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Suring monthly water bills to increase 61%

Utility and PSC say increase needed to pay for costs

By **KEVIN MURPHY**

Correspondent

Looking to reverse four years of income deficits, the state Public Service Commission last week authorized a 61% or a \$21 increase in the village of Suring's monthly residential water bills.

Average residential customers currently paying \$34.31 monthly for 2,000 gallons of water will pay \$55.40 when the new rates take effect on or after the Aug. 23 meter reading, according to documents filed with the PSC.

Rates for industrial, multifamily commercial and public authority customers will increase by 46.5% to 93.5% depending on customer category and meter size, according to the PSC rate order issued July 30.

The PSC cautions that the percentage increase for any customer may not match the overall percentage increase to the associated customer class but will depend on the amount of the customer's water usage.

The increase puts Suring's water bills above the state average for similarly sized utilities, according to the rate order.

Three residents spoke in opposition to the rate increase at the July 21 public hearing. They were concerned about the impact on customers from

the magnitude of the rate increase. They also questioned the utility's finances, management and practices.

Utility staff and PSC staff said that the rate increase was needed to pay for the cost of water tower maintenance and repainting, well rehabilitation, hydrant replacements and an upgrade to electronic controls.

The water rate increase comes after sewer rates, set locally, were increased in January.

Village President Les Steffek said Aug. 2 that the rate increase was needed to fund the approximate \$200,000 cost of water tower maintenance and about \$60,000 to relocate fire hydrants in preparation of the reconstruction next year of state Highway 32.

The PSC noted that some customers may experience financial difficulty due to the large water rate increase, but the revenue it would produce should ensure that the utility is financially viable in the future.

The PSC urged the utility to work with those customers experiencing difficulty paying their water bills.

The utility's last comprehensive rate increase occurred in January 2010 and has received PSC authorization to implement 3% increases in 2014, 2017 and 2019.

However, there is sentiment on the Village Board to file full rate cases

more frequently, Steffek said.

"More frequent, just so we won't have to sustain such a large increase at one time," he said.

Concerned about the amount of unbilled water pumped and distributed since 2017, the PSC required the utility to conduct a water audit in order to determine the source of the non-revenue water.

Steffek said that the utility has looked for but hasn't found any significant leaks in the water system. Instead, it may be due to deficiencies in the billing software system.

"We've been getting some battery failures, so we've been upgrading to new meters," he said.

The utility has recorded net income deficits since 2017, which have ranged from a high of \$78,285 in 2019 to a low of \$37,673 in 2018. Without the new rates, the utility projected an income deficit of \$58,547 this year.

However, the new rates are estimated to increase annual revenue by \$112,900, boosting total revenue to \$320,880. After expenses of \$266,527, the utility should eliminate the projected income shortfall, earn a \$54,353 net income and a 4.9% rate of return on the net value of the water system's infrastructure, according to the rate order.

"This (rate increase) will put us back in the black," Steffek said.

Child sex offender sentenced to life

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

An Abrams man has been sentenced to spend the rest of his life in prison as a persistent repeat child sex offender.

Aaron James Haun, 45, Abrams, was sentenced July 27 to life in prison without parole or extended supervision for four counts of first-degree sexual assault of a child younger than 13, in con-

nection with incidents that occurred Jan. 1, April 1 and July 19, 2019.

Haun was found guilty after a two-day jury trial in May.

Before imposing the sentence, Judge Michael T. Judge ruled that Haun meets the statutory definition of a persistent repeater, having been "convicted of a serious child sex offense on at least one occasion at any time preceding the date of violation

of the serious child sex offense for which he or she presently is being sentenced."

Assistant District Attorney Lisa Rowe submitted documentation of Haun's previous child sex conviction in the state of Illinois.

Judge credited Haun for 745 days served in the Oconto County Jail since the charges were filed in August 2019.

CORRECTIONS

Accuracy is important to the Shawano Leader, and it wants to correct mistakes promptly. Call errors to our attention by phone at 715-526-2121, ext. 7018

County hires recruiting firm to find top execs

Hamann, Reimer to retire in January

By **WARREN BLUHM**
Editor-in-chief

For the first time, Oconto County will use a recruitment firm to lead the search to fill two of its top executive positions.

County Administrator Kevin Hamann last month notified the board of his intention to retire effective Jan. 7, and Health and Human Services Director Mike Reimer recently announced his own plans to retire effective Jan. 14.

"These are two high-level positions in the county, so I'm recommending that we hire the same firm to do both," Hamann said.

The board voted 27-1 to hire Public Administration Associates, a White-water-based consulting firm led by three former municipal managers that says it has worked with more than 165 Wisconsin municipalities to recruit



MIKE REIMER



KEVIN HAMANN

and select their chief administrative officers.

Hamann said both positions are important enough for the county to consider hiring an outside consultant.

Reimer was an internal promotion, while Hamann said he happened to be in Menominee, Michigan, 25 years ago when his mother-in-law heard about the job opening in Oconto County.

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Return to Mardi Gras

American Legion Sylvan Post 44, along with the auxiliary ladies, led the Mardi Gras parade in Lakewood on July 18 as hundreds of people stood with their hands over their hearts.

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OCONTO COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Proceedings of July 30

Bond was set at \$20,000 cash for Jordan Beverly Clark, 21, Oconto Falls, after she was charged with two counts of felony bail jumping, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred July 28. It was the third time in the month of July that Clark had been arrested and appeared before Judge Jay N. Conley, who ordered that if she makes bail she may not possess or consume alcoholic beverages or any illegal drugs, nor may she possess drug paraphernalia or controlled substances without a valid prescription. Her initial appearance was adjourned until Aug. 12.

Michael J. Baye, 61, Oconto, pleaded no contest to operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fifth or sixth offense) and battery or threat to a law officer, in connection with an incident that took place May 19, 2020. Judge Michael T. Judge scheduled sentencing for Oct. 5 and ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

A Dec. 14 jury trial was set for Tonya M. Sampley, 44, Friendship, on charges of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), and misdemeanor counts of possession of a controlled substance and possession of an illegally obtained prescription, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Feb. 2. A final pre-trial conference was scheduled for Nov. 29.

Michael Edward Garvey, 39, Marinette, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to two counts of possession of narcotic drugs, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 26. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for Sept. 16.

Travis Gerald Temple, 25, Townsend, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to a charge of felony bail jumping, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred May 26. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for Sept. 16.

Bond was set at \$1,500 cash for Keith A. Smet, 33, Lena, after he was charged with possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer, possession of THC, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred July 29. His initial appearance was adjourned to Aug. 17.

Bond was set at \$2,000 cash for Grace R.N. Grell, 40, Green Bay, after she was charged with possession of

methamphetamine and misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred July 29. Her initial appearance was adjourned to Aug. 12.

Proceedings of July 29

After deliberating for about one hour, a jury found James Edward Bieber, 42, Green Bay, not guilty of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense), operating with a prohibited alcohol content and misdemeanor resisting or obstructing an officer, in connection with an incident that occurred Nov. 21, 2017.

Galen L. Daniels, 17, Wabeno, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and was bound over to circuit court on two counts of armed robbery, two counts first-degree reckless endangerment, burglary and theft, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred June 4. Arraignment was scheduled for Aug. 16.

Maria C. Laws, 34, Lena, was sentenced to three years and six months in prison, followed by seven years of extended supervision, for possession with intent to deliver amphetamine, in connection with an incident that occurred Aug. 18, 2020, and bail jumping and possession of narcotic drugs, in connection with an incident that occurred Feb. 6. Judge Jay N. Conley ruled that among conditions of extended supervision, Laws must maintain absolute sobriety, complete and follow through on the recommendations of an alcohol and other drug abuse assessment and complete all assessments, counseling and treatment deemed necessary by her agent.

Cheyenne R. Hakes, 28, Oconto Falls, was placed on two years of probation for possession of methamphetamine, in connection with an incident that occurred April 11. Judge Jay N. Conley ruled that among conditions of her probation, Hakes may not possess or consume alcohol or other drugs without a valid prescription; must undergo an alcohol and other drug abuse assessment and follow through; comply with any assessments, counseling and treatment deemed necessary by agent; forfeit all contraband seized; and obtain and maintain full-time employment.

Kelly Patrick Grzybowski, 26, Lena, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and was bound over to circuit court on a charge of battery by prisoners, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred

April 20. Arraignment was scheduled for Aug. 12.

Proceedings of July 28

Kari A. Cooper, 45, Coleman, was placed on five years of probation after a prison sentence was imposed and stayed for five counts of burglary to storage units, in connection with break-ins that occurred in April and May 2020. Judge Michael T. Judge ordered Cooper to have no contact with a co-defendant and ruled that during probation she must maintain absolute sobriety, take all medication as prescribed by her doctor, obtain HSED or equivalency of high school diploma during her first year of probation and obtain and maintain full-time employment.

Nicole M. Nowinski, 45, Little Suamico, was placed on three years of probation after a prison sentence was imposed and stayed for possession of an illegal article, in connection with an incident that occurred Dec. 1. A charge of possession of methamphetamine was dismissed but read into the record. Judge Jay N. Conley ruled that during probation, Nowinski must maintain absolute sobriety but can possess alcohol for employment purposes only. She must undergo an alcohol and other drug abuse assessment and follow with any assessments, counseling and treatment deemed necessary by her agent, and obtain and maintain full-time employment.

Randall J. Robenhorst, 60, Little Suamico, pleaded not guilty to three counts first-degree child sexual assault, child enticement and three other felony counts, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred May 27. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for Sept. 16.

Brent A. Olson, 28, Crivitz, pleaded no contest to possession of methamphetamine, in connection with an incident that occurred April 6. Judge Michael T. Judge scheduled sentencing for Sept. 23 and ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

Christopher E. Kilgore, 42, Chicago, pleaded no contest to a charge of felony bail jumping, in connection with an incident that occurred May 6. Judge Michael T. Judge scheduled sentencing for Sept. 17 and ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

William A. Riskus, 36, Oconto, pleaded not guilty to two counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor resisting or obstructing an officer, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred July 12. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for Aug.

12.

Proceedings of July 27

Steven N. Lewis Jr., 32, Oshkosh, was sentenced to two years in prison, followed by three years of extended supervision, for possession with intent to deliver amphetamine, in connection with an incident that occurred Feb. 18, 2020. Judge Michael T. Judge ruled that the sentence is consecutive to a prison term Lewis is already serving, and he said Lewis is eligible for the Substance Abuse Program, which can lead to an earlier release if successfully completed.

Christopher Allen Gullledge, 33, Oconto, was placed on three years' probation after a prison sentence was imposed and stayed for substantial battery intending bodily harm, in connection with an incident that occurred Aug. 21, 2020. Judge Jay N. Conley imposed no-contact provisions and ordered that during probation, Gullledge may not possess or consume any alcohol or other drugs without a valid prescription. He must also undergo several assessments and follow through with any recommended treatment or counseling. Conley gave Gullledge credit for 294 days served in the Oconto County Jail.

James Matthew Watermolen, 37, Green Bay, was placed on two years of probation after a prison sentence was imposed and stayed for possession of narcotic drugs, in connection with an incident that occurred March 13. Judge Michael T. Judge ruled that during probation, Watermolen must maintain absolute sobriety and complete an alcohol and other drug abuse assessment and any other assessment recommended by the Department of Correction, following through with recommended treatment and counseling.

An Aug. 18-20 jury trial was rescheduled to Jan. 4-6 for Brian J. Ragen, 60, Oconto, who is charged with homicide by operating a motor vehicle with a restricted controlled substance and operating with a restricted controlled substance (fifth offense), in connection with a vehicle-pedestrian accident that claimed the life of Chris Tyni of Oconto on Nov. 21, 2019. A status conference was set for Sept. 16 with a final pre-trial conference scheduled for Dec. 13.

James Orville Kressin, 69, Mount Pleasant, pleaded not guilty to charges of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated and operating with a prohibited alcohol content (fifth or sixth

offense on each count), in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred May 5. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for Sept. 16.

After a preliminary hearing, Stephanie J. Termaat, 37, Oconto, was bound over to circuit court on two counts of harboring or aiding a felon, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 20. Arraignment was scheduled for Aug. 23.

After a preliminary hearing, John A. Schneider, 35, Lakewood, was bound over to circuit court on a

charge of possession of child pornography, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred June 3, 2020. Arraignment was scheduled for Aug. 16.

James R. Wilson, 38, Lena, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and was bound over to circuit court on charges of first-degree sexual assault of a child under age 13 and child enticement for the purpose of sexual contact, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred May 27. Arraignment was scheduled for

Aug. 12.

Proceedings of July 26

An Aug. 18-20 jury trial was rescheduled to Jan. 19-21 for Michael N. Adams, 42, Port Byron, Illinois, on a charge of first-degree child sex assault and another related charge, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred July 25, 2020, and a misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Aug. 10, 2020. Judge Michael

T. Judge scheduled a motion hearing for Dec. 17 and a final pre-trial conference for Jan. 7.

A \$10,000 signature bond was ordered for Richard J. Beauprey, 18, Shawano, after he was charged with taking and driving a vehicle without the owner's consent and a misdemeanor charge of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (first offense), in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred July 23. His initial appearance was adjourned to Aug. 12.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, AUG. 7

LAKEWOOD: Arts and Crafts Show, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Town Hall, 17258 North Road, 200 crafters offering original work. Free admission and free parking. Food and refreshments on the grounds.

SURING: Youth Outdoor Fun Day, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Suring Sportsman's Club Range, 8699 River Road. Trout fishing, archery, shooting, limited

to first 50 who register by emailing suringsportsmanclub@gmail.com.

WABENO: WAM Fest (Wabeno Art and Music Festival), 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Continuous music, family activities.

BREED: Music by Sixx Guns Loaded, 3-7 p.m., Arrowhead Saloon, 13486 County Road AA.

SUNDAY, AUG. 8

OCONTO FALLS: Flea market, 10 a.m.

to 5 p.m., Memorial Field Park.

TUESDAY, AUG. 10

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto County Farmers Market, 4-8 p.m., Highland Plaza, 323 E. Highland Drive.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 11

TOWNSEND: American Red Cross blood drive, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Town Hall. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org.

THURSDAY, AUG. 12

OCONTO FALLS: American Red Cross blood drive, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., United Methodist Church, 165 N. Farm Road. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org.

LENA: American Red Cross blood drive, 1-6 p.m., Lena High School, 304 E. Main St. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org.

OBITUARIES

David Schmidt

David "Dobin" Schmidt, 92, of Gillett, was called home on Sunday, July 25, 2021, surrounded by his family.

Born Nov. 10, 1928, in Gillett to the late Robert and Minnie Schmidt, David attended Gillett High School and then enlisted in the United States Air Force, serving from October 1947 to October 1951.

After returning from the war, he went to work at Scott paper company in Oconto Falls, working there until his



retirement.

David enjoyed many things, golfing with friends, bowling at the Gillett Legion Hall, his daily drives with his wife — as he would say, "I'm going through the

loop" — but found some of his greatest pleasure spending time with his grandchildren, often telling them "He was counting all his money." David really enjoyed going out for lunch, so much so, sometimes it didn't matter who

would go, just wanted the company.

On Oct. 29, 1952, he married the love of his life Dorothy Blumreich at St. John's Lutheran Church in Gillett, where they remained lifetime members.

Survived by his four children, Tom (Debbie), of Green Bay, Chris (Randy) Schenkoske, Jane Schmidt and Steve "Doc" (Joann) "Josy," all of Gillett; his four grandchildren, Andrea (Jason) Carriveau, of Appleton, William (Kelly) Schmidt, of Madison, Lisa (Matt) Dazell, of Green Bay, and Nikki Schmidt, of Gillett; his great-grandchildren Xander and Ryker Carriveau, Alexis and Dylan Schmidt; many other

family and friends.

David was preceded in death by his loving wife, Dorothy, and his seven brothers and one sister.

A prayer service, followed by military honors, was held Friday, July 30, 2021, at Kuehl Funeral Home, 108 E. Main St., Gillett.

David's family would like to thank the staff of Unity Hospice and Kuehl Funeral Home for assisting them with arrangements. Dad always said as he was leaving, "Don't forget the windmill." We shall never forget you, Dad.

Violet M. Fabry

Violet Mavis (Pusich) Fabry, 88, of Suring, passed away after a long-term illness at her daughter's home with family by her side on Friday, July 30, 2021. She was born Aug. 26, 1932, to Julius and Olga (Jashinsky) Pusich. Violet married her chosen love, Orven Fabry, on Jan. 8, 1955 in Denver, Colorado, at the Air Force Base Chapel. In 1956, Violet and Orven decided to change their journey from her husband's career in the Air Force to help care for his ill father and farm his land. In 1959, Violet and Orven moved and started their own family farm. Violet and Orven loved working the land and truly had a "family farm."



Violet is survived by her seven children, Carroll (Debbie) Fabry, Debbie (Keith) Mushynski, Janice (Don) Eastman, Doreen (Dave) Deprey, Gerald Fabry, Lori, and

Shelby (Paul) Anglemeyer; 15 grandchildren, Derek, Jenna (Jay), Nathan (Hannah), Tabitha (George), Suzanna Ruth (Jeff), Caleb (Melissa), Micah (Bailey), Monica (Farheem), David (Ali), Britney (Alex), Erik (Ashley), Ryan (Erin), Brianna, Alyssa and Adrian (Taylor);

18 great-grandchildren; sisters and brothers, Adeline (William) Borah, Elmer (Joan) Pusich, Shirley Goebel, Jane (Larry) Kraby, Jerry (Dianne) Pusich and Judy (Paul) Allard. Violet is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Orven Fabry; parents, Julius and Olga; sister, Gloria Daniels.

Violet was our beloved mother, wife, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, cousin, aunt and friend.

Visitation will be at Hillside Assembly of God (5890 State Highway 22, Gillett, WI 54124) on Friday, Aug. 6, 2021, from 9 a.m. until the funeral ser-

vice at 11 a.m. with Pastor Paul Carlson officiating. Interment will take place at Hickory Cemetery following the service. Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.



OBITUARIES

Neva Hodge-Lemorande

Neva Hodge-Lemorande, 97, Oconto Falls, formerly of Plymouth, arrived at her heavenly home Monday evening, July 26, 2021, at St. Vincent Hospital in Green Bay. She was born Oct. 28, 1923, in rural Suring to Lars and Angeline (Reed) Johnson. The sixth of 13 children was baptized and confirmed at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church in the Town of Maple Valley. Neva began her education at the Suring Public Schools in grades 1-2 and at the age of 7 moved with her family to a farm in Kelly Brook where she attended a one-room country school, "Oak School." She continued her high school education and graduated from Oconto Falls in 1941. Following graduation, she attended Teachers Training at Sheboygan Falls County Normal.

On Dec. 7, 1941, the United States entered World War II, and due to a shortage of teachers, Neva started teaching grades 1-8 at Rural Russell School in Elkhart Lake. On Sept. 15, 1943, she married Robert N. Hodge who had entered active service in 1942. Later, in 1944, his military mission was on Tinian Island in the Pacific Marians, and Neva went to be with her parents where she taught grades 1-8 one year at Kelly Brook, Oconto County. Later the couple made their home in Plymouth, where Neva continued teaching grades 1-8 for a total of nine years. The next seven years were spent teaching grades 1-2 before serving as elementary principal for the Elkhart Lake-Gleneulah School District for 29 years.

Throughout these years, Neva received a bachelor degree from UW-Oshkosh and obtained her Master's Degree in Supervision and Administration of Education from UW-Milwaukee. To keep abreast with the latest educational trends and technology, she continually attended workshops and



retiring, Neva served as an Adjunct Instructor at Lakeland College for Introduction to Elementary and Secondary Education. Neva has dedicated her life to the education of young people, always encouraging students with a positive attitude, helping to instill in them an "all things are possible" sense of awareness.

While attending an Oconto Falls High School class reunion, Neva visited with an old classmate, Ralph Lemorande, and the two were united in marriage on May 7, 1994, in Atlanta, Georgia. Following their marriage, the couple made their home in Oconto Falls and made the most of their time together, until Ralph's death on Nov. 16, 1996. Since moving back to her native area, Neva became very active in the Oconto Falls Friends of the Arts, continuing her life's passion of reaching others through the arts. While being a member of Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church, she served on numerous committees, visited the shut-ins, led Bible study groups and served as an adviser on vacation Bible and Sunday school curriculum. Over the years, Neva served on numerous local, state and national boards and committees, attending meetings and conferences all over the world including the World Council for Curriculum, World Congress of Parents and Teachers, National Assoc. of Supervi-

leadership seminars. She also performed leadership roles as a long-standing member of Wisconsin Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (WASCD). After



ous accolades including certificates of appreciation from St. Norbert College, Elkhart-Gleneulah School District, WREA, Creativity Recognition Award, the WASCD Publication Award for outstanding contributions to Wisconsin Association Curriculum and Development, induction into Oconto Falls High School Wall of Fame and for the 46 years in public education. Neva co-authored the books titled "A History of the Schools in the Town of Russell and Rhine" and "A History of the Public Schools in the Township of Plymouth and City of Plymouth, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin" and was recognized in the 2009 Cambridge Publishing's "Top 101 Industry Experts" in the field of education.

Her family includes one sister, Dora Slang, Suring; four sincere and loving stepdaughters, Anne Marie (Troy) Glawe, Atlanta; Mimi (Jay) Knick, Stevens Point; Ruthie (Tom) Coughlin, Appleton; Lisa (Doug) Ahlberg, Green Bay; one stepson, Rusty Lemorande, Los Angeles; seven dear grandchildren: Andy, Amelia and Amanda Glawe; John and Margaret Coughlin;

sion and Curriculum, Elementary Principals Assoc., UW-Milwaukee and Oshkosh Alumni Associations. For her efforts and dedication to education, she received numer-

Abby and Michael Ahlberg; sisters-in-law, Elizabeth (Betty) Hodge, Mary Johnson and Judy Philipsen; many very caring nieces, nephews, special friends and grateful former students.

Besides her parents and two husbands, she was also preceded in death by an infant son, Daniel Robert Hodge, six brothers, Lars, Ronald, Kenneth, Clyde, Dale (Philipsen) and Virgil Johnson, five sisters, Mae Olick, Audrey Kralovetz, Wilma Valenta, Beverly Arneson and Laurel Herich, and two dear people who lived with Neva and husband Robert in Plymouth, Edward Ziegler (21 years) and Guy Vanderhoff (four years).

Visitation took place after 9 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4, 2021, at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church in the Town of Maple Valley until the time of service. Funeral services were held at noon Wednesday at the church with her friend Pastor Fred Mai officiating. Graveside services were held 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, 2021, alongside her first husband in St. John the Baptist Cemetery, Plymouth. Jones Funeral Service in Oconto Falls is serving Neva's family.

In lieu of other expressions of sympathy memorials may be made to Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church or the Oconto Falls High School Music Department.

"Promoting art education, being a mentor, sponsoring youth and adult programs, and providing assistance to students seeking higher education have been very rewarding to me."

Neva Hodge-Lemorande

Sally Ebenreiter

In honor of the life of Sally Ebenreiter, Sally's family will be hosting an open house on Saturday, Aug. 14. Sally passed on Sept. 23, 2020, at a

time when we could not gather to celebrate her life. Please join us for this celebration of life at the Gillett Community Center between 1-3 p.m.

Rose A. Ryczek



and her husband enjoyed traveling the United States in their RV during the winter and spending the summers in Wisconsin with family and friends. Rose's talents were many; she was an excellent accordion player, singer, seamstress, crocheter and cook. She enjoyed volunteering and most importantly being a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt, sister and friend to many. Her laugh was contagious. Rose is survived by her husband,

Rosella "Rose" Antonette Ryczek, 85, of Abrams, passed away peacefully on Aug. 1, 2021. Rose was born Aug. 30, 1935, in Wausaukee to the late Anton and Caroline (DeGroot) Edlbeck. She married Ernest (Ernie) J. Ryczek on May 23, 1957. Those who knew Rose would always feel a warm welcome and a feeling of being family. She was the most generous person and a devout Catholic. Rose and her husband, Ernie, owned and operated the Candle Glow Inn in Abrams for well over a decade. Rose would hostess in beautiful dresses with up-do hair and ensured guests felt a sense of belonging and enjoyed themselves. After leaving the Candle Glow Inn, Rose

Ernie Ryczek; sister, Betty Novak; children, Ed (Sheryl) Ryczek, Gary (Lorrie) Ryczek, Brad (Lona) Ryczek, Andy (Deana) Ryczek, Vickie (Ted) Rivera and Guy Ryczek. She is a loving grandmother to Chad (Kristin) Ryczek, Mason Ryczek, Austin (Megan) Ryczek, Hunter (Becky) Ryczek, Hannah Ryczek, Clinton (Brianna) Ryczek, Trina Ryczek, Alex (Jenna) Ryczek, Riley (Joe) Melgar, Brady Ryczek, Gabrielle (Jordan) Rivera-Ehrlich, Matthew Rivera and Brianna Jo Ryczek. Rose is a great-grandmother to eight and one on the way. Rose was predeceased by her brothers, Bernard, Fred, Harold, Dick and Edward, and sisters, Celia Edlebeck, Theresa Des-

sart, Catherine DeLeat, sister, Eleanor Edlebeck O.P. and sister, Lucy Edlebeck O.P.

The family will receive relatives and friends at the Gallagher Funeral Home, Oconto, from 4-8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6, 2021, with prayer services by the Rev. Francis Nusi at 7 p.m. Visitation will continue on Saturday from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church, Sobieski. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 11:30 a.m. Saturday at the church with the Rev. Francis Nusi officiating. Burial will be at St. John Cantius Catholic Cemetery. Online condolences may be expressed at www.gallagherfuneralhome.net.



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Gresham school keeping masks optional

Masks will still be required on school buses in accordance with federal law

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Gresham School District will continue to make wearing a mask optional for students and staff when the new school year starts in September, but that could change if the Gresham area sees a sharp spike in COVID-19 cases.

Superintendent Newell Haffner informed the Gresham School Board on Aug. 2 that the Shawano-Menominee Counties Health Department was reporting one active COVID-19 case in the boundaries of the local district, compared with 22 that were in place with the Shawano School District and 16 for the Marion School District.

"I want to have the provision that

(the mask policy) changes as we see fit," Haffner said.

However, the masks being optional does not extend to the school buses. Students will be required to wear masks on the bus because that is a federal mandate, according to Haffner.

"Kids riding the bus and athletes riding to games must wear masks," he said. "That's one spot where we don't have any choice at all."

Haffner noted that he meets with the county health department weekly and receives updated numbers, which he will use to alter mask wearing, time spent in school and other health policies. He noted that the school will not be requiring temperature checks as students and the community enter the building because they have not shown to be statistically helpful.

"That's what you guys gave us the go-ahead to do," Haffner said. "I'm saying let's just keep doing what we're doing."

Board member Joe Linik said he likes the plan to keep masks optional, noting that summer school went off without any difficulty. He also noted that 92% of the coronavirus deaths in the state have been from ages 60 and over. So while the risk of illness is still there for students, the risk of death for them is low, he said.

"The community as a whole is moving along real well right now," Linik said. "I like the direction that we're at and heading in. I just don't want anyone running and jumping to conclusions either way. Let's go about this smartly and not have the outside noise affecting the decisions."

Board member Doug Huck noted that the bus rule was the only requirement coming at the federal level, and that everything else was only a

recommendation from the Centers for Disease Control. That includes the current recommendation that even those who are vaccinated should wear a mask indoors.

"At the airport, you're masked. If you're on the bus, you wear a mask," Huck said. "It's the same thing. It's federal law, not CDC guidelines. Welcome to the last 18 months of figuring things out."

Board member Jim Hoffman praised Haffner and his administration for erring on the side of caution as far as the buses are concerned. The measure reduces the liability on the district, he said.

"All you need is one parent to say that bus isn't safe and file a lawsuit that's going to cost us way more money with lawyers at hundreds of dollars per hour," Hoffman said. "I think you're doing the right thing."

Board member Pat Pleshek suggested that navigating the previous school year should give Gresham some insight on how to proceed for the coming school year.

"I would hope that, as we go forward, the burden can be lifted," Pleshek said.

Haffner noted that having the community follow protocols without difficulty has made efforts to get through the pandemic much easier.

"The parents I had last year were the best I've had in the 28 years I've been here," Haffner said. "Parents last year kept kids home when they were sick. That hadn't happened for quite a few years. Last year, if they had any hint of a kid being sick, 98% of parents kept their kids at home and said, 'I'm not risking anybody else's health and just keeping my kid at home.'"

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SHAWANO COUNTY DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE FORECLOSURE
OF THE TAX LIENS, PURSUANT TO SECTION
75.521 WISCONSIN STATUTES BY
SHAWANO COUNTY, LIST OF TAX
LIENS FOR THE YEAR 2016
THROUGH 2020

PETITION AND NOTICE AND LIST
OF TAX LIENS OF SHAWANO
COUNTY BEING FORECLOSED BY
PROCEEDING IN REM 2021,
NUMBER FORTY FIVE

TO THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN:

Now comes Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, by Debra Wallace, its County Treasurer, and Larenda J. Maulson, its Corporation Counsel, and files this list of tax liens of Shawano County for all taxes of 2016 through 2020, sales of 2017 through 2020, and alleges and shows to the Court:

1. That each of the following described parcels of land has been sold to Shawano County for delinquent taxes and the tax certificates therefore have been outstanding for two or more years and said years being the sales of the years indicated below.
2. That Shawano County is now the owner and holder of tax liens for the taxes of the years indicated in this list, as evidenced by the tax sales certificates numbered below.
3. That Shawano County has by ordinance adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of said county on the 2nd day of November, 1971, elected to proceed under Section 75.521 of the Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of enforcing tax liens in said county.
4. That said list, made and filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 75.521, Wisconsin Statutes, is as follows, to-wit:

	Description	Owners	Interested Parties And Lien Holders	Ctf. No.	Year Sold	Tax Year	Amount of Tax
	TOWN OF ALMON						
1	Southeast 1/4 Northeast 1/4 Except East 250 Feet of South 300 Feet and Except Part Described Volume 489 Page 340-2 and Except Part Described Volume 755 Page 249 Section 8 Township 28 North Range 12 East Parcel #002-08140-0000	H & R Nursery Inc.	Dale L Rickert Kyle Haise Citizens State Bank of Wittenberg Wisconsin Power and Light Company	7305 8681 10075	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,403.60 1,601.60 1,603.44 1,492.95
	TOWN OF ANGELICA						
2	Northwest 1/4 Southwest 1/4 North 442 Feet of West 442 Feet Section 11 Township 26 North Range 18 East Parcel #004-11320-0010	Willie E Lange A/K/A Willie Lange Angela B Lange A/K/A Angela Lange	Town of Angelica Shawano County	7404 8770 10152	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	573.48 576.15 603.00 589.91
3	Part Southeast 1/4 Southwest 1/4 Commencing 310 Feet West South 1/4 Section Corner Thence North 3 Degrees West 462 Feet Along Centerline Highway to Point of Beginning Thence South 65 Degrees West Variance 3 Degrees 49 Feet East 115.5 Feet Thence Northwest Parallel Highway 65.5 Feet Thence Northeast 115.5 Feet to Centerline Highway Thence Southeast Along Centerline 77 Feet to Point of Beginning Section 33 Township 26 North Range 18 East and Commencing 310 Feet West South 1/4 Section Corner Thence N Along Centerline Highway 210 Feet Point of Beginning Thence Continue North 252 Feet thence South 65 Degrees With Variance 3 Degrees 49 Feet East 191 Feet Thence South 28 Degrees East 245.5 Feet Thence Northeast 214 Feet to Point of Beginning	Jed A Giese A/K/A Jed Giese Kami R Spaeth A/K/A Kami Spaeth A/K/A Kami Giese	M & L Excavating Incorporated Massart Auctioneers Mid-County Cooperative Giese Landscaping & Services Inc. et al Kelbe Bros Equipment Co Inc. Cottonwood Financial Wisconsin LLC Leo Van De Yacht Well Drilling	7894 9281 10567	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,093.41 1,458.48 1,531.75 1,486.82
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	Description	Owners	Interested Parties And Lien Holders	Ctf. No.	Year Sold	Tax Year	Amount of Tax
	Northeast 214 Feet to Point of Beginning Section 33 Township 26 North Range 18 East Parcel #004-33340-0200						
	TOWN OF ANIWA						
4	West 428 Feet of North 278 Feet of Southeast 1/4 Southwest 1/4 Section 19 Township 29 North Range 11 East Parcel #006-19340-0010	Mark A Low A/K/A Mark Low	State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Marathon County Child Support Agency	7596 8974 10315	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	626.35 748.59 918.59 889.86
	TOWN OF BELLE PLAINE						
5	Part Government Lot 2 Lying West of Clintonville Shawano Road Described as Commencing at Centerline of Road at a Point on The North Line of Government Lot 2 175.5 Feet West of 1/16 Post Thence South 23 Degrees 53 Feet West 346 Feet Thence South 14 Degrees 53 Feet West 304.6 Feet Thence South 21 Degrees 11 Feet West 96.6 Feet Thence North 68 Degrees 49 Feet West 166.75 Feet to Lake and Point of Beginning Thence South 68 Degrees 49 Feet East 142 Feet to West Line of Road Thence South 21 Degrees 11 Feet West 200 Feet Thence South 19 Degrees 16 Feet West 458.4 Feet to South Line Government Lot 2 Thence West on Said Line Lot 2 60 Feet More or Less to Lake Thence Northerly Following Meander Parcel #010-33120-0350	Lake Aire of Cloverleaf Lakes LLC	Schutt Industries Margaret McCarville Marcus Cable, LLC D/B/A Charter Communications Frontier Communications of Wisconsin Internal Revenue Service James Schutt Patrick Schutt A/K/A Patrick L Schutt Shelly Schutt Town of Belle Plaine	7880 9267 10558	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	4,488.37 4,355.73 4,926.71 5,120.28
	TOWN OF GRANT						
6	Northeast 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Section 27 Township 26 North Range 13 East Closed MFL 38 Acres 25 Years Effective 01/01/2018 Parcel #018-27210-0000	Lee M Robenhagen A/K/A Lee Robenhagen	GreenStone Farm Credit Services, FLCA Marshall P Robenhagen Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources	7755 9138 10447	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,903.63 479.68 489.26 483.26
	TOWN OF GREEN VALLEY						
7	Part of South 1/2 of Southwest 1/4 Was Lot 2 Volume 5 Page 267 Certified Survey Map Number 1452 Section 24 Township 27 North Range 18 East and Lot 1 Volume 7 Page 7 Certified Survey Map Number 1873 Now Known As Lot 1 Volume 18 Page 37 Certified Survey Map Number 3906 N5756 Co-op Avenue-Shop/House Parcel #020-24340-0010	Cory C Otto A/K/A Cory Otto Joseph F Andrus A/K/A Joseph Francis Andrus Clancy A Andrus A/K/A Clancy Andrus A/K/A Clancy Artis Andrus Art Otto A/K/A Arthur Otto A/K/A Arthur E Otto	Cottonwood Financial Wisconsin LLC DBA The Cash Store LVNV Funding LLC Green Valley Sanitary District No. 1	7714 9099 10407	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,806.28 1,819.16 1,907.76 1,830.21
8	Part of South 1/2 of Southwest 1/4 Was Lot 2 Volume 5 Page 267 Certified Survey Map Number 1452 Section 24 Township 27 North Range 18 East and Lot 1 Volume 7 Page 7 Certified Survey Map Number 1873 Now Known as Lot 2 Volume 18 Page 37 Certified Survey Map Number 3906	Cory C Otto A/K/A Cory Otto Joseph F Andrus A/K/A Joseph Francis Andrus Clancy A Andrus A/K/A Clancy Andrus A/K/A Clancy Artis Andrus Art Otto A/K/A Arthur Otto	Cottonwood Financial Wisconsin LLC DBA The Cash Store LVNV Funding LLC Green Valley Sanitary District No. 1	7715 9100 10408	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,150.76 248.27 260.27 251.13
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	Description	Owners	Interested Parties And Lien Holders	Ctf. No.	Year Sold	Tax Year	Amount of Tax
	Certified Survey Map Number 3906 Parcel #020-24340-0020	Art Otto A/K/A Arthur Otto A/K/A Arthur E Otto					
9	Commencing at Point 175 Feet West of Northwest Corner Lot 7 Block 2 Issacson's Addition Village of Green Valley Thence 95 Feet West 125 Feet South Thence 95 Feet East Thence North to Point of Beginning Part of Northwest 1/4 North- West 1/4 Section 25 Township 27 North Range 18 East Parcel #020-25220-0050	Ann Marie Andrews A/K/A Ann M Andrews	LeGros Enterprises	7730 9117 10419	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,535.57 678.35 719.32 697.61
	TOWN OF MAPLE GROVE						
10	Southeast 1/4 Southeast 1/4 Except Commencing Northwest Corner Said 40 Thence East 20 Feet Thence Southwesterly to Part 20 Feet South of Beginning Thence North 20 Feet to Point of Beginning Highway 29 Except Volume 788 Page 461 and Except Certified Survey Recorded Volume 4 Page 79 Section 23 Township 25 North Range 18 East Parcel #030-23440-0000	Randal J Gracyalny A/K/A Randy Gracyalny Kim M Gracyalny Margaret Gracyalny A/K/A Margaret M Gracyalny, Vendor	Cleary Building Corporation Wisconsin Department of Transportation	7702 9083 10393	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	122.30 384.90 402.69 376.62
11	Southwest 1/4 Northeast 1/4 Except Road Described Volume 363 Page 605 and Volume 788 Page 461 Section 25 Township 25 North Range 18 East Parcel #030-25130-0000	Randal J Gracyalny A/K/A Randy Gracyalny Kim M Gracyalny Margaret Gracyalny A/K/A Margaret M Gracyalny, Vendor	Cleary Building Corporation Wisconsin Department of Transportation	7720 9105 10413	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	125.55 126.66 128.46 131.11
12	Southeast 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Except Road Described Volume 363 Page 605 and Volume 788 Page 461 Section 25 Township 25 North Range 18 East Parcel #030-25240-0000	Randal J Gracyalny A/K/A Randy Gracyalny Kim M Gracyalny Margaret Gracyalny A/K/A Margaret M Gracyalny, Vendor	Cleary Building Corporation Wisconsin Department of Transportation	7732 9118 10421	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	2,556.90 2,839.06 2,953.64 3,136.64
	TOWN OF SENECA						
13	Southeast 1/4 Southeast 1/4 Section 16 Township 27 North Range 13 East Now Known as Lot 2 Volume 18 Page 248 Certified Survey Map Number 3973 Parcel #042-16440-0000	Lynn M Kersten A/K/A Lynn Kersten	Joshua M Henry Rachal A Henry A/K/A Rachal Henry	7542 8917 10282	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,658.05 1,757.49 1,914.98 1,788.53
14	Southeast 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Section 21 Township 27 North Range 13 East Parcel #042-21240-0000	Lynn M Kersten A/K/A Lynn Kersten	Michels Pipeline Construction Incorporated Jeffrey P Rach Virginia K Schuller-Rach Joshua M Henry Rachal A Henry A/K/A Rachal Henry Shawano County Highway	7644 9026 10343	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	557.83 618.01 677.34 613.34
	TOWN OF WASHINGTON						
15	Southwest 1/4 Northwest 1/4 Commencing West 1/4 Corner Thence North 544.74 Feet Thence East 1325.72 Feet Thence South 544.74 Feet Thence West 1326.19 Feet to	Robert J Klatt A/K/A Robert Klatt	Frontier Communications of Wisconsin F/K/A Lakeshore Telephone Company F/K/A Urban Telephone	7760 9144 10450	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	404.17 506.40 515.34 510.29

	Description	Owners	Interested Parties And Lien Holders	Ctf. No.	Year Sold	Tax Year	Amount of Tax
	Point of Beginning Except West 233.46 Feet of North 208.71 Feet of South 371.13 Feet Section 27 Township 27 North Range 17 East Parcel #044-27230-0001						
	TOWN OF WITTENBERG						
16	Part of Southwest 1/4 Northeast 1/4 Described Volume 372 Page 181 Section 20 Township 27 North Range 11 East Parcel #050-20130-0010	Christopher L Landowski A/K/A Christopher Landowski Rachel I Landowski A/K/A Rachel Landowski	Wittenberg Telephone Company	7607 8987 10322	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,814.35 1,850.03 2,037.00 2,007.76
	VILLAGE OF BIRNAMWOOD						
17	Village of Birnamwood Hunter and Coles Addition Lot 2 Block 1 Parcel #106-55100-0010	Al Waldvogel A/K/A Allen D Waldvogel	Radiology Associates of Wausau, S.C.	8175 9562 10852	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,257.79 1,176.23 1,799.69 1,156.54
	VILLAGE OF BONDUEL						
18	Village of Bonduel Westphal and Lange's Plat North 1/2 Lot 11 and South 1/2 Lot 12 Block 5 Parcel #107-85050-0550	Val Jean Quaintance A/K/A Val Jean Quaintance Revocable Trust	Bonduel State Bank	8453 9878 11122	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	943.84 1,680.04 1,970.90 1,984.82
19	Village of Bonduel Westphal and Lange's Plat Second Addition South 80 Feet North 92.2 Feet East 218 Feet Lot 8 Block 2 Parcel #107-85100-0200	Wayne Bahr A/K/A Wayne C Bahr	Wisconsin Department of Revenue	8458 9886 11129	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	292.97 1,998.48 2,140.50 2,180.95
20	Village of Bonduel Whitnee Woods Plat Section 8 Township 26 North Range 17 East Lot 7 Parcel #107-87100-0060	James F Hutter A/K/A James Hutter Suzanne J Hutter A/K/A Suzanne Hutter	Bonduel State Bank Internal Revenue Service Wisconsin Department of Revenue Village of Bonduel	8491 9913 11148	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	623.15 622.50 665.55 669.49
	VILLAGE OF MATTOON						
21	Village of Mattoon Southwest 1/4 Northeast 1/4 Now Known As Lot 1 Volume 10 Certified Survey Map Page 145 Map Number 2648 Section 9 Township 29 North Range 12 East Parcel #151-09130-0010	Nancee Jo Schmidt Jim A Schultz A/K/A James A Schultz, Vendor	Shawano County Housing Authority Village of Mattoon	7336 8698 10094	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,033.79 924.37 1,110.65 1,565.44
22	Village of Mattoon Original Plat Lot 6 Block 20 Parcel #151-70050-0510	Rebecca Osborn A/K/A Rebecca L Osborn A/K/A R.Osborn	Sandra S Franken Aspirus Wausau Hospital Incorporated Radiology Associates of Wausau, S.C.	8280 9664 10943	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	896.22 1,033.28 1,016.21 1,069.51
23	Village of Mattoon Original Plat South 1/2 Lot 4 and All of Lots 5 and 6 Except North 20 Feet Lot 6 Block 36 Parcel #151-70050-0970	Monteith/Barwick LLC		8294 9683 10960	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	820.84 238.60 240.32 240.35
	VILLAGE OF TIGERTON						
24	Village of Tigerton Mill Site Described Volume 288 Page 611 Part South 1/2 Southwest 1/4 Section 9 Township 26 North Range 12 East Parcel #186-65050-0020	John A Whitewing A/K/A John Whitewing Sr A/K/A John Whitewing A/K/A John O Whitewing Pamela M Whitewing A/K/A Pamela M Hesse A/K/A Pamela Hesse A/K/A	Internal Revenue Service Midland Credit Management, Incorporated Shawano County Department of Human Services Aspirus Wausau Hospital Incorporated Saint Clare's Hospital of Weston Incorporated Bone & Joint Clinic, SC	8224 9607 10888	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	131.60 140.53 130.18 134.34

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34	City of Shawano Sawyer and Andrews Plat Lot 4 Block 28 Parcel #281-75100-1950	Midwest Properties of Shawano LLC	Wells Fargo Bank National Association Baylake Bank LSREF2 Cobalt, LLC LSREF2 Cobalt Trust 2013	8406 9830 11077	2018 2019 2020	2017 2018 2019 2020	1,841.97 1,824.77 1,714.75 1,733.91

All Unknown spouses of the above-named parties.

Interest on the principal sum of each tax lien listed above is charged at the rate of 1% per month from February 1 of the year of sale to date of redemption.

All descriptions by lot and block numbers refer to plats and maps as filed in the office of the Register of Deeds of Shawano County, Wisconsin.

5. That no municipalities other than Shawano County have any right, title or interest in the above described lands or in the tax liens or in the proceeds thereof, except as stated herein.

WHEREFORE, Shawano County petitions for judgement vesting title to each of said parcels of land in said Shawano County, as of the date of entry of judgement in this action, and barring and foreclosing any and all claims whatsoever of the former owner, and any person having any right, title, interest, claim, lien or equity of redemption and any person claiming through and under them to said lands since the date of filing this list of tax liens in the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court of Shawano County.

Dated this 13th day of July, 2021.

SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Debra Wallace, County Treasurer

Larenda J. Maulson, Corporation Counsel

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
)ss.
COUNTY OF SHAWANO)

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

Debra Wallace, County Treasurer

Subscribed to and Sworn to before me

This 13th day of July, 2021

Katie Johnson

Notary Public, Shawano County, Wisconsin

My Commission Expires 02/25/2025

NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROCEEDING IN REM TO FORECLOSE TAX LIENS BY SHAWANO COUNTY

TAKE NOTICE that all persons having or claiming to have any right, title of interest in or lien upon the real property described in the list of tax liens Number Forty Five, on file in the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court of Shawano County, dated July 13, 2021, as hereinabove set forth, are hereby notified that the filing of such list of tax liens in the office on the Clerk of Circuit Court of Shawano County constitutes the commencement by said Shawano County of a special proceeding of the Circuit Court for Shawano County to foreclose the tax liens therein described by foreclosure proceeding in rem and that a notice of the pendency of such proceeding against each piece or parcel of land therein described was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in July 13, 2021. Such proceeding in brought against the real property herein described only and is to foreclose the tax liens described in such list. No personal judgement will be entered herein for such taxed, assessments or other legal charges or any part thereof.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that all persons having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in or lien upon the real property describe in said list of tax liens are hereby notified that a certified copy of such list of tax liens has been posted in the office of the County Treasurer of Shawano County and will remain posted for public inspection up to and including September 30, 2021, which date is hereby fixed as the last day for redemption.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any person having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in or lien upon any such parcel may on or before said September 30, 2021, redeem such delinquent tax liens by paying to the County Treasurer of Shawano County the amount of all such unpaid tax liens, and in addition thereto, all interest and penalties which have accrued on said unpaid tax liens, computed to and including the date of redemption, plus the reasonable costs that the county incurred to initiate the proceeding plus the person's share of the reasonable costs of publication under sub. (6).

SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN

BY: Debra Wallace

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Daylily varieties seem endless for gardeners

Lost in a neverending parade of new, bigger and bolder introductions are classic daylilies that stand the test of time.

The world of plant hybridization and tissue culture of plants for mass production has boomed over the past



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10 or 15 years. With this explosion of new plants and new hybrids being released each and every year, sometimes hundreds of them, some of the old-fashioned favorites get lost in the confusion. In this column, my goal is to preserve the stature and memory of some of these older daylily varieties that were once beloved stars of the summer garden.

Daylily hybridization has come a long way, and each year we see hundreds of new introductions into the market by both corporations and individual plant hybridizers. There are so many varieties to choose from that it's almost overwhelming to visit a garden center to select plants to nurture and grow at home.

With hundreds of new varieties being released every year, many of them patented for sale and big money makers for garden centers, it is becoming harder and harder to find some of the old-fashioned classic varieties. In fact, in some cases, you may have to resort to ordering online or visiting a specialty daylily hybridizer.

Some of the older varieties are still the best growers and the most prolific bloomers and stand the test of time. Here are some of my favorites to look back upon.

Seek out these amazing older varieties and you will be rewarded with many years of beauty and elegance in your garden.

- **Janice Brown:** At one time, this was the most popular daylily on the market, a medium-sized bloom in beautiful baby pink with a darker rose center.

- **Hyperion:** The classic, tall, large blooming, heavenly fragrant daylily in bright, lemon yellow, this daylily was the star of any garden as early as the 1950s and 1960s. You can still find it today, occasionally. Be sure to take in its incredible aroma.

- **Strutter's Ball:** When this daylily was first introduced, it was the most popular plant on the market, blooming in incredibly large, rich, grape purple



Pardon Me is quickly becoming a classic miniature daylily in bright, ruby red.

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Janice Brown is one of the oldest classic daylilies, featuring blooms in two shades of pink and prolific blooming, sturdy scapes.

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with a silver center. Extremely heavy substance and large, thick scapes make this daylily a classic.

- **The Chicago series:** Featuring a whole line of beautiful, unique and enticing daylilies, the Chicago series is a highly collectible plant line that

features daylilies in many colors, shapes and sizes. Some of my favorites are Chicago Silver, Chicago Apache, Chicago Fire and Chicago Sunrise.

- **Joan Senior:** Still one of the most popular daylilies in pure white, this classic, soft blooming, elegant beauty

deserves a place in every garden.

- **Wild One:** In its time, this was one of the most unusual daylilies on the market, one of the first polychrome daylilies introduced. Polychrome means that multiple colors are brushed in feathery patterns across the petals. Wild One features blossoms in a wash of pink, orange and red.

- **Twiggy:** Just like the name, this daylily is a fun and unusual specimen plant with ribbon like blooms in shades of orange and red.

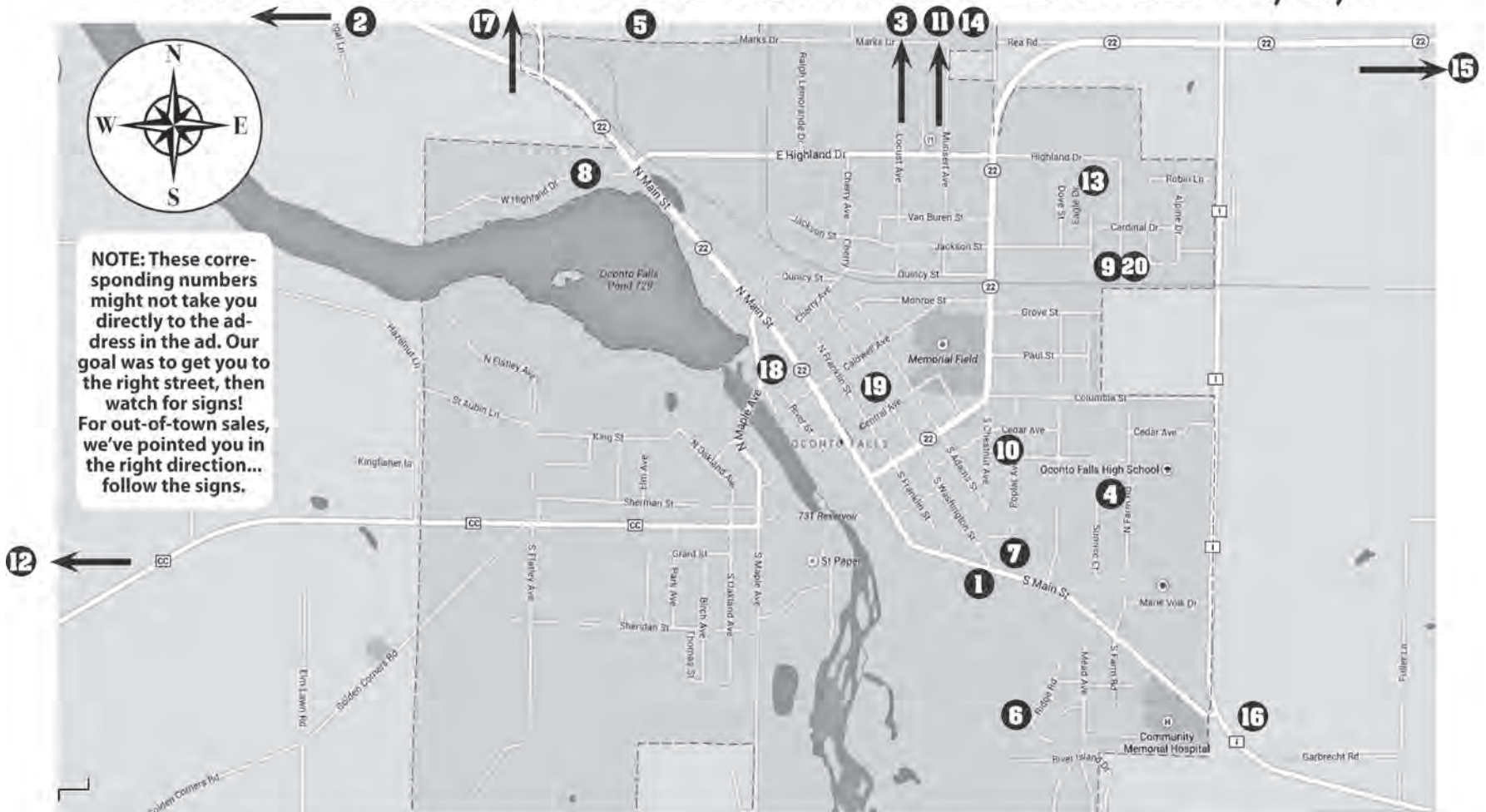
- **Ruby Spider:** The wide, open-faced, ruby red blooms of this classic daylily are brightened by a massive, yellow and lime green center.

- **Sears Tower:** At one time, this was the tallest daylily available on the market, reaching over 6 feet in height. This daylily features large, bright yellow blooms.

- **Candlestick Park:** Long, twirling ribbons of lemon yellow highlight the massive flowers of this spidery, tall growing daylily.

- **Magic Amethyst:** One of the first of the new classics, this daylily features large, heavy blooms in shades of purple and lavender with a gorgeous, decorative, bubble edge highlighted in gold.

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- 5.) 7392 Kulhanek Ln., Oconto Falls. Thurs., Fri., Sat., 10am-6pm. Lots of clothes from baby to adult, toys, stuffed animals and lots more!
- 6.) 238 Ridge Rd., Oconto Falls. Thurs. & Fri. 7am-5pm, Sat 7am-Noon. Large mirror, trail cameras, fishing poles and reels, Bud Light clock light, floor standing clock, collectables, Barbie dolls, XXXL shirts, car GPS.
- 7.) 538 S. Main Street, Oconto Falls Thurs. & Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 8am-2pm. Almost everything but the house! Furniture, household items, electronics, wine making, bakeware, canning jars, games, crafts, cake decorating, sewing supplies, artwork, wheelchair, beds, dishes, glassware, vases, cookware, grills and more.
- 8.) 145 W. Highland Dr., Oconto Falls. Thurs. & Fri. 7am-5pm, Sat. 8am-?. Multi-family. Too much to list.
- 9.) 454 McDougal Circle, Oconto Falls. Thurs. & Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 8am-4pm. Snowmobile helmets/jackets, Pergo flooring, lamps, mirror, nightstand, chair, dog bed, clothing-infant, toddler, women's petite to 2XL, men's small to tall XL, housewares, Christmas, Thirty-One, much more! Cash & Carry! No Checks!
- 10.) 251 Cedar Ave, Oconto Falls. Thurs., Fri., Sat. 8am-5pm. Dining set, stroller, toys, books, household items, dishes, glassware, bedding, microwave, pizza oven, high chair, depression glass, file cabinet, car seat, clothing including men's 4X, XL, scrubs, children's birth to 4.
- 11.) 6210 Chestnut Rd, Oconto Falls. 8th house on the right. 2 WEEKS: Aug. 5,6,7 and AUG. 12,13,14. 8 am-??? DON'T MISS HUGE SALE. One dollar or less (some exceptions). Barbie Dream House, Dock McStuffin, Baby Alive. Hundreds of new DVDs and VHS. Kids, teens, adult clothes. Lots More.
- 12.) 5273 McDermid Dr., Oconto Falls. Fri. 8am-4:30pm, Sat. 8am-12pm. Name brand baby boys clothes size 0 to 18 mos., toys, baby climber with slide, play grill and household items. Everything is in good condition and clean.
- 13.) 559 Eagle Dr., Oconto Falls. Thurs., & Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 8am-2pm. Huge must see multi-family rummage sale! Household items, womens clothes size M to 2XL, boys and girls clothes, gaming desk, twin bed, Thomas the Train items, traxxas cars, plants and much more.
- 14.) 6004 N. Chestnut Rd, Oconto Falls. Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8am-6pm. Multi-family, Weber, anchors, ammo boxes, newborn clothes to 6 months, baby items, antique glassware, households, craft supplies, nails, hoses, cots, wall mirrors, complete grandfather clock parts, so much more!
- 15.) 6013 Caldrie Rd., Stiles. Wed-Sat, 7am-5pm. Household, furniture, decor, video games, purses, toys, books, jewelry, Jewelry armoires, kids & adult clothes, fish tanks, bird cages, snowmobiles, motorcycle hitch, sway bars, push mower, boats, push weed wacker, lawn roller, pulverizer, much more.
- 16.) 7246 Cty I, Oconto Falls. Wed., Thurs. & Fri. 8am-4pm. Sale starts Wednesday. Multi-family sale. Reasonable prices. Deck box, household items, 7'x5' area rug, vacuum, bean bag chairs, crafts, kids toys, books, games, clothing for all ages.
- 17.) 8530 Cty B, Oconto Falls. Thurs., Fri., Sat., 9am-2pm. Household, furniture, dishes, kitchenware, misc., items.
- 18.) 251 N. Main St., Oconto Falls. Thurs. & Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 9am-12pm. Annual Bake Sale. Hardcover \$1, DVDs \$1, Children's books, audio books and MM paperbacks 50¢.
- 19.) 123 N. Washington St., Oconto Falls. Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8am-5:30pm. Young women's name brand clothing, home decor, mason jars, miscellaneous electronic and computer related items, bedding, box speaker, under cabinet radio, some kitchen, boat prop, trolling motor mount, much more!
- 20.) 496 McDougal Circle, Oconto Falls. Thurs. & Fri. 7am-4pm. Leine glassware, lawnmower, lawn spreader, Christmas decorations, canope, beverage cooler, wall decor, silk flowers, yard decor, sweaters, tuxedos, formals and miscellaneous.

Oconto Falls downtown revitalization grant approved

Planning grant could aid up to 50 downtown properties

By **WARREN BLUHM**
Editor-in-chief

A planning grant has been awarded to fund a downtown study for the redevelopment of Oconto Falls downtown, “which desperately needs that,” according to the executive director of Oconto County Economic Development Corp. at the county board’s July 22 meeting.

Paul Ehrfurth reminded the board that the Oconto Falls City Council,

the city Main Street Committee and Oconto County Economic Development Corp. worked together on the application for a \$75,000 planning grant from the Community Development Block Grant-CLOSE program — so named because the money comes from the now-closed revolving-fund loan program that CDBG once funded.

A consultant would be asked to develop strategies to revitalize an approximately 50-parcel area of downtown Oconto Falls that has seen better days, Ehrfurth said.

During a public hearing last August, Ehrfurth said business own-

ers and residents would be asked to help create a strategic plan that could involve programs to improve storefront facades, microloans and similar efforts to “get some synergy growing.”

The city of Oconto Falls has been informed it will receive grants for two projects totaling about \$1.2 million — the other being a renovation of the senior and community center on Caldwell Avenue.

City Administrator Vicki Roberts told the council this month the main project objectives are to increase

accessibility and ease of use and to provide a better experience for the community members who use the facility. The grant covers architectural design, structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing and civil engineering services along with the bidding phase and construction phase services.

She submitted a timeline that would see bid requests go out next May with construction starting in July 2022 and completion around November 2022.

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Springside Cheese names national sales manager

Springside Cheese of Oconto Falls and Pueblo, Colorado, has announced that C.J. Crowther has been promoted to national sales manager.

Crowther joined the Springside Cheese team in February 2020 bringing several years’ experience and a passion for food to his role as customer account manager. During his 15 months with the company, his work to redefine the wholesale process and customer experience brought Springside Cheese’s products to new markets and customers throughout Springside’s Wisconsin and Colorado communities. He established customer bases within distributors, co-packers, grocery channels, c-stores, specialty shops, restaurants, local FFAs and local food banks.

“I am excited to further grow the Springside Cheese brand in the communities we serve,” Crowther said.

In his new role, Crowther will



C.J. CROWTHER

continue to leverage consumer data and trends to help identify new partnerships and production opportunities while building customer relationships and experiences across the nation.

Crowther plans to maintain his collaboration with local food initiatives such as the Pueblo Food Project — a community-led coalition that aims to create a more vibrant, nutritious and equitable food system in Pueblo County.

“Participating in the Pueblo Food Project is humbling,” Crowther said. “Being part of the local food economy group has opened my eyes to the fragility of food supply systems and has motivated me to help find relief for food insecurities.”



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PRO FOOTBALL

Rodgers details his issues with Packers

Team opened training camp July 28

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Green Bay Packers opened 2021 training camp on July 28 with the familiar No. 12 jersey of Aaron Rodgers leading the way.

The play of the longtime Packers quarterback on Ray Nitschke Field was no different than in years past, but after the practice wrapped up, Rodgers went into great detail about his issues with the organization that have been the talk of the NFL since late April.

The first question Rodgers was asked was “What was this all about for you?”

Rodgers started his answer by saying, “That’s kind of a loaded question.” He then spent the next five-plus minutes explaining the situation from his point of view.

The quarterback, who is entering his 17th season with the Packers, says it started with a conversation he had back in February after the season ended.

“I just expressed my desire to be more involved in conversations directly affecting my job,” said Rodgers. “Also, I wanted to help the organization maybe learn from some of the mistakes in the past, in my opinion, about the way some of the outgoing veterans were treated.”

Rodgers went on to mention several former Packers that were “core players to our foundation, our locker room, high character guys.”

The quarterback mentioned Charles Woodson, Jordy Nelson, Julius Peppers, Clay Matthews, Randall Cobb, James Jones, John Kuhn, Brett Goode, T.J. Lang, Bryan Bulaga, Casey Hayward and Micah Hyde.

Rodgers said many of those players weren’t offered contracts to stay in Green Bay or were low-balled. He added that he didn’t think those players were respected the way they should have been after their strong play and leadership in Green Bay.

In additional answers, Rodgers revealed he spoke to several of his past teammates, including some he



Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers looks on during the team’s first training camp practice on July 28 at Ray Nitschke Field in Green Bay.

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mentioned, to get their experiences on leaving the team.

The quarterback then talked about how the Packers didn’t want to commit to him long-term and how that option was never given to him at any point.

He didn’t want to be a “lame-duck quarterback, especially after an MVP season.”

Rodgers then spoke about wanting to be involved in conversations regarding potential free agent signings, something that he said has never happened in his career.

Rodgers felt that he could be utilized as a recruiter.

“I think we can all understand, you know, Green Bay isn’t a huge vacation destination, people are coming here to play with me, to play with our team and knowing that they can win a championship here,” said Rodgers.

Rodgers said he wanted to be part of the recruitment of free agents going forward, and that he thought he’s earned that privilege.

With the conversation not changing, Rodgers took a new approach in March.

“If you can’t commit to me past 2021, and I’m not a part of the recruiting process in free agency, if I’m not a part of the future, then instead of letting me be a lame-duck quarterback, if you want to make a change and move forward, then go ahead and do it,” said Rodgers. “That obviously didn’t happen.”

After the 2021 NFL Draft, Rodgers said the team offered him more money, with the quarterback saying it was never about the money.

“To me, it was bigger than this. It was about trying to be a resource for

the organization that I care about and love so much,” said Rodgers.

Rodgers later said that the organization looks to him as a quarterback and to play the game, but that he feels he’s been there long enough to be looked to for more, most notably his input.

He just wanted to be part of the conversation, and even if he couldn’t sway any decisions, would have made him feel important and respected.

Continuing on his first answer, he spoke about how he expected a contract extension after his 2020 MVP season, but those talks didn’t begin until May.

Rodgers gave an analogy about a worker asking for a pay raise or some security after a big year and the company holding off on it. Then, a couple months later, the employee says he has a new job offer and the people in charge switch their tone and say they love them and want the employee to stay.

He then stated that not much changed over the summer, until the last week or so, and that he instead focused on himself. He even questioned whether or not he wanted to continue playing.

“The fire still burns and I wanted to be on a football team,” said Rodgers.

In follow-up questions, Rodgers indicated that his future with the team past this season is still up in the air.

The quarterback added he’s locked into this season and trying to help the team chase all of its goals, and then will address his future after the season wraps up.

“I love this team, I love this org—fans and the opportunity to play at Lambeau Field has been a dream come true. To be in my 17th season is really special, I don’t take that for granted,” said Rodgers. “I’m not a victim here at all, I just want to reiterate that. I’ve been paid a ton of money by this organization, and I’m so thankful to be a starter here for my 14th season. Not many guys have the opportunity to do that.”

“I don’t feel like anything has been done to me. It’s a business. It’s an incredible opportunity to play this game, it’s a tough business too, though, and this is part of it. So I totally get that point and that’s not lost on me.”

LEGION BASEBALL

Oconto Falls' Bouche makes all-star game roster



Oconto Falls' Tucker Bouche reaches first base after putting the ball in play during the team's regional game against Denmark on July 21 in Clintonville. Bouche was named to the 2021 Legion all-star game.

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By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Oconto Falls Legion baseball player Tucker Bouche was named to the 2021 American Legion Baseball All-Star Game.

"Making the all-star game is a dream come true," said Bouche. "I got to watch Mason (Sefcik) play a few years back, and it was a very organized and special game. I'm excited to be a part of that."

Bouche is a member of the Stars team, which will battle the Stripes team Aug. 8 at the Milwaukee Brewers' American Family Field. The all-star game will take place after the Brewers game against the San Francisco Giants, which starts at 1:10 p.m.

That game between the Brewers and Giants is also a day in which the first 35,000 ticketed fans to enter

the stadium will be gifted a Christian Yelich bobblehead.

"Playing at American Family Field is going to be a once-in-a-lifetime experience," said Bouche. "Watching games there as a kid, you always dream of playing on the 'big field' one day. Getting that chance now, I'll make sure to take every moment in."

All-star players and coaches will be introduced on the field during Milwaukee's pregame festivities. The all-star game will be the 49th one ever played.

Bouche is eager to play against some of the state's best.

"I'm excited to compete at a very high level, as well as meet some players and hear their stories," said Bouche. "You never know where the game will lead you, so I'm going to try to take it all in. I'm extremely excited for this opportunity."

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HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

Pulaski grad Preslaski named team's next head coach

Pulaski High School graduate Nathan Preslaski is the new wrestling coach at his alma mater. He replaces long-time coach Ryan Deprey, who accepted a teaching position at another district.

Preslaski has served as Pulaski's assistant wrestling coach from 2015-21. He also served as the lead coach for Pulaski Youth Wrestling in 2019. He was the school's junior varsity wrestling coach from 2008-14. Prior to that, Preslaski was a wrestling volunteer coach for Pulaski in 2007-08, a volunteer coach at Oshkosh West High School in 2005-06 and a UW-

Stevens Point student assistant coach in 2003.

Preslaski is a former wrestler and team captain at UW-Stevens Point where was an NCAA Division III qualifier, WIAC champion and winner of the team's Most Outstanding Wrestler award in 2001.

He was a WIAC runner-up in 2000. At Pulaski, he was a 1997 state title winner and he qualified for state in 1994 and 1995. He was team captain in 1997 and team MVP in 1996 and 1997.

"We wish Ryan Deprey and his family well as they move on to future

endeavors and are in very capable hands with Nate Preslaski now taking over the lead role," said Pulaski athletic director Janel Batten. "Nate has long been a part of the Pulaski wrestling family both as a wrestler and a coach. He has a plethora of knowledge and success both as a high school and college wrestler and also as a coach.

"I am not sure I have seen someone more passionate about this opportunity to lead. We are excited for coach Preslaski, for the kids, and for our wrestling community."

Preslaski said has been part of

Pulaski wrestling for a long time. "It's good to give back and help the kids who are here now," he said.

Preslaski said he is familiar with the wrestlers, parents and the program.

"This is about the Pulaski program, keeping it great and getting as many kids out as possible. This is about the kids in the program," Preslaski said.

He has been married to Tommie for 11 years. They have three children Kutter, 9; Cage, 8; and Breckyn, 6. His two boys are already involved with the Pulaski Youth Wrestling program.

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AUTO RACING

Racing for a Reason eclipses \$200K in 11th year

Action on track canceled after rain shower

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Shawano Speedway's annual Racing for a Reason event eclipsed \$200,000 in its history after raising more than \$27,000 on July 31.

The event was taking place for the 11th time, helping raise money for local childhood cancer awareness. Proceeds will go to Child Life Services of St. Vincent in Green Bay.

The event started 11 years ago after Reed Luepke, the son of Shawano Speedway's promotions and operations manager Brad Luepke, was diagnosed with leukemia. Race fans wanted to hold a fundraiser for Reed, but with a fundraiser already having been done, the speedway decided to create an event to make a contribution to local childhood

cancer awareness.

Instead of being just a one-time event, it's become a fan favorite on the speedway's summer schedule.

"It's just humbling, and it says a lot for the racing community," said Brad Luepke, who organizes the event with his wife, Lori. "If it wasn't for those that have supported it over the last decade, it wouldn't be as successful as it is. We are truly making a difference locally in the fight against childhood cancer."

Racing on the track

A brief but heavy rain shower about an hour before racing was supposed to start kept the speedway from hosting any races July 31.

After having some heavy vehicles do dozens of laps around the track and then a grader try and eliminate



Spectators look over raffle items available during Racing for a Reason night at Shawano Speedway on July 31.

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the water on the straightaway in front of the grandstands, all race cars were called to the track for packing.

Cars spent about an hour pack-

ing the track down, but the call was eventually made to cancel the races.

Action is scheduled to resume Aug. 7.

DAIRYLAND LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

Bonduel 4

Navarino 3

Bonduel edged Navarino in the league's final week of the regular season on Aug. 1 in Navarino.

Eric Guenwald hit a two-run homer for Bonduel in the seventh inning to make it a 4-0 game. Jack Reinke and J.C. Reinke had two hits each for the Broncos.

Chase Reinke pitched all nine innings to earn the win. He struck out four batters.

Matt Krause drew two walks, scored a run, drove in another and had two hits for Navarino. One of

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For more details on the Dairyland League, visit the teams' Facebook pages.

Krause's hits was a homer. Ryan Boettcher took the loss on the mound after throwing a complete game.

Hofa Park 5

Waupaca 4

Hofa Park scored three runs in the ninth inning to stun Waupaca on Aug. 1 in Waupaca.

Tyler Nystrom delivered a two-run single in the ninth before a Marcus Hornacek RBI single with two outs gave Hofa Park the lead in the ninth. Hornacek finished with

three hits and two RBIs, while James Borick, Will Sullivan and Nystrom all chipped in two hits.

Robert Schuettelpelz picked up the win after pitching the final four innings and allowing just one run.

Luke Behm drove in two runs on three hits for Waupaca, while Johnny Popham had two hits and walked once. Jim Nighbor was dealt the loss.

Nichols 9

Cecil 8

Nichols held on late for a home win over Cecil on Aug. 1.

Justin Krull earned the win for Nichols. He struck out four batters

over seven innings.

Noah Beilfuss and Garrett Engel homered for Cecil. Brandon Hagel and Beilfuss had three hits each, while Beilfuss also was dealt the loss.

Navarino wins Shawano Tournament

Navarino won the Shawano Tournament that wrapped up July 30, with Paul Sellner being named the tournament's MVP.

Navarino topped Leopold (11-10), Shawano (7-6) and Hofa Park (4-2) in its three games.

In other tournament action, Hofa Park defeated Pulaski (10-0) and Bonduel (7-2). Pulaski had a 12-8 win over Bonduel in 10 innings, while Shawano defeated Leopold 7-5.



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3 girls from Oconto Falls eager for college athletics

Goebel, Sadowski, Brabant staying in state

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Recent Oconto Falls High School graduates McKayla Goebel, Kaylee Sadowski and Kilyn Brabant will all soon become collegiate athletes.

All three will stay in the state, with Goebel heading to Marian University to play basketball, Sadowski at UW-Oshkosh to golf and Brabant to UW-Stevens Point to join the cheer team. The trio was part of six Oconto Falls athletes that committed to colleges back on March 16.

McKayla Goebel

Goebel has always loved playing basketball and is eager to compete in the sport at a collegiate level.

Goebel had a few schools in mind before eventually settling on Marian.

"Marian stuck out to me a little bit more than the other schools because of their nursing program," said Goebel.

FYI

A story on three Oconto Falls boys athletes that plan on playing collegiately was published in last week's paper. The story can also be read at www.newmedia-wi.com.



MCKAYLA GOEBEL

"I also liked the small campus, it wasn't too big or too small. I just really like the environment it gives off and just being a little closer to family." Sometimes starting fresh at college can be daunting for individuals. Goebel, who made the North Eastern Conference honorable mention team as a senior and junior, is looking forward to the restart and also is excited to meet new people.

Along with goals as a student, Goebel has a few things she's hoping to achieve on the basketball court.

She wants to have a shooting and free throw percentage over 70.

"Another goal is to start before my junior year. Also, to have the least



KAYLEE SADOWSKI

turnovers," said Goebel. "And to honestly just make a difference on the team."

Kaylee Sadowski

Golf was an activity that quickly became a passion for Sadowski at the high school level. She

now gets the chance to keep enjoying that passion at UW-Oshkosh.

"I think with my intention to pursue psychology and criminal justice, Oshkosh was always at the top of my list," said Sadowski. "I also like the location and it felt like home right away."

The Oconto Falls grad is excited for the new challenge, adding that she's looking forward to meeting a new team and coaches, along with being independent.

She's willing to help her new team in any fashion.

"My goals I have set are to improve each week and contribute to the team however I can," said Brabant. "I will strive to be a positive teammate and take in the experience!"

Sadowski made it to sectionals in each of her final two high school seasons. She advanced to sectionals as an individual in her junior season and then led the Panthers to a sectional appearance as a team in her senior year.



KILYN BRABANT

Kilyn Brabant

Brabant is eager for the chance to cheer at games with bigger crowds, and she'll get the chance to cheer on a familiar face at UW-Stevens Point. Her brother, Kade, is a member of the

UW-Stevens Point football team.

"It is very special for not only me but my entire family for me to be able to cheer for my brother's football games again," said Brabant.

UW-Stevens Point appealed to her for several reasons, one being that the school is well known for its natural resource major, which Brabant will pursue. Getting the opportunity to also cheer there is a cherry on top for the Oconto Falls grad.

"I also had an opportunity to meet the UW-Stevens Point cheer team and the coach my junior year of high school and absolutely fell in love with the closeness and family feel of the team," said Brabant.

She's excited for the new opportunities and experiences that college will provide her, both in the classroom and as a member of the cheer team.

"My goal is to live up to the high standards that this team has set and to be the best teammate that I can be."

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BABA HIGHLIGHTS

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Northern Division

Eland 7

Antigo/Polar 1

Eland won the division title outright after taking down Antigo/Polar on Aug. 1 in Eland.

Nick Lemke and Kyle Groshek posted two hits each for Eland. Tyler Nelson was the winning pitcher.

Alex Fritsch and Dylan Schielke had two hits each for Antigo/Polar. Cole Kuenzli was dealt the loss.

East-West Division

Clintonville 6

Tilleda 2

Clintonville won the East Division title outright after a win over Tilleda on Aug. 1 in Clintonville.

Jaden Doornink and Jared Cart-

wright each drove in a run for Clintonville. Hunter Vollmer picked up the win on the hill.

Zach Fehrman was the losing pitcher. Lane Schultz led Tilleda with a pair of hits.

Little Falls 19

Tigerton 4

Little Falls inched closer to a West Division title after easing past Tigerton on Aug. 1 in Little Falls.

Carter Kurki contributed four hits for Little Falls, while Cam Gruenwald had three hits. Kurki also earned the win.

Mitchell Zimdars took the loss for Tigerton.

HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

Bogacz taking over as Bonduel coach

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Chad Bogacz was named the next head wrestling coach at Bonduel High School, replacing long-time coach Chris Rank.

Bogacz has been involved with the Bonduel wrestling program for 16 years, serving as a volunteer coach, middle school head coach, high school assistant and co-head coach over that time.

His next step will be serving as the solo head coach.

"I am excited for the opportunity to continue a great tradition that was built way before I was here," said Bogacz. "It is an honor to be able to follow in the footsteps of names like Dale Hodkiewicz, Tom Flanagan, Dan Weidner, Jeff Delorme and Chris Rank."

Over his time inside the program, he and the other coaches have insisted on a team-first philosophy, and he'll keep that same

approach as the head coach.

Bogacz added that he's learned how to deal with difficult situations and will make it a priority to always look out for the interests of every single wrestler on the team.

"There won't be any major changes — a couple of minor things," said Bogacz. "I am hoping that I can fill the expectations of keeping our program a success. Chris did such an outstanding job of creating a wrestling family culture for such a long time. I really think that if I can sustain our reputation of being one of the classy organizations run in the area, help kids create great memories and overall just become better versions of themselves, that would be my goal."

When thinking about the team's strong success in the past, he again mentioned Rank's ability to create a wrestling family culture.

"We've been very fortunate over the last 20 years with strong wres-



CHAD BOGACZ

tling families staying in the school district," said Bogacz.

"This has allowed the youth program to be very strong. A lot of extremely dedicated parents not only care about their kids but all of

our kids on the team. Parents and alumni continue to recruit many other athletes to join the sport. It's impossible for one person to be responsible for all the success of a program. It takes a group of hard-working, dedicated people to make an organization great."

Bogacz added that Bonduel had found the right recipe in terms of making the sport bigger than just a game or activity.

"Overall though, this program is so successful because it's about

more than just wrestling," said Bogacz. "Wrestling is the vehicle that we use to help young men and women grow and learn to be great people."

"Through wrestling, you learn about commitment, sacrifice, showing up for someone else during practices. It's about seeing someone else's strength and learning from them and celebrating when someone else does well. It's about learning how to deal with losses and wins. It's about going through hard times together as a team on the mat, and off the mat in life. And in the end, it's about giving back to where you came from."

Bogacz said one new experience he will get this upcoming season is having girls wrestlers on the team. The program has had girls wrestlers at the youth and middle school level, but never at the high school level.

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Bonduel grad gets chance to extend track career

Schroeder will attend Concordia University

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Bonduel High School graduate Kalleigh Schroeder got a late start to her running career, but will get the chance to extend it a few years as she plans to join the Concordia University (Mequon) track and field team.

"I only started running at the end of my sophomore year and only had two seasons in for track," said Schroeder, who added she never though she'd be a college athlete. "I am super excited and nervous for the college level because it is so competitive."

Because of her late introduction to running and not anticipating being a college athlete, Schroeder's recruitment process was quite different than most other athletes.

She had spoke with a coach from UW-Stout but eventually decided to attend Concordia back in September.

Then she had one of the univer-



KALLEIGH SCHROEDER

sity's coaches reach out to her in April, and Schroeder decided to give the track and field team a try — a wise choice as she noted how much she loved the sport after the spring high school season wrapped up.

Schroeder said Concordia was always her college of choice, adding she was only going to apply elsewhere if she didn't get into Concordia.

She'll study interior architecture and design there.

"I chose Concordia because the campus is so pretty and a great location as well, and my program was the biggest factor for me," said Schroeder.

Along with her studies in the classroom, she's looking forward to

becoming a college athlete and competing against better competition.

She also has a couple goals in mind while competing.

"While on the track team, I hope to break 33 (feet) for triple jump hopefully, or just even improve my jumping," said Schroeder.

"I also just want to improve my time for my running events. I will be doing mid-distance, so 400 and 800 most likely and I am not sure

if I will be in relays or not. I am just hoping to have a great season overall."

In her final track and field season for the Bears, Schroeder advanced to sectionals as in individual in the triple jump and 400-meter dash.

She was an alternate for Bonduel's 4x800 and 4x400 sectional-qualifying relay teams.

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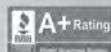
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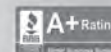
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Nelson stumps in Shawano for Senate seat

Candidate kicks off 72-county tour locally, plans to spend next 40 days listening to people

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Tom Nelson, Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate and current Outagamie County executive, kicked off his listening tour of Wisconsin's 72 counties July 28 at Angie's Main Cafe in Shawano, trying to get the pulse of the people he hopes to represent.

Nelson said he decided to kick things off in Shawano instead of his home county because he had previously represented southeast Shawano County, including the Town of Maple Grove, when he was a member of the Wisconsin Assembly representing District 5 in the 2000s. He had previously tried for federal office in 2016 when he ran against Mike Gallagher in the Eighth Congressional District to replace retiring Rep. Reid Ribble and lost.

"We're neighbors, so I thought, why not start with a neighbor?" Nelson said.

Now, Nelson has his sights set on the U.S. Senate seat currently held by Republican Ron Johnson. Johnson has not announced whether he will seek a third six-year term, but regardless, Nelson feels Johnson has to go.

"He's gone a long, long way toward hurting people in this country," Nelson said. "That's not just me as a Democrat running for the U.S. Senate. I hear that from Republicans and especially inde-



TOM NELSON

pendents." Before Nelson can face Johnson — or whomever the Republican candidate will be — he'll have to face off against a number of his fellow Democrats. The field includes current Lt. Governor Mandela Barnes, State Treasurer Sarah Godlewski, Gillian Battino, Chris Larson, Alex Lasry, Kou Lee, Chantia Lewis, Adam Murphy and Peter Peckarsky.

Nelson said he stands out among the other Democrats because he's not a millionaire, touting his family's background in agriculture and noting that his father is a Lutheran pastor. He said it was officials at local levels who led the country out of the coronavirus pandemic, not federal officials like Johnson, so he feels he can bring that experience to the halls of the U.S. Capitol.

"Call me old-fashioned, but I think experience matters," Nelson said. "I've been around the state more than anyone else. I have talked to the people of the state. I have a pretty good sense of where the people are at."

Nelson realizes he'll need more than the Democratic base to win the election and noted that both Shawano and Outagamie counties consist of



Republican-majority voters. He said he has the history of bringing both sides together when needed.

"We're going to get to every nook and cranny of this state and talk not only to Democrats, but to Republicans and independents," Nelson said. "I come from Outagamie County, which on balance is a red county, but I've won re-election six times. I would not have won re-election if I was not able to bring Democrats, Republicans and independents together. That's what the state needs. We don't need a polarizing figure like Ron Johnson. We need someone to bring the people together."

Nelson said he was baffled that neither senator representing the state or Wisconsin's eight representatives in Congress are sitting on a federal agriculture committee, and he vowed that, after being elected, he plans to push to be on the one for the Senate.

"It's not just because of the personal relationship," Nelson said. "There are a lot of farms in Outagamie County, a lot of farms in Shawano County. America's Dairyland, and we

have no representation when it comes to policymaking in a committee in the U.S. Senate or the U.S. House. That changes when I get to Washington."

Nelson also talked about broadband and the need for it to be available across the country. Currently, 14% of Wisconsin does not have an internet service provider that offers high-speed broadband internet, and Nelson vowed to make sure that internet service becomes a utility, the same as electricity and water.

"With broadband, it's not just about the money (for infrastructure). We need to make sure it's a utility," Nelson said. "Think about it. You get all that infrastructure in the ground, and two years later, the companies jack up the prices. You can't control that unless it's a public utility."

Nelson noted that former U.S. Sen. Russ Feingold had previously done a 72-county listening tour when he was in the Senate, and he feels it's necessary to get to the heart of what constituents want from elected officials. He plans to get it done in a 40-day period.

"When I win, my constituency is going to be more than the people that voted for me," Nelson said. "It's not just going to be Democrats; it's going to be everybody. We're going to have disagreements, but to have a philosophy that you're just focused on this one band doesn't do any good."

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GUEST COLUMN

Legislature has 2nd chance to support schools

Wisconsin's public school system is dependent upon tax dollars. Schools use state and local taxes to pay for services, salaries, transportation, supplies, utilities and more. Schools also don't solely control how much tax money they receive, or how much they are able to spend. The legislature sets spending limits for schools and determines how much state assistance they get to offset that spending. This authority requires a level of foresight and planning. When things don't go quite right — for example, when a global pandemic hits — needs change.

When Gov. Tony Evers originally crafted his budget, it included \$1.6 billion for public education. That decision was supported by Wisconsin citizens throughout the state. Investment in our state and communities was the common refrain at the public hearings held to gather input about the state's budget. A majority of public testimony spoke directly to the critical needs in our public schools: mental health supports, supplies, human resources, personal



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protective equipment, technology, broadband, food services and resources to combat potential learning loss.

People also spoke to the need for an infusion of money to

accomplish this. Citizens praised our educators, calling them the first responders for our children.

Evers' plan addressed many of those needs through targeted investments in special education, the state's share of local spending, technology costs and more. The legislature, however, answered this call differently, claiming one-time money provided by the federal government was sufficient to address all the needs of our schools. With no new spending authority and one-time federal monies targeted at pandemic-related costs, cuts will need to be made, or local taxpayers will be forced to referendum to raise their own taxes.

Unfortunately, this is a familiar challenge for our schools and our children. This is not how our funding system should work, and it's definitely not what is best for our teachers, their schools and our kids. The endless cycles of referendums widen the gaps between our have and have-not school districts, our students who face unique challenges and their peers, and our communities as a whole. Those who can shoulder the cost of tax increases pass referendums, while those who cannot don't. That does not bode well for our state's future.

When our state was formed, our founders built a system of public education that set us up for the collective success we've enjoyed for a long time. Their investment, foresight and thoughtfulness should be commended and built upon. Through his budget vetoes, Evers gave the legislature an opportunity to make good on a common and popular promise legislators across the state made to support their local public schools. There are plenty of needs right now, and now we have a

second chance to fund those needs.

Foresight and investment is the theme when you have an unexpected windfall, whether you are a homeowner or a business owner. Some frequently remark that we should operate our schools like we manage our homes or our business. If you are a homeowner with a leaky roof, you would undoubtedly use any extra cash you receive to fix your roof. If you are a business owner, you would reinvest it in your business, your employees or in research and development to shore up your future.

So, let's do the same for our schools. Please contact your legislators and encourage them to use this opportunity to benefit every kid, every day. The governor provided this legislature a second chance to make good on their own election promises to invest in our public schools, our communities, our children and our families. We cannot afford to let this moment pass.

Jill Underly is the state superintendent of public instruction.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cheney, Kinzinger buck party to seek truth

To the editor:

We are all aware of the impact of rolling power outages on our lives and our way of life. However, a different type of outage is now plaguing our society — rolling civic outages. Our country, state and locality are so polarized that friendships are being destroyed and family relationships are being damaged.

Viewing the initial session of the Jan. 6 select committee have brought

these thoughts to the forefront. Even though I am not a Republican, I am proud to call Liz Cheney and Adam Kinzinger patriotic Americans. For all practical purposes, they are sacrificing their political lives at the altar of our republican democracy rather than bending their knee at the altar of Donald Trump. In the case of Kinzinger, much of his family has disowned him. Both Cheney and Kinzinger are facing death threats.

Adam Kinzinger is former active military and is a reservist on call. He refers to himself as a conservative Republican. As such, I have

disagreed with him on many social, cultural and economic issues. Nevertheless, I deeply admire his ongoing display of courage.

The bulk of the Republican Party has succumbed to the cult of personality embodied in Donald Trump. This is despite the fact that he — along with Hitler, Stalin and Mao — is one of the four most evil men of the past century. Most Republican officials on the national level are acting out the Machiavellian principle that to succeed in politics requires learning how "not to be good." Trump's base has essentially adopted him as

their secular savior. By doing so, they relinquish their right to claim Jesus as their spiritual savior.

What happened on Jan. 6 needs to be permanently etched in our collective conscience. We cannot live in the alternative reality that the terrorists of that day were really patriots.

For all you "people of faith" out there who believe in a place or concept of heaven, I know this to be true. You and I will not occupy the same eternal space. I would not be too sure that you will be the one that metaphorically will be looking down on me.

Ken Kroenke, Shawano

OPINION PAGE POLICY

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Japanese beetles munching through area landscapes

A relatively new plant-feeding beetle to our area is the Japanese beetle. This stout, metallic green beetle — with bronze wing covers and white tufts on its sides and rear — can be extremely damaging to a wide array of plants. It is still spreading northward in our area, but is definitely found throughout the southern half of Oconto County, the southern quarter to third of Marinette County and far southern Menominee County.



SCOTT REUSS

It may be easier to list the plants this beetle does not feed on during its 6- to 8-week-long adult life. However, there are some plants which are known to be high on its list of menu options. Many fruits are on the list, but most notably apple, grape and raspberry. Vegetable gardens are a bit safer, but they will feed on basil, beans and some other species. Field crops are also afflicted, most notably soybean and the silks of corn cobs (field and sweet).

Landscapes are where they do the most damage, feeding on dozens of different trees and shrubs commonly found in our area. The linden family of trees is a big time target, but the list includes crabapple, birch, Norway and Japanese maple, American elm, mountain ash and others. They target roses and a long list of flowering shrubs, as well as some herbaceous ornamentals.

In the areas in which it is established, it can be a very serious pest of the plants listed above. The feeding pattern usually employed by these beetles is to eat in groups and start in the upper canopy of the tree or shrub. The leaves are not completely eaten, but the leaf material between veins is eaten and the remaining skeleton of a leaf nearly always turns brown and dies. This causes a brown pallor to work down from the top of the tree, sometimes encompassing the entire plant.

Biology: The adult beetle is somewhat pretty, until you know what it does. It is about a half-inch long, with black legs that often obviously protrude from the body. They overwinter as grubs in the soil, feeding for a while in the spring and then pupating and emerging from early to mid-late July, depending



A Japanese beetle munches on a raspberry bush leaf.

PHILIP STEURY

on the year's temperatures. Unlike native relatives, Japanese beetle will lay eggs in managed lawns, and they like decent soil quality. The grubs can cause extensive damage to turf root systems or any roots in the area where eggs were laid.

Control: Japanese beetles are likely to become an annual phenomenon in many areas of our region. They will be more likely to have high populations where soil is not sandy, but they may be able to have some survival nearly anywhere. Planning to manage them is advisable. However, you should think about and analyze if insecticidal control is the right thing for your situation. There are many cases where their damage is more problematic for your gardening psyche than it actually is to the plants.

Grub control in lawn areas can assist in managing adult populations. The larger your lawn, the more likely you will notice a difference in populations due to successful treatment. Two control timing options are available: mid-August and May-July. Mid-August treatments should utilize carbaryl, trichlorfon or clothianidin containing insecticides. The May-July treatment window includes imidacloprid, clothianidin, thiamethoxam or chlorantranilipole

active ingredients. Another way to help manage them in your lawn is to cut the turfgrass high, at least 3 inches tall, preferably 4 inches or so. This may lead the adult females to go elsewhere to lay their eggs.

Adult beetle control can be difficult due to their feeding habits in the tops of trees/shrubs. A number of active ingredients are valid options, but spraying them properly and safely where the beetles are feeding can be the difficulty. Active ingredients to consider include acephate, carbaryl, cyfluthrin, disulfoton and esfenvalerate.

Another management option for some types of plants is to use a chemical/physical barrier. Surround (kaolin clay) can be sprayed onto plants, and this acts as a barrier to feeding. To the beetles, it is like us having to eat really sandy spinach, so they go elsewhere for better eating. This works pretty well on fruit crops, but is akin to white-washing, so many people don't like this option on ornamentals. In addition, it needs to be reapplied after a rain event. Surround is tricky to apply, as it is a powder that you need to keep in suspension while you are spraying it, but it can work very well.

Make sure that you read and follow the label directions care-

fully, if you decide to use any type of insecticide. First, make sure that Japanese beetles will be controlled by the product. Second, make sure that the product is labeled for use on the plants which you want to spray. Third, make sure you follow all mixing, safety and storage instructions. Also, remember that insecticide applications onto blooming plants are likely to kill pollinator insects. You can attempt to minimize this very negative effect by spraying in the late afternoon, as most pollinators are more active earlier in the day. The insecticide will hopefully form a repellent to them by the next day and minimize their exposure.

You can learn more about these beetles by reading the publication found at: <https://cdn.shopify.com/s/files/1/0145/8808/4272/files.A3737-E.pdf> and there are more complete listings of active ingredients for their control by looking at the Home Fruit Insecticides, Home Landscape Insecticides, and Home Vegetable Insecticides publications found under the Insect Fact Sheets tab at <https://pddc.wisc.edu/fact-sheet-listing-all>.

Scott Reuss is the Marinette and Oconto County agriculture and horticulture agent. Readers can contact him at 715-732-7510 or scott.reuss@wisc.edu.



Celebrating Vets 4 Vets of Northeast Wisconsin's \$10,000 donation to Old Glory Honor Flight are, from left, V4V member Sherri Guendert, V4V President Brandy Rybak, Old Glory Honor Flight Executive Director Diane MacDonald, V4V Vice President Steve Robillard, V4V member Mary Lou Genal and V4V Secretary Stephanie Boivin.

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Vets 4 Vets donates \$10K for Honor Flights

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Learn more about and follow Vets 4 Vets of Northeast Wisconsin on their Facebook page.

Organizers announce Suring parade theme

"Happy Days Are Here Again" is the theme for the 2021 Labor Day parade in Suring.

The Suring Lions Club and the Labor Day Committee say this year's theme represents looking forward to celebrating the future without COVID.

Therefore, besides the Suring area, neighboring community organi-

zations are also encouraged to enter Suring's large Labor Day parade with an entry.

The five classes of entries are youth, church, antique tractors/pickup trucks, nonprofit organizations/business and comic. There will be two prizes for each category. First place will be awarded \$50, and second place \$30.

Master Gardener volunteers sought

Online course registration open through Aug. 13

Marinette and Oconto counties are accepting new University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension Master Gardener volunteers in 2022. The program seeks people interested in learning more about horticulture while helping fellow area residents.

There are multiple ways to learn more about the Master Gardener Volunteer program and how it works locally. People can contact Scott Reuss, agriculture/horticulture agent for the two counties, at scott.reuss@wisc.edu or 715-732-7510. An open house is scheduled at the Harmony Arboretum Demonstration Gardens the evening of Thursday, Sept. 2. Information can also be obtained by contacting a member of the Northern Lights MGVA Association, made up of master gardeners who live in Marinette, Oconto and Menominee counties.

The next step is to enroll in the online course "Foundations in Horticulture-Growing and Caring for Plants in Wisconsin," a 12-part course that includes online videos, readings, interactive quizzes and scheduled live Q&A webinars with UW-Madison horticulture experts to give participants the best information on improving their gardening skills. This virtual class is designed to be self-paced so participants can fit it into their schedules.

The course opens Sept. 13 and runs through Dec. 11. This online class is open to all residents of Wisconsin. Class size is limited to 500 participants, and registration closes Aug. 13 or when the class is full. The registration fee is \$299.

Foundations in Horticulture (FIH) teaches participants university research-based methods to successfully grow their plants and manage common pests. The course introduces a decision-making framework that focuses on understanding how plants best grow, why pests and problems happen and how to keep plant problems from happening. It emphasizes using brain power, common sense and elbow grease rather than the spray bottle on plants grown

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The FIH course is divided into three units. The first set of topics are the basics: general gardening, botany, soils and decision-making strategies for pest management. The next set of topics help participants understand how to identify and manage pests they might encounter. Finally, the last group focuses on specific types of gardening such as vegetables, fruits, lawn and houseplants.

As part of the learning experience, FIH participants will have the opportunity to ask questions of UW-Madison horticulture experts at live webinars.

The webinars are scheduled so that each expert will be taking questions about the material currently being covered. The webinars are also an opportunity to ask questions participants may have long had but did not know whom to ask. Q&A with the Experts will be recorded for future viewing in case the live broadcasts are inconvenient with participants' schedules.

Participants also receive a complete electronic PDF copy of the Foundations in Horticulture training manual. A bound hard copy of the manual is available at an additional cost. Participants will receive a certificate of completion and earn up to four continuing education credits for certain professional organizations. For participants wanting a deeper dive into the learning experience, there are optional live lab webinars to reinforce the material covered in the course. These give participants the opportunity to work in large and small groups with Extension educators to answer more in-depth gardening scenarios.

For information and to register for the course, visit <https://hort.extension.wisc.edu/foundations-in-horticulture>.

For information on the Master Gardener Volunteer Program, visit <https://mastergardener.extension.wisc.edu>.

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COLLEGE NOTES

Caitlin Johnson, Little Suamico, has been named to the Knox College dean's list of distinguished students

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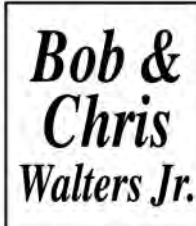


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Azab specializes in diagnosis and treatment of pancreatic cancer and cysts, biliary diseases, Barrett's esophagus and early esophageal cancer, general digestive and liver diseases, irritable bowel syndrome, inflammatory bowel disease,



MOHAMMED AZAB

gastroesophageal reflux disease, fatty liver disease, celiac disease, esophagogastroduodenoscopy (EGD), colon cancer screening, endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) and capsule endoscopy.

He completed medical school at Cairo University in Egypt; a residency at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas; and a fellowship in gastroenterology at Loma Linda University Health. He is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine.

"I believe every patient should receive the highest quality of care that is backed by evidence-based medicine," Azab said. "I have a passion to serve my patients."

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A Shawano Ski Sharks pyramid is formed during a show earlier this summer. Shawano is hosting the Division 2 Show Ski National Championships from Aug. 6-8. **FOR MORE, SEE PAGES 6, 7 AND 9.**

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BALLOON ARTISTRY

Kids wait in line for Freddy's animals

By **WARREN BLUHM**
Editor-in-chief

Freddy Alfredo works intently as kids watch balloons transform into the magic they asked for: a puppy, a sword, a monkey, a Jedi light saber — even a sunflower.

His creations emerge gradually until a glimmer of recognition lights in the children's face and they reach for the reward for their patience.

There was a long line of children and parents willing to wait July 30 during Sunflower Fest 2021 at Bergsbaken Farms in Cecil, next to a pair of face painters.

Freddy's Balloon Animals grew out of Alfredo's need to strengthen his hands as he deals with the limitations that keep him in a wheelchair.

"I tried doing it with weights, but they were too heavy," he said. "The doctor said I needed to do it with something light."

He tried manipulating a Rubik's Cube but found a more fun alternative when he started learning how to mold balloons into toy creatures and other objects.

"I had a room full of these things, and a friend suggested I go to flea markets and parks," Alfredo said.

Freddy's Balloon Animals can be found most Sundays at the Shawano flea market and at other festivals around the area.



Balloon artist Freddy Alfredo puts the finishing touches on a monkey he has created for a young admirer July 30 during Sunflower Fest 2021 at Bergsbaken Farms in Cecil.

WARREN BLUHM | NEW MEDIA

Lakewood Arts and Crafts Show returns

The Lakewood Arts and Craft Show is planning a return bigger and better than ever after a brief hiatus due to the pandemic in 2020.

Taking place Saturday at the Lakewood Town Hall and Activity Center, 17258 North Road, Lakewood, the free event will feature 281 booths occupied by 215 vendors showcasing original work, including painting and

prints, fine art photography, jewelry, art glass, stained glass, pottery, woven textiles, carvings, clothing and much more.

The festival grounds will be open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sponsored by the McCaslin Lions Club, the Lakewood Arts and Craft Show has been an annual celebration of Oconto County creativity for more

than 40 years. Each artist is juried and chosen out of many talented applicants, highlighting the area's arts community, and giving attendees a chance to discover new favorites and take home a piece of authentic Oconto County culture.

"There's no better way to experience the thriving arts world in Oconto County than the Lakewood

Arts and Craft Show," said Samantha Boucher, tourism manager for Oconto County Economic Development Corp. "Summer wasn't the same without it in 2020, so we're all excited to welcome back art lovers of all ages to enjoy everything our creative community has to offer.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, AUG. 6

SHAWANO: Shawano Ski Sharks host Division 2 Show Ski National Championships, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive.

BOWLER: Bowler Bash, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Bowler Area Historical Society, 104 E. Main St. Music, food, refreshments, craft show.

BONDUEL: Lions Club Corn Roast, 5-7 p.m., Village Park, East Park Street.

SATURDAY, AUG. 7

SHAWANO: Shawano Ski Sharks host Division 2 Show Ski National Championships, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive.

LAKEWOOD: Arts and Crafts Show, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Town Hall, 17258 North Road, 200 crafters offering original work. Free admission and free parking. No pets allowed. Sponsored by the McCaslin Lions. Food and refreshments on the grounds.

BOWLER: Bowler Bash, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Bowler Area Historical Society, 104 E. Main St. Music, food, refreshments, car show and craft show, tractor parade 1 p.m.

WABENO: WAM Fest (Wabeno Art and Music Festival), 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., downtown. Continuous music, family activities, visit wabenoartandmusicfest.org or Facebook page.

BREED: Music by Sixx Guns Loaded, 3-7 p.m., Arrowhead Saloon, 13486 County Road AA.

TOWNSEND: Luau on the Beach, 3-11 p.m., Birch Hills Resort and My Bar, 16688 Nicolet Road. paddle boat races (with a twist). Registration for races begins 3 p.m.; races start 4 p.m. Karaoke on the beach starting 6 p.m. Bring your own lawn chair.

SUNDAY, AUG. 8

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions flea market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St.

SHAWANO: Shawano Ski Sharks host Division 2 Show Ski National Championships, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive.

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto Falls Flea Market, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Memorial Field.

SHAWANO: Music in the Park featuring KNX Party Band, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Memorial Park, 909 S. Lincoln St. Bring a lawn chair.

TUESDAY, AUG. 10

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto County Farmers Market, 4-8 p.m., Highland Plaza, 323 E. Highland Drive.

SHAWANO: Interactive Outdoor Movie, 8:30-10 p.m., Arlington Park, 300 N. Humphrey Circle. "Welcome to the Jungle." Bring your own chairs and snacks.



Fields of sunflowers are among the highlights of late summer in Northeast Wisconsin. This friendly face appeared in the middle of the Bergsbaken Farms Sunflower Fest last weekend in Cecil.

WARREN BLUHM | NEW MEDIA

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 11

SHAWANO: Shawano Ski Sharks, 6 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive. Pre-show 5:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUG. 12

SHAWANO: Thursdayz at Franklin featuring Conscious Pilot, 6-8:30 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Food and beverage vendors.

FRIDAY, AUG. 13

BOWLER: Annual Mohican Pow-Wow Honoring All Veterans, Many Trails Park, Moh He Con Nuck Road. Grand Entry 7 p.m.

SHAWANO: Bluegrass Bash in the Woods, 8:30 p.m., Classic's Restaurant and Lounge, W6026 Lake Drive. Music by Liver Killers. Grill'n meats provided by Smoke'n Joe and proceeds to benefit Safe Haven. \$5 cover.

SATURDAY, AUG. 14

GILLET: Oconto County Youth Fair Horse Show, 9:30 a.m., Zippel Park.

SHAWANO: Annual Folk Music Festival, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Free, bring lawn

chair or blanket, live music, quilt raffle.

BOWLER: Annual Mohican Pow-Wow Honoring All Veterans, Many Trails Park, Moh He Con Nuck Road. Grand Entries 1 and 7 p.m.

BREED: Music by The Rejects, 3-7 p.m., Arrowhead Saloon, 13486 County Road AA.

SUNDAY, AUG. 15

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions flea market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St.

GILLET: Oconto County Youth Fair domestic animal shows, 8 a.m. to noon, Zippel Park. Caged bird and small pets 8:30 a.m., junior cat show followed by open class 9:30 a.m., dog show 11:30 a.m.

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto Falls Flea Market, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Memorial Field.

BOWLER: Annual Mohican Pow-Wow Honoring All Veterans, Many Trails Park, Moh He Con Nuck Road. Grand Entry at noon.

SHAWANO: Music in the Park featuring Blue Notes, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Memorial Park, 909 S. Lincoln St. Bring a lawn chair.

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Shawano Ski Sharks members perform a jump during a show earlier this summer. The Ski Sharks will perform as a team on Saturday of the Division 2 Show Ski National Championships.

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Shawano eager to host national championships

Bringing event to Smalley Park was several year process

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Shawano is eager to host its first ever national championship, an event that took several years to prepare for and bring to the Shawano Ski Sharks show site.

The Division 2 Show Ski National Championships will be held Aug. 6-8 on the Wolf River, with fans scattered across Smalley Park to watch the action on the water.

The process of bringing a national championship to Shawano first began about 10 years ago, according to Brad Keuschel, a member of the Ski Sharks. Keuschel recalled telling team president Dave Passehl that one day he'd help bring nationals to Shawano.

The first step to getting their site to align with national guidelines was to move it. The Ski Sharks remained at Smalley Park but moved a couple blocks north to avoid the Wolf River Beach and create a bit more room between ski shows and the Green Bay Street bridge.

The next thing the site needed was to be able to hold at least 1,000 spectators at a single time and also have a place to park hundreds of

cars. The Ski Sharks have both of those things, and with improved seating areas, a new pavilion and a city willing to host, the site was ready for a national championship.

The call making the dream of Shawano hosting a championship a reality came in November 2019. After several more months of prep, Smalley Park is now ready to showcase its site.

A curveball was thrown after the pandemic eliminated some of last year's national championship — which typically only last two days — so Smalley Park was asked to host for an additional day.

Shawano accepted and will now host "probably one of the largest Division 2 nationals in a long time,"

said Keuschel.

"There's a lot of excitement about it. It'll be great when everybody gets here and we get to stand back and look at it," said Keuschel.

Keuschel said they are tentatively expecting to bring in 1,500-2,000 visitors during the three-day event.

The national championship will officially kick off at 8 a.m. Friday when individual competition begins.

There will be a swivel 180, swivel pairs 360, swivel pairs open, strap doubles intermediate, swivel 360 and freestyle jump intermediate exhibitions that day along with strap doubles, swivel and freestyle opens. Several Ski Shark members will be competing.

The duos of Carsten McHugh and Jessa Jochman and Kylie Wallace and Brad Keuschel will compete in the strap doubles open competition. Faith McHugh will take part in the swivel 360 exhibition before Carsten McHugh hits the water for the freestyle open.

Friday will be capped with a mandatory team meeting at 6 p.m. with the chief judge at the site's pavilion. Paperwork check in will also be completed then.

Saturday will have five of the

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championship's nine teams in action, with the Ski Sharks taking the water third. The Ski Broncs (Loves Park, Illinois), Shermalot (Nekoo-sa), Five Seasons (Cedar Rapids, Iowa) and the Badwater Ski-ers (Spread Eagle) round out the teams competing.

The other four teams will compete on Sunday. Silver Lake (Fenton, Michigan), Ski Sprites (Altoona), Plum Ski-ers (Sayner) and the Muskego Water Bugs (Muskego) are the teams in action.

Following Friday's individual competitions and Sunday's second day of team competitions, award ceremonies will follow.

"It's a great atmosphere," said Keuschel on what first-time water ski fans can expect to see over the three-day championships. "It's one of the only sports where the other teams are constantly cheering each other on. The water ski community in general is one big family. There's going to be hundreds of people here watching each other."

Keuschel added that anyone who has taken in a Ski Sharks' show and thought it was a big production should come check out some of the other teams in action, as there will be even bigger rosters in attendance.

When some of the larger teams are competing, Keuschel believes around 1,000 people could be looking on, so the usual seating areas, plus additional bleachers and the hills and any other areas with views of the water will also be covered.

After teams are done competing,



Shawano Ski Sharks members perform during a show earlier this summer. Several Ski Sharks are scheduled to compete individually on Friday.

DAVE BLACKMAN

a 30-minute break will be taken before the next team takes the water, at which time fans can check out some of the ski and food vendors that will be on site.

"We worked really, really hard to get to this point," said Passehl. "The expectation was that we would be able to host tournaments here. We know what it does for the communities that it's been in in

the past and that's really what we wanted to bring here. The investment that we have in Smalley Park is now going to really see what we did it for.

"Clearly our weekly shows are wonderful, there are huge crowds and we fill up Smalley Park and that's great, too, but when we can bring 1,000 spectators in to Shawano on just a weekend, we're pretty

proud of that. So yeah, super excited and we're looking forward to having all these teams from around several states showcased here and hopefully the community comes out and enjoys it."

Keuschel added that the hope is to host as many national championships in the coming years as possible.

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Guidelines on Wolf River with water ski championship in town

With the Division 2 Show Ski National Championships taking place Aug. 6-8, there are some changes to Wolf River access and usage of which people should be aware.

On those three days, there will be a legal waterway closure to non-competition boat traffic from the

trestle to the dam. This is in place for the safety of all water ski individuals, teams and boats in action.

There will also be a no-wake passage from the channel to the trestle so that boat traffic can still move through. The area will be marked by buoys.

Finally, there will be a no-wake channel on the west side of the river for those who need to get through, primarily in place for property owners.

"We don't want to hinder anybody from being able to use the waterways," said Brad Keuschel,

ONLINE

For more details on the guidelines, visit the Shawano Ski Shark Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/shawano.sharks>.

Shawano Ski Shark member. "We're just asking for a chunk of it for a couple days."



Shawano Ski Shark members put on a show for their home crowd during a show earlier this summer. A total of nine teams will be competing at the Division 2 Show Ski National Championships.

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Local businesses prepare for water ski visitors

Shawano hosting national tournament from Aug. 6-8

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Local businesses are preparing for a wave of visitors to the Shawano area this weekend as the Shawano Ski Sharks host a national tournament Aug. 6-8.

“According to the information that I received, a couple thousand visitors are expected,” Shawano Chamber of Commerce Tourism Manager Patti Peterson said.

Many local businesses and hotels are preparing to host hundreds of guests, as they shop, eat and sleep all around Shawano.

“This weekend is similar to most summer weekends here,” said AmeriVu Inn and Suites manager Nick Patel. “We are fully booked.”

Patel said all 49 rooms at the hotel were full, with close to 100 people staying there.

Jessie Warrington, the manager of Quality Inn and Suites in Shawano, said they also were fully booked.

“We have around 150 people staying with us for that weekend,” said Warrington.

She added that she is excited to see the hotel booked for the tournament so visitors can get out and not only watch the tournament, but experience Shawano as well.

“This should help the Shawano area,” Warrington said. “It will bring more revenue into the city, as well as give people something to do rather than be cooped up inside from the COVID-19 pandemic.”

Curt Preston, co-owner of Old Glory Candy, said that they are always welcoming visitors from big events in Shawano to his store.

“We are hoping and preparing for more traffic from visitors during the tournament,” Preston said.

He added that the preparation for the extra visitors will involve a staff increase.

“We want to be as staffed as possible,” Preston said. “We also want to create a great experience for the customers coming in, so we don’t want to rush people in and out. It will be a balancing act for the customers to have that great experience.”

Visitors to the store will be en-



Shawano Ski Sharks members look to the crowd after performing earlier this summer. The Division 2 Show Ski National Championships are expected to bring over 1,000 people to Shawano during the three-day event.

DAVE BLACKMAN

couraged to try some of the samples of fudge, including flavors like whiskey old-fashioned sweet and watermelon, he said.

Yvette Wilber, the owner of Tumbleweed, said she is anticipating the apparel store to very busy during the tournament.

“Business will be up not only for us, but for everyone in Shawano,” said Wilber. “This will be really great for everyone to get this extra foot traffic.”

Wilber said she hopes visitors enjoy the experience and spread the word about Tumbleweed and Shawano.

One business that has been seeing more traffic recently is anticipating more as the tournament proceeds. Stubborn Brothers Brewery has seen an uptick in business due to their Hometown Hero American ale, said

ONLINE

For more details on the Ski Sharks, visit <http://shawanoskisharks.org/>. For more information on the national championships, visit <https://www.facebook.com/SkiSharksNationals/>.

co-owner Aaron Gilling.

“We will be running business like usual,” Gilling said.

He said he believes that having a tournament with an anticipated audience of this size will have a positive impact.

“Everyone will benefit from this — Shawano will benefit from this,” said Gilling. “Every business will work together to benefit. We all support each other’s businesses, and that will help Shawano succeed in general.”

The businesses also plan to run special deals and promotions for the occasion. Stubborn Brothers is offer-

ing a buy-one-get-one deal on their porter and amber, Old Glory Candy is running a deal where if customers buy a pound of fudge, they get a quarter-pound free, and Tumbleweed is giving out hats with purchases.

Peterson said Angie’s Main Cafe, Old Glory Candy, The Stock Market and Stubborn Brothers are also taking part in a coupon sheet promotion, where coupons for those businesses will be distributed at the Ski Sharks tournament.

According to Brad Keuschel, a member of the Ski Sharks and a leader in bringing the tournament to Shawano, the action on the water will be wrapped up by 4 p.m. each day, giving visitors and competitors time to experience what Shawano has to offer.

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4th of July Sale



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MONDAY-FRIDAY: 9AM-6PM | SATURDAY: 9AM-3PM | SUNDAY: CLOSED FOR FAMILY

SELLING OFF THE FLOOR & OUT OF WAREHOUSE

FREE DELIVERY

ANYWHERE IN WISCONSIN 3 DAYS OR LESS*

*some restrictions apply, see store for details

Bingo

Throughout the weekend
(times posted at box office)

Kid Davey's Magician

Shows throughout
the weekend

OCONTO COUNTY YOUTH FAIR

Zippel Park - Gillett, WI

It's Back!

The Tri-State Amusement

All Weekend Ride "MegaBand"

\$40 in Advance

\$60 at the Door

Presales available at the Peshtigo
National Bank in Gillett & Oconto Falls
and at N.E.W. Credit Union

*Grandstand Tickets

\$8 Adult

\$5 Kids age 7-13

Kids 6 and under

Free

(NO REFUNDS)

One Day Ride Wristband

\$20 in Advance
\$30 at the Door

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, 2021

9:30am Horse Show Horse Arena

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021

8:00am Caged Bird & Small Pet Registration

8:30am Junior Caged Bird & Small Pet Show

9:00am Cat Registration

9:30am Junior Cat Show followed by open class

1130am Dog Show

MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 2021

4:00-8:00pm Open Class Exhibits Check In - Non-Animal

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2021

8:00-11:00am Open Class Exhibits Check In - Non-Animal

1:00-8:00pm Open Class Exhibits Judging - Non-Animal

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2021

1:00-4:30pm Junior Class Exhibits Judged Upon Entry - Non-Animal

5:00-7:00pm Junior Class Check In - Sheep, Swine and Goats

5:30-8:00pm Junior Class Exhibits Judged Upon Entry - Non-Animal

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 2021

7:00-9:00am Market Steer Check In

9:00am-10:00pm Exhibition Area Open

1:00-8:00pm Junior & Open Class Exhibits Check In - Poultry and Rabbits

2:00-6:00pm Junior & Open Class Check In - Dairy

6:00pm Opening Ceremony Front of Expo Building

7:00pm Ag Olympics Grandstand

7:00pm-11:00pm Positive Energy / Karaoke Contest Budweiser Stage

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20, 2021

8:00am-8:00pm Flea Market/Craft Vendors, by AnT Promotions

8:30am Swine Show Swine, Goat & Sheep Barn

9:00am-10:00pm Exhibition Area Open

9:00am Rabbit Show Rabbit/Poultry Barn

11:00am Sheep Show Swine, Goat & Sheep Barn

12:30 Farm Tours Begin

1:30pm Beef Show Show Ring

4:00pm Rabbit Kiddie Showmanship Rabbit/Poultry Barn

5:00-6:30pm Truck Pull Registration

7:00pm-11:00pm NASHVEGAS Budweiser Stage

6:45pm Driver Meeting

7:00pm NEW Motorsports 4x4 Truck Pull Grandstand*

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 2021

8:00am-8:00pm Flea Market/Craft Vendors, by AnT Promotions

9:00am-10:00pm Exhibition Area Open

8:30am Dairy Show

9:00am Poultry Show Rabbit/Poultry Barn

9:00am Draft Horse Pull Grandstand*

9:00am-12:00pm Youth Cake Auction Registration

1:00pm-5:00pm The National Talent Polka Band (TNT) Budweiser Stage

12:30pm Farm Tours Begin

3:00pm Goat Show Show Ring

3:00pm Youth Decorated Cake Auction Expo Hall

4:00-5:00pm Farm Tractor Pull Registration

4:00pm Poultry Kiddie Showmanship Rabbit/Poultry Barn

6:00pm Farm Tractor Pull Grandstand*

7:00pm Exhibitor/Animal Formal Show Show Ring

7:00pm-11:00pm Revolution Budweiser Stage

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021

9:00am-5:00pm Exhibition Area Open

9:30am Kiddie Showmanship Registration

10:00am Kiddie Showmanship Show Ring

11:00am-12:00pm Bidder Registration Honey Park

12:00pm Sale of Champions Auction Show Ring

12:30pm Farm Tours Begin

1:00-5:00pm Sugarbush Boys Band Budweiser Stage