

Algoma town leader named Oconto County administrator

Richard Heath to be introduced Feb. 22

The administrator of the Winnebago Town of Algoma is expected to be introduced to the Oconto County Board on Feb. 22 as the recommended new county administrator.

The board's executive committee approved a resolution Feb. 15 appointing Richard Heath as county administrator, succeeding Erik Pritzl, who left a week earlier to become director of Brown County health and human services.

Heath has been town administra-



RICHARD HEATH

tor in Algoma, just outside Oshkosh, since November 2019. His resume includes leadership positions at several organizations since earning a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay in 1986 and a master's in development studies from Ohio University in 1988.

He grew up in Plum City, and it was at UW-Green Bay where he met his wife, Cindy, a Suring High School graduate, Heath explained in his letter of introduc-

tion to the Oconto County Board.

"With my extensive background and familiarity with the county on both the professional and personal levels, I believe I can be a competent manager in the implementation of the county's priority initiatives and a servant leader to the county's staff," Heath wrote.

His previous stops include about five years as executive director of the Clark County Economic Development Corp. and nearly 11 years with the Bay Lake Regional Planning Commission in Green Bay, where he worked with Oconto County officials on their Comprehensive Land Use and All-Hazard Mitigation plans.

Heath also was executive director of the Greater Prescott Regional Economic Partnership in Prescott Valley, Arizona, and was serving as associate director of strategic partnerships for Northern Arizona University when he was tapped to return to Wisconsin for the Town of Algoma.

"Since we have spent 15 years living outside of Wisconsin, it has provided us with a much greater appreciation of what it means to be a Wisconsinite," Heath said. "Oconto County is diverse and attractive, and it offers a wide variety of amenities, events, and outdoor recreational activities. Cindy and I plan to make Oconto County our permanent home."

4K program at Encompass approved

Oconto Falls School Board hesitates on scrapping the school district's Kids Station child care program

By WARREN BLUHM
News Editor

The Oconto Falls School Board wants to take a little more time to decide about closing its Kids Station before- and after-school child care program now that Encompass Child Care is about to open a center in the city.

During its regular monthly meeting Feb. 12, the board tabled a decision on Kids Station until it has more information about how to serve the families who currently depend on the service at Oconto Falls Elementary School (OFES).

Kids Station would still be available at Abrams Elementary School, which is located 14 miles away from the Encompass facility, scheduled to open in June at 650 E. Jackson St. in Oconto Falls.

Superintendent Dean Hess explained that Kids Station was established several years ago to make up for a severe lack of child care centers in the area. For the last two years, Encompass has been working to open the center in the former Kaempfer and Associates building, expecting to provide care for up to 140 children.

"Kids Station has been a good thing for our community, I think, and it's something that the school district created," Hess said. "It was a way for the school district to be part of the solution, and we've done that. Now you have an opportunity where someone else can be meeting this need."

The school district is not interested in competing with Encompass, he said.

"We are not in the child care business. We do child care with Kids Station because we had a need, and we want to try to help with that need," Hess said. "If that need can now be met with Encompass Child Care, our proposal is that we

not continue with Kids Station."

Hess said he understands that creates anxiety for families, especially those who may not be able to afford the private nonprofit's higher fees. But he added that Encompass does offer tuition assistance and will have more child-care openings that the school district now offers.

"The program that we offer is not as diverse as will be offered by Encompass," Hess said. "We don't open as early as they will, and we don't stay open as late as they will be open."

As families transition to Encompass, enrollment at Kids Station likely will decrease, and the district would have to increase fees to cover its costs, he added.

"It's very difficult to know how everything's going to turn out, because we don't know exactly how many people are going to make the choice to go this route," Hess said.

Board members expressed concern over whether families in Kids Station will be able to get into Encompass and perhaps get some support in making up the cost difference, at least during the first year.

Sarah Schindel asked whether Kids Station could be phased out at OFES over a year rather than closed right away.

"Not to undermine all of the hard work that our communities have done to get this here — the city, the school, the county — I want to be as supportive of Encompass as we can, but I also want to support the families that rely on Kids Station," Schindel said.

Board member Emilie Trudell said that child care is not really the school district's mission.

"We are here to educate our kids. En-

compass is here to provide quality child care when our kids are not being educated," Trudell said. "I'm not opposed to giving it a year, but I really want to start this partnership off on the right foot. ... (Encompass) is going to impact our community for hopefully years, and I don't want us to be competing with a child care provider, because that's not our scope of work. Our scope of work is educating our kids."

The board agreed to table the issue for a month until it has more answers.

It did approve a companion recommendation, to hire an additional part-time or full-time teacher if an anticipated increase occurs in the number of students in the 4-year-old kindergarten program, and to station the additional class section at Encompass.

"We anticipate having more students in our 4K program because of suddenly having this care option," Hess said.

Often when parents get a job at the schools, HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital or other employers in Oconto Falls, they will enroll their children in neighboring school districts because of the lack of local child-care services, he said.

Encompass has found in other districts where they have collaborated on kindergarten program, such as West De Pere and Pulaski, there is an inevitable rise in enrollment.

"What Encompass is telling us it, it's not a question of if this is going to happen, it's a question of when," Hess said. "Where they come into town and open up a care facility, you're going to see your numbers increase, so you're going to have to have a plan for that."

An alternative is for the kindergarten teacher to be an Encompass employee,

Carlson returns as interim Gillett superintendent

By WARREN BLUHM
News Editor

Former Gillett School District Superintendent Todd Carlson is prowling the halls again, serving what is expected to be about a five-month stint as interim superintendent.

Dr. Wayne Johnson was hired as interim superintendent late in 2022 when Todd Hencsik's terminal illness forced him to take a medical leave. Johnson agreed to serve as superintendent after Hencsik passed away last May. After the Feb. 15 Gillett School Board meeting, Carlson said Johnson has taken a personal leave.

Carlson served as superintendent from 2013 until he retired in 2020. He came out of retirement once before as interim superintendent in Suring two years ago and still lives in the Gillett area.

He told the board he was enjoying getting reacquainted with the school, staff and students.

"It's really been a pleasure to come back into Gillett and to work with some people; I can put a face to a name now," Carlson said. "Thank you for allowing me to come back. I really appreciate that. I've gotten to know a lot of the new staff members as well; I think that's positive. It's been a really nice time here."

Carlson is a 1977 graduate of Gillett High School. He spent more than half of his career in Suring, rising from an internship to superintendent before becoming top administrator in Shawano in 2007 and then returning to his alma mater.



TODD CARLSON

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Gallagher won't seek re-election to Congress

Local GOP leaders in wait-and-see pattern regarding next candidate

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-chief

U.S. Rep. Mike Gallagher's announcement that he won't seek another term in Congress is opening the way for a new face in Washington, and local GOP leaders are optimistic it will be a Republican again.

Richard Kucksdorf, Shawano County Republican Party chairman, said the the party is expected to have a rigorous vetting process.

"First, we'll want to know if the candidate lives in the district," he said. "Then, we'll ask how long they've lived here. If they just moved here as a carpetbagger, how well can they represent the 8th District?"

That may have been an early critique of potential candidate Alex Bruesewitz, a supporter of former President Donald Trump and a GOP consultant. Bruesewitz is a former Wisconsin resident now living in Florida.

It was also an acknowledgement of the mistakes



MIKE GALLAGHER

the party made in 2022 after Rep. Peter Schmidt won the Republican primary for the Wisconsin Assembly.

After the primary, it was revealed Schmidt had previously been charged with a felony but later convicted of misdemeanor disorderly conduct. As a result, the local party withdrew its support of Schmidt. He was also censured by the county party and prohibited from participating county GOP activities.

At that time, Kucksdorf said the Shawano County GOP failed to vet the six candidates before the primary.

Gallagher announced Feb. 10 he would not seek a fifth term in Congress.

"Eight years ago, when I first ran for Congress, I promised to treat my time in office as a high-

intensity deployment," he said. "Through my bipartisan work on the Armed Services and Intelligence Committees, chairing the Cyberspace Solarium Commission and chairing the Select Committee on the Chinese Communist Party, we've accomplished more on this deployment than I could have ever imagined.

"But the Framers intended citizens to serve in Congress for a season and then return to their private lives. Electoral politics was never supposed to be a career and, trust me, Congress is no place to grow old. And so, with a heavy heart, I have decided not to run for re-election."

Kucksdorf said Gallagher often partnered with a Democrat to bring forward bills regarding term limits. However, former Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi would turn the Democrats' vision, he said, and he or she would back down before the matter came up for a vote, so it never worked out.

"I know his wife (Anne)

is not a fan of the political life," Kucksdorf said. "He wants a civilian job. Washington, D.C., is very intoxicating. When he was named chair on the Committee of the Chinese Communist Party, they dangled other committee chairmanships in front of him, then told him just a few more terms and then it's the Senate. After that, it's the presidency."

However, even before Gallagher's announcement, Ken Sikora, Oconto County Republican Party chairman, was urging party leaders to consider an alternative in the 2024 election cycle.

Gallagher was one of a handful of Republicans who voted with Democrats against impeaching Department of Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas for not stemming the flow of immigrants on the nation's southern border.

Sikora, in a letter to GOP county chairman in the 8th District, said Gallagher was expected to do the right thing, hold people account-

able and vote for impeachment instead of giving lip service.

"I believe it is time that we start seriously considering Gallagher alternatives," he wrote.

Sikora said Bruesewitz would have his support if he opted to run and invited Bruesewitz to address the county GOP.

"We are excited to welcome him to Oconto County and North East Wisconsin to help promote conservatism and the MAGA movement," Sikora wrote.

Bruesewitz was scheduled as the featured speaker at the Oconto County Republican Party 2024 Caucus on Feb. 17 in Lena.

Bruesewitz had repeatedly attacked Gallagher on social media following Gallagher's vote against impeaching Mayorkas earlier this month.

Roger Stone, a former Trump adviser, wrote on X that Bruesewitz "would have the full support of the MAGA movement" if he ran.

Former state Sen. Roger Roth, an Appleton Repub-

lican, said just hours after Gallagher's announcement that he would run for the seat.

Roth served as state Senate president from 2017-21 and ran for lieutenant governor alongside GOP gubernatorial candidate Tim Michels in 2022.

He previously ran for the 8th District in 2010 but was defeated in the GOP primary by former Rep. Reid Ribble.

State Sen. Andre Jacque, a Republican from De Pere, is also reportedly considering a run.

No Democrats were firmly running for the seat before Gallagher's announcement. However, former journalist Kelly Peterson, Navy veteran Alicia Saunders, and women's health Dr. Kristin Lyerly all expressed interest in running at an event held last month by Women Win Wisconsin.

Congressional candidates must file their paperwork to run in Wisconsin by June 1 to be on the ballot for the primary, set for Aug. 13.

Gillett School Board sanctions new student clubs

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

The Gillett School Board voted unanimously Feb. 15 to officially sanction three new clubs — the Esports Club, Powerlifting Club and the Fishing Club.

Each of these new clubs has come about in a different way, secondary principal Shawn Limberg told the board.

A group of students approached high school

math teacher Jacob Norman about forming a competitive esports team after the M&O Conference discontinued the Academic Quiz Bowl last year, Limberg said.

"The esports club is kind of filling that Academic Quiz Bowl gap with students who are into gaming and competition," Limberg said.

About a dozen Gillett students are competing in events hosted by the Wisconsin High School Es-

ports Association, he said.

The Powerlifting Club grew out of strength and conditioning physical education classes, Limberg said. Phy ed teacher Jill Halla started last year with two students who competed in various competitions, and that number has grown this year to about

10, Limberg said.

It's had the added effect of increasing interest in the strength and conditioning class, he said.

Gillett Fishing Club was formed last year as an extension of FFA.

"We'd like to separate that so they are two separate organizations," Limberg

said. Agriculture teacher Jacob Timm will still be the adviser for both clubs.

In response to a board question, Limberg said the esports and powerlifting club advisers would receive additional stipends for the work, funded from the vacant Quiz Bowl budget item and an assistant

dance team coach position that has been vacant for a number of years.

"The interest is not there to have two coaches for a dance team organization," he said.

The fishing club would still be part of Timm's compensation as ag teacher.

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but Hess said having it be a school district employee "allows us to have a little bit more control over the system, where we're doing the hiring, we're doing the professional development. They would be interacting as much as we can have them interact with staff in the other building."

He added that there's no guarantee as yet that another section will be needed right away.

"If it turns out that we don't have enough students in 4K registration to require this, we'll stick with what we're doing and push this back," Hess said.

CORRECTIONS

Gillett City Council President Nanette Mohr ran the council's Feb. 1 meeting and plans to do the same for the next two sessions March 7 and April 4. The date of the March meeting was incorrect in an article printed in the Feb. 9 Oconto County Times Herald.

Also, Oconto Falls Fire Department member Joel Schmechel was misidentified in a story in the Feb. 16 Times Herald.

We apologize for the errors.

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

With a new fire station nearing completion, the Oconto Falls City Council must decide what to do about the chronically leaky roof at the old firehouse.

During its regular monthly meeting Feb. 13, council members considered how to address ongoing leaks at the building at the corner of Jackson Street and Cherry Avenue, which is due to be replaced this summer by a new station at the south end of Memorial Park.

Street Superintendent Alan Winkler described

the dated, damaged roof at the old facility.

"Basically it's a rubber roof with ballast on top. It has a 20-year lifespan, and it's been up there since 1984, so double its lifespan," Winkler said. "It's completely dry-rotted. So anywhere there's been patching, it's right next to the patch where it tears. So if you patch indefinitely, it'll just keep going that way."

Fire Chief Tim Magnin obtained three estimates to replace the roof for between \$100,000 and \$140,000 but conceded that a more temporary patch is working for now.

Alderson Mat Mc-

Dermid asked whether the council is ready to spend that much money.

"Do we want to do this, or do we want to determine what we're doing with the building first before we decide to put a \$100,000 roof on something?" McDermid said. "And second, how do we want to pay for it if we decide to do it?"

The options for the building include selling it or turning it over to another department, such as the Street Department or Oconto Falls Municipal Utilities.

"We need to figure out what the future of that building is before we put

that kind of money into it," said Alderson Ashley Bahrke, who added that it's possible the roof could be reconfigured to store higher vehicles such as the city's two utility lift trucks.

"I don't know if that's a possibility, but we have no idea what we're using that (building) for," she said.

McDermid said his preference would be to bring the issue back when the 2025 budget is under discussion, rather than taking \$100,000 or more out of the city's fund balance.

"It's patched and dry at the moment? I think we bring it back at budget time," McDermid said.

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School bus driver shortage intensifies

Two more Oconto Falls School District drivers plan to retire at the end of this school year

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

With an ongoing shortage of available drivers, the Oconto Falls School District is faced with the possibility it will have to further curtail bus service to its students. “We have a very tenured team in our transportation group. Two of those folks let me know they

plan to retire at the end of the 2023-24 school year,” Superintendent Dean Hess reported to the school board at its Feb. 12 meeting. “It’s important to note that with as few drivers as we have and not having new applicants coming in, that’s going to cause us further challenges.” Hess said he plan to gather the board’s Trans-

portation Committee within the next 30 days or so to discuss options so the issue can be addressed at the April board meeting. By state law, school districts are required to transport students who live two miles or more away from school. For many years, Oconto Falls bused everyone, but a couple of years ago, the board was forced

to eliminate service to children who live within one mile of school buildings. “One of the things that I anticipate having a conversation is we’ve been trying to sustain being at the one-mile radius, but I would anticipate we’ll at least have some level of conversation about the two-mile radius,” Hess said. “That’s not something anyone

wants to implement, but we continue to reach out to folks and let them know that we need help, in hopes that we can avoid that.” School districts across the country have experienced trouble finding candidates willing to accept the part-time position driving school buses. Oconto Falls has advertised extensively but without much

success. Several coaches and other staff members have voluntarily filled the gap somewhat by obtaining the required license. People interested in learning more about being a school bus driver can visit ofpanthers.com and look under “Employment Opportunities.”

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Oconto Falls, Gillett school boards accept private donations

Several local organizations have made donations to the Oconto Falls and Gillett school districts to assist a variety of programs and activities. During its regular monthly meeting Feb. 12,

the Oconto Falls School Board accepted donations from:

- Panther Wrestling Alumni and Supporters, \$2,400 to the high school wrestling program.
- EPAWS, a group of parents and staff working

to support Washington Middle School students, \$1,500, for a Mind Trekkers STEAM event.

- Crystal Clark of Disruptive Advertising, \$1,000 to Holiday Hope through the company’s stewardship program.

- An anonymous \$600 donation to support participation at the FFA National Conference.

During its Feb. 15 meeting, the Gillett School Board formally accepted five donations and agreed to send thank you notes to:

- The Wisconsin State Golf Association, for a \$1,000 donation to the high school golf team.
- St. John’s Catholic Congregation, for a \$750 donation to the hot lunch program and \$500 for the National Honor Society.

- The local BP gas station for \$822.62 in revenues from its Pride Pump.
- MirroCraft, for a \$500 donation to the trap team.
- The Underhill Sportsmen’s Club, for a \$500 to the high school fishing team.

HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital receives national recognition

HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital is the recipient of a 2023 Performance Leadership Award for excellence in providing quality health care. Compiled by The Chartis Center for Rural Health, the Performance Leadership Awards honor the top-performing rural hospitals in the areas of

quality, outcomes and/or patient perspective. “At HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital, we take pride in providing our patients the highest quality of care - the type of care our neighbors and visitors deserve and expect,” said Chris Brabant, president and CEO of the Oconto Falls hospital. “This award

is a great example of our commitment to providing high quality, accessible health care in Oconto County.” Performance Leadership Awards are based on the results of The Chartis Rural Hospital Performance INDEX, the industry’s most comprehensive and objective assessment

of rural hospital performance. INDEX data is relied upon by rural hospitals, health systems with rural footprints, hospital associations and state offices of rural health around the country to measure and monitor performance across several areas impacting hospital operations and finance.

“Wherever we go in rural America, we witness first-hand the commitment, determination and compassion with which rural hospitals serve their communities. Rural health care truly is mission-driven,” said Michael Topchik, national leader of The Chartis Center. “Let us recognize

the efforts of our Performance Leadership Award winners and all those driven to deliver high quality care throughout rural communities.” In 2022, HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital was named a Top 22 Critical Access Hospital in the U.S. by The Chartis Center for Rural Health.

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Donald R. Gardebrecht

Donald R. Gardebrecht, 81, of Suring, passed away on Monday, Feb. 12, 2024.

Donnie was born on Jan. 2, 1943, to the late Herman and Melva (Zaddack) Gardebrecht. He attended Suring High School and began driving milk truck for Manthei's Cheese Factory. In 1963, Donnie moved to Milwaukee to be near his future wife, Diane Kohn. He worked at a Macy's warehouse. The couple was married on Aug. 14, 1965, at St. John Lutheran Church in Gillett. They moved back to Suring in 1974 to take over the family farm. While farming, Donnie also drove truck for numerous companies. After selling the cows, Donnie became a full-time trucker until his retire-



ment.

Donnie greatly enjoyed the outdoors whether he was hunting, fishing or snowmobiling.

Donnie is survived by his wife, Diane; two daughters, Sheila (George Rust II) Rost and Breelynne Gardebrecht; two sisters, Shirley (Arnold) Bubolz and Shelby Strehlow. He is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son-in-law, Roy Rost III; brother-in-law, Randy Strehlow.

Brenda L. Bowman

Brenda L. Bowman, 58, of Suring, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 10, 2024.

Brenda was born on Nov. 30, 1965, to Gerald and Linda (Firgens) Bowman. She graduated from Suring High School with the class of 1983. Brenda worked as a nurse at Anna John Nursing Home and Bellin Memorial Hospital. She loved going out with friends and going to the movies. A highlight of her life was adventuring with her grandsons. Brenda was a caring, animal lover.

Brenda is survived



by her parents, Gerald and Linda; daughter, Brianne (Troy) Lee; two grandsons, Francis and Otto; brother, Kevin (Deb Courchaine) Bowman. She is further survived by other relatives and friends.

A celebration of life will be held for Brenda on Saturday, March 9, 2024, at the Breed Town Hall from

Per Donnie's wishes, no services will be held.

Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.

The family would like to thank the staff of The Bay at Suring Nursing Home for the care and compassion offered to Donnie and his family during their time of need.



2-10 p.m.

Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.



Jim Linzmeyer, an Army veteran and former star athlete at Gillett High School, died Saturday, Feb. 10, at Serenity Gardens in Gillett at age 76.

The son of Sylvester and Ruby Linzmeyer, Jim graduated from Gillett High School in 1965. After attending what was then Wisconsin State University-Whitewater for one year, Jim served in the Army from 1968 to 1970 and was based in Vicenza, Italy, for most of that time.

Jim was a three-sport star at Gillett High, earning 10 varsity letters, including one in track as a freshman.

As a senior, Jim was a two-way selection at halfback and defensive back on the all-M&O Conference football team as Gillett took second place with a 5-1 record. In basketball, he was named honorable mention on the Associated Press All-State Team and special mention on the United Press International team selected by state coaches. He led Gillett to an 18-2 overall record, the M&O Conference championship and to the subsectional level of what was then a one-class state tournament.

In track, Jim won the

Jim Linzmeyer



120-yard high hurdles and 180-yard low hurdles in the WIAA State Track Meet and scored all 10 points as Gillett finished in a tie for fifth place in Class C, which included 135 schools with enrollments of 325 and under. Jim also was the only double winner in Class C. In the M&O Conference track and field meet, Jim won three events, including the high jump, and set records in winning the two hurdle events.

As a junior, Jim was a star halfback for Gillett when it won the M&O Conference championship and finished 6-1 overall. In basketball, he averaged just over 20 points a game as Gillett tied for second place in the M&O. And he finished fourth in the 120-yard high hurdles in the Class C state track meet. He also was king of the Junior Prom.

After he returned home from the service, Jim played basketball for the Swan Club, one of the top amateur teams in the

Green Bay area.

Jim was a kind, honest man with a keen memory and quick wit, who made many lasting friendships over the course of his life.

He is survived by his brother, Ronald; his sister, Shirley Christl (Cliff); and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Beverly Young.

Jim also wanted to thank niece Karyn Patenaude for her frequent visits and tender-hearted support; and the staff at Serenity Gardens assisted living facility in Gillett for its care and kindness during his stay.

Plans for a celebration of Jim's life will be announced in the future.

Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.



Janet C. Cota



Janet C. Cota, 86, of Gillett, passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2024.

Janet was born on June 7, 1937, to the late Joseph and Sophie (Borowski) Zima in the town of Chase. She graduated from Pulaski High School with the class of 1954. On July 8, 1961, Janet married Thomas Cota at St. Casimir Catholic Church in Krakow.

For many years, Janet worked for the State Bank of Green Valley as a bank teller. Janet enjoyed nature as an avid flower gardener and bird watcher. She also enjoyed animals and crossword puzzles. She was a member of St. Michael Catholic Church.

Jan is survived by her husband, Tom, of Gillett; two children, Dan, of Krakow, and Linda (Mark)

Malkin, of Middleton; brother, Tim (Nancy) Zima, of Green Valley; and sister-in-law, Sharon Zima, of Pulaski. She is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Bob Zima in 2020.

Visitation was held on Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2024, at St. John Catholic Church in Gillett from 9 a.m. until the Mass of Christian burial at 11:30 a.m. with the Rev. Francis Dias officiating. Janet will be interred at St.

Casimir Catholic Cemetery.

Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.

The family would like to thank the staffs of St. Vincent Hospital, St. Clare Memorial Hospital and Unity Hospice for the care and compassion offered to Janet and her family during their time of need.



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One ice fishing derby is off, one on

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

One side effect of the warmer than normal winter is that a number of annual events that revolve around ice fishing have been canceled or modified this year.

As of Feb. 19, however, the Finnegan Lake Walleye Club was still promoting its annual ice fishing derby, with registration taking place at Zippel Park in Gillett from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 24 and activities at the park until 5 p.m.

A variety of raffles were also planned, including a cash raffle with the main drawing at 4:30 p.m., bucket raffles until 4 p.m., and walk-around gun raffles from noon to 3 p.m. A live auction was scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

Unsafe conditions on the Oconto River led St. Anthony Catholic School and Church to cancel its annual ice fishing derby Feb. 10. The accompanying cash raffle proceeded as usual, with the drawing shown on Facebook Live.

The Oconto Falls City Council agreed Feb. 13 to transfer St. Anthony's temporary liquor license from the fishing derby to the school auction scheduled for April 26.

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Kathleen Marie Mattila, 67, Lena, WI, died unexpectedly at home on February 7, 2024. She was born to Fred and Marie Renel October 30, 1956. She grew up in Oconto Falls and attended Oconto Falls schools. In 1971 she married Steven R Hammersly and together they had one son, Aaron (Cecil). In 1990 she married Wayne Mattila and they resided in Lena.

Kathleen is survived by her husband Wayne and Son Aaron. Three Grandchildren; Steven, Sophia, and Micheal (all of Green Bay), her mother Marie Renel, two brothers: Kevin (Jody) Shawano, and Daniel (Joann) Cecil, Two sisters; Laurie (Tim) Faledas Crandon, and Marjie (David) Rutledge Oconto Falls, and several nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her father Fred A Renel (2008)



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SW 1/4 NE 1/4 SEC 35 T27N R16E PARCEL #044-40130-0000	JESSE MUELLER JERRY BECKER, VENDOR PATTI BECKER, VENDOR	11827	2021	2020	223.33	98.27	250.00	571.60
S.E.1/4 N.E.1/4 EX PRT SOLD IN DOC #556760 SEC.35 T.27N R.16 E. PARCEL #044-40140-0001	JESSE MUELLER	11828	2021	2020	122.83	54.05	250.00	426.88
PRT OF S.E.1/4 N.W.1/4 & PRT OF N.E.1/4 S.W.1/4 COM S 1/4 COR TH N 2131.21'TO POB; TH CONT N 448.52'TH W 1272.89' TH S 20.03'TH E 211.06'TH S 428.66'TH E 1058.15'TO POB SEC.35 T.27N R.16 E. PARCEL #044-40310-0003	JESSE MUELLER	11839	2021	2020	39.08	17.20	250.00	306.28
W 1/2 OF NW 1/4 SE 1/4 SEC 35 T27N R16E ACREAGE PER PLAT OF SURVEY PARCEL #044-40420-0010	JESSE MUELLER	11865	2021	2020	241.95	106.46	250.00	598.41
HIDDEN PINES PART N.E.1/4 S.W.1/4 & FRAC N.W.1/4 S.W 1/4 SEC.6 T.27 R.17 E. LOT 13 PARCEL #044-60150-0120	STEVEN J MATEKEL	11971	2021	2020	1,145.32	503.94	250.00	1,899.26
TOWN OF WAUKECHON								
NW 1/4 FRAC NW 1/4 2-26-16EX BROOK'S PLAT OF LIME KILN & EX W 49.5'OF S 231'N&E LOT 1 BROOK PLAT OF LIME KILN & COM SE COR LOT 3 SD PLAT TH ANG 14DEG 9'LF 269.2'TO POB TH ANG 108DEG30'LF 934.5'TH ANG24DEG45'RT246.6'TH ANG 4 DEG24'RT INTERS E LN SD40 TH S ON SD LN 500'MOL TH LF 82DEG30'260'MOL TH 95DEG LF 317.5'TH ANG17DEG18'LF TH S 2DEG W364'N BDY OLD 29 TH NW ALG N BDY OLD 26 TO POB PARCEL #046-02220-0000	JESSE MUELLER	11164	2021	2020	183.80	80.87	250.00	514.67
N.E.1/4 S.W.1/4 EX HWY DES V.795 P.127 AND EX CERT SUR REC V.8 P.310 SEC.2 T.26N R.16 E. PARCEL #046-02310-0010	JESSE MUELLER	11167	2021	2020	398.01	175.12	250.00	823.13
S.E.1/4 S.W.1/4 EX W 24'SEC 2 T.26 R.16 E. PARCEL #046-02340-0000	JESSE MUELLER	11170	2021	2020	359.77	158.30	250.00	768.07
NE 1/4 FRAC NW 1/4 EX V15 CSM P124 & EX THE S 33' RD SEC 3 T26N R16E PARCEL #046-03210-0010	JESSE MUELLER	11184	2021	2020	301.10	132.48	250.00	683.58
BROOKS PLAT OF LIME KILN SEC 2 T26N R16E LOTS 2 & 3 ACREAGE PER PLAT OF SURVEY PARCEL #046-40050-0000	JESSE MUELLER	11792	2021	2020	5.86	2.58	250.00	258.44
TOWN OF WESCOTT								
PRT OF S.E.1/4 S.E.1/4 THAT PRT LYG SE OF EDGEWOOD ROAD SEC.20 T.27N R.16 E. PARCEL #048-20440-0001	KLAYTON E KELLOGG LYDIA FELIZ	11508	2021	2020	294.37	129.52	250.00	673.89
COM NW COR N.W.1/4 N.W.1/4 TH S ALG SEC LN 285'TO POB TH CONT SD LN85'S TH E TO E BDY NW-NW-NW TH N 21'TH N85 DEG44'W TO POB S.30T.27R.16 PARCEL #048-30220-0040	DR R C SAMANTA ROY IN- STITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, INCORPORATED	11659	2021	2020	2,251.98	990.87	250.00	3,492.85
N 140'OF S 290'N.W.1/4 N.W. 1/4 N.W.1/4 & TH PRT DES V. 664 P.739 SEC.30 T.27 R.16 E. PARCEL #048-30220-0050	DR R C SAMANTA ROY IN- STITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, INCORPORATED	11660	2021	2020	6,461.45	2,843.04	250.00	9,554.49
S 150'OF N.W.1/4 N.W.1/4 N. W.1/4 EX PRT DES V.664 P. 739 SEC.30 T.27 R.16 E. AND N5654 ST 47-55 HWY PARCEL #048-30220-0060	MIDWEST PROPERTIES OF SHAWANO LLC	11661	2021	2020	3,839.72	1,689.48	250.00	5,779.20
ACHTEN'S FIRST ADDITION TO SUNSET VIEW SEC 24 T27N R15E LOT 7 BLK 3 PARCEL #048-40100-0060	BEIT MAMTAKIM CORPORA- TION OF USA INCORPORATED	11820	2021	2020	5,212.23	2,293.38	250.00	7,755.61
PARKWOOD ESTATES PART N.E. 1/4 & S.E.1/4 SEC.1 T.27 R. 16 E. LOT 66 PARCEL #048-70350-0690	DON W STIEGLBAUER	12098	2021	2020	174.34	76.71	250.00	501.05
WESCOTT ACRES PRT OF N FRAC 1/2 OF NE 1/4 DES V.427 P2 SEC 1 T27N R16E LOT 17 PARCEL #048-85150-0160	RODNEY A BORKENHAGEN	12224	2021	2020	132.48	58.29	250.00	440.77
WESCOTT ACRES PRT OF N FRAC 1/2 OF NE 1/4 DES V427 P2 SEC 1 T27N R16E LOT 18 PARCEL #048-85150-0170	RODNEY A BORKENHAGEN	12225	2021	2020	132.48	58.29	250.00	440.77
WESCOTT ACRES PRT OF N FRAC 1/2 OF NE 1/4 DES V427 P2 SEC 1 T27N R16E LOT 19 PARCEL #048-85150-0180	RODNEY A BORKENHAGEN	12226	2021	2020	128.78	56.66	250.00	435.44
VILLAGE OF ANIWA								
VIL OF ANIWA NE 1/4 NW 1/4 E 600' OF W 804' OF S 600 FT SEC 8 T29N R11E PARCEL #101-08210-0010	BEVERLY J FAUST	11281	2021	2020	51,099.17	22,483.64	250.00	73,832.81
VIL OF ANIWA OBERWIESER'S SUB-DIV BLK 26 LOT 4 BLK 2 PARCEL #101-70050-0140	SEAN LOCKE JULIE LOCKE	12015	2021	2020	535.87	235.79	250.00	1,021.66
VIL OF ANIWA OBERWIESER'S SUB-DIV BLK 26 LOT 7 & 8 BLK 2 PARCEL #101-70050-0170	SEAN LOCKE JULIE LOCKE	12018	2021	2020	308.89	135.91	250.00	694.80
VIL OF ANIWA ORIGINAL PLAT LOTS 1-2 & 3 BLK 5 PARCEL #101-70100-0060	DIANE L SIBILIA CHARLES R JAMES	12060	2021	2020	12.32	5.42	250.00	267.74
VIL OF ANIWA ORIGINAL PLAT E 1/2 LOTS 5 & 6 BLK 5 PARCEL #101-70100-0070	DIANE L SIBILIA CHARLES R JAMES	12062	2021	2020	4.61	2.03	250.00	256.64
VILLAGE OF BONDUEL								
VIL OF BONDUEL WESTPHAL & LANGE'S PLAT 2ND ADDITION LOT 16 BLK 2 & LOT 17 V326 P111 PARCEL #107-85100-0340	TINA RADTKE	12217	2021	2020	1,133.02	498.53	250.00	1,881.55
VIL OF BONDUEL WHITNEE WOODS PLAT SEC 8 T26N R17E LOT 7 PARCEL #107-87100-0060	JAMES F HUTTER SUZANNE HUTTER	12234	2021	2020	669.49	294.58	250.00	1,214.07
VILLAGE OF BOWLER								
VIL OF BOWLER PRT S.W.1/4 N.W.1/4 COM 25'N & 33'E OF W 1/4 SEC COR TH E100'TH 128'TH W100'TH 128'TO POB SEC.31 T.28 R.13 E PARCEL #108-31230-0220	MERLE R MOEDE CINDY PUKALL MOEDE	11672	2021	2020	771.93	339.65	250.00	1,361.58
VILLAGE OF CECIL								
VIL OF CECIL FREEBORNS ADD LOT 6 BLK 1 SEC 20 T27N R17E PARCEL #111-50050-0060	ELLEN S KOEPPEN JORDAN KOEPPEN	11914	2021	2020	1,174.35	516.72	250.00	1,941.07
VILLAGE OF ELAND								
VILLAGE OF ELAND LULL & MYLREA'S ADD WAS LOT 1 & PRT LOT 2 V15 CSM P87 MAP #3527 SEC 31 T28N R11E NKA LOT 1 CSM MAP #4707 PARCEL #121-65050-0040	BRETT J ROEHL	11976	2021	2020	374.42	164.74	250.00	789.16
VILLAGE OF MATTOON								
VILLAGE OF MATTOON ORIGINAL PLAT LOTS 4 & 5 BLK 18 PARCEL #151-70050-0300	GERALDINE T COX	12024	2021	2020	1,169.18	514.44	250.00	1,933.62
VILLAGE OF MATTOON ORIGINAL PLAT LOT 6 BLK 20 PARCEL #151-70050-0510	REBECCA L OSBORN	12028	2021	2020	1,064.41	468.34	250.00	1,782.75
VILLAGE OF MATTOON ORIGINAL PLAT E 60'LOTS 1 & 2 ALL LOTS 3-4 & 5 & LOT 6 EX E 28'BLK 22 PARCEL #151-70050-0580	RONALD K MONTEITH TREVOR D BURNS	12034	2021	2020	421.08	185.28	250.00	856.36
VILLAGE OF TIGERTON								
TH PRT OF S.W.1/4 N.W.1/4 KNOWN AS LOT 2 CERT SUR REC V.4 P.265 MAP #1211 SEC.9 T.26 R.12 E. & HWY ACCESS RESTRICT DES V.878 P.173 PARCEL #186-09230-0010	PERFORMANCE TORQUE CONV	11303	2021	2020	177.29	78.01	250.00	505.30
VILLAGE OF TIGERTON MILL SITE DES V.288 P.611 PRT S 1/2 S.W.1/4 SEC.9 T.26 R.12 E. PARCEL #186-65050-0020	PAMELA M WHITEWING JOHN A WHITEWING	11975	2021	2020	121.71	53.55	250.00	425.26
VIL TIGERTON ORIGINAL PLAT LOT 3 & 4 BLK 33 PARCEL #186-70050-1320	GARY L HARGROVE JODY L HARGROVE	12049	2021	2020	327.52	144.11	250.00	721.63
VIL. TIGERTON ORIGINAL PLAT LOTS 1 & 2 BLK 34 EX S 10' PARCEL #186-70050-1360	BRIAN K JENSEN AMY JENSEN	12050	2021	2020	2,596.55	1,142.48	250.00	3,989.03
VIL. TIGERTON ORIGINAL PLAT LOT 3 BLK 34 EX S 10' PARCEL #186-70050-1370	BRIAN K JENSEN AMY JENSEN	12051	2021	2020	968.74	426.25	250.00	1,644.99

House wrens not just one-note birds in Wisconsin

Sadly, my mom passed away last fall. In the midst of cleaning out her things for auction, I was so consumed with grief that I couldn't think straight. So, when the auctioneer put the birdhouses in a box to sell, I didn't think anything of it. Now, months later, I realize the birdhouse of Mom's annual visitor, a house wren, is gone.

Every summer, a house wren calls Mom's backyard home. When she arrives and begins bringing nesting material into the birdhouse, Mom would call me and announce, "She's back."

Her house wren was very successful in raising baby wrens. It was hard to get a look at the babies inside of the house, so when they first appeared out of the house, Mom would call me and announce, "The babies are out."

Once they fledge, the backyard would turn into a revelry of birds flying here and there, then pausing to try out their vocals and learn the songs. If you've never heard a wren sing, it is equivalent to a glorious opera singer belting out a cheerful melody for the whole neighborhood to hear. One reason their song is so remarkable is that they can hit two notes at the same time.



Lisa Jansen
Columnist

Mom and I would watch them for hours. We sat on the patio drinking lemonade and eating Rice Krispies bars. It was one of those little moments that have become one of my big memories.

I think I will put up a new wren house in Mom's yard, at the end of the clothes line, where the other had been. When the house sells, I will tell the new owners about Mom's wren in hopes they leave the birdhouse up. They would not need to put up a bird feeder; house wrens are not picky eaters. They eat small flies, spiders and insects like beetles and caterpillars. If you set out mealworms, they wouldn't complain.

There are 10 species of wrens in the United States. Wisconsin has four — the house wren, winter wren, sedge wren and marsh wren. I have seen all but the winter wren. I hear him often in the Northwoods. He doesn't fly away when I walk by, but instead he continues to sing. The thickness of the brush allows him to hide from me in plain

sight. Perhaps, this year is the year he flies out of the thicket to say hello.

I've also seen four other wrens — the Carolina wren, cactus wren, rock wren and the canyon wren. The Carolina wren lives year-round in the Eastern half of the U.S. but its range doesn't usually include Wisconsin. I first spotted one at Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary in Florida. The cactus wren lives year-round in the Southwest U.S. I saw my first one in the Baja California peninsula.

Finding the rock wren and canyon wren are a longer story. In spring of 2023, I spent six weeks hiking and birding in Lake Havasu City, Arizona. On my very first hike there, I saw a rock wren. He was out in the open for all to see. On the other hand, the canyon wren was very elusive. We could hear him in brush alongside the road, but it was too thick for us to spot him.

We often returned to where we had heard him. He was always singing, sometimes in the brush and sometimes in the cliffs above the brush, but we never saw him. On the very last day there, when my husband asked me where I wanted to go, and without hesitation, I said I wanted to go back to find the canyon wren.



Baby house wrens are trying out their vocals on a fence post.

LISA JANSEN

As soon as I got out of the car I could hear him high in the cliff. I looked up and there he was, on the top ledge, in all his splendor for me to see. It was a glorious sight and a great ending to my vacation.

The last two wrens I've yet to see are the Pacific wren, which lives along, you guessed it, the Pacific Coast, and the Bewick's

Wren, which lives in the southern west half of the U.S. and the northern Pacific Coast. I'm going to Arizona in May and will keep a special lookout for him.

I worry about Mom's wren, but I have hope. I hope that when she arrives at Mom's backyard there will be a house ready to welcome her. If not, then soon after she

will find a house close by where she can continue the tradition of raising babies in a backyard and singing loud and clear for all to enjoy. Perhaps Mom will help guide her to her new home.

Lisa Jansen is a Wisconsin master naturalist, nature writer, and award-winning photographer. She specializes in raising awareness of birds and butterflies of the Midwest.

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Bears hit triple digits in win over Coleman

Tigerton wins Central Wisconsin North Conference title with victory over Marion

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-chief

Saturday, Feb. 17 Bonduel

The Bears soared into triple digits with six players scoring in double digits in a 103-61 victory over Coleman in non-conference action.

Bonduel led 46-34 at the break and then poured it on in the second half with a 57-27 score.

Ryan Westrich led the way with 21 points. He was joined by Quinn Wesenberg with 18 points, Race Anvelink with 17, Noah Weier and Carter Moesch each with 12, and Cade Johnson with another 10. For good measure, the other players also scored, as Charlie Tauchen had seven, Sam Roberts hit on four, and Colin Margelofsky had two.

Bonduel improved to 22-1 overall.

Lena

A 61-49 loss to St. Lawrence Seminary dropped Lena to 4-18 overall this season.

Caleb Schlosser scored 15 points, and Mason Spice added 11 for Lena. Also scoring were Anthony Seefeldt with eight, Tyler Shallow with six, Logan Graef with five and Luke Koslowsky with two.

The Wildcats were beat 24-17 in the first half and 37-32 in the second half in the 12-point loss.

Friday, Feb. 16

Gresham

Gresham was decimated 80-13 by Almond-Bancroft in non-conference action.

Tigerton tops Marion

With time running out in the regular season and the Central Wisconsin North Conference title still up in the air, Tigerton grabbed that title with its 36-32 win over Marion.

Tigerton holds on to first place with an 8-2 mark, followed by White Lake at 7-3 and Marion at 6-3. Tigerton is 18-4 overall.

Nearly half of the Tigers' points came from James Brady, who dropped in 17 — including 3-of-5 from the free throw line.

Brady also led his team with 10 rebounds, Sam Anheuser led with three assists, and Cameron Carlson had five steals.

Menominee Indian

The Eagles slipped into last place in the Central Wisconsin East Conference after a 68-59 loss to Shiocton.

Menominee Indian led 33-31 at the break, but the game slipped away from them in the second half with Shiocton fighting back with a 37-26 score for the nine-point win.

Barron Waupoose led the Eagles with 17 points, with Mikey Chapman scoring 15 and Kenew Awonohopay adding 10. Ryan Corn scored nine, and Maech Corn, Jordan Cox and Anikohsaeh Corn each scoring two.

The Eagles are 2-11 in conference play and 3-19 overall.

Oconto Falls

Oconto Falls (2-15, 6-17) lost 63-53 to Denmark in North Eastern Conference action.

Jameson Beaman led the Panthers with 19 points, including four 3-pointers, and Alex Haines had 14 points, including one triple. JJ Pytleski's six points came from a pair of 3-pointers.

Haines pulled down 15 boards for Oconto Falls and also led his team with seven assists. Brady Bursa recorded three steals.

Pulaski

The Red Raiders (8-9, 12-11) were blown away by Fox River Classic Conference leader De Pere (16-0, 21-1) 90-60.

Pulaski was behind by 21 points at halftime and lost ground with a nine-point deficit in the second half.

Bryce Wotruba and Dixon Holewinski led Pulaski with 18 points each. Wotruba connected on 3-of-5 from the 3-point line, while Holewinski went 4-for-5 from the behind the arc. Joseph Mijal scored 11 points, and Ethan Schmidt chipped in another 10. Pulaski's other points were scored by Dylan Dorn (two) and Bohdan Schmidt (one).

Mijal led the team with seven rebounds, Ethan Schmidt had four assists, and Bohdan Schmidt had a pair of steals.

Shawano

Shawano couldn't maintain its lead in the second half against Seymour as the Thunder pulled out a 49-46 win in Bay Conference action.

The loss dropped the Hawks to 5-8 in the conference and 7-15 overall.

Shawano led 21-19 at the break, but Seymour was a bit too much in the 30-25 second half as they snatched the victory from the clutches of the Hawks.

Crew Weisnicht led Shawano with 14 points, including 3-of-6 from the 3-point line and 1-of-2 from the free throw line.

Warren Beyer and Anderson Schmidt each scored eight points, and had two 3-pointers. Logan Sipple scored nine points, and Jerzy Bocker had seven.

Bocker pulled down 11 rebounds, Sipple had four assists, and Bocker and



Shawano and Green Bay East players watch the ball to see where it will fall after a missed basket Feb. 9 in Shawano. The Hawks won the non-conference game 81-56.

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Beyer each recorded three steals.

Witt-Birn

Wittenberg-Birnhamwood inched closer to second place in the Central Wisconsin East Conference with a 53-43 win over Weyauwega-Fremont.

The Chargers are in third place at 8-5, with Weyauwega-Fremont in second at 9-4. Bonduel is atop the standings at 13-0.

"After losing to Wega by over 20 the first time we played this season, the Chargers dominated from the start tonight," coach Garrett Rogowski said. "It was a great defensive effort holding the Warhawks to 17 points below their season average."

Jett Rogowski was the only Wit-Birn player to hit double digits, but his 23 points clearly helped power the victory. Seven other players scored.

Rogowski and Keegan Schmid each connected on a pair of 3-pointers, and Oliver Fraaza was a perfect 3-for-3 from the free throw line.

Fraaza led his team with five rebounds, and Rogowski led with five assists and four steals.

Thursday, Feb. 15 Bonduel

Race Anvelink's 22 points set the pace for Bonduel in its 70-56 win over Central Wisconsin East Conference opponent Iola-Scandinavia. Of Anvelink's 22 points, including six triples, 19 were scored in the second half.

Ryan Westrich scored 11 points for the Bears, with

Cade Johnson and Noah Weier each adding 10. Colin Margelofsky scored seven, Quinn Wesenberg added five, Sam Roberts had three and Charlie Tauchen contributed two.

Bonduel held a slim four-point lead at the half and widened the margin of victory with a 39-29 second half.

Bonduel, 21-1 overall, is unbeaten in conference play at 13-0.

Gillett

Gillett won its last four Marinette & Oconto Conference games to stay one game behind conference-leader Crivitz.

The Tigers' latest win was a 91-71 victory over Coleman.

Ben Matczak and Jesse DeBauch teamed up for 28 points each in the 20-point win. Aydin Franti scored 21 points, and Thomas Carmody added 10. Garrett Klein and Ryan Pensis each scored two.

Gillett (12-2, 15-7) held a commanding 47-28 lead at the break and, although the second half was much closer, they won that contest, too — 44-43.

Gresham

After beating Bowler on Feb. 2 for its first win of the season, Gresham is back on a four-game losing skid with a 61-58 loss to Stockbridge in non-conference action. The Wildcats are 1-20 overall.

Lena

A 20-point game by Tyler Shallow and points by each of the other six players wasn't enough for Lena, as they lost 63-51 to

Wausaukee.

Wausaukee won the game on both sides of the half, 24-18 before the break and 39-33 after it.

Anthony Seefeldt scored another 10 points for Lena. Also contributing were Caleb Schlosser with nine, Zander Thomson with four, three each by Mason Spice and Mason Belongia, and Logan Graef with two.

Lena dropped to 11-13 in the Marinette & Oconto Conference and 4-17 overall.

Tuesday, Feb. 13 Gresham

Gresham and Wild Rose battled to a 17-17 tie at halftime of their non-conference game; however, the host team blew open the second half with a 34-16 score to defeat Gresham 51-33. Gresham is 1-19 overall.

Menominee Indian

The Eagles lost their sixth consecutive game, dropping a 79-57 non-conference contest against Oconto. Menominee Indian has a 3-18 overall record.

Pulaski

A second-half comeback by Seymour fell short as Pulaski held on for a 62-56 non-conference win. The Red Raiders, 12-10 overall, led 36-20 at the break, with Seymour winning the second half 36-26.

Shawano

The Hawks have been flipping back and forth between wins and losses in their last seven games, with the latest being a 72-55 loss to Rhinelander

in non-conference action. Shawano is 7-14 overall.

Wolf River Lutheran

The visiting White Lake Lakers drowned Wolf River Lutheran 66-24. Wolf River Lutheran scored 12 points in each half, while White Lake scored 32 in the first half and 34 in the second half.

Monday, Feb. 12 Gillett

Gillett fought the good fight but came up short, losing 73-70 to Peshtigo in a non-conference game.

Gillett led 40-39 at the break, but Peshtigo fought back, and with its 34-30 second half, they prevailed in their comeback.

Ben Matczak led the Tigers with 22 points, including six 3-pointers. Jesse DeBauch scored 20 points, including six free throws, and Aydin Franti scored 16 points, including one triple and five free throws.

Thomas Carmody scored another eight points, while Tyler Frank scored four.

The Tigers fell to 14-7 overall.

Menominee Indian

Oneida Nation topped Menominee Indian 64-59 in a non-conference matchup at Oneida Nation High School. The Eagles are 3-17 overall.

Tigerton beats Suring

Leading by a single point at halftime, Tigerton opened up the game with a 30-19 second half to grab at 54-42 non-conference win over Suring.

Maverick Maas and James Brady led the Tigers with 12 points each, and Joey Zimdars added another 10. The other four players also scored, with Sam Anheuser getting seven, Loghan Wanta sinking six, Cameron Carlson with five and Gavin Kielblock with two.

Maas had a pair of 3-pointers, Wanta led the team with eight rebounds, Anheuser had three assists, and Maas recorded three steals.

Tigerton is 17-4 overall, and Suring is 4-17.

Witt-Birn

Wittenberg-Birnhamwood fell to below .500 overall with a 51-36 non-conference loss to Marathon at home.

Marathon controlled the game with a 27-19 first half and 24-17 second half.

Jett Rogowski led Wittenberg-Birnhamwood with 15 points, including two 3-pointers.

The team "played a solid game defensively," coach Garrett Rogowski said. "Offensively, (they) played to within five late in the second half and let it slip the last five minutes."

The Chargers dropped to 10-11 overall.

Wrestlers prepare for state tournament

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Shawano's Drake Herm will represent the Hawks at the boys state wrestling tournament this weekend at the Kohl Center in Madison.

At the sectionals in Kimberly on Feb. 17, Herm battled in the finals match but lost 14-0. In his wrestle back, he pinned Ryan Schmidt of Kaukauna in 42 seconds to qualify for the state tournament. His first match was set for the afternoon of Feb. 22.

"Drake has done such a great job all year long," coach Mike Homan said. "He continues to lead our team, and we are excited to watch him wrestle in Madison this weekend."

Carsen Herm found his way to the finals where he lost by pin to Tanner Hart of Kimberly. He went on to the third-place match and won by fall in 52 seconds over Grant Harris of Hortonville.

"Carsen had a good year. It didn't earn him a trip back to the state tournament, but he had a great season," Homan said. "He has been a rock in our lineup the last three years, and his leadership and wrestling will be missed. We will especially miss the way he earned victories by pin in most matches."

Carsen Herm has the school record for pins in a season at 28.

Drew Chelberg, Connor Chelberg and Brayen Boivin were all out after losing their first-round matches. Homan said all three wrestlers have good years ahead of them.

"Connor has been such a great wrestler for us the last two years," Homan said. "He works tirelessly

and has one of the best work ethics on the team. He has battled hard in every position, and his leadership will be missed. He is one of those special athletes that you cannot replace; you are just glad you had the opportunity to coach him."

At 113, Dane Hodkiewicz had to medical forfeit due to an injury, after earning his way into the second round.

Oconto Falls Sectional

Several area wrestlers advanced to the state tournament after competing in the WIAA Division 2 sectionals at Oconto Falls on Feb. 17.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Brooke Hoffman placed first at 185.

At 148, Cole Bozile (Oconto Falls) beat Colton Klug (Brillion) for second place.

At 144, Andres Sanchez (Wittenberg-Birnamwood) defeated Colin Meiselwitz (Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah/Howards Grove) for second place.

In the second-place match at 165, Bryson Schmid (Wittenberg-Birnamwood) beat Vincent Cook (Freedom).

In the second-place match at 285, Owen Schultz (Wittenberg-Birnamwood) defeated Sam Keuler (Wrightstown).

At 106, Garrett Ganter (Oconto Falls) defeated Logan Boehnlein (Seymour) for third place.

The third-place battle at 190 saw Nick Trepanier (Oconto Falls) defeat Cooper Cappaert (Freedom) 5-3.

Ethan Brissette (Peshtigo) pinned Braeden Groshek (Wittenberg-Birnamwood) in 5:17 for third place at 157. Groshek finished in fourth place.



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Bryson Schmid joined his teammates at the Oconto Falls Sectional wrestling meet Feb. 17. At the end of his day, in the second-place match at 165 pounds, Schmid beat Vincent Cook of Freedom.

TINA BACON

Shawano girls wrestling season ends at sectionals

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Only the first-place finishers at Kimberly's girls wrestling sectionals on Feb. 17 advanced to state. Unfortunately, there are no Shawano girls moving on to the Madison competition.

At 120, Onna Hermann defeated Ramses Trader from Kimberly with a fall in 1:56. In the semifinals, she beat Hannah Huza of Hortonville 8-5. But, in her finals match, she fell to Amari Richard of Neenah 9-2.

Hermann finished her senior year with a 35-8 record.

"Onna did a great job learning the sport in the last two years," coach Mike Homan said. "We will always remember the work she has put into her wrestling and the great matches that she wrestled for us. She will be greatly missed."

Vivian Walburger wrestled in the semifinals at 145. She avenged an early season loss to Erika Hamilton of Menasha by winning by fall in 5:19. In the finals, she lost to Harlow Skenandore of Pulaski in 56 seconds.

"I was proud of Vivian wrestling hard in the semifinals," Homan said.

"The girl that she defeated from Menasha had beaten her about three weeks ago. It was great to see her wrestle much better and defeat her today. I'm looking forward to her working hard this offseason to see what she can do next year."

At 132, Breleigh Thor-nock defeated Issabella Sauter of Appleton West by fall in 1:48. In the next round, she lost to the eventual champion, Lillie Banks of Menasha, by fall in 1:13.

"Breleigh has done a good job this season," Homan said. "She has a lot of work to do but shows some flashes of being a great wrestler. We look forward to seeing her work hard this offseason to see what she can do next year."

At 138, Adalyn Barkley defeated Stella Somers of Appleton West in 1:14 but lost in the semifinals to Leah Kapla of Pulaski in 2:45.

"Adalyn has done a great job in her first year of wrestling," Homan said. "She has made great strides. We look forward to a good offseason of work and a successful season of wrestling next year."

At 152, Courtney Schenk won her quarterfinals match over Savannah Pratt of Pulaski by fall in 1:40. In semifinals, she lost to Renezmai Rhoades of Bay Port by fall in 5:01.

Schenk went 29-13 during the year.

"She has had a great two-year career and will be missed next season," Homan said.

At 235, Lily Tomas won her semifinals match over Emma Vervrick of Neenah by fall in 4:51. In the finals match, she lost to Allison Abel of Menasha 12-8.

"She has done a great job learning the sport in the last two months," Homan said. "We look forward to her working hard this offseason to come back for a great senior season next year."

At 126, Caitlyn Moede lost her first-round match to Anna Behling of Bay Port by fall in 3:46. "Caitlyn was battling some sickness this week, and it showed in her results," Homan said. "Caitlyn has been a great wrestler for us this season. She had a great two-year career, especially this year going 32-9 during the season."

At 114, Jenna Moede lost her first-round match to Scarlet Beckstrum from Green Bay United 11-8.

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Shawano falls to conference champs in OT

By **DUSTIN RIESE**
Correspondent

Not only that, but sophomore Leah Nordin entered the game 12 points away from 1,000 as all eyes were on her.

Backed by an overall strong defensive performance from top to bottom, Shawano gave Xavier all they could handle as a late-game bucket from Nordin helped keep things close before the teams needed to settle things in overtime. In the extra frame, it was the Xavier defense that came up huge as they forced Shawano to commit several turnovers leading to a 61-57 OT loss for Shawano.

"I thought we played very well, especially defensively," coach Ryan Koenig said. "We didn't shoot well from the free throw line, and against top teams, that can't happen if you want to win."

The intensity on the floor was apparent from the opening tip as Halle Vande Hey opened the scoring with a bucket on the inside. She was responsible for four of her team's first six points, but it was Shawano that did its part to keep things close, trailing 6-5 early. That was until Abby Bystol and Ella Stuber connected for five straight points as Shawano opened up their first lead of the game 10-6.

Shawano continued to maintain its lead over the next five minutes, but Xavier battled back as Faith Hafner picked up six points in a two-minute stretch to put her team back in front 18-16. Once again, Shawano answered

with Natalie Bystol tying things up with a bucket down low before Stuber connected for another three to put Shawano on top 21-18. That was when the Xavier defense took over, as Elle Krull sparked a 12-4 run to end the first half with Xavier in front 30-25.

Shawano couldn't have asked for a better start to the second half as they came out swinging. Abby Bystol wasted no time getting Shawano on the board as she opened the second half with a 3-pointer from the wing. That was followed by a Nordin put back to tie things up, with Trinity Popelka and Abby Bystol capping off a 10-0 run to open the second half to put Shawano back in front 35-30.

In desperate need of points, Joy Krull put an end to the Shawano run with a bucket on the inside before Carsyn Stempa tied things up with a triple. Stempa would follow that triple up with a steal to move Xavier in front as their 11-2 run gave them a 41-37 lead. The remainder of the second was a mix of sloppy play and stingy defense as neither team made things easy for the other.

Xavier maintained their four-point lead until late in the game when Stuber drove baseline to convert the and one, only to miss a free throw. That was followed moments later by another Nordin bucket as Shawano managed to pull within 46-44 only to tie things up 48-48 to force overtime.

For Nordin, her quest for 1,000 will have to wait as she finished with 11



Leah Nordin uses the screen and looks to get to the rim. She needed 12 points to hit 1,000 in her career but ended the night at 999.

DUSTIN RIESE

points to end the game at 999.

With just four minutes standing between them and the end of their regular season, it was the Xavier defense that came out swinging and turned defense into offense. In total, Xavier used a 9-3 run to begin the overtime period and held a 57-51 lead. That brief stretch is what Koenig felt was the difference in the game.

"We had a few too many turnovers in overtime," he said.

Down by six with less than two minutes to go,

Abby Bystol kept things interesting as her and one pulled Shawano within 57-54. Elle Krull extended the lead to 59-54 with an easy layup on the other end only to have Popelka pull Shawano within 59-57 with fewer than 30 seconds to go. That was as close as Shawano would get as Xavier iced the game with a pair of free throws to claim the outright Bay conference title 61-57.

Shawano will return to the court Feb. 23 when they travel to New London for their regional semifinal game.



Brynlie Boyles hustles to chase down a loose ball.

DUSTIN RIESE

Lena's perfect conference record ends

Brooks hits 1,000 points in career; Nordin sets school record with 40 points against Hodags

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-chief

**Friday, Feb. 16
Gillett**
Gillett improved to 10-6 in the Marinette & Oconto Conference with a 55-15

victory over St. Thomas Aquinas Academy. It is the third conference win in a row for Gillett, 14-9 overall.

Lena defeats Suring
Returning to the win column in the Marinette &

Oconto Conference, Lena defeated Suring 77-47.

Lena (15-1, 22-2) lost its only conference game to Coleman earlier but still remains in first place. Suring dropped to 3-13 in conference play and 5-19

overall.

Eva Brooks led Lena with 23 points, with Kali Fischer adding 16 and Madilyn Thomson contributing another 12. Brooks only needed four points going into the game to hit

1,000 for her career. She now rests at 1,019 points.

Thomson and Brooks set the pace with 11 rebounds each. Fischer and Whitney Potter each had four assists, and Fischer grabbed seven steals.

For Suring, it was Bunny Cramer leading the scoring with 15 points.

Lena held a 44-23 first-half lead and then won the second half 33-24.

**Thursday, Feb. 15
Bonduel**
Bonduel closed out the regular season with another win, this time a 63-28 demolishing of Iola-Scandinavia. The Bears finished 14-0 in the Central Wisconsin East Conference at 22-2 overall.

Bonduel dominated the game with a 35-11 first half and a 28-17 second half.

Gresham
Gresham saw its six-game winning streak come to an end with a 60-36 non-conference loss at Almond-Bancroft. The

Wildcats are 17-5 overall.

Lena
Lena's perfect Marinette & Oconto Conference record came to an end with a 53-43 loss to Coleman.

Lena (14-1, 21-2) trailed 26-17 at halftime. Coleman won the second-half battle as well, 27-26.

Eva Brooks led the Wildcats with 19 points. Madilyn Thomson's nine points came from three 3-pointers, and six of Whitney Potter's seven points were from a pair of triples. Kali Fischer scored six points for Lena, and Alabama Lambert had two.

Brooks also led her teammates with 12 rebounds and four assists. Brooks and Fischer each had five steals.

Menominee Indian
The Eagles dropped a 5-50 decision to Shiocton in Central Wisconsin East Conference action. Menominee Indian is 5-8

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Area boys hockey teams' postseason play comes to an end

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-chief

Waupaca 4, Antigo 2
A pair of goals in the last minutes of play ended the season for the Antigo Red Robins boys hockey team on Feb. 15.

The No. 5 seeded Red Robins, a co-op team with Wittenberg-Birnamwood, lost 4-2 to No. 4 seed Waupaca in the WIAA Division 2 Sectional 2 regional round.

The Comets opened the game with a goal in the first period another in second to take a 2-0 lead. Eli Kassler's short-handed goal at 13:59 in the second period made it 2-1.

Owen Dickman tied the game at 2-2 at 7:02 in the third period. However, Waupaca's Liam Bloedow scored twice at the end of the game, first at 16:08 and then at 16:37, to steal the contest from Antigo.

Antigo was penalized there times for six mantes, and Waupaca was called for two infractions for four minutes.

The Red Robins combined for 14 shots on goal, while the Comets had 41.

Fond du Lac 9, Shawano 1

Fond du Lac poured in four goals in the first period en route to a 9-1 victory over Shawano in the Division 1 Sectional 2 WIAA regional game Feb. 13.

Shawano's lone goal



Shawano and Antigo hockey teams squared off Feb. 8 at the Crawford Center, with the Red Robins, a co-op team with Wittenberg-Birnamwood, coming out on top 6-2. Both teams lost tin their opening round games in the WIAA postseason last week, with Antigo losing 4-2 to Waupaca and Shawano, a co-op team with Bonduel, losing 9-1 to Fond du Lac.

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came from Blake Knope at 1:20 in the second period to make the game 4-1. Gavin Hundt and Cam Schroeder assisted on the goal.

The Cardinals scored three times in the second period and another two times in the third period for the lopsided win.

The No. 13 seed Shawano was called for five penalties and served 18 minutes, while No. 4 seed Fond du Lac was hit with two infractions for seven minutes.

Shawano used two goalies in the game. Tyson Lyons played one period, gave up four goals and recorded 13 saves. Kaiden Thornborrow played two periods, gave up five goals and noticed 17 saves.

Offensively, Shawano

managed only nine shots on goal.

Bay Port 6, Ashwaubenon 0

Bay Port, the No. 1 seed, shut out Ashwaubenon 6-0 in the second round of the WIAA Division 1 Sectional 2 postseason Feb. 15, ending the season for the Jaguars.

The Pirates scored twice in the first period and four times in the third.

Ashwaubenon is a co-op team with Pulaski.

Ashwaubenon 3, Sheboygan South 2

Ashwaubenon defeated Sheobygan South in the opening round of the WIAA Division 1 Sectional 2 postseason Feb. 13. Ashwaubenon was seeded No. 9, and Sheboygan South was No. 8.

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in league play and 9-14 overall.

Oconto Falls
Oconto Falls' regular season ended with a 59-24 loss to North Eastern Conference foe Freedom.

No Panther scored in double digits, with Amber Otto leading her teammates with seven points.

The Panthers were down by 15 at the break; a 20-point second-half deficit sealed the game for Freedom.

The Panthers finished the regular season at 9-9 in the conference and 13-11 overall.

Pulaski
Pulaski slipped to 9-9 in the Fox River Classic Conference after a 72-30 loss to De Pere.

De Pere held the early lead, 35-26, at the half and blew the game open with a 37-4 second half.

Maggie Lardinois led Pulaski with 11 points.

Olivia Sprangers helped the Red Raiders with eight points, Lily Urban added five, and Ellie Mangold, Ashley Servais and Reese Lardinois each had two.

Witt-Birn
Wittenberg-Birnamwood closed out is regular season with a 61-37 thrashing of Weyauwega-Fremont in Central Wisconsin East Conference action.

The victory put the Chargers at 12-2 and in second place in the conference and 22-2 overall.

Tuesday, Feb. 13 Bowler

Bowler lost a non-conference game, 70-46, to Wild Rose. Bowler battled from behind much of the game, trailing 34-21 at intermission and then getting outscored 36-25 in the second half.

Isabella Stevens led the

Panthers with 13 points, while Natalie Rickert had 10. Bertina Dodge added nine, and Paige Treptow and Autumn Thiex each scored six.

Stevens led her team with 15 rebounds, Treptow and Stevens each had a pair of assists, and Thiex and Stevens each grabbed three steals.

Gillett tops Suring
Gillett defeated Suring 48-37 in Marinette & Oconto Conference action.

Gillett improved to 9-6 in conference play and 13-9 overall. Suring is 3-12 in the M&O and 5-18 overall.

Marion
Marion's 66-49 non-conference loss to Port Edwards dropped the Mustangs to 4-18 overall.

Oconto Falls
In their final home game of the season, Oconto Falls lost 73-42 in a non-conference battle against Kewaunee.

Shawano
Leah Nordin set a new school record for Shawano with 40 points against the Rhinelander Hodags. That puts Nordin at 988 points in her career.

The Hawks won the non-conference game 67-49 and improves the team to 16-7 overall.

Witt-Birn
Wittenberg-Birnamwood continued its wining ways with a 75-42 non-conference win over Wabeno/Laona. The Chargers are 21-2 overall.

Monday, Feb. 12 Gresham

After slamming White Lake 65-7 on Feb. 9 in White Lake, the Gresham girls welcomed the Lakers to their court and proceeded to throttle them 66-7 in another Central Wisconsin North Conference game.

The Wildcats spread the ball around, with all 10 players adding to the final score.

Emily Jensen led Gresham with 12 points and 10 rebounds. Jesse Jensen and Madolyn Haffner each scored 10 points. Haffner also led the team with seven assists.

Also scoring were: Camille Gourley with eight points; Grace Haffner and Jocelyn Cerveney with six each; Allie Cerveney, Addison Fischer and Janay Pecore-Kirkland with four each; and Alivia Perez with two.

Allie Cerveney and Emily Jensen each had two steals.

Gresham impaired to 8-0 in conference action and 17-4 overall.

Marion
Marion snuck by Goodman/Pembine for a 49-48 non-conference win to give the Mustangs a 4-17 overall record.

Menominee Indian
Ayanna Smith scored 21 points, including four 3-pointers, and Urijah Reeves added 20 as Menominee Indian crushed Green Bay East 82-53 in a non-conference game.

Natalie Peters scored another 10 points for Menominee Indian. Mylee Dixon, Anisa Peters and Keira Nacotee each scored eight, Aaliyah Corn contributed five, and Taylesia Blackowl scored one.

Smith led the Eagles with 11 rebounds, while Reeves had 10. Reeves led her teammates with nine assists, and Nacotee had a pair of steals.

Menominee Indian doubled up on Green Bay East with a 4-20 first half and piled it even more with a 42-33 second half.

Panthers hang tough but fall to Wrightstown

By **DUSTIN RIESE**
Correspondent

When it comes to the Oconto Falls Panthers (6-16, 2-14), things haven't always been pretty, but they have at least been competitive in a lot of games.

That rang true against the Wrightstown Tigers (11-11, 9-7) on Feb. 13 as the Tigers entered their game riding a two-game conference winning streak. Not the same Tigers team of the past, the Panthers held their own most of the night and were within 49-44 with fewer than five minutes to go. That was until a series of turnovers led to an 11-1 Tigers run to put the game out of reach as the Panthers lost 60-50.

One thing about the Panthers this season as opposed to teams in the past is that they have done a much better job starting off strong. Compare that to the past few seasons when they often found themselves down by 20 or more points at the half, and you can see how much improvement

this team has made this season. Wrightstown was another prime example of that as the Panthers' defense came up huge several times in the first half to keep the Tigers' offense in check while their offense did what they had to do.

A big reason for the Panthers overall success in the first half was the play of Jameson Beaman and Alex Haines, who continue to lead the way for this group. Haines has a knack for getting into transition quickly, turning fast break opportunities into easy buckets while Beaman has shown the ability to step outside and inside. Both of them combined for 27 points on the night with Beaman leading the way with 17 points and Haines adding 10.

JJ Pytleski come through with 10 points as those three not only accounted for 37 of the teams 50 points, but helped the Panthers secure a 29-28 lead over the Tigers after one half of play. Once the second half got rolling, the

Tigers came out with a different sense of urgency as they wanted to speed up the tempo.

For the most part, the Panthers matched that tempo as the Tigers were unable to open up a significant lead. However, once Ethan Cyra got going offensively, the momentum started to shift. Cyra scored a game-high 24 points, with half of them coming from beyond the arc.

With Cyra doing his thing offensively, it came down to the Tigers' defense, especially late in the game. Holding a 49-44 lead with just under five minutes to go, Wrightstown began to toughen up on defense and forced the Panthers to work their offense more than they would've liked.

That resulted in several costly turnovers including a couple of steals by Aiden Humphries who converted three of them into late-game layups as part of that 11-1 run late. Humphries finished the game with 12 points.



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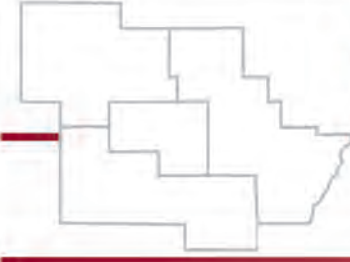
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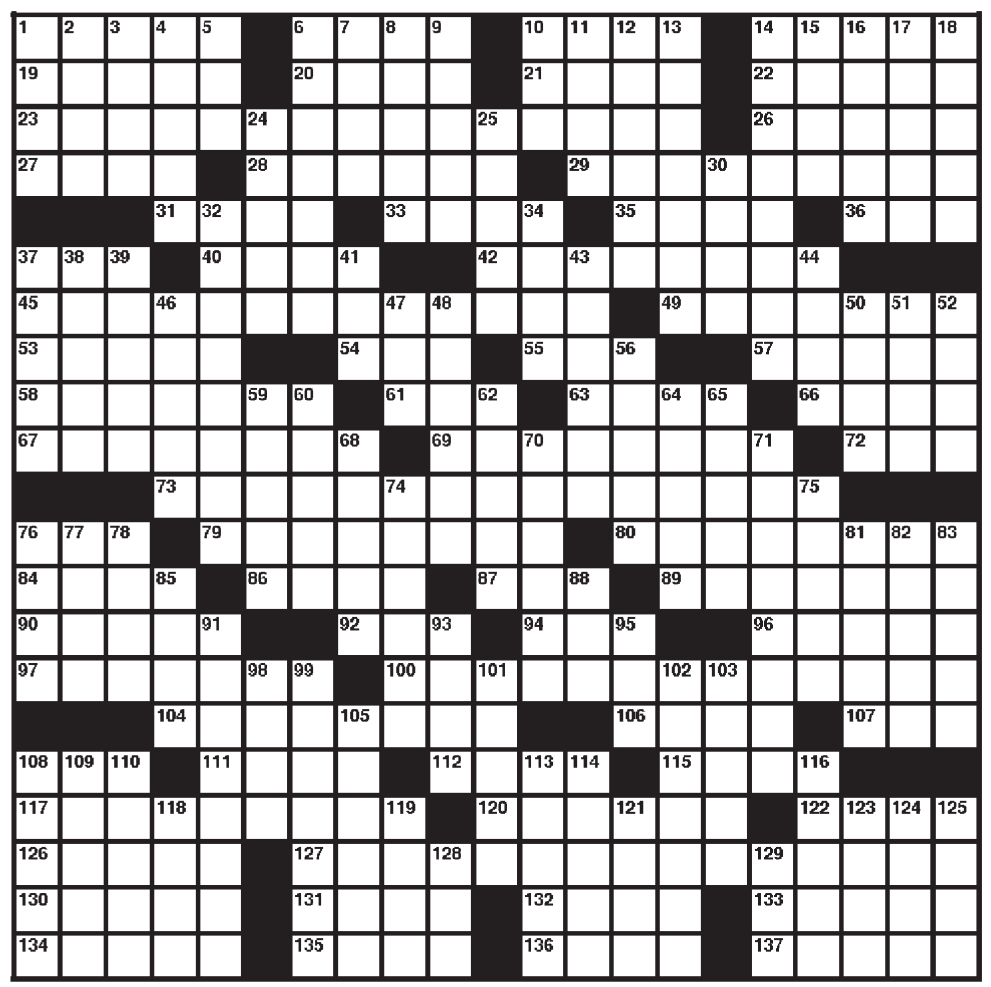
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FREE DELIVERY

ANYWHERE IN WISCONSIN IN 3 DAYS OR LESS
REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF YOUR OLD FURNITURE AVAILABLE

*WITH MINIMUM SPEND; SEE STORE FOR DETAILS.

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48 MONTHS ON FURNITURE & MATTRESSES + 18 MONTHS ON ELECTRONICS & APPLIANCES

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Pat's Market

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STORE HOURS: Mon-Fri 7:00am - 7:00pm

Deli Closing at 5:00 pm**

Sat 8:00am-5:30pm Sun 8:00am - 1:00pm

SHS PHARMACY HOURS:

MON-FRI 9:00AM - 5:30PM

These prices good Feb. 26th thru Mar. 3rd

While Supplies Last!

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We reserve the right to limit quantities.



Crav'n Potato Chips



2/\$3
Asst Variety
7.75-8.5oz

Luige's Homestyle Thin Crust Pizza



\$5.99
Asst Variety
12"

Vollwerth Ring Bologna Original or Garlic



\$5.29
14oz

IQF Family Pack Frying Chicken Thighs

\$1.29 lb

USDA Choice Boneless Center-Cut Chuck Steaks or Roasts



\$6.59 lb

Seafarer Imitation Crab Chunks, Flakes or Sticks

\$3.99 16oz

Family Pack Pork Steak



\$1.99 lb

Sea Best Tilapia Fillets

\$2.99 16oz

Food Club Tartar Sauce

\$1.99 11.5oz

Wisconsin Gold or Red Potatoes



\$2.89
5lb Bag

Yellow Onions



\$1.89
3lb Bag

Green Cabbage



69¢ lb

Green Haas Avocados



99¢ each

Grape Tomatoes



\$3.49
1 pint

Prairie Farms Chocolate Milk



\$2.49
64oz
1% or Whole

Sweet P's Muffins



\$3.99
Asst Variety
4pk

Fiora Bath Tissue



\$4.99
Asst Variety
12 Rolls

Food Club Pasta Sauce



\$1.69
Asst Variety
24oz

Crav'n Snack Crackers



2/\$4
Asst Variety
12.9-13.7oz

Doritos



2/\$9
Asst Variety
6-10.75oz

Food Club Canned Fruit



2/\$3
Asst Variety
14.5-15.25oz

Food Club Orange Juice



\$2.99
Asst Variety
52oz

Crav'n Cookies



2/\$5
Asst Variety
8.5-12.5oz

Malt-o-Meal Family Size Cereal



\$3.99
Asst Variety
23-36oz

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of cash flurries.



Blackberry Smoke

SAT., MARCH 16
TICKETS: \$40/\$50/\$60
21 AND OLDER

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TICKETS: \$30
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FRI., APRIL 19
TICKETS: \$35/\$45/\$55
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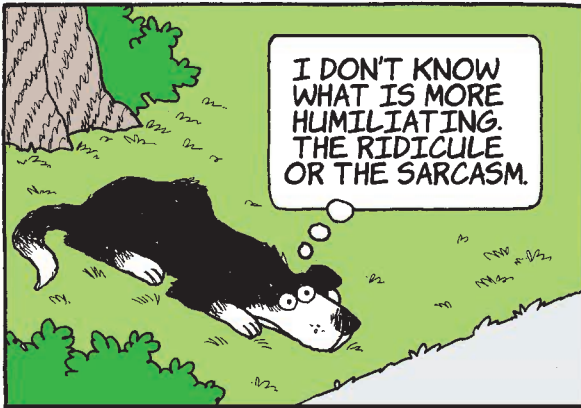
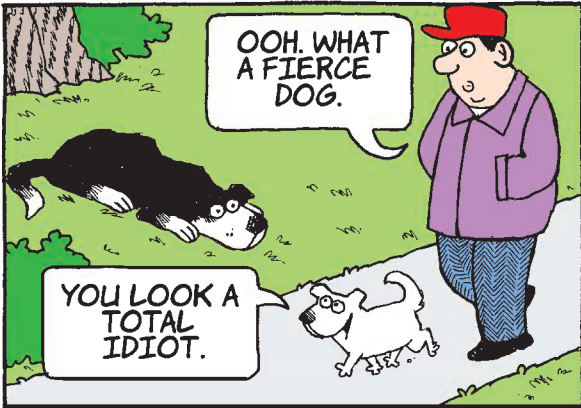
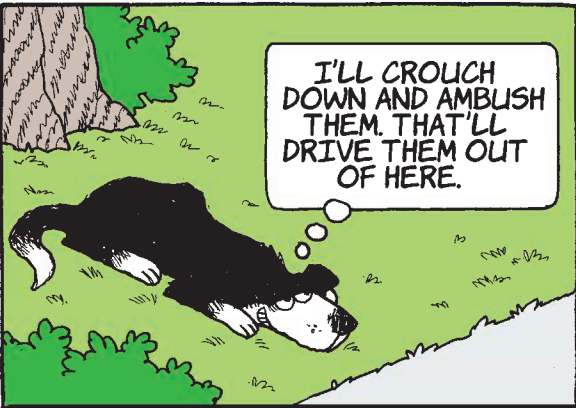
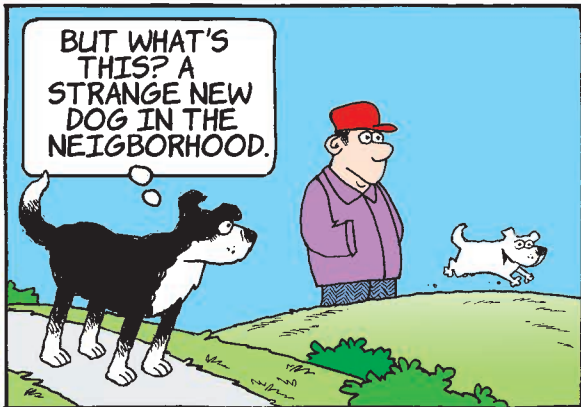
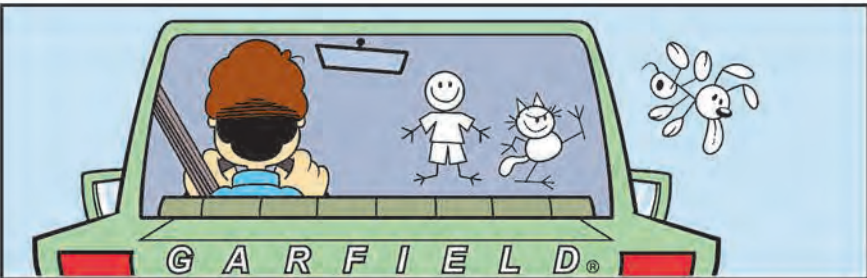
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TICKETS: \$65/\$75
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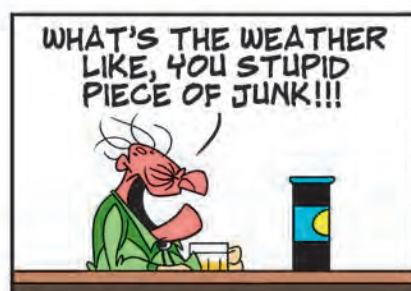
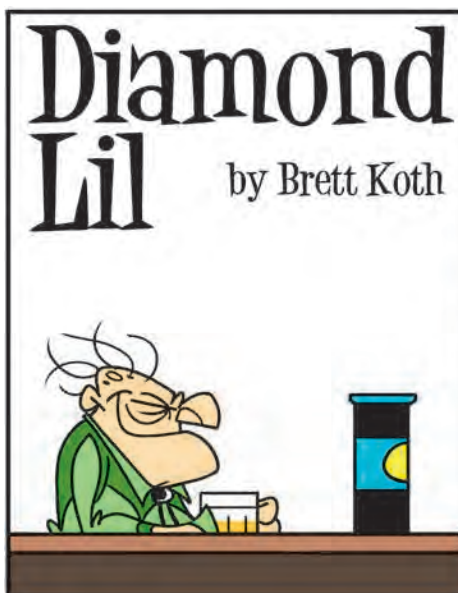
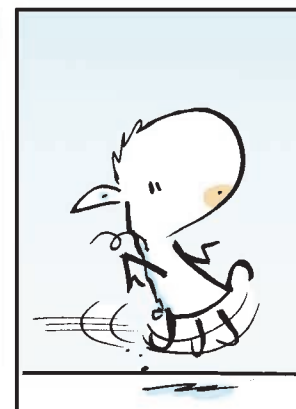
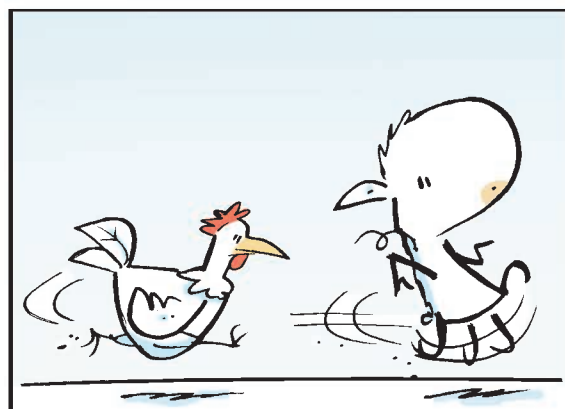
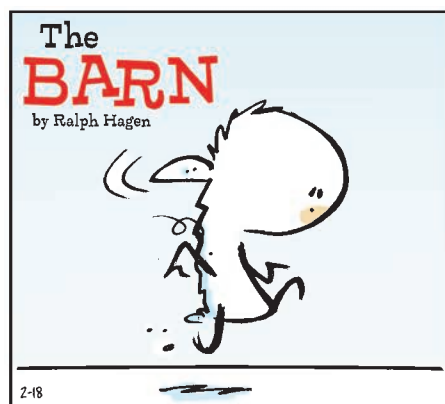
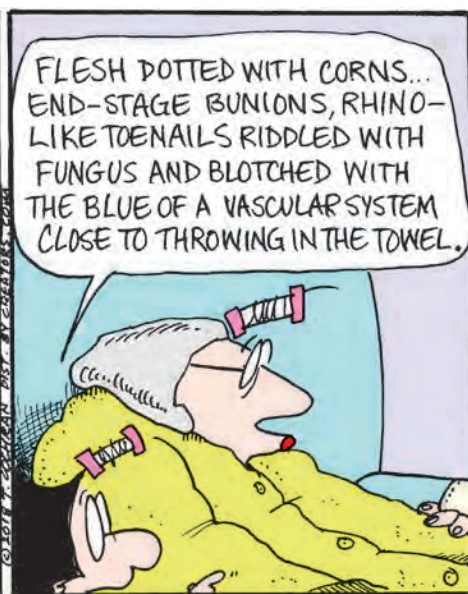
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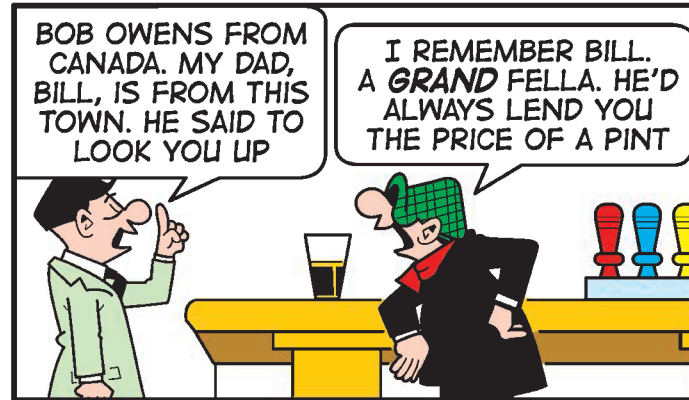
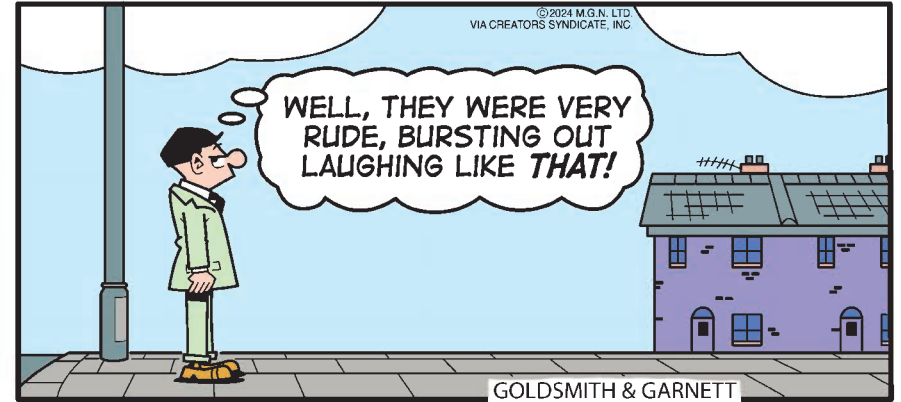
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