

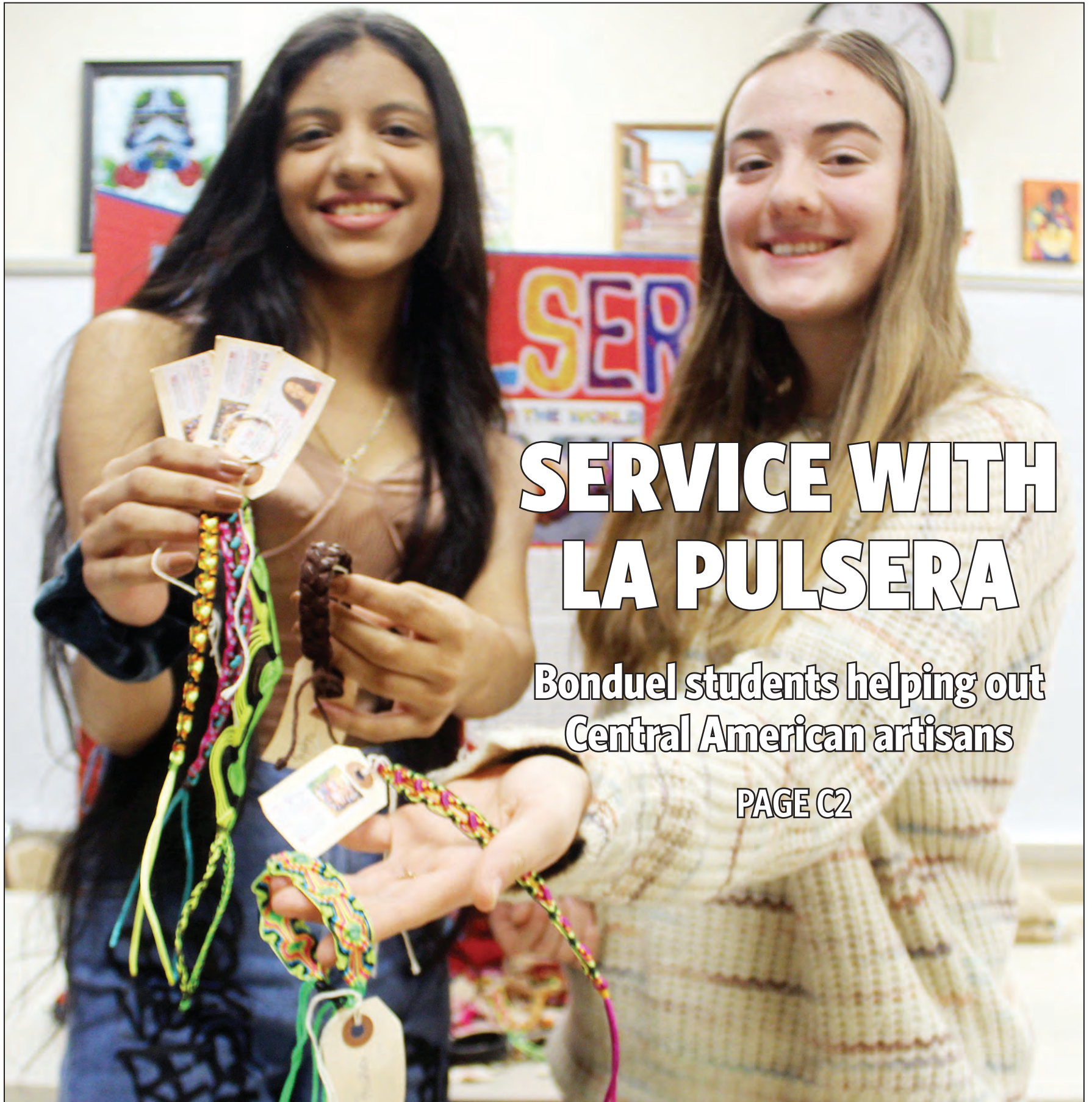
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## SERVICE WITH LA PULSERA

Bonduel students helping out  
Central American artisans

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Bonduel High School sophomore Seidy Blamdon, left, and junior Heidi Dreyer hold out samples of the bracelets they and other members of the Spanish club will be selling through January at various events and activities.

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# La Pulsera teaches service learning to BHS

Spanish club selling bracelets, handbags crafted by artisans from Nicaragua, Guatemala

By **LEE PULASKI**  
City Editor

Helping your own community can be a good thing, but helping communities thousands of miles away can provide even more benefits through service learning.

Bonduel High School's Spanish club is finding that out firsthand through involvement in the La Pulsera Project during the month of January. Local students will be selling bracelets and handbags made by artisans from Nicaragua and Guatemala, and that money will go back to their communities to further empower the Central American artists.

"We were searching online for ways to give back to the Spanish-speaking world," said Bobbi Jo Martenson, a co-adviser for the club. "We just happened upon this project and found out that it was something awesome that our students could participate in, because none of the funds stay with us here in Bonduel. Everything goes back to Nicaragua and Guatemala, so we thought it would be a fantastic opportunity for our students."

Whitney Ness, the club's other adviser, noted that school districts all across the country are involved with the program, which features the handmade bracelets and handbags and showcases the artisans who make them. She said it feels good to help others raise money for positive endeavors.

"The cool part for me is that every single one has a tag attached with a picture of the person who made it, signature from the person who made it and a little background story," Ness said. "We really like that they use the money for nonprofit purposes. They put it toward community programs — toward scholarships, shelters down there, all kinds of stuff like that. I think that is a good example we're setting up for the students."

According to La Pulsera's website, more than \$5 million has been raised since 2009 with the help of more than 3,000 schools like Bonduel. Ness noted that the boxes they receive not only have the items to sell but also a little background on some of the other schools involved in the work.

"It's kind of like the idea of all these things traveling around the world — just being a part of that is really neat," Ness said.

Bonduel has a history with the



**Bonduel High School juniors, from left, Melissa Daskam, Kylie Hoeffs and Hailee Thompson show off some of the bracelets they're selling through the La Pulsera Project.**

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**Handbags from Nicaragua and Guatemala are also up for sale through the Bonduel High School fundraiser that benefits the La Pulsera Project. Here, senior Bella Delzer, left, and junior Eduin Romero hold up a couple of samples.**

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program, bringing it up every three or four years to work with a new group of high school students.

"We've done this a couple of times in the past," said Ness, noting that the school raised over \$2,000 for La Pulsera on their last go-around. "Last time, I was blown away by how much we made. I don't know what our goal

would be this year."

"It's kind of fun, because some of our elementary students who first purchased purses when they were younger are now in high school heading this up, so they remember buying when they were younger," Martenson added.

All of the items are woven, with

some of them beaded, with an occasional leather bracelet thrown into the mix. Martenson noted that many of the items have "amazing, beautiful colors," with Ness adding that they're "nothing we could ever produce, for sure."

Ness and Martenson noted that it's not surprising that Bonduel students continue to want to participate in the program.

"I feel like Bonduel is always good about giving back, no matter what situation we've got," Ness said. "A lot of the different activities we do in the club is to give back, raise funds or do things for other people. Especially at the high school, you're trying to mold these kids into good, well-rounded people."

Ness added that this also gives the community a cultural lesson, as the students can explain to those wanting to purchase items about the countries where they came from.

"I think that's valuable," Ness said.

The Spanish club will be selling items at all of the schools through Jan. 27. Bracelets cost \$7 each, while the bags are \$15. The club will also be selling La Pulsera products at the Bonduel boys basketball game on Jan. 20.





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# The Blend fills a needed gap for women

## Downtown Shawano business helps over a dozen budding entrepreneurs to start out

By **NICOLE HIXSON**  
Correspondent

The Blend in downtown Shawano is a unique boutique store featuring 19 women-owned businesses.

Opening in July 2022, The Blend currently offers homemade and retail products including clothing, home decor, pet treats, crystals, jewelry, candles, soaps and more. In addition to ready made and ready to sell pieces, options for custom made products are always available.

Founder and owner Alex Hartwig began this store as a way to assist local women with their businesses while also finding professional fulfillment.

"I worked in healthcare for the last 13 years, and I had my son so I really wanted that time with him," said Hartwig. "I just felt that I didn't want to be on call 24-7 anymore, but I still wanted a way to connect with and be able to help the women of Shawano and support them."

The Blend has been able to meet the needs of a growing cohort of entrepreneurs who have already perfected their craft but are looking to expand their retail ambitions. Whether some are pursuing it as a hobby, are looking to earn extra income or are not quite ready to open their own store, The Blend can accommodate any scenario.

"There's all these women, especially during COVID, that have started these businesses online," Hartwig said. "They are typically doing it through social media, so I wanted to give them their first brick and mortar experience. So that's how The Blend came to be. It's been a really fun project. It's given me more purpose."

Interestingly enough, one of the objectives of The Blend is for the vendors to actually move out.

"I know that sounds funny, but the overall goal of this store is for them to be so successful in this starting point, learning from each other, sharing information, that they have to move into a bigger space," Hartwig said. "And preferably here on Main Street, because my goal is to continue to help build up downtown Shawano."

In fact, one vendor has already

### AT A GLANCE

**WHAT:** The Blend

**WHEN:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday,  
9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Sunday

**WHERE:** 111 N. Main St., Shawano

**CONTACT:** 920-370-2178 or theblendshawano@gmail.com.

proven so successful that she is leaving The Blend to open a new store elsewhere on Main Street.

Although her business began just last year, Hartwig has been a part of Shawano for much longer.

"I've been here since 2016 and I love it here," Hartwig said. "I love the collaboration between the businesses, and I want to build up all the other businesses on Main Street and support the other businesses. I hope they do the same for the ladies in here."

In the short time that The Blend has been open, the store has had such success and vendor interest that it has already needed to expand. Removing walls and adding shelving have enabled additional entrepreneurs to be included in the boutique.

"We started with nine spaces, and we've already added another eight," said Hartwig. Not to mention, they already have a growing waitlist. "We really can't expand any further in this space."

However, that hasn't stopped The Blend from reaching out to customers through other means to showcase their vendors' wares. The Shawano Area Young Professionals will be hosting a craft fair, and Hartwig already has plans to be a part of that.

"When you come to The Blend, you are supporting 19 different women who are local to Shawano," said Hartwig. "I think that makes it a special store to shop at."

"At big box stores you don't necessarily know the person you're supporting. When you come to downtown Shawano, you're likely to see one of the owners, or here at The Blend, one of the makers might be working the desk. You are looking them right in the eye when you buy their products, and I think that is something very special."



Store owner and founder Alex Hartwig adjusts a display at The Blend in downtown Shawano.

NICOLE HIXSON



The Blend, located at 111 N. Main St. in downtown Shawano, is currently home to 19 separate women-owned businesses.

NICOLE HIXSON



# Resolutions for better gardens helpful

Many people make New Year's resolutions to carry them through and help them make changes or transformations through the new year. With that in mind, why not commit to some New Year's resolutions for your garden? Here are some great ideas to help you make the most of gardening in 2023.



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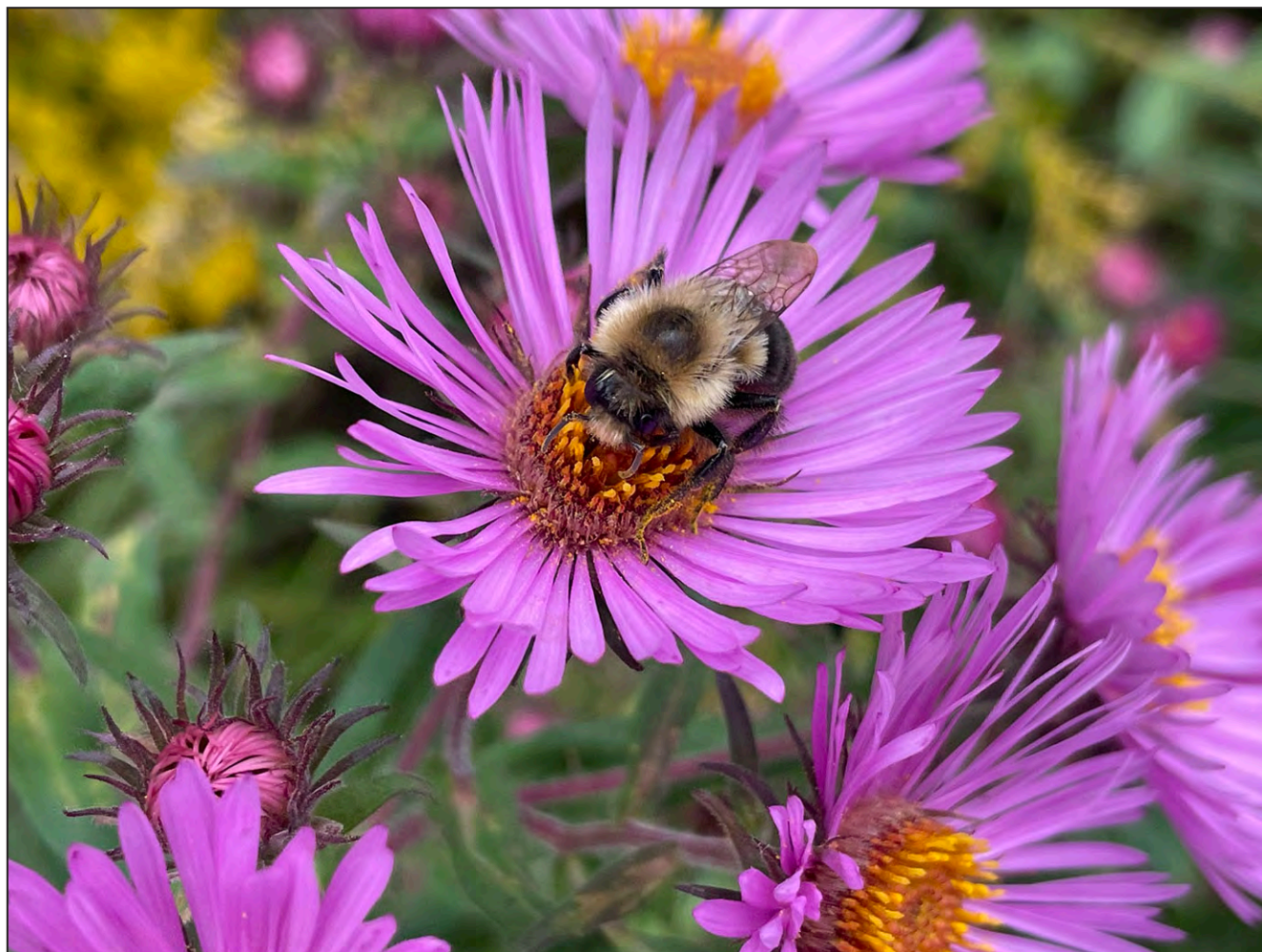
Invest in an Aero garden or similar model. The ability to grow fresh herbs, greens, flowers and even small vegetables indoors, all winter long, is a wonderful winter gardening hobby. With a tabletop or desktop lighted Aero garden, you can continue to harvest fresh herbs and greens all winter long, and grow them just about anywhere. Since these machines grow using just water and built-in light, they can be placed anywhere in the home.

Growing more native wildflowers, grasses, trees and shrubs is a great goal. Mixing and combining natives in with traditional garden plants is a wonderful way to provide an extra source of nectar, pollen as well as fruits and nuts for songbirds, hummingbirds, butterflies and wildlife. Follow me here all through winter, spring and summer for more information on the best native plants for wildlife.

One of the best things you can do as a gardener is to introduce a young child to the hobby and keep him or her interested. Children really are the future of gardening. As more and more adults age and move into assisted living centers and out of homes and into apartments, gardening dreams fade and less and less people enjoy the hobby.

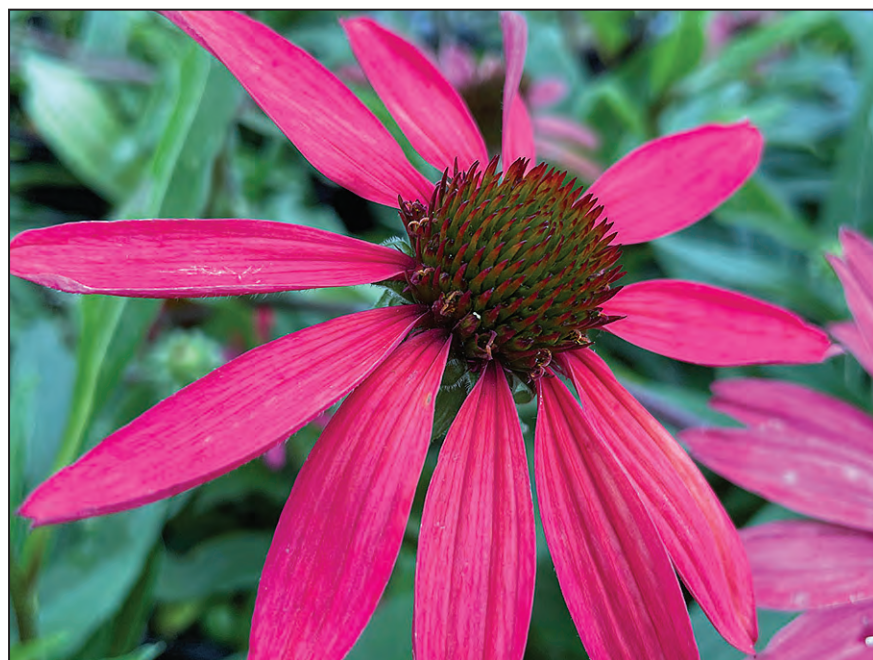
It is vital that we involve children in gardening, get them interested at a young age and show them all of the beauty and wonder and importance of growing your own flowers, food and vegetables. Throughout the year, I will give many examples of ways to get children excited about gardening and to help them enjoy it for a lifetime.

Try something new. For many gardeners, trying something new is intimidating. Each year, plant growers breed many new varieties of some of our old-fashioned favorites.



Growing more native wildflowers for bumblebees and other pollinators is a great goal for 2023.

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There are always new perennials and annuals and shrubs to choose from. Try growing something you've never grown before.

Growing your own mushrooms at home is also a wonderful way to expand your gardening hobby and makes a great resolution. If you enjoy

edible mushrooms, many online sources and retail outlets now sell easy to use mushroom grow kits that can be used indoors or out. Enjoy fresh mushrooms all year-round with one of these amazing kits.

Do a simple online search to look at all the amazing varieties available that can be used right indoors in a closet, basement or table top. There are different varieties and styles and sizes. All work relatively the same. Just add water and enjoy fresh mushrooms within a few weeks.

Set up a bird feeding station. Feeding birds goes hand-in-hand with gardening. Especially during the winter season, when our gardening time is limited, it is such a wonderful joy to be able to look out the window and see colorful songbirds busily feeding away right in your yard and garden. A good set of binoculars and a good bird field guide are all you need to start a whole new hobby.

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



## FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

## Coming to rescue of farmers at crunch time

All farmers need help from time to time, and it comes through in all manners of ways. Be it veterinarians, on-site repair crews, family members or neighbors, the ways help came to our aid were as diversified as the needs.

Back in the day when we were farming full-time, there were situations when we'd need a vet in the wee hours of the morning. Walking into the barn in the pre-dawn, we could be faced with anything. There might be a cow in labor (the mama lying down in the freshening stall moaning, her legs splayed out), a cow down with milk fever (her ears cold) or one with her foot caught in her stanchion chain — all of these scenarios we had experienced first-hand.

Many times, we could help a distressed mama cow by ourselves. If she was trying to birth while standing, my husband worked with a plastic sleeve on up to his elbow while I held her tail, milking postponed while we tended. Sometimes during a cold spell, the hot steam from her warm body would rise up like a cloud around us — the earthy, animal smell assaulting my early-morning-before-coffee self. "Buck up," I'd remind me; this is life and death.

If the calf was just being stubborn or the mom didn't have enough energy, he'd feel out the calf's front legs, and we'd attach a come-along with a chain rope just behind the hooves. Wrapping it around a stanchion pole, we'd use it as leverage to slowly draw



KAY REMINGER

the slippery newborn onto the straw.

If time was of the essence, and it usually was by that point, we'd just wrap rope around the legs and one-two-three, pull — in rhythm with

mama's push, using combined brute strength to pull the little one out. Afterward, a piece of straw stuck in and out of the calf's nostrils would clear the afterbirth so it could take a deep breath, and/or pumping its front legs would jumpstart the heart.

When we'd see the little slick one shake its head and their eyelids blink (what a wondrous sight) we'd leave mama to tend, she'd lick her offspring head-to-toe with her sandpaper tongue. That would be all it took.

One night while we were milking, our daughter was helping with chores when a vet had to perform a C-section. Sadly, the calf had already died, the mother in distress. The only way to help her was to literally cut her stomach open and physically remove the calf.

After the vet got the calf out, and as he held organs back, my daughter poured antibiotic into the open incision. She remembers feeling sorry for the cow, so sorry, and it was all very hot.

"I'm sweating profusely," the vet had blurted out once during the procedure.

We laughed at that later. He was so formal.

Our daughter got splattered with blood and learned a great deal hands-on about the working innards of a Holstein. Later she confessed to us that she kept repeating over and over: "It's just the color red. It's just the color red. It's just the color red!" Otherwise she might have passed out. She never wanted to become a veterinarian.

On-site repair crews were called to our farm a couple of times. Normally, my husband could take something apart, run for a part and put it back together himself, with me assisting by handing him a vise grip, hammer, crescent wrench or holding a flashlight. Once in a while, we'd have to call for help. We were chopping corn once and our chopper broke right in the middle of the field. These guys came out, repaired on-site and got us up and running.

I can recall one time I was baling when our hay baler broke. My husband was unloading at the farm. With only three raked-up, dried-to-the-bone rows of hay left and a thunderstorm brewing, I called him, crying. He called our neighbor who came out with his own tractor and baler, hooked up to our kick-rack and finished the field for us, delivering the wagon to the farm just before the

storm broke. Sometimes the "to the rescue" people are next-door neighbors.

Speaking of next-door neighbors, we have the best. Anytime we are in any sort of distress we can call on them and they know we are right here, too. There have been times when our neighbor has called, stuck out in the field while spreading manure; can we come with a tractor and chain? Be right there.

My husband underwent a complete shoulder replacement one winter. Our neighbor came over every single day for weeks and fed our Black Angus using his own bucket tractor. He never wanted any sort of payment. I came out one day with packages of homegrown bacon and some baked goodies. My voice wavering a thank you, he quipped, "Well. I didn't kill anyone yet!"

He was uncomfortable with my teary-eyed gratitude and wanted to make me laugh. He did.

Veterinarians, repair crews, family members or good neighbors, we thankfully had help coming to our aid at a moment's notice.

("Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2)

*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.*

**"Speaking of next-door neighbors, we have the best. Anytime we are in any sort of distress we can call on them and they know we are right here, too."**

KAY REMINGER, NEW Media columnist

## SALUTES

## Avenue of Lights big success for Oconto Falls

## To the editor:

The holiday season has come and gone, and the Oconto Falls Lioness Lions Club is once again grateful to the community for a successful Avenue of Lights display.

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A huge thank you also goes out to all of the individuals and businesses who decorated trees and displays. Your lights are what really make the Avenue of Lights shine as a community event with commu-

nity support. We are so thankful for your support.

The lights could not go on without the generous support of the employees of the Oconto Falls Municipal Utilities. Thank you for hanging lights (and taking them down) from the large trees that we are not able to reach.

Thank you to Erica Beaumier, who organizes and orchestrates everything that happens to make this display possible, as well as the many Lions Club members, spouses, children and community members who dedicate countless hours

to putting up and taking down the lights and displays.

Our lighting ceremony is magical because of the generous support of the Oconto Falls Fire Department, AbbyGaile Jadin and Oconto Falls High School choir members and Iverson's Piggly Wiggly. Our event would not be complete without Santa and Mrs. Claus — thank you for blessing us with your presence and bringing smiles to so many little faces.

We look forward to working with you all again in 2023. Thank you.

**Ashley Bahrke, Oconto Falls**

# Peters named CEO for Indigenous alliance

Pamela Boivin, chairwoman of the Wisconsin Indigenous Economic Development Corporation (WIEDC), recently announced the hiring of Jennifer L. Peters as chief executive officer of the organization.

"Jennifer's diverse background, skills and experience were the perfect fit for our organization," Boivin said. "Her dedication and accomplishments at the Wolf River Development Corporation, as well as her leadership at the Menominee Tribal Enterprises, are key to our organization as we move forward in our mission to building financial sovereignty for Wisconsin's tribal enterprises and communities, individuals, families and Native-owned businesses."

Peters obtained her Masters of Business Administration in 2013, and she has served as an associate admin-

istrator for the College of Menominee Nation. She held leadership positions with the Menominee Casino Resort and the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin. She served as the general manager for the Wolf River Development Company and Menominee Tribal Enterprises. Prior to joining the WIEDC, Peters was president at Menominee Tribal Enterprises.

"The most enjoyable time in my career has been working in the economic and business development area," Peters said. "We created and developed new businesses and services for the Menominee tribe and the membership; we brought new revenue streams to the tribe. This was very satisfying — knowing that we were helping our community. That led me to my interest in working with WIEDC. We are now looking at

economic development from a new view, still allowing us to help not only the Menominee community but all of Wisconsin's Tribal communities."

Peters added her goals in building the WIEDC are to identify contact with each of the Wisconsin tribes to see how the WIEDC can work with them.

"Our goal is to bring Native business hubs to each tribal community to leverage and multiply the resources and services needed to advance tribal businesses, communities and economic development by assisting individual tribal member consumers and homeowners, as well as through the growth and diversification of Native busi-

nesses and tribal entities," Peters said.

Peters has been married to her husband, Karl, for 22 years. They have three children and one grandchild.

WIEDC, formerly known as the Wisconsin Indian Business Alliance, is a coalition of nonprofit organizations with a mission to expand Native economic development by building the financial sovereignty of Native individuals, families, Native-owned businesses and communities in Wisconsin.

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JENNIFER PETERS, chief executive officer for the Wisconsin Indigenous Economic Development Corporation



# Cavity prevention requires more than brushing

"Brush more." "Floss more." Don't those words sound familiar? Most of us are trying to do the right thing, but even after more brushing and flossing, we still get those stubborn cavities. Why is this? Well, to understand how to prevent a cavity, it is important to first understand what a cavity is.

A cavity is also known as "tooth decay," which is the destruction of your enamel. How does enamel get negatively impacted? Plaque.

Plaque is a sticky film of bacteria that stays on your teeth. When you eat or drink foods containing sugar, it provides the bacteria in your mouth with the proper nutrients to form plaque. Plaque then attacks. Plaque produces acids that attack tooth enamel. These acids can create a hole in the tooth.

For cavity prevention, here are some important things to consider:

- Dry mouth: Saliva helps to neu-



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tralize the acid in our mouth. When we have less saliva, we do not have the proper bad bacteria fighters. Certain medications and chemotherapy can cause dry mouth. To combat this, make sure to drink lots of water. It is important to note that certain lozenges do contain a significant amount of sugar that can cause more harm. For this reason, it is imperative to take a close look at the dietary labels.

- Diet: Acidic foods or carbonated drinks attack your teeth and give the bad bacteria the proper nutrients to keep on attacking your enamel. If you choose to eat or drink these items, it is recommended to try not to do it all day long. It is better to do this at one

meal then drink plenty of water for the rest of the day. By doing this, you are allowing your enamel a chance to "fight" back, which is termed remineralization. Another vital consideration, everything that is put in our mouth goes to your gut. If your gut health is not to par, this can affect your mouth health and vice versa.

- Genetics: Enamel strength and saliva makeup can have an effect on how many cavities you get. That being said, there are certain things you can do to help combat this. That is, taking proper care of your teeth and seeing your dentist for regular checkups.

- Brushing and flossing: These two tools are imperative when it comes to removing plaque on your teeth and between your teeth. As a reminder make sure you are checking the quality of your toothbrush regularly. The bristles should be soft and not flared. Furthermore, it is a myth that

brushing harder will remove more plaque. Tooth brushing should be done in circular motion like a gentle massage. This will also prevent gum recession. Lastly, when flossing, try making a "c" shape between the tooth. In other words, hug your tooth with your floss. Both brushing and flossing will make a significant impact when done correctly.

Once a cavity is large enough, you may experience sensitivity to hot, cold or sweets. If a cavity is left untreated, it can affect the nerve of the tooth and cause greater difficulties, such as pain when biting or keeping you up at night.

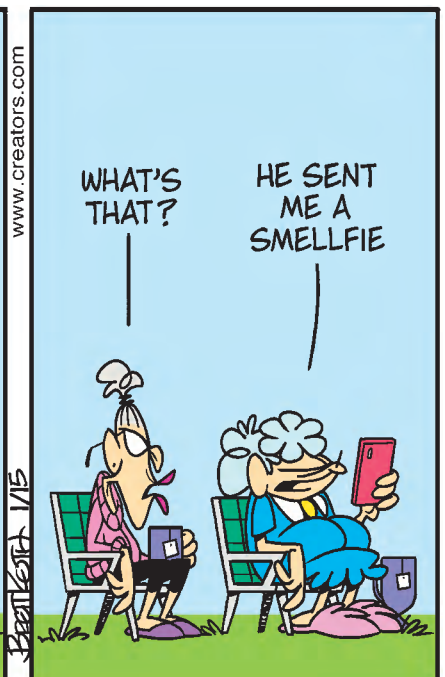
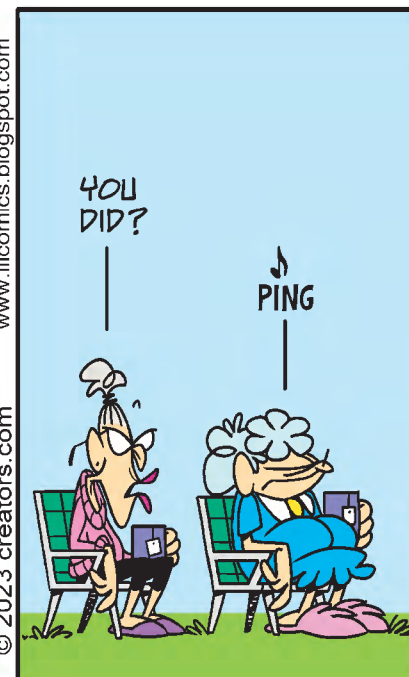
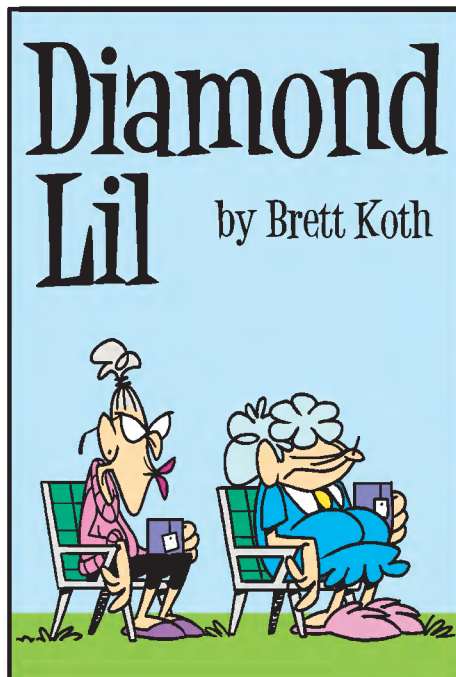
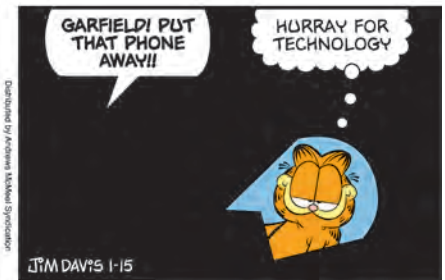
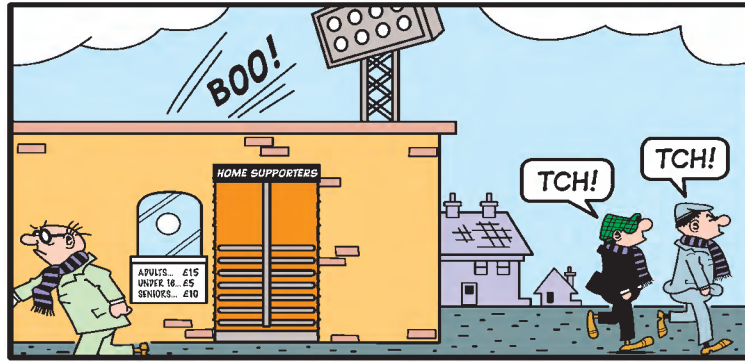
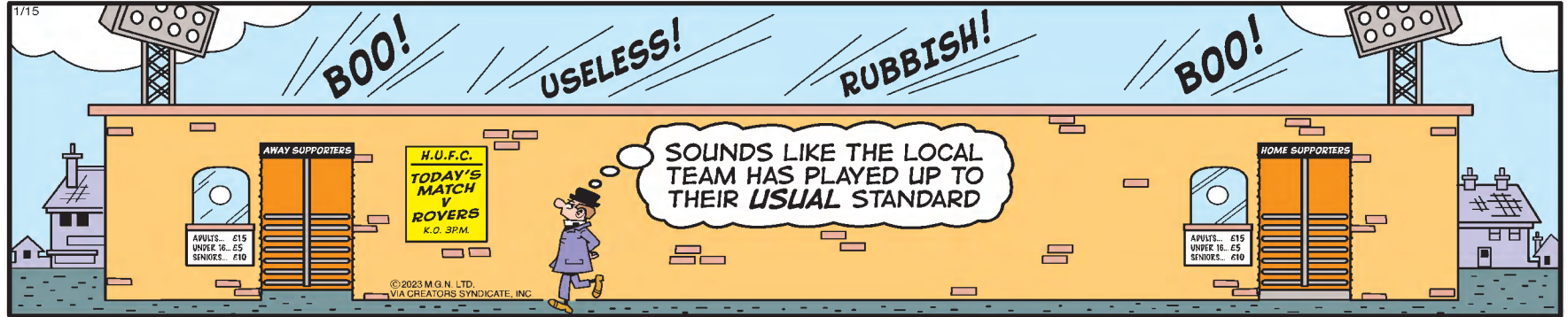
If more information is needed or you want help figuring out why you may be getting more cavities, make sure to talk to your dentist. A healthy mouth leads to a healthy body.

Dr. Rebecca Stevens is the owner of Shawano Family Dentistry. Readers can contact her at 715-524-4935.

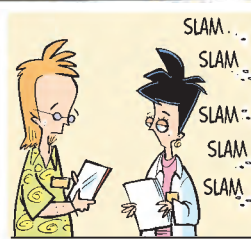
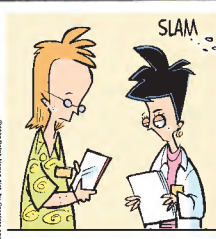
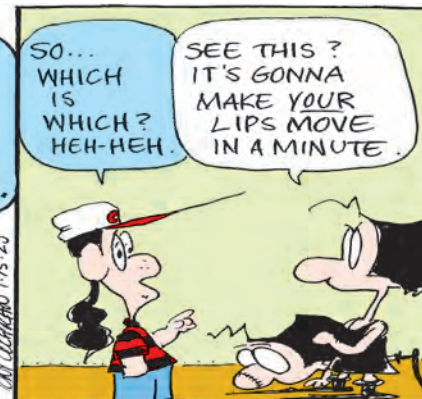
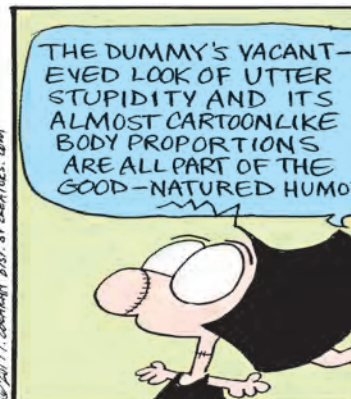
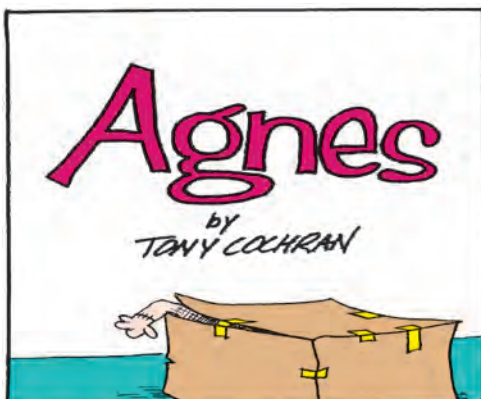


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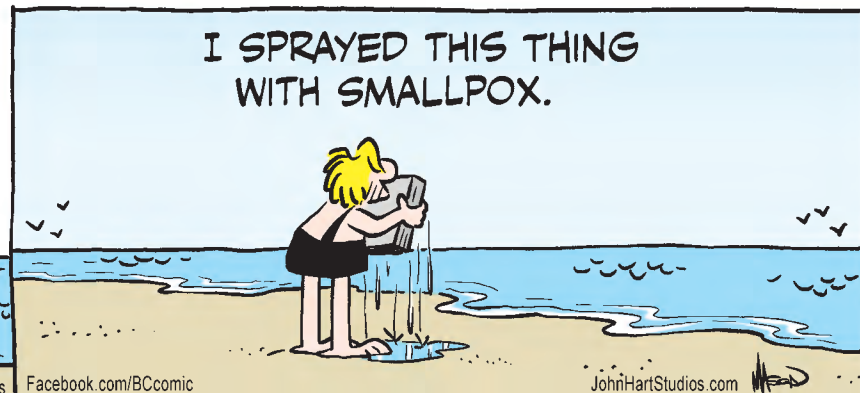
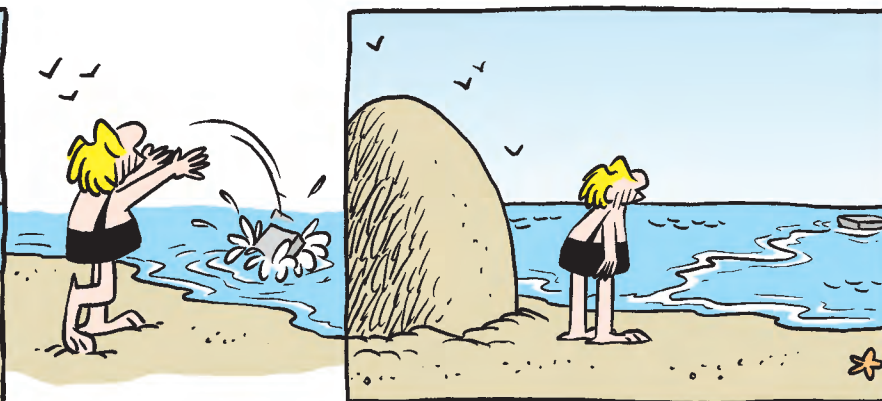
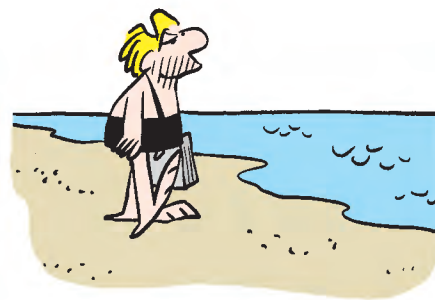
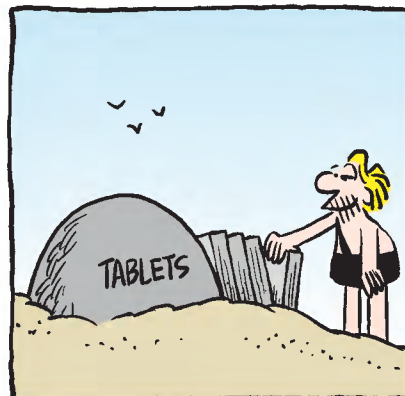
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## COLLEGE NOTES

### University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Shannon Kathryn Konkol, of Hatley, was among 1,288 graduates who received degrees from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln during commencement exercises Dec. 16-17.

Konkol earned a juris doctorate from the College of Law. She also earned a Master of Arts from the Office of Graduate Studies.

### St. Norbert College

The following students have been named to the 2022 fall semester dean's list at St. Norbert College:

- Birnamwood: Emily Niles
- Wittenberg: Emma Herb
- Cecil: Gracelyn Giese
- Shawano: Nathan Krizan, Nicole Piantek, Lindsey Roloff, Caprice Rush, Sage Tomashek
- Tigerton: Bethany Kreklow
- Lena: Kennedy Marquardt, Lilia Shallow
- Little Suamico: Hailey Monroe
- Oconto: Abigail Gonnering, Kyle McFadden
- Oconto Falls: Emily Gonnering, Andrea Waschbisch
- Sobieski: Crimson Groh

A minimum 3.5 grade-point average is required for academic eligibility.

### UW-Whitewater

The following students were named to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater dean's list for the 2022 fall semester.

- Bonduel: Baylie Hansen, Taylor Luepke
- Shawano: Hannah Marien, Lucas te Plate
- Pulaski: Jarret Olson, Rachel Wasielewski, Paige Willer
- Clintonville: Mia Peterson
- Wittenberg: Kaylee Schram

These students have demonstrated their academic abilities by

receiving a grade-point average of 3.4 or above in a single semester.

### Bob Jones University

Joshua Stauff, a junior from Abrams, was among approximately 720 Bob Jones University students named to the fall 2022 president's list.

The president's list recognizes students who earn a 3.75 or higher grade-point average for the semester.

### UW-Superior

The University of Wisconsin-Superior has named Brooke Walder, of Wittenberg, to the dean's list for academic achievement during the fall 2022 semester.

To be named to the dean's list, students must have completed 12 semester credits and achieved at least a 3.5 grade-point average.

### UW-Madison

The University of Wisconsin-Madison has recognized students named to the dean's list for the fall semester of the 2021-2022 academic year.

- Birnamwood: Cole Schairer, dean's list; Amara Schoepke, dean's list; Tyler Schroepfer, dean's list; Tori Spencer, dean's list
- Bowler: Jalynn Horacek, dean's honor list
- Eland: Stetson Potrykus, honor roll
- Wittenberg: Jadalynn Davids, dean's list
- Bonduel: Graci Zuleger, dean's list
- Krakow: Alyssa Wittman, dean's list
- Shawano: Avery Dreier, dean's list; Corissa Hutmaker, dean's list; Karah Latender, dean's list; Leo Liu, dean's list; Jake Polzin, dean's list; Elise Pyatskowitz, dean's honor

list; McKenzie Trinko, dean's list; Autumn Van Der Linden, dean's list; Paige Weyer, dean's honor list; Ananya Wilson, dean's list

- Tigerton: Savannah Swartz, dean's list
- Abrams: Kaelyn Allen, dean's list
- Lena: Dylan Nelson, dean's list
- Little Suamico: Cole Bertrand, honor roll; Valerie Rehn, dean's honor list
- Mountain: Kiley Harju, dean's list
- Oconto: Luke Krueger, dean's honor list; Philip McKeefry, dean's honor list; Gavin Mlnarik, dean's honor list; Alayna Westenberg, dean's list
- Oconto Falls: Saffron Mears, dean's list; Bethy Olson, dean's honor list; Autumn Payette, dean's list
- Sobieski: Makayla Erdmann, dean's list; Helen Treankler, dean's honor list

Students who achieve at a high level academically are recognized by the dean at the close of each semester. To be eligible for the dean's list, students must complete a minimum of 12 graded degree credits in that semester.

### UW-Oshkosh

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh officials have released the names of students who qualified for the dean's list and honor roll in fall 2022 across its Fond du Lac, Fox Cities and Oshkosh campuses:

- Birnamwood: Elizabeth Muscha, dean's list
- Eland: Pierson Potrykus, honor roll
- Bonduel: Riddik Bohm, honor roll; Harrison Mueller, honor roll; Kenadee Stoss, dean's list
- Cecil: Mackenzie Moore, honor roll

• Shawano: Brigitte Barry, honor roll; Autumn Braun, honor roll; Sierra King-Whitney, honor roll; Tatiana Kunschke, honor roll; Audrey Naeyaert, dean's list

- Tigerton: McKenna Marquardt, dean's list; Dayton Schultz, dean's list
- Lena: Adam Haines, honor roll; Kaylee Sadowski, honor roll
- Little Suamico: Karlee Louthain, honor roll
- Oconto: Haylee Whiting, dean's list
- Oconto Falls: Brett Norling, dean's list; Zachary Parsons, honor roll
- Sobieski: Alexis Hesselink, honor roll; Meghan Molthen, honor roll; Jade Schroeder, honor roll

The term grade-point average requirement for honor roll is 3.3; the GPA requirement for dean's list is 3.75 out of a possible 4.0. To qualify, a student must have been enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits.

There can be no individual grades below a "C" and no incomplete or non-reported grades at the time the process is run.

### South Dakota State University

South Dakota State University has announced that Caleb Gross, of Lena, and Aidan Frederick, of Wittenberg, have been named to the dean's list for the fall 2022 semester.

### University of Minnesota-Rochester

Each semester, the University of Minnesota-Rochester recognizes students who have achieved high academic achievement through the chancellor's list. To be listed, a student must have earned a 3.66 grade-point average or higher and completed a minimum of 12 credits. Emily Dupont, of Lena, was named to the chancellor's list.

## MARRIAGES

### OCONTO COUNTY

Zak John Strzelecki and Alexis Delight Klubertanz, both of Lena, Dec. 11, 2022.

Robbie William Petersen and Nicole Marie Sydor, both of Oconto, Dec. 13, 2022.

Mark William Hillberg and Amy Jo Donaldson, both of the Town of River-view, Dec. 13, 2022.

Eric Colton Bodart and Chloe Ann Olsen, both of Oconto Falls, Dec. 16, 2022.

Robert Joseph Murphy and Brooke Marie Kusch, both of the Town of

Chase, Dec. 16, 2022.

Nathanial Zachary Mullins and Kayla Mae Bain-Vrba, both of Oconto, Dec. 20, 2022.

Shane Allen Timm and Hannah Lynn Kirchner, both of the Town of Breed, Dec. 25, 2022.

Robert Edward Kress and Christine Marie Bernier, both of Marquette, Michigan, Dec. 25, 2022.

Michael Lee Peterson and Salema Fahim El-Shafei, both of the Town of Chase, Jan. 2, 2023.

Richard John Buss, of Menomonie, and Kristina Latonia Moore, of Oconto,

Jan. 10, 2023.

Edward John Oliva and Dona Antonia Crow, both of Oconto, Jan. 13, 2023.

Joseph Charles Fox and Angel Lee Grimmer, both of the Town of Chase, Jan. 15, 2023.

Marshal David Ramer, of the Town of Little River, and Lavina Sue Amstutz, of Oconto, Jan. 15, 2023.

### SHAWANO COUNTY

Casey Gregory Geier and Aime Elizabeth Long, both of Wittenberg, Jan. 5, 2023.

Angel Ramon Kaquatosh and Justina Marie O'Kimosh, both of Shawano, Dec.

27, 2022.

Tyler Henry Klatt and Tessa Lynn Rusch, both of Bonduel, Dec. 22, 2022.

Kyle John Kowalczyk and Bethany June Przybylski, both of the Town of Washington, Dec. 19, 2022.

Jerry Lee McClone and Beth Ann Chandler, both of the Town of Hartland, Dec. 26, 2022.

Brandt William Peterson and Bailey Elizabeth Fenendael, both of Shawano, Jan. 14, 2023.

Ryan Michael Vannewkirk and Mickanzy Mary Ellen Buth, both of Shawano, Jan. 20, 2023.



## AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Aubree Couillard was all smiles when she saw the new castle reading nook built in her honor at the Gillett Public Library.

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Banner Bank employees in Birnamwood show off some of the toys that its branch collected for the 2022 CWEC Toys for Tots campaign. More than 1,000 children in four counties received toys from the annual Christmas campaign.

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### Library nook turns readers into royalty

Aubree Couillard enjoys the medieval artwork in the early reading room at Gillett Public Library. Thanks to a new donation from Gillett Secondary School students, other readers can share her love of the era of lords and ladies with a new castle reading nook inspired by Aubree's love of castles.

Gillett Public Library Director Shannon Stoner approached tech ed teacher Preston Zimmerman with the concept of making a reading nook for Couillard, who loves reading. Stoner also approached Aubree's mother, Laurie, and proposed the project to see the reading nook placed in her home. However, the Couillard family decided to keep the nook at the library for other kids to enjoy.

Meunier's True Value in Gillett donated paint for the project.

Zimmerman's class learned valuable technical skills while contributing to their community. Tech ed students spent the fall semester planning and designing a medieval-themed nook for the library.

### Toys for Tots helps over 1,000 local children

With the help of local businesses and residents, the 2022 Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative (CWECC) Toys for Tots campaign helped bring joy this Christmas to more than 1,000 area children.

For more than 15 years, CWECC has partnered with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve to organize a Toys for Tots campaign in the CWECC service area. Through the campaign, CWECC provides help to area families in need by supplying donated toys to the families, so they can give their children Christmas presents.

Toy donations were collected at more than 30 area businesses in the CWECC service area. Monetary donations were also collected, which were used to purchase toys. With those donations, roughly 2,500 toys, 150 books and 650 stocking stuffers were distributed to area children.

"Once again, area residents and businesses were generous with their donations to our Toys for Tots campaign," said Bert Lehman, CWECC Toys for Tots coordinator and member relations specialist. "The success of the campaign wouldn't have been possible without that generosity."

Less fortunate children in Wit-

tenberg-Birnamwood, Tigerton and Bowler school districts were part of the campaign.

### Bike the Barn Quilts canceled by Pathways

Shawano Pathways has announced that the Bike the Barn Quilts bike tour will not be returning in 2023.

The organization set out to create a safe, family-friendly event that showed off some of the great back roads and barn quilts in Shawano County. The effort raised funds to improve biking, walking and snowshoeing opportunities and support other local organizations. Pathways officials estimate about 1,500 people came to Shawano over the 10 years of the tour.

Pathways was able to donate to Shawano Area Matthew 25, Boys and Girls Club, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Friends of the Mountain Bay Trail and Home and Community Education Book Worms. Over 30 local businesses sponsored four route maps, which will continue to be available in various Shawano locations.

### Miske gets Lena Lions award for January

The Lena Lions Club honored Lily Miske, daughter of Steve and Jennifer Chartier, as its Student of the Month for January.

Miske is a senior at Lena High School. She enjoys helping with the 5K program, where she assisted with Donuts for Dads, Muffins for Moms and the 5K Soup Supper.

Miske's community activities include helping with the Lena Craft Fair and Dairyfest and donating to the Adopt-A-Family.

Miske's work experience includes working at the A&W in Stiles. She is currently working at Thompson's County Market as a cashier.

Miske plans to attend Northeast Wisconsin Technical College in the legal studies/paralegal program to earn a degree.

### Legion post plans new gunless poultry shoot

American Legion Sylvan Post 44 of Wabeno is holding its next gunless poultry shoot at 1 p.m. Jan. 21 at Skinny Dave's Bar, 12848 State Highway 32, Mountain.

The post will be raffling off packages of meat, poultry, sausages, bacon, beverages and items donated by local businesses. There will also be 50/50 raffles.



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by Mark McClain

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- 1 Scottish bays  
6 Brewer's grain  
10 First vice president  
15 Sales agents  
19 Firepan debris  
20 General vicinity  
21 Lhasa's locale  
22 High-level employee  
23 Train traveler's reference  
26 Levee relative  
27 Auto racer Busch  
28 Rotational periods  
29 Tarzan's transport  
30 Light particle of physics  
32 Facts and figures  
34 Fall into ruin  
35 Western sight  
36 "What happened next?"  
38 Tough guy  
42 Ball with a tail  
43 How figure skaters are assessed  
47 ER pros  
48 Poke fun at  
51 Lobby for  
52 Web connection  
53 Arcade attractions  
55 Crunchy Tex-Mex food  
56 Crush an exam  
59 Bert's chum  
60 Crumbly cheeses  
61 Sovereign's seat  
63 \_\_\_ wait (lurk)  
64 Carriers of crude  
65 Luau finger food  
66 Multilevel marketing scam  
70 Dude  
71 Tenor Bocelli  
73 Water "related" to  
74 Holds up  
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77 More than ready  
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- 79 Oyster concoction  
80 Desert haven  
81 "Cool" rapper/actor  
83 Creative germ  
87 Strong desire  
88 National Garden Mo.  
89 Academy Award category  
93 Figure made in snow  
95 Function of some tablets  
96 Source of milk and ink  
97 More shrewd  
99 Charlie Brown's sister  
102 Personal history  
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105 Coach's crew  
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109 Verbally transmitted  
112 Presses for payment  
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124 Quick snacks

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5 Compass reading  
6 Author Angelou  
7 Overly stylish  
8 Luau accessories  
9 Flat felt hat  
10 Storage story  
11 WNBA superstar Taurasi

- 12 Monastic establishment  
13 QANTAS hub, on tags  
14 Blended family members  
15 With new wallpaper, say  
16 Entrepreneur's path to success  
17 Black tea variety  
18 Hound's trail  
24 Prettify  
25 Chris of tennis fame  
31 Works smoothly  
33 Hoover Building agency  
34 Place for a blotter  
36 Tempe sch.  
37 Major ATM manufacturer  
39 Tougher on the eye  
40 "That so?"  
41 Wd. in Roget's  
42 One of Canada's First Nations  
44 Aft area  
45 Instance of exit  
46 Highly agitated  
49 Mythical ill-fated aviator  
50 Domineering  
54 Ho Chi \_\_\_ City  
55 Business card abbreviation  
57 Dealt with it  
58 Celtic Grammy artist  
59 Quilt filling  
60 Area of expertise  
61 Marquee time  
62 Ulterior motive  
63 This way  
64 Foreboding sign  
65 Unwitting victim  
67 "Sorry to say . . ."  
68 Wizardry  
69 Refined for reading

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