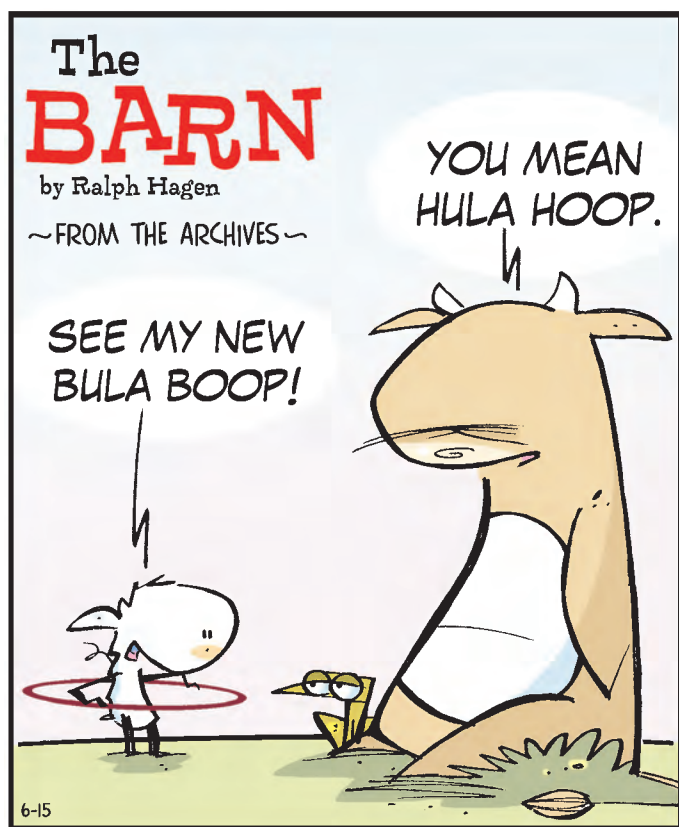
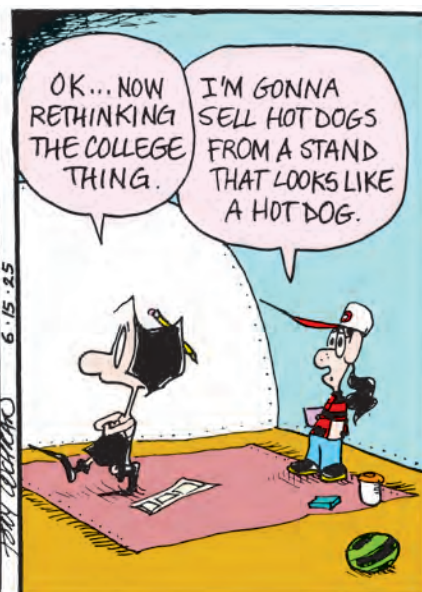
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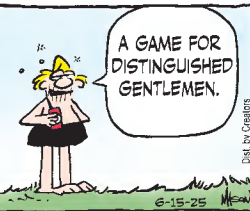
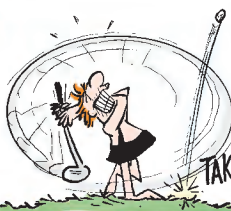
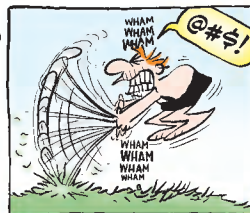
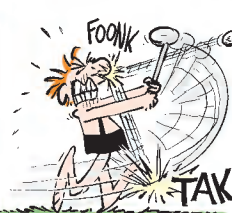
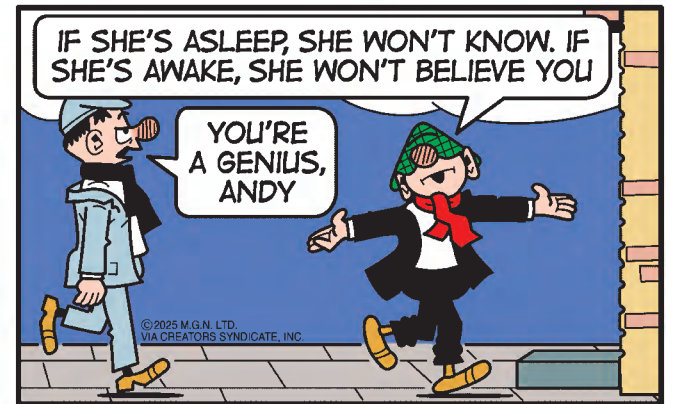
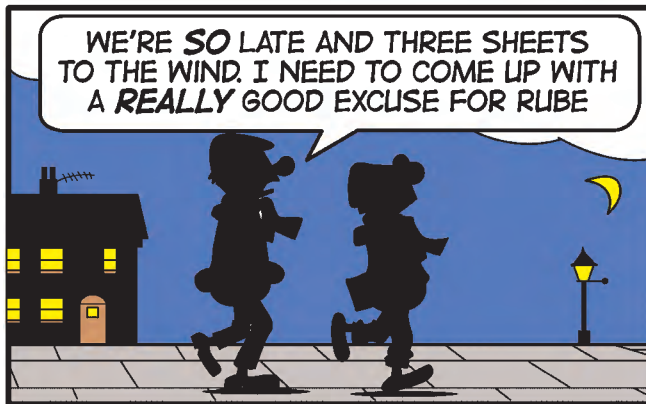
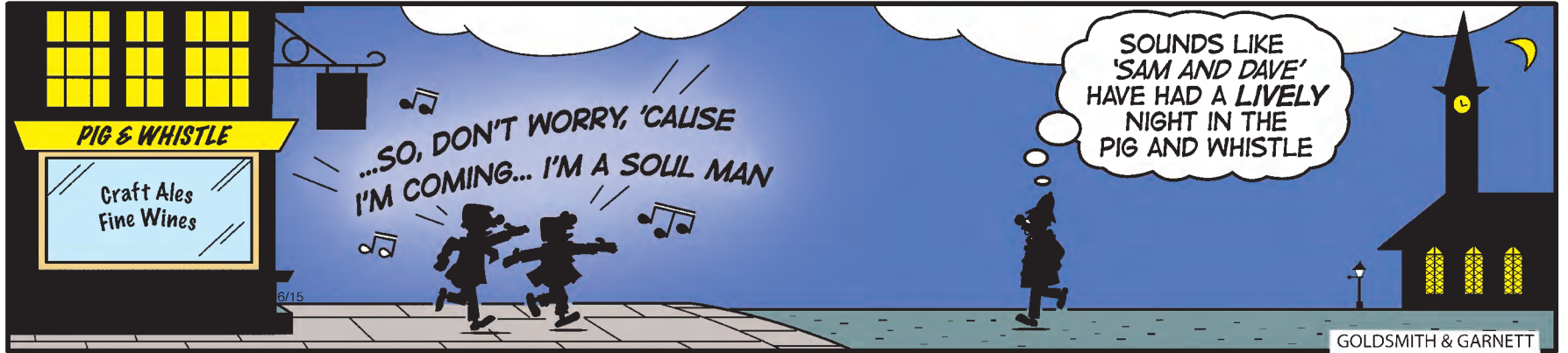
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