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Passon takes charge of NEW Media publications

Journalism career has taken editor all over Wisconsin

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor



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Kevin Passon has been named the new editor-in-chief for NEW Media, but just as important, he's coming home.

Passon, who was born and raised in Shawano, took charge June 26 of NEW Media's three publications — the Shawano Leader, the Oconto County Times Herald and the Wittenberg Enterprise and Birnamwood News — as he took the reins from Warren Bluhm, who has been the interim editor since March 2021. Bluhm will be returning to his previous duties as news editor, which includes coverage of Oconto County.

"I grew up in downtown Shawano, just a block over on Washington Street," Passon said. "My former house is now a garage, I see. It was not a large house, but I had seven brothers and one sister. I was second from the youngest, and I still have a couple of brothers who live here in town."

Passon graduated from Shawano High School in 1982 and continued his education at St. Norbert College as a history major. At that time, journalism wasn't even on his radar.

"I started working at a Radio Shack fresh out of school," Passon said. "I was going to go to law school, but then I realized I was far enough in debt at that point, and I didn't want to get in any more debt, so I passed on that."

Passon was living in Waupun and working at the Radio Shack when, in 1987, he learned from family members that the Waupun Leader News was looking for a freelance writer. He took on the challenge, and two years later, he became the editor for that newspaper.

"I've been in the newspaper business ever since then," Passon said, noting it was only him and one other full-time person there handling sports

and advertising sales.

His work eventually got him a position with the Beaver Dam Daily Citizen after he served an editor for three merged weekly newspapers, which included the Leader

News. A former editor in Beaver Dam later tapped Passon to be the editor of the Oconomowoc Enterprise in 2000. After six months, he was promoted to publisher for that paper and stayed there until 2011.

"In that time, I was twice elected to the board of directors for the WNA (Wisconsin Newspapers Association)," Passon said.

In 2011, Passon's publisher position was eliminated in what he described as "massive cutbacks," which led him to explore some other avenues for his livelihood. This included public relations work, freelancing, copywriting and even being the editor for a magazine.

"I even sold cars for six weeks," Passon said. "I was trying to figure out what to do."

After losing the copywriting position in 2014 — when the company closed — and weathering a divorce, Passon learned there was an editor position in McFarland, near Madison.

"I didn't want to get into newspapers again," Passon said. "I had been out of the business for almost three years now. I thought, well, I just got through this divorce, and I want to get out of town, so I'll apply for this job at a weekly paper in McFarland, and I'll do it for a year."

When he went in to interview for the McFarland job, he was told there was a position nearby in Monona that he'd be better suited for. The plan was still to just work there for a year, but he was there for six. During that time, the McFarland and Monona newspapers merged, and then they were bought by Adams Publishing Group in 2018.

"I thought I would just do some-

thing simple — go in, write my stories and then go home," Passon said, noting that he eventually was also asked to be the editor of the merged newspaper and a number of niche publications the company ran.

That time in southern Wisconsin also reunited Passon with a high school friend, and the two married in 2019.

Passon returned to the northern part of the state when an editor position opened in 2020 with the Antigo Daily Journal, which had made the decision to cut its print publication back from six days to three days. Passon and his wife, Lisa, saw it as an opportunity to move back closer to home.

"I had a couple of brothers, step-brothers and a stepsister still living in the Shawano area," Passon said. "She had a couple of adult kids in the area — one in Marion and one in Clintonville, as well as one in Madison. For me, it was a transfer in the same company."

Now that Passon is back in Shawano, he and his wife are eager to reunite with old high school friends in person. He's also eager to get some doughnuts from Fannita's Bakery, noting that there were two bakeries in the downtown area when he was growing up.

"There's a coconut doughnut with cream filling and white frosting on top," Passon said. "It's the only place in the state I could find these doughnuts. Every other place we lived, they didn't make them and hadn't heard of them."

After taking some time to observe the newspapers and how they operate, Passon is going to be pushing for more digital material and working to make sure that news stories are provided online first and then in print publications.

"Because of physical constraints, there might be only room for a 12-inch story in the paper, but we've got another 12 inches ... that's supplemental information that will go online with the story," Passon said. "We'll put more photos online. That's going to be the biggest change initially."

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Gary and Linda Hougas named grand marshals

Parade is the centerpiece of the Gillett Fourth of July Parade Celebration

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

Gary and Linda Hougas won't be doing their usual shift at the Gillett Civic Club food stand July 3, but they have a good excuse.

The Hougases are serving as the parade grand marshals for the 2023 Gillett Fourth of July Celebration.

"We usually work the stand on July 3, but they filled up our spot," Linda said, but added their daughters and grandchildren will be in town from Kaukauna and Nashville, Tennessee, along with a number of friends they haven't seen for a while. "We'll be back for the (Oconto County Youth) Fair, for sure, and Gary will probably help with the food stand cleanup as usual."

High school sweethearts from Rice Lake, Gary and Linda moved to Gillett in 1977 after he took a position as a technical education and industrial arts teacher at Gillett Secondary School, a job he ended up holding down until he retired in 2009.

Among their first friends in the new town were Bill Cole, Gary's co-worker at the school, and his wife, Gail.

"We were 21 and 24 years old, and we had never been this far away from Rice Lake," Linda said. "Bill and Gail made sure we met other people."

The Coles and Hougases, and several other families who had moved to Gillett from other communities, started doing things together, mostly revolving around their children.

"That became our family because we were so far away," Gary said.

Bill Cole is the Gillett Civic Club member who nominated the Hougases as this year's parade marshals, noting the couple's longtime contributions to the club and community.

"Gary Hougas has been an integral part of the Gillett Civic Club for 40 years and has been the go-to guy when it comes to our food stand repairs and improvement," Cole said. "In addition, he leads the charge on the tough job that often gets overlooked, which is the cleaning of the stand. Gary and Linda always work shifts in the stand and often volunteer for the busy shifts during the Fourth and the fair."

Gary is a two-time past president



Gary and Linda Hougas grew up in Rice Lake and moved to Gillett in 1977. For a year or two, they talked about moving elsewhere but instead became an integral part of their adopted community.

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of the club, as well, Cole noted.

At the school, one of Gary Hougas' most visible roles was teaching the building construction class, where students built structures and helped remodel homes all over the area.

"It was a very visible class for the community," he said. Not only has the class continued to thrive since his retirement, but a number of other local school districts started their own programs modeled after Gillett, and CESA 8 also got involved and helped start programs across the region, he said.

After their daughters arrived — Myriah (Josh) Farrell and Mandy Hougas (special friend Romonte Hamer) — Linda went back to get her teaching degree and taught sixth-grade math in the Oconto Falls School District from the fall of 1986 through 2016.

Among Gary's other efforts in the community was as co-cook of the Lumberjack Supper at Tabor Methodist Church for 30 years, which served 400-500 dinners a year in its heyday.

"Bill Cole had been in town about five years before us, and one day he said, 'Hey, how'd you like to

cook at the Lumberjack Supper?'"

Gary said. "I'd never cooked for that many people."

"It should be noted that in those 30 years, he mashed over 9,000 pounds of rutabagas by hand," Cole said.

Gary was the originator of the Gillett Education Association Holiday Craft Fair, helped raise money for the bronze plaque in T.S. Lindow Gymnasium at Gillett High School recognizing Lindow, served as a lead instructor in the Gillett hunter safety group, and helped organize the Finnegan Lake Walleye Club and its annual Kids Fishing Day.

Together the couple were among organizers of the Gillett Hoopsters Club and helped for many years in setting up and running its tournaments, and they organized local swimming lessons that at one point had as many as three buses at a time traveling to the Pulaski High School pool.

"Everything we did was with our kids," Linda said. "Our kids were in basketball and swimming, so ..."

Linda Hougas is the current president of the Gillett Public Library Board and co-chair of the

Rachel Weckler, the community "We Believe" program that helps families in need to have gifts and food at Christmas.

"We accept donations and buy gifts for the families," Linda said. "We call the families and get sizes and such so their presents are appropriate."

At one time, the gifts were delivered, but the pandemic forced them to have the families pick them up, which has actually worked out better, she said. They stop at Pat's Market for the food and Spirits of Gillett for the gifts, and Santa — ever the magical elf — meets with the kids at both locations.

She is the treasurer of the Finnegan Lake Walleye Club and has helped make its annual Fishing Derby "one of the premier fundraisers in our community," Cole said. The club serves projects in Suring and Oconto Falls in addition to Gillett.

"For 45 years the Hougases have invested their time, resources and enthusiasm for countless projects and fundraisers that have made a difference in this community," Cole said.

The parade marshals traditionally ride in a horse-drawn carriage near the front of the Gillett Fourth of July parade, which as always is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. July 4.

The Independence Day parade is the centerpiece of a day-and-a-half celebration with most activities scheduled at Zippel Park, beginning with a lawn chair concert at 4 p.m. July 3 featuring the Back When band. Food and beverages will be available at the Civic Club Food Stand and beer stand throughout the festivities.

Events include a truck pull at 7 p.m. July 3, a horse pull at 10 a.m. July 4, and an antique tractor pull at 5 p.m. July 4.

An Antique and Classic Car and Truck Show precedes the parade from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and a fireworks show at dusk July 4.

In addition to the opening concert, music will be provided by Country Rewind starting at 7 p.m. July 3, Bernie's Polka Band at 11 a.m. July 4, Jess Hav'n Phun at 3 p.m. July 4, and Rapid Transit at 7 p.m. July 4.

Tourism spending sets record in 2022

Figures are back to pre-pandemic levels

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

Oconto County has worked hard in recent years to attract visitors, and the latest numbers indicate a good amount of success.

Jayne Sellen, executive director of the Oconto County Economic Development Corp., reported to the Oconto County Board on June 22 that the latest tourism impact numbers show the tourism industry generated a record-high \$134 million in the county during 2022. That's an 8.9% increase over the year before and comparable to the 2019 figure of \$131 million.

"We're back to pre-pandemic levels," Sellen said. "It's really good news; we're really going in the right direction there."

A spreadsheet from the state Department of Tourism indicated direct visitor spending of \$97 million, 9.3% better than 2021. The Oconto County tourism industry employed 761 people — up from 732 a year earlier — who made \$17.9 million in wages and salaries, a 6.6% increase.

It all generated \$7.4 million in state and local taxes, up 5.1% from 2021. It's all part of a \$23.655 million Wisconsin tourism industry, according to the tourism department figures.

The county has been working to develop a consistent message about the county's appeal for tourists and families, from the heavily forested northwestern part of the county to the bay of Green Bay in the southeast, including more than 300 small lakes.

"We all know that we have great natural resources, which has drawn a lot of people here," Sellen said.



The first wave of anglers arrives at Breakwater Park in Oconto on Oct. 1 for the final weigh-in at the Masters Walleye Circuit World Championships. Events like the fishing tournament helped Oconto County tourism set an economic impact record in 2022.

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Samantha Boucher, tourism director for the Oconto County Economic Development Corp., said the figures represent an exciting milestone.

"This is an incredible achievement and a testament to the hard-working individuals and entrepreneurs in our community who make Oconto County an attractive destination for travelers," Boucher said. "We are certainly proud of all that we have to show for our efforts and look forward to further expanding opportunities for economic and recreational growth in the future."

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Thousands of people descended on the Lakewood town park Aug. 6 for the 44th annual Arts and Crafts Show staged by the McCaslin Lions Club. More than 200 artists and crafters took part. The show is among the events that helped Oconto County tourism set an economic impact record in 2022.

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OCONTO COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Proceedings of June 22

- Aaron Dean Strucel, 23, Slinger, was found guilty but not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect after pleading no contest to attempting to flee or elude an officer, in connection with a high-speed chase on U.S. Highway 41 between Brown County and Peshtigo on April 4. Judge Jay N.

Conley entered an 18-month initial commitment order and scheduled a full disposition hearing for Aug. 23, with a review set for Aug. 14.

- Dana Marie White, 32, Green Bay, waived her right to a preliminary hearing and was bound over on charges of possession with intent to deliver cocaine, possession of THC (second or

subsequent offense) and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred June 3. Arraignment was scheduled for July 5.

Proceedings of June 21

- After a preliminary hearing, Branden Paul James Lindsay, 27, Lake-

wood, was bound over on charges of possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor counts of possession of THC, possession of drug paraphernalia, resisting or obstructing an officer and bail jumping, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred May 26. Arraignment was scheduled for July 17.

Tribes get together to promote tourism

Representatives eager to showcase uniqueness of 11 tribal nations at conference

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Native American tribes from all over Wisconsin descended on Keshena on June 21 to celebrate tourism opportunities on tribal lands during the Native American Tourism of Wisconsin conference.

Wisconsin has 11 federally recognized tribal nations, the largest concentration of tribes in any state east of the Mississippi River, which gives visitors to the state easy access to tribal culture and events. Over a two-day period, conference attendees got to see the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin's museums and cultural sites, participate in breakout sessions on how to bring more tourism to the reservations and even watch a fashion show that showed how Indigenous people's attire can differ from others.

Randy Chevalier, the Menominee's representative for NATOW, said that it was great news that the Menominee were able to host the conference for the organization, which formed in the 1970s.

"Our tribe, like many others, has had a slow recovery from the pandemic, only recently being able to open all of our operations," Chevalier said. "Tourism and events like this are really important to our tribe. Our tribe has been a participant in the Native American Tourism of Wisconsin for many years. We fully support Native tourism along with all of our Wisconsin tribes."

Chevalier noted that NATOW not only partners with other tribes, it also works with the state of Wisconsin to promote America's Dairyland as a wonderful place to vacation and play. He also pointed out the Menominee's partnership with the Shawano County Chamber of Commerce.

"The Native art, culture, music and food experience will be some of the best you've seen," Chevalier said at the start of the conference.

Gov. Tony Evers, in a video message for the conference, said that the tribes are among the responsible parties that allowed the state to have a record-breaking year for tourism, bringing in \$23.7 billion to the economy in 2022. That shattered the previous record set in



NATOW board members Kimberlee Soldier, left, with the Sokaogon Chippewa Community, and Monique Tyndall, right, with the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of the Mohicans wrap their executive director, Suzette Brewer, in an Eighth Generation blanket to honor her for her hard work in coordinating tourism.

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Casey Brown, public relations officer for the Ho-Chunk Nation, talks with conference attendees before the entertainment begins June 21 outside the Menominee Casino Resort.

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2019, just before the pandemic.

"From museums to powwows and casinos to golf courses, tribal nations across Wisconsin offer travelers incredible opportunities to connect with Native American culture and heritage," Evers said.

Menominee Tribal Legislator Myrna Warrington welcomed the

representatives from other tribes and commented she was glad the conference was happening in the Menominee Casino Resort, where it was cool and people could avoid the heat.

"I really enjoy these large gatherings with people from all over," Warrington said. "Different tribes,

different people helping us to celebrate the things that go on with NATOW."

Menominee Tribal Legislator Joey Awonohopay said he was eager to see what he could learn at the event from his "relatives" from the other Wisconsin tribes.

"It's more than just coming for the show, or for the pomp and circumstance of it," Awonohopay said at the conference's opening ceremony. "It's about learning what each tribe has to offer. We're very honored this year to have you all in our home and our beautiful forest."

Nathan Gordon, NATOW board president, said the state's strong tribal tourism industry can be credited to the councils and legislatures of the individual tribes. Without that, NATOW would not exist, he said.

"There are endless possibilities with the tribal nations," Gordon said. "I've been working with the tribes for 10-plus years, and I learn stuff every single day."

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Indigenous fashion walks runway



Elicia Leonard was one of the models for the Indigenous fashion show on June 21, wearing a dress designed by Aissa Roberts, who is Ho-Chunk and Potawatomi.

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The models make one last circle around the ballroom June 21 for the first-ever Indigenous fashion show put on June 21 at the Menominee casino resort. More than two dozen women and men showcased attire designed by Native American people.

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Community-based programs

A good place to start is to find out if there's a senior home delivery meal program in your dad's area. Meals on Wheels is the largest program that most people are familiar with, but many communities offer senior meal delivery programs sponsored by other organizations that go by different names.

To find services available in your dad's area, visit www.mealsonwheels-america.org, which offers a comprehensive directory on its website, or call the Eldercare Locator at 800-677-1116 to get the local number.

Most home delivered meal programs across the U.S. deliver hot meals daily or several times a week, usually around the lunch hour, to seniors over age 60 who have problems preparing meals for themselves, as well as those with disabilities. Weekend meals, usually frozen, may also be available, along with special diets (diabetic, low-sodium, kosher, etc.).

Most of these programs typically charge a small fee (usually between \$2 and \$9 per meal) or request a donation, while some may be free to low-income seniors who qualify for Medicaid. There are also some Medicare Advantage plans that cover limited meal service benefits.

Meal delivery service companies

Another great option for your dad is to order him some pre-made meals online from a meal delivery service company. These companies provide a wide variety of tasty meal choices and will usually post the nutrition information for their meals right on their website.

Most companies will also cater to a host of dietary and medical



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needs, such as low-sodium and low-carb meals, diabetic meals, gluten-free, dairy-free, and vegetarian options. Plus, the ordering process is very easy.

Depending on the company

you choose, the food arrives either fresh or frozen and most deliver all across the U.S. Prices generally start at around \$8 to \$13 per meal, plus shipping, but many companies provide discounts or free shipping when you order meals in bulk. Most companies work with Medicaid and some Medicare Advantage plans to help reduce costs.

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- Best plant-based meals: Mosaic (www.mosaicfoods.com)
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- Best chef-prepared: CookUnity (www.cookunity.com)
- Best for customization: Snap Kitchen (www.snapkitchen.com)

For more information on this list and their testing methodology, visit www.verywellhealth.com and search "Best Meal Delivery Services for Seniors."

Grocery stores and restaurants

Depending on where your dad lives, he may also be able to get home delivered meals from local grocery stores or restaurants. Some grocery stores offer a selection of pre-cooked meals and foods, including roasted chicken, mashed potatoes, and fresh soups and salads. Contact the grocery stores in your dad's area to inquire about this option, or check with some of his favorite restaurants to see if they offer home delivery, or he could use a restaurant delivery service like www.ubereats.com, www.doordash.com or www.grubhub.com.



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Records case a win for public accountability

When Madison Metropolitan School District communications director Tim LeMonds sued his employer in March to block release of a complaint against him, he claimed there would be grave repercussions if the public were allowed to see the allegations it contained.

Access to the documents, LeMonds' lawyers argued, would harm the school district's "ability to effectively function" and "almost certainly subject Mr. LeMonds to unwarranted, unfair and irreversible public ridicule and gossip, negative public perception, and jeopardize his ability to credibly perform his duties as MMSD's chief public spokesperson."

At a hearing on May 25, however, Dane County Circuit Judge Rhonda Lanford rejected LeMonds' claims, instead finding an overriding public interest in access to the complaint.

"There is a significant public interest in the release of documents pertaining to investigations and public employees," Lanford said. "It's critical that the public oversee the public body and evaluate the matter in which it fulfills its responsibilities."



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Shortly after the ruling, the school district released the 14-page complaint, which had been signed by seven current and former district employees. It alleged that LeMonds engaged in "years of screaming, demoralizing criticism, name-calling, belittling, lying and intimidation" directed toward employees and local journalists, especially women and people of color.

The complaint alleges that several employees quit their jobs in part because of the experiences with LeMonds, sometimes in large part. "We do not feel Tim LeMonds is fit to work in our department," the employees wrote.

While the district investigated and concluded there was "insufficient evidence" that LeMonds violated workplace policies, the probe did not cover all aspects of the complaint, and the district in court papers

denied that all accusations against LeMonds "were found to be without merit," as he claimed.

The case is important to the Madison community, but it also has broader consequences for the state. Here's why.

First, Lanford's ruling highlights a fundamental value embedded in Wisconsin's public records law: accountability. Citizens have a right to know what their government is doing beyond just what those in power want to tell them. Courts have repeatedly recognized this monitorial function in the context of employment investigations, concluding that the public has a substantial interest in learning how the government investigates allegations of employment misconduct so it can assess the nature and propriety of the investigation.

As for LeMonds' concerns about his reputation, a Wisconsin state appeals court has held that high-ranking officials — like LeMonds — should expect "close public scrutiny" and that once an investigation has concluded, "the danger of warrantless harm to reputation is reduced."

Second, the case is important be-

cause of how it arose: by the inquiry of a local journalist.

After WMTV reporter Elizabeth Wadas filed a records request in December that covered the complaint at issue, MMSD followed the law and determined that the record should be released. When LeMonds was informed of this decision, he went to court. Like nearly all litigants who seek to block the release of records using this provision of the law, he lost.

That may be in part because the television station hired lawyers to intervene in the litigation and argue for disclosure of the complaint.

As local news outlets in the United States face budget cuts and closures due to declining revenue, it has become increasingly challenging for local journalists to spend money on litigating records disputes. WMTV's commitment to its watchdog role is a bright light.

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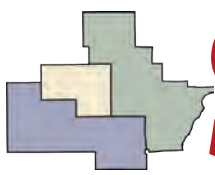
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HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Five Hawks land on Bay Conference lists

Popelka leads way with 2nd team honor

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Five Shawano girls soccer players earned Bay Conference honors after the spring season came to a close.

Shawano did not have a player make the first team after going 4-6 in conference play and placing sixth in the conference standings. Sophomore Trinity Popelka was the only Hawk on the second team. Senior Jenna Ainsworth, juniors Brynlie Boyles and Adison Moesch and sophomore Kyla Dove were all honorable mentions.

Popelka ended up leading the conference in goals scored this spring with 16. She scored more goals than three full teams.

"Making second team this spring was a huge accomplishment for me and I'm very grateful for the conference recognition," said Popelka. "Being able to do the best for my team and also being able to be the best version of myself as a player is very important to me, and getting recognized for that means a lot.

"I am motivated for next year to keep growing as a player and teammate. I am also ready to see where we can take this team in the next few years, and the second team all-conference really gave me a confidence boost that I can help my team succeed."

Boyles was the team's primary goalie this spring. The junior was credited with 90 saves in conference action.

Moesch was honored as a midfielder. She scored three goals and assisted on two others.

Dove and Ainsworth both were recognized as defenders.

Dove was credited with two goals and two assists during conference play.

"It is an honor to receive this award for the second year in a row," said Ainsworth. "I was out a lot of games due to injury and travel, so to have made a big enough impact in the conference to win this award. With the limited time I had, it's a huge source of pride for me.

"It was a great way to cap off my senior year as well. I had a successful four years of high school athletics by my own standards, and being recognized by the conference helps to solidify that."

After Shawano wrapped up conference play and its regular season, it was eliminated from the post-season by Nicolet in a regional semifinal match. The Hawks finished with a 7-13 overall record.



Shawano's Trinity Popelka, front, kicks the ball as teammate Kyla Dove looks on during a Bay Conference Tournament match against Xavier on May 23 in Shawano. Popelka made the all-conference second team, while Dove was an honorable mention.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

3 Chargers, 1 Bear make CWC-East 1st team

Pair of Eagles also make all-conference list

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Three baseball players from Wittenberg-Birnamwood and one from Bonduel made the Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division first team this spring.

Senior Mason Meverden, junior Ian Salvesen and sophomore Owen Dickman made the first team from Witt-Birn, while junior Noah Weier represented Bonduel.

Witt-Birn junior Nathan Waupekenay and Bonduel junior Easton Reinke were both part of the second team. Bonduel junior Colin Margelofsky, sophomore Cade Johnson and freshman Beckett Hartlaben, Witt-Birn junior Evan Meverden and freshman Zandy Barke and Menominee Indian seniors Ty Waupekenay and Isaiah Moss were all honorable mention.

Mason Meverden played infield and pitched for the Chargers to make the first team.

The senior hit for a .349 average and got on base at a .431 clip. Meverden collected 15 hits, drove in 12 runs, scored 15 times and walked more times (7) than he struck out (5).

Meverden pitched 33 innings across seven conference games and won four decisions. He struck out 43 batters and had a 1.91 earned run average.

"I've been playing baseball for Wittenberg-Birnamwood since I've been 5 years old, so to make first team all-conference and win a conference championship in my last year playing for this program is definitely something I won't forget," said Meverden.

Witt-Birn tied Shiocton for the CWC-East title after posting an 11-3 record. Bonduel came in fourth at 9-5, while Menominee Indian was winless this spring.

Salvesen tallied 18 hits, including seven extra-base hits, to finish with a .400 batting average in conference play. The Witt-Birn junior got on base at a .491 clip, scored 14 runs and drove in eight. He also pitched three innings.

"Making all-conference felt good this year, especially after my team



Witt-Birn's Mason Meverden looks on after hitting the ball during a CWC-East game against Amherst on April 25 in Wittenberg. Meverden was an all-conference first team selection in his senior season.

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was able to win a share of conference," said Salvesen. "This really motivates me next year as we have a lot of returning guys and hopefully we can be even better and win all of conference."

Dickman finished as the Chargers' top hitter in CWC-East play, collecting 20 hits for a .571 average. He scored 10 runs and drive in nine.

"Achieving first team all-conference showed me that working hard in the offseason definitely pays off," said Dickman. "Knowing that I have what it takes to compete with high level players will push me to work even harder, and hopefully excel in

the future with my teammates by my side."

Weier played all over the field for Bonduel to earn his first team honor.

The junior had 16 hits, including five extra-base hits, in conference games and got on base at a .440 clip. He drove in 14 runs and scored 12 times.

Weier pitched in six games, picking up four wins. He covered 34 2/3 innings and struck out 42 batters.

"It means a lot. I always pride myself on doing whatever is best for the team and being able to be first team means I did that to the

best of my abilities," said Weier. "Next season is about having a great hitting season and pitching season together to try and help the team go as far as possible in playoffs."

Reinke landed on the second team after collecting 14 hits in conference action. Five of those hits went for extra bases and he finished with a strong .520 on-base percentage. Reinke drove in 12 runs and scored 17 times.

Witt-Birn's Waupekenay played around the infield to earn a second team honor.

He pitched 33 innings across seven games, picking up five wins and striking out 39 batters.

The Witt-Birn junior got on base at a .333 clip. He tallied 10 hits, scored nine times and drove in eight runs.

Evan Meverden held a .333 batting average and .438 on-base percentage to make the honorable mention list. He tallied nine hits, drove in four runs and scored three times. Meverden also worked two innings on the mound.

Barke hit .375 and was on base at a .545 clip as a freshman. He drove in 10 runs on 12 hits, while scoring 12 runs. Barke walked more often (10) than he struck out (4).

Bonduel's Johnson was on base at a .400 clip and collected 13 hits to earn his conference recognition. He drove in seven runs, swiped four bases and scored 11 runs.

Johnson also pitched 27 innings, winning two games and saving two. He finished with 27 strikeouts.

Margelofsky and Hartlaben made their mark at the plate.

Margelofsky collected 15 hits and had an on-base percentage of .412. He plated seven runs and scored 12 times.

Hartlaben recorded 12 hits and walked an additional seven times for a .463 on-base percentage. He drove in six runs and scored twice.

Menominee Indian's Moss recorded 13 hits, including five extra-base hits, to make the honorable mention list. He stole seven bases, scored seven times and drove in four.

Ty Waupekenay recorded 10 hits in conference action, driving in four runs and scoring four times. He got on base at a .340 clip.

Play Days awarded federal dollars to expand

Gillett child care facility was one of only two Oconto County centers to apply

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

A small Gillett child care center will be able to expand its facility with the help of federal dollars approved by the Oconto County Board on June 22.

Play Days, 308 Orchard Circle, is an in-home center that has been operating for about eight years and currently serves three children. The \$57,500 grant, using dollars allocated to the county Health and Human Services Department under the American Rescue Plan Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Fund, will be used to renovate the structure to allow six child care slots.

County Administrator Erik Pritzl said Play Days was one of just two businesses that responded to the county's invitation to apply for the federal grants.

"We know that child care, or lack of child care is a significant issue with our workforce, as it is in most parts of the state," Pritzl said. "We're definitely short in terms of child care slots."

The other response came from Encompass Early Education and Care Inc., which received a \$250,000 grant in January to convert the building at 650 E. Jackson St., Oconto Falls, into its seventh child care center serving up to 140 children. That center is expected to open in 2024.

"This is a slightly different one, a smaller scale, but people look for all kinds of child care, whether it's center-based or in-home, and this person has been a provider for eight years, so it's not someone who's brand new," Pritzl said.

Health and Human Services Director Scott Shackelford said Play Days is in a convenient location for parents, as its backyard faces state Highway 22 across the street from the Gillett School. Part of the funds will be used to fence in that yard.

"Basically it needed some things in that home environment for it to be safer," Shackelford said, "but the primary reason (for the grant) is really to make it expand."

The owner's goal is to earn a state

license, which would allow her able to serve eight up to eight children, he said.

The resolution, passed by the county board on a 24-1 vote with two abstentions, indicates that Play Days will partner with county Health and Human Services to provide program outreach and education in the facility, including immunizations, child passenger safety seat inspections, oral health screenings and fluoride varnish, and developmental screening and education.

John Joseph Companies received the contract to perform the work. Shackelford said three contractors reviewed the property, but Joseph was the only one to submit a bid. The work is expected to be completed by the end of October.

Supervisor Pat Scanlan said he was glad to see this happening and added a dig at Madison politicians.

"It was really disappointing to see that the Legislature struck the child-care funding mechanism from the budget, you know \$600 million, then they

blow their horn about shared revenue increases and stuff like that," Scanlan said. "The things that really matter for working families doesn't seem to be getting addressed down there."

Under the resolution, Play Days agrees to remain in operation as a certified or licensed child care provider for at least five years. On a motion by Supervisor David Behrend, the board added a stipulation that if the property is sold within that time, a prorated portion of the grant must be returned.

Behrend said he was concerned because the center is a converted residence and the county could simply be helping someone renovate their house.

Supervisor Jolene Barkhaus said that issue was discussed at the committee level.

"The sale of the house really would be to somebody else who was looking to run a day care," Barkhaus said. "Whoever buys it would have to spend a lot of money to turn it into a home again."

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"We're definitely short in terms of child care slots."

ERIK PRITZL, Oconto County administrator

OBITUARIES

Dr. Douglas L. Cook, DDS, 92, of Suring, died June 15, 2023, in Green Bay, after a short illness. Dr. Cook was born October 22, 1930, to Dr. Irving and Irene Cook of Gillett. Following graduation from Gillett High School, Dr. Cook attended Marquette School of Dentistry. Upon graduation from Marquette, Dr. Cook enlisted in the United States



Air Force.

While stationed in Germany, Dr. Cook met and married his wife, Irene Dorr, who was also serving in the Air Force. After his military service, Dr. Cook returned to Wisconsin and took over his father's dental practice in Breed. Dr. Cook had a passion for helping people through (painless) dentistry and holistic medicine for 62 years. Dr. Cook was fond of the saying, "I don't have to practice dentistry anymore; I know what I am doing!"

Douglas L. Cook

Dr. Cook is survived by his four sons; Dr. Bruce Cook, DC, of Suring, Ranger (Renee) Cook of Sun Valley, Idaho, Flint (Jody) Cook, of Suring and Staber (Jamie) Cook, of Shawano. Dr. Cook is further survived by grandchildren, Brea (Eric) Murch, Ashley Cook, Kira and Miranda Cook; great-grandchildren, Morgan Huehnerfuss, Nicholas (Baylee) Boardman, Amari Cook, Mayla and Kaia Murch; and great-great-grandchild, Brynlee Boardman. Dr. Cook

is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Dr. Cook was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Irene; sister, Amber (Bill) Schlosser; brother, Ranger; and granddaughter, Shawn Boardman.

A special thanks to Aurora Hospital Emergency Room staff and third floor ICU for their compassionate care.

Per Dr. Cook's request, there will be no services.

Marilyn Nash, 87, Menasha, passed away Saturday, June 24, 2023. She was born Nov. 4, 1935, in Oconto Falls to William A. and Irene (Ama) Schroeder.

Marilyn graduated from Oconto Falls High School. Following high school, Marilyn attended and graduated from Secretarial School in Green Bay. She worked for several law offices in Milwaukee and Chicago prior to moving to

Florida where she again worked in law offices in Tampa and Miami. She married Roy Nash on Aug. 17, 1974, at Grace Lutheran Church in Oconto Falls.

Marilyn retired from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms in Miami in 1995. She then moved back to Oconto Falls and bought the family home where she resided until 2022. She enjoyed reading, gardening, and decorating her home

Marilyn Nash

as well as spoiling her miniature poodles.

She is survived by her brother, William C. (Mary) Schroeder; nieces and nephews, Connie (Randy) Schlossin, Greg (Candice) Wimmer, Dennis (Chris) Wimmer and Dyan (Marshall) Yoder; many great-nieces and great-nephews; caring neighbors, Dan and Carol Krieser.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her husband, Roy; sister, Jenine

Wimmer; and brother-in-law, Howard Wimmer.

A private family ceremony will be held. Interment will be at the Schroeder family plot at Woodlawn Cemetery in Oconto Falls.

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BABE RUTH BASEBALL

Pitching paving way for Oconto Falls this summer

Panthers win, tie at doubleheader

By DUSTIN RIESE
Correspondent

There is an old saying in baseball where good pitching will always top good hitting.

That was precisely the case for the Oconto Falls Babe Ruth team on June 20 in Oconto as a quartet of arms came together to allow one run in 10 innings as the Panthers posted a 1-0-1 record on the diamond, knocking off Oshkosh West 1-0 and tying Oconto 1-1.

"I would have to say the overall effort was very high for the team tonight," Oconto Falls pitcher Isaiah Radart said. "I think we only had something like two errors combined between the two games. It's not as good as none, but I'd be pretty happy if we played the rest of the season with that few errors."

In just their second week of competition this summer, things are still a work in progress, which you can expect going from metal bats to a wood bat summer league.

Don't tell that to their pitchers, as Radart took the ball in game one and tossed three scoreless frames to open things up. Granted, he did struggle with his command at times, he kept the Oshkosh West offense off the board, which is all you can ask for from your pitcher and Radart felt the pitching is what set the tone throughout the evening.

"The pitching was the key to our success tonight," he said. "I would have to say the majority of our outs tonight were strikeouts. What worked for me was definitely the cycling between pitches for every batter. Tonight, if you throw two fastballs in a row I guarantee 75% of the time they hit the second fastball."

With Radart doing his thing on the mound in the first game, it didn't take Oconto Falls long to score the first and only run in the first inning. Cole Bozile led off the game for the Panthers with a walk before advancing to second on a sacrifice bunt by Jack Adler. Luke Gilbertson took care of the rest as his single proved to be the game-winning hit and put the Panthers in front 1-0.

In the fourth, it was time for Chase Belanger to take over on the mound as he looked to preserve the

narrow lead. Belanger had to pitch out of a mini jam in the fifth, but with a pair of strikeouts and a pair of groundouts, the Wildcats' offense was held in check as Oconto Falls took game one 1-0.

Game two was more of the same for the Panthers as their pitching continued to set the tone. This time it was Adler getting the start and going three innings, with Logan Kramer finishing the final two. Unlike their first game that saw the Panthers offense get off to a great start, it was Oconto who grabbed the early lead in the second.

Despite striking out six in his first two innings of work, Adler did run into some trouble in the second as a pair of errors mixed with a pair of walks gave Oconto the 1-0 lead. Adler recovered nicely to retire the final four hitters he faced and finished with seven strikeouts through three innings.

Tasked with keeping things close, Kramer continued to keep the bats in check as he picked up three strikeouts in his two innings to give the Panthers' offense a chance.

That chance came in the fourth with Adler picking up the one-out single to put the tying run on base

before racing home to score on the Gilbertson double to tie things up. The Panthers had a chance to win it in the fifth with Trace Brehmer and Grayson Cahak picking up singles, but they were unable to cash in and settled for the 1-1 tie.

Although the Panthers would have loved to win both games, they have gotten off to a great start this summer and are currently sitting at 2-0-1. While their offense struggled this week it has been their pitching that has carried them as they have allowed three runs in three games. That includes two last week against Green Bay when the Panthers knocked them off 8-2.

Oconto Falls used a pair of three-run innings in that game to get the job done, scoring three times in the first and three times in the fifth to put things away. Gilbertson led the way with three RBIs in that game, including an RBI triple.

"It's been a lot different playing Babe Ruth as opposed to Legion Ball," Radart said. "I would have to say our only adjustment would have to be right at the plate. Tonight we hit the ball, but I know the Oconto Falls baseball team can surely hit the ball a hell of a lot harder than that."

DAIRYLAND LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Bonduel 11
Shawano 1 (7 inn.)

Bonduel cruised to a seven-inning win over Shawano on June 25 in Bonduel.

Adam Frost homered among his four hits, drove in five runs and scored three times to power Bonduel at the plate. Luke Kostreva and Eric Gruenwald drove in two runs each.

Chase Reinke earned the win on the mound, striking out six batters over seven frames.

Ashton Henning drove in a run on two hits for Shawano. He took the loss after pitching five innings, while Carson Popp also pitched.

Hortonville 10

Cecil 2

Hortonville scored eight runs between the fifth and seventh in-

nings to take down Cecil on June 25 in Hortonville.

Brett Kramer hit a grand slam for Hortonville, while Ty Freier drove in three. Connor Roesler tallied five hits and scored three runs.

Mason Thiel got the win on the mound after striking out nine batters over seven frames. Chris Atwood worked the final two innings.

Kenny Casper and Garrett Engel scored Cecil's runs. Jake Sager took the loss on the hill, while Andrew Schroeder also pitched.

Waupaca 3

Pulaski 0

Waupaca earned a home win over Pulaski on June 25.

Jake Pankratz tallied two hits and drove in a run for Waupaca. Cam Seidl earned the win after working five innings. Ryan Makuski tossed three scoreless innings before Jim

Nighbor worked the ninth to pick up the save.

Drew McDermid took the loss on the bump after striking out eight batters over eight innings.

Cecil 5

Hofa Park 4

Cecil edged Hofa Park in a June 23 battle in Cecil.

Tucker Bouche drove in two runs on two hits for Cecil, while Kenny Casper had two hits and scored two runs.

Bouche also pitched the first five innings for the Mudhens. Noah Beilfuss got the win after working three innings, while Andrew Schroeder picked up the save after working the ninth.

Mason Dorn and Trevor Cornell each had two hits and a RBI for Hofa Park. Hayden Groff took the loss after pitching 4 1/3 innings. Preston

FYI

More details on Dairyland games can be found by visiting teams' Facebook pages.

Hutchins started and went three innings, while Cornell got the final two outs for the Panthers.

Waupaca 11

Nichols 1 (8 inn.)

Waupaca eased to a win over Nichols on June 23 in Waupaca. The hosts scored four runs in the first and second innings to grab a commanding lead.

Brenden Canterbury drove in four runs on four hits and scored four times for Waupaca. Walker Smith drove in three runs on three hits.

Adam Kennedy was the winning pitcher after working six scoreless innings. Jim Nighbor tossed two innings.

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Pulaski's Logue, Decker make FRCC 1st team

Five total Red Raiders honored

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Five Pulaski High School girls soccer players made Fox River Classic Conference teams this spring, led by Gianna Logue and Veronica Decker and their first-team selections.

Isabella Logue made the all-conference second team for Pulaski, while Laci Lemke and Josie Steeno were honorable mentions.

Gianna Logue made the all-conference first team for her play on defense in her senior season.

Along with providing strong defense, Logue scored nine goals on the season, with four coming in FRCC matches.

"Making first team all-conference my senior year means a lot to me," said Logue. "Playing in this incredibly talented conference comes with many players who excel on and off the field, so being recognized for anything is significant. The FRCC being such a competitive conference makes the honor so much more meaningful.

"From being named first team last year I knew I needed to work even harder to accomplish my goals for my last year. As a team this year we heavily emphasized leaving your legacy, I knew what legacy I wanted to leave for the younger girls and it is an honor that other coaches in the conference recognized that as well."

Decker was honored as a forward on the all-conference list.



Pulaski's Josie Steeno, right, kicks the ball as teammate Veronica Decker runs ahead of her during a sectional semifinal match against West De Pere on June 8 in De Pere. Decker landed on the all-conference first team this spring, while Steeno was an honorable mention.

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The junior led the team with 24 goals on the season, with 11 of those occurring in conference matches. Three of her nine assists came in conference play.

"Making first team all-conference is a huge accomplishment and it means a great deal to me," said Decker. "It is an amazing feeling to be recognized by the conference with this high of an honor. I couldn't have done it without the

support and guidance from my teammates, my family, and the coaching staff.

"Receiving first team all-conference this season will continue to motivate me during the offseason. It proves to me that all offseason work pays off in the end. It definitely increases my confidence and it will push me to become an even better player and version of myself for the next high school season."

Isabella Logue made the second team for her play as a defender in her sophomore season.

She scored six goals and assisted on two other goals during the season, with one of the goals coming in conference play.

Steenno was a midfielder for the Red Raiders in her junior season.

She finished the season with four goals and had the second-most assists (8) on the team. Steeno scored one goal in FRCC action.

Lemke was another anchor for Pulaski on defense in her senior season.

The defender contributed one goal and four assists on the year. Lemke's goal came in conference play, while one of her assists did.

"Getting mentioned for all-conference honorable mention is a big success to me and reminds me that I have worked really hard on defense for myself and the team," said Lemke. "I really pushed myself this season, hence being my last year playing soccer with an amazing team.

"Soccer has been a big part of my life since I was 4 and being able to get this far and be honored for it is something I'm very appreciative about."

Pulaski placed fifth in the stacked FRCC with a 5-2-2 mark in conference matches. The Red Raiders outscored conference opponents 26-7.

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AUTO RACING

Bartz claims \$1,000 after winning IMCA Modified race

Frank, VanStraten, Sobiesczyk, Stueck also win

By **JOE ORSINI**

Special to NEW Media

Jordan Bartz, Todd Frank, Travis VanStraten, Tyler Sobiesczyk and Calvin Stueck earned feature wins on June 24 at Shawano Speedway.

The Late Models feature had, arguably, the hottest move of the night. Pole sitter Derek Janke led the opening lap but crossed the stripe almost even with fellow front row mate Joe Reuter. It didn't look like either of those drivers was prepared for Frank to shoot between them into the lead coming out of turn two on the second lap.

A quick restart with three laps in had Frank lead Reuter, Janke and Andy Karl back to racing speeds. Karl took advantage of the restart to jump to third before his machine broke coming out of turn four before completing a lap.

Todd Frank still led at the halfway mark and proceeded to open up a straightaway advantage that would not be challenged over the remainder of the event. Reuter came home second, Tim Rothe third, Gunner Frank fourth and Janke fifth.

The IMCA Modifieds rolled out to do battle for a \$1,000 top prize that would require a cool head in a hot helmet to claim.

Bartz utilized the momentum on the high side to grab the opening lap lead from her outside front row starting spot. With Bartz leading, Lucas Lamberies put on a show, moving from eighth to fourth by lap three and then to third by lap four.

Caution seven laps in slowed the pace and saw Bartz lead Marcus Yarie, Lamberies, Konnor Wilinski

and Brekken Kleinschmidt back to green. As Yarie and Lamberies fell into a battle for second, Bartz looked to put some distance on the pair as they raced side by side. That breathing room was short-lived as Lamberies cleared Yarie on lap eight and put immediate pressure on Bartz.

Bartz did not wilt under fire and held on for the win. Lamberies crossed the line second, but failure to report for tech inspection resulted in a disqualification from the race. Yarie would officially be scored in second, Wilinski third, Mike Schmidt fourth and Jason Czarapata fifth.

The IMCA Stock Car division might boast the nickname "the class too tough to tame," but VanStraten might prove to be the exception to that rule.

Jordan Barkholtz shot from the outside of the second row to lead the opening lap, but all eyes were on VanStraten as the veteran racer used the opening laps to move from 10th to third before caution flew with two laps complete.

The early restart had Barkholtz lead Mitch Stankowski, VanStraten, Shawn Wagner and Dan Michonski back to green. VanStraten utilized the restart to wrestle second away from Stankowski by lap five.

VanStraten worked past the leader, while Dylan Stedjee raced his way into third and Kyle Frederick ran the bottom line up to fourth.

A series of cautions kept the field close to VanStraten, with Stedjee and Frederick trading the second spot back and forth on dueling restarts. The final restart with five laps to go had Stedjee snatch away the second



Jordan Bartz wins the IMCA Modified feature race June 24 at Shawano Speedway.

BACKCOUNTRY CAPTURES

spot for good and put pressure on the outside of VanStraten, but laps ran out before Stedjee could mount a late charge.

VanStraten tamed the division for the fourth time in five weeks while Stedjee settled for second, Frederick third, Barkholtz fourth and Michonski fifth.

Sobiesczyk came into the night having won three in a row, a pedigree like that earns a driver the "hot shoe" moniker. The IMCA Northern Sport Mod A-main started with Sobiesczyk chasing four in a row, but the early excitement showed Forrest Kernien jump from the third row to lead the opening lap.

Behind Kernien, Travis Rhoades and pole sitter Steve Kloesterman fell into a door-to-door brawl for second. The towel was thrown in on that fight when caution flew with five laps completed. The scoring tower showed Kernien in the lead, followed closely by Rhoades, Kloesterman, Andy Kloesterman and Max Oreskovich.

The ensuing restart saw trouble for Oreskovich as he pulled off on lap eight. Kernien, Andy Kloesterman and

Sobiesczyk fell into a three-way battle for the top spot.

On lap 11, Sobiesczyk locked up second and by lap 15 he found fresh air at the front of the field. Sobiesczyk cruised to his fourth consecutive win, while Kernien was second, Andy Kloesterman third, Rhoades fourth and Logan Fleischman fifth.

Tanner Westphal started the Mighty 4 feature event looking to join VanStraten and Sobiesczyk with a fourth win early in the season.

Pole sitter Calvin Stueck looked up to the task of breaking that streak as he grabbed the lead on the opening lap with Westphal quickly moving to second. Meanwhile the show behind the leaders was heating up as Nathan Lisowe charged through the field into fourth by lap four after starting 12th on the grid.

While Lisowe ran through the field, Westphal closed on Calvin Stueck but was unable to make a pass as Stueck hung on for the win. Westphal was second, Jason Stueck third, Lisowe fourth and Dalton Nelson fifth.

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BABA HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

East-West Division

Tigerton 10

Caroline 3

Tigerton picked up a road win over Caroline on June 23.

Paul Sellner earned the win on the mound after striking out six batters over eight innings. He also posted two hits at the plate.

Gunner Kopitzke, Austin Hoffman and Justin Sivertson each added two hits for Tigerton.

Klay Barkow took the loss on the hill. Braiden Behnke posted three of Caroline's six hits.

Caroline 13

Shawano 2

Caroline earned a home win over Shawano in the lone East-West Division game to get in on June 25.

Klay Barkow led Caroline at the plate with three hits. Braiden Behnke and Neil Hoffman each homered among their two hits, while Jack Yaeger doubled among his two knocks. Hoffman also was the winning pitcher.

Mike Korth took the loss on the

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bump for Shawano.

Northern Division

Eland 6

Elderon 1

Eland picked up a road win over Elderon in the lone Northern Division game to finish on June 25.

Tyler Nelson posted two hits at the plate and picked up the win on the mound for Eland. Blade Niewandowski homered for the visitors.

Nathan Lemanczyk took the loss for Elderon, which tallied just five hits in the contest.

South Central Division

New London 7

Plover 4

New London won at home against Plover in the division's lone contest on June 25.

Myles Parker drove in two runs for New London, while also earning the win after pitching 7 2/3 innings.

Wyatt Blaskowski took the loss on the hill for Plover.

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Softball, baseball players honored by state, district

Three softball, one baseball player among best in state

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Several area softball and baseball players picked up all-state and all-district honors after the seasons wrapped up.

Players from Shawano, Bonduel, Marion, Wittenberg-Birnamwood and Pulaski were recognized for their play on the diamond and some for their work in the classroom.

Softball

Pulaski's Morgan Vertz and Molly Molthen, Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Rory Salvesen and Bonduel's Hailee Thompson all landed on all-state teams put out by the Wisconsin Fastpitch Softball Coaches Association.

Vertz made the second team in Division 1, while Molthen was an honorable mention.

Vertz posted a .382 average and

.482 on-base percentage for the season. She clubbed 11 extra-base hits, drove in 26 runs and scored 13 times.

Vertz also pitched 111 innings, striking out 160 batters along the way. She picked up 15 wins and had an earned run average of 1.70.

Molthen hit .516 this season and got on base at a .597 clip. She tallied nine extra-base hits, drove in 14 runs and scored 30 times. Molthen stole 11 bases.

Salvesen was a second teamer on the Division 2 and 3 lists.

The freshman hit for a .488 average this spring and was on base at a .562 clip. Salvesen tallied 15 extra-base hits, drove in 15 runs and scored 43 times. She also stole 36 bases.

Thompson was on the second team list at the Division 4 and 5 level.

For the spring, Thompson had a .533 average and .624 on-base percentage. She collected 20 extra-base hits, drove in 40 runs, scored 43 times and stole 15 bases.

Along with the all-state honors, several area softball players were

recognized on a District 2 list.

Pulaski's Vertz and Molthen were part of first team among the large school teams, while teammate Cassie Benberg was an honorable mention.

Benberg posted a .413 average and .479 on-base percentage this spring. She clubbed eight extra-base hits, drove in 17 runs and scored 17 times.

Salvesen was on the first team among the medium schools in the district, while Thompson made the first team among the small schools in the district.

Baseball

Shawano's Ashton Henning was the lone area baseball player to make an all-state team, but several others were honored on all-district and the academic all-state list put out by the Wisconsin Baseball Coaches Association.

Henning made the honorable mention all-state team in his senior season after posting a .397 average. He made the list as an infielder.

Henning also made the North Central District first team as an infielder.

Marion's Jaden Stuhr made the all-district second team, while

teammate Nick Malueg was an honorable mention.

Stuhr made the list as a pitcher, earning 10 wins and striking out 103 batters over 47 innings this spring. He posted a .30 ERA after allowing just two earned runs.

Malueg made the list as an outfielder. He posted a .434 average, which included six extra-base hits. He drove in 12 runs, scored 40 times and stole 34 bases.

Witt-Birn's Ian Salvesen also made the honorable mention list for the district, making it as an infielder.

Salvesen hit .400 in conference play alone, with an on-base percentage of .491.

He scored 14 runs and drove in eight more.

Bonduel's Noah Weier made the academic all-state list.

To be considered, players must be a junior or senior, have made the first or second teams in their conference, must have a coach that's a WBCA member and finally must have a grade-point average of 4.0 or higher.

Bonduel's Easton Reinke was on the all-academic list for the district, which is for players with a GPA of 3.8 or higher.

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LEGION BASEBALL

Pulaski posts 1-2 record in first summer games

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Pulaski Legion baseball team opened its summer season with three games between June 19-22, posting a 1-2 record.

Pulaski got the season started with an 11-1 win in six innings over Reedsville on June 19 in Pulaski.

Caden Czyzewski, Logan Hochevar, Logan Brabant and Cade Dorn each drove in two runs for Pulaski in the win. Caden Rybicki, Gavin Ostrenga, Hochevar and Brabant posted two hits each, while Bryce Wotruba led the team with three runs scored.

Jace Olson earned the win on the mound after tossing 3 2/3 scoreless innings. Hunter Money and Brabant pitched in relief.

Pulaski fell 9-5 to Bay Port in a

June 20 matchup in Pulaski. Bay Port scored seven runs between the fourth and sixth innings to prevail.

Wotruba drove in two runs on three hits for Pulaski. Czyzewski, Rybicki and Brett Schott all tallied two hits.

CJ Clauss started and pitched four innings for Pulaski. Zach Brodhagen and Brabant pitched in relief, with Brodhagen taking the loss.

Pulaski was topped 12-2 in six innings against Denmark on June 22 in Denmark.

Ostrenga led Pulaski with two hits and a run scored. Rybicki also scored once.

Tate Gerth took the loss on the hill after working 3 1/3 innings.

Czyzewski got the other five outs for Pulaski.

LEGION HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Witt-Birn 12

Shawano 7 (11 inn.)

Wittenberg-Birnamwood toppled Shawano in extra innings in a June 21 tournament game in Clintonville. Witt-Birn scored five runs in the 11th frame to prevail.

Nathan Waupekenay drove in four runs for Witt-Birn, while Chase Krull and Evan Meverden drove in three each. Owen Dickman and Waupekenay scored three runs each.

Mason Meverden pitched the first six innings for Witt-Birn, striking out six batters along the way. Waupekenay worked the final five frames and struck out five while earning the win.

Jerzy Brocker and Parker Beyer drove in two runs each for Shawano, while Dylan Hodkiewicz scored twice. Ayden Bystol, Crew Weisnicht, Hodkiewicz and Beyer all pitched in the game, with Beyer taking the loss.

Clintonville 9

Witt-Birn 3

Wittenberg-Birnamwood couldn't hold on to an early 3-0 lead in a tournament game setback to Clintonville on June 22 in Clintonville.

FYI

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Ian Salvesen led Witt-Birn at the plate with two hits and two RBIs. Keegan Benbo drove in the team's other run.

Chris Sippl took the loss on the hill after pitching the first 4 1/3 innings. Pierson Potrykus worked the final 1 2/3 innings.

Shawano eliminated from tournament

Shawano lost 5-3 to Omro in a tournament elimination contest on June 22 in Clintonville.

No statistics were available from the game.

New London 8

Witt-Birn 4

Wittenberg-Birnamwood was doubled up by New London in a tournament elimination game on June 23 in Clintonville.

Pierson Potrykus drove in a run for Witt-Birn, while David Gauderman scored two runs.

Hayden Miller pitched the first three innings for Witt-Birn and took the loss. Gauderman worked the final three frames, striking out five along the way.

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June 16

Deputies responded to 79 incidents, including harassment on School House Road in the Town of Little Suamico, harassment on West Burnt Dam Road in the Town of Townsend, a disturbance on Ridge Road in the Town of Spruce, property damage on Elm Lawn Road in the Town of Morgan, an animal bite on Brickner Lane in the Town of Brazeau, sexual assault in the Town of Underhill, fire on East Frontage Road in the Town of Abrams, drugs in Oconto Falls, fire on Wedgewood Drive in the Town of Little Suamico, suspicious activity on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto, suspicious activity on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto, automobile theft on Sherrie Lane in the Town of Underhill, harassment on County Road J in the Town of Little River, underage alcohol in the Town of Oconto Falls, 13 traffic stops, two traffic hazards, two traffic offenses, three citizen assists, one miscellaneous traffic incident; five 911 hangups and 16 open lines; six crashes, five involving deer.

June 15

Deputies responded to 69 incidents, including a wanted person on West Main Street in Gillett, fire on Brickner Lane in the Town of Brazeau, a structure fire on County Road V in the Town of Gillett, suspicious activity on Mourning Dove Road in the Town of Little Suamico, property damage on Brookside Cemetery Road in the Town of Pensaukee, fraud on Commercial Road in the Town of Lakewood, squad damage on state Highway 32 in the Town of Gillett, drugs in Oconto, property damage on Gary Alberts Lane in the Town of Chase, illegal burning on East Main Street in Gillett, an ATV accident on state

Highway 32 in the Town of Lakewood, sexual assault in the Town of Maple Valley, suspicious activity on Molitor Road in the Town of Little River, 11 traffic stops, two traffic hazards, eight traffic offenses, one citizen assist, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; three 911 hangups and seven open lines; one ambulance call; two crashes, both involving deer.

June 14

Deputies responded to 50 incidents, including a fire control burn on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto, fire near County Road R and state Highway 32 in the Town of How, an internet crimes against children report in the Town of Little Suamico, suspicious activity on Pickarel Lake Road in the Town of Townsend, theft near state Highway 64 and Mountain Lake Road in the Town of Mountain, a missing person on White Tail Lane in the Town of Oconto, fraud on North McKenzie St. in Gillett, three traffic stops, two traffic hazards, two traffic offenses, two citizen assists, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare check; five 911 hangups and five open lines; one crash.

June 13

Deputies responded to 28 incidents, including theft on County Road V in the Town of Maple Valley, suspicious activity near U.S. Highway 41-141 and Allen Road in the Town of Little Suamico, sexual assault in Oconto, suspicious activity on East Frontage Road in the Town of Little Suamico, one traffic stop, three traffic hazards, one traffic offense, one welfare check; two 911 hangups and two open lines; one ambulance call; one crash, involving a turkey.

June 12

Deputies responded to 48 incidents including a disturbance on Church Road in the Town of Mountain, suspicious activity on Sundew Road in the Town of Little Suamico, burglary on Evergreen Lane in the Town of Lakewood, an unwanted party on state Highway 32 in the Town of Lakewood, a disturbance on Duame Road in the Town of Stiles, suspicious activity on Glenbrook Way in the Town of Lakewood, two traffic stops, two traffic offenses, four citizen assists, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, three welfare checks; four 911 hangups and six open lines; two crashes, one involving deer, one involving a bear.

June 11

Deputies responded to 72 incidents, including a disturbance on Congress Street in Oconto, automobile theft on County Road G in the Town of Spruce, a disturbance on County Road EE in the Town of Abrams, a missing person on County Road VV in the Town of Underhill, a death investigation in Suring, an animal bite on Elm Grove School Road in the Town of Oconto, suspicious activity on Falk Road in the Town of Abrams, drugs in the

Town of Lakewood, 18 traffic stops, four traffic hazards, nine traffic offenses, four citizen assists, one welfare check; three 911 hangups and five open lines; three crashes, one involving deer.

June 10

Deputies responded to 77 incidents, including a disturbance on Maiden Lake Road in the Town of Riverview, two theft reports on Chute Dam Lane in the Town of Mountain, fire on Busy Nook Road in the Town of Oconto Falls, property damage on East Frontage Road in the Town of Abrams, a disturbance on County Road Z in the Town of Bagley, illegal burning on County Road W in the Town of Riverview, suspicious activity on South Green Bay Avenue in Gillett, a disturbance on Klaus Lake Road in the Town of Gillett, 16 traffic stops, seven traffic offenses, one citizen assist, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; four 911 hangups and eight open lines; two ambulance calls; one crash, involving deer.

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Notice is hereby given, that The City of Oconto Falls Common Council will hold a Public Hearing on July 11, 2023 at 6:30 PM in the Municipal Building, 500 N Chestnut Ave, Oconto Falls, Wisconsin. The purpose of this hearing is for the consideration of: Oconto Falls Municipal Utility Annexation Petition of Parcel# 40-303000831A 10 Acres for Utility Substation.

All residents of the City of Oconto Falls are encouraged to attend. The meeting room is handicapped accessible. Persons needing additional accommodations should contact City Hall at (920) 846-4505.

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OPEN FORUM FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS

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The Board would like to hear from the public regarding community needs and priorities, the quality of programs, accessibility to services, suggestions for program improvements, and to hear any concerns of the public regarding Health and Human Services programs.

AN OPEN FORUM IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2023, AT 5:00 P.M., AT NEW HEIGHTS, 228 W. PARK STREET, GILLETT, WISCONSIN. The purpose of the meeting is to receive comments and information from Oconto County residents for the 2024 budget process for the Oconto County Department of Health and Human Services. The public is encouraged to attend.

If you are unable to attend the Public Participation Forum and would like your comments read, please contact Wendy Dey, Administrative Support Specialist, either by e-mail, wendy.dey@co.oconto.wi.us by telephone at (920) 834-7000, or by mail at the following address: Oconto County Department of Health and Human Services, 501 Park Ave., Oconto, WI 54153-1612. Comments must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, July 7, 2023 in order to be presented at the meeting.

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RESOLUTION 23-002; COMPLIANCE MAINTENANCE ANNUAL RESOLUTION.

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Notice is hereby given, that The City of Oconto Falls Common Council will hold a Public Hearing on July 11, 2023 at 6:00 PM in the Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 500 North Chestnut Avenue, Oconto Falls, Wisconsin. The purpose of this hearing is for the consideration of:

Public Hearing NO.1 at 6:00pm Proposed Ordinance 23-004 to Amend CH 168 Animals Keeping of Chickens in the City.

Public Hearing NO. 2 immediately following NO.1 estimated 6:10 pm Proposed Ordinance 23-005 to Amend Zoning Code 480-25 and Title XI Accessory uses and Structures Zoning City of Oconto Falls.

Public Hearing NO.3 immediately following NO.2 estimated 6:15pm Proposed Ordinance 23-006 to Amend CH 188-7 Beach and Park areas & CH 188-8 Violations and Penalties.

Public Hearing NO.4 immediately following NO.3 estimated 6:20pm Proposed Ordinance 23-007 Sexting to Amend Ch 365 Municipal Code.

Public Hearing NO.5 immediately following NO.4 estimated 6:25pm Proposed Ordinance 23-008 to Amend Zoning Code 480-8 Article II General Commercial District (C-1) Downtown Design Review.

All residents of the City of Oconto Falls are encouraged to attend. The meeting room is handicapped accessible. A copy of proposed ordinances can be picked up at the Municipal Building. Persons needing additional accommodations should contact City Hall at (920) 846-4505.

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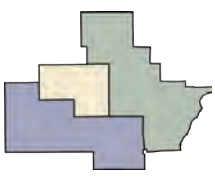


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Name is plain, but experience is sweet

Owners of The Shop on Main have opened The Candy Shop down the street in Oconto

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

Lynn Hearley did not grow up in Oconto, but she has been part of the community since she moved to Oconto with her husband, Todd — who did grow up in Oconto — in 1986.

“We are very passionate about revitalizing downtown Oconto,” Hearley said from behind the counter of the couple’s second downtown business, The Candy Shop, which opened Copperfest weekend at 1029 Main St.

The Hearleys have already made their mark downtown. Two years ago, they transformed a historic Oldsmobile dealership into The Shop on Main, a one-of-a-kind coffee, tea, ice cream and gift shop at 821 Main St.

“It was amazing to see, after we opened The Shop, the outpouring of support from people,” Hearley said. “It felt like we had really filled a need in the community.”

As an encore, they have spent the last six months gutting the two-story building next to Associated Bank and fully renovating the space. They exposed the brick walls and tin ceilings and created a vintage industrial, old-style general store motif for The Candy Shop.

Hearley said her friends asked why they choose such plain names for their ventures — the Shop, the Candy Shop — until one day a friend said he was “coming over to the shop,” and she said, “Exactly!”

“There’s no mystery about what this store is,” she said. “It’s a candy shop.”

Candy lovers will find a mix of packaged candy and bulk candy, some that aren’t available in other area stores, and some vintage brands that are rarely seen anymore — such as Bonomo’s Turkish Taffy, Necco or Charms. The Candy Shop also carries artisan soda and small-batch fudge in diverse and fun flavors.

Fresh-popped popcorn in a variety of flavors is also available, and Hearley said they are working on offering candy bags that will sell for 5 cents like the good old days.



The Candy Shop recently opened in this historic building on Main Street in Oconto.

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“A lot of people have come in and talked about their fond memories of Petroff’s Candy Store and Grandma’s, which was across the street from here,” Hearley said. “We’re hoping to create that kind of memory for the next generation.”

Besides the sweet stuff, the Hearleys aim to add educational wooden games and unique toys of all kinds.

A grand opening celebration is in the works later this summer. The Candy Shop is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Monday.

In addition to The Candy Shop on the main floor, the building now houses a three-bedroom, two-bathroom Airbnb on the second floor. The Airbnb is called The Safe House, because of an on-site, walk-in safe that has been reinvented as a reading nook — another example of the Hearleys’ plain naming routine, with a touch of humor.

Oconto County Tourism Director Samantha Boucher said the building at 1029 Main St. was constructed in 1922 and featured the first “modern” office space in Oconto. An attorney’s office was upstairs, and different retail stores operated downstairs. Beginning in 1976, the downstairs became an accountant’s office, and tenants lived in two upstairs apartments.

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Vida Borah, of Oconto, checks out the sweet selections at The Candy Shop, 1029 Main St., Oconto, which opened in early June in time for the Copperfest celebration.

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The Candy Shop in Oconto is stocked with familiar old brands, new delicacies and confections from all over.

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LYNN HEARLEY, owner of The Candy Shop



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Telling tales a tribal tradition

Awonohopay sees storytelling as vital for the Menominee to keep their cultural identity

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

For Joey Awonohopay, storytelling is in his blood.

Awonohopay, who serves his Menominee community as a tribal legislator and director of language and culture, continues a tradition going back generations when he tells the stories of his people, whether it's to his grandchildren or on a larger stage to fellow tribal members and visitors. Alternating seamlessly between his ancestral language and English, Awonohopay captivates audiences with the stories that have been passed down by tribal members for generations.

Many of the Menominee stories tell about the origin of the people, according to Awonohopay, when the world was still being made.

"A lot of the teachings we want instilled in our children are told through the stories," he said.

Stories are more traditionally told during the winter months in the Menominee culture. Awonohopay said a limited number of stories can be shared during warmer weather, but it's believed that once the ground freezes, that's the time to instill knowledge in the younger generations of Menominee.

"Once that beautiful white blanket is laid across the land, that is the time when we can tell the stories about the animals," Awonohopay said. "We can talk about the birds, and we can tell the stories about the fish. A lot of our winter stories revolve around why animals are the way they are, why they look the way they look, why they eat the things they eat."

Awonohopay noted it's important to tell the stories the way that the Menominee ancestors told them "to keep the authenticity of the story." He noted the tribe is fortunate in that the stories have been documented and recorded in order to keep them from changing as future generations remember the stories differently.

"They did a lot of documentation," Awonohopay said. "Back then, it was the old wax cylinders. Then it turned into the reel-to-reel. Then it was the cassettes. Now, of course, it's the CDs and the electronic downloads and

today the livestreaming.

"We've been very fortunate that our elders have documented in their own writing of a lot of their family stories that are passed down from generation to generation," Awonohopay said. "We're very fortunate that storytelling in our tribe has been a huge piece of our identity and our upbringing for our children."

The storytelling tradition is strong in the Awonohopay. His great-grandfather, John Awonohopay, served as one of the last orators for the Menominee tribe, but his grandfather, Johnson Awonohopay, also had a reputation for being a storyteller as a chief for the tribe.

"Next would be my uncle, Richard Awonohopay," Joey Awonohopay said. "He was well known for being involved with language, culture, traditions, storytelling. Now in my generation, that responsibility lands on my shoulders to continue telling those stories."

Awonohopay noted his family was one of the few who lived outside the central hub of Keshena, setting down roots in Zoar on the western edge of the Menominee Reservation. He noted the community is at the settlement where the rivers fork.

"Being so secluded and so far away from the central hub of Keshena, our elders and our ancestors were able to continue the language and the culture, the traditions, the ceremony, the spirituality, and of course, the stories," Awonohopay said. "Even when I was a child, they still gathered us in the various houses in winter, and the stories would be told to us."

Awonohopay enjoys being able to share Menominee stories outside the fold whenever visitors show up or whenever he travels to other places. He noted that, even though the tribes all have stories on animals, tradition, medicine and so on, the stories differ from nation to nation.

"Stories are unique to every tribe, and even though we may share similarities with our Ojibwe relatives,

we may share similarities with the Potawatomi tribe, there's definitely uniqueness to each of us as a nation and as a people," Awonohopay said. "For me, it's sharing a little piece of who we are as the people of this land. We're some of the original inhabitants of Michigan and Minnesota and so our roots have always been here."

Because the Menominee have never migrated, many of the stories are connected to the Wolf River, the Menominee River, and on down to Oshkosh and Chicago.

"It helps people understand that when we say we're original inhabitants, it gives specific credibility on a spiritual aspect," Awonohopay said. "It gives people a better idea of who we are as a woodland

people, as an Indigenous people, and it gives people a better idea of why we wear the attire we wear, the colors we wear, the floral patterns we wear."

Awonohopay described storytelling as being more than just reciting tales.

"Being a storyteller, it's almost like being an actor," Awonohopay said. "You have to be able to step out of your comfort zone, because you're always trying to captivate your audience. You're trying to make them feel, real time, the emotions in the story, so when there are sad points, you want to make people feel that with your voice and through your expressions. When there's happy points and excitement in a story, you have to be able to work on that tonation to hit the high points."

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Joey Awonohopay, a storyteller for the Menominee Nation, gets animated and expressive as he tells a story about why strawberries are considered to be "heart berries" for his people. Awonohopay noted that being expressive is what helps to catch people's attentions and really draw them into the story.

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Movement afoot to Save Our Songbirds

Fourteen years ago, my husband and I bought a cabin in the Wisconsin northwoods, and we have been enjoying it ever since. It offers us fishing, hiking, breathtaking sunsets and lots of new birds to learn about.

One group of birds caught my eye right away. While smaller than a robin, these birds were very territorial. They were quite entertaining as I watched them aggressively escort a bald eagle out of their domain. Come



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to find out, the appropriate name of this stately, proud bird is the eastern kingbird.

At that time, there were large groups of eastern kingbirds at every turn in the lake totaling close to 80 birds. But since then, their numbers have been declining every year; now, only about 15 birds reside there. Unfortunately, this story is not unique. Across Wisconsin and the entire United States, birds have declined 30% in the last 50 years. Even once common birds in Wisconsin are seeing declines.

Another example is the Baltimore oriole, a favorite of both serious birders and backyard bird watchers alike. This spring, I watched a female oriole weave its pouch-like nest by using her beak to poke string through hundreds of thin, intertwined fibers and then pulling her head back to weave it out. I was in awe. I can't imagine spring without this revered visitor with vibrant orange plumage and a rich flutelike song.

In Wisconsin, 68 species of birds are officially listed as endangered, threatened or have low or declining populations. To help reverse this loss, a campaign of the Wisconsin Bird Conservation Partnership, funded by the Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin, has started an action campaign called SOS — Save Our Songbirds.

The SOS campaign's goal is to make it easier for people to make small changes at home to help birds. They encourage us to take one or more of these three actions:

- Add native plants to your yard: Nonnative plants can be toxic to native insects, thereby providing little food for birds. Native plants such as Spotted Jewelweed, Serviceberry and



A female Baltimore oriole is hard at work weaving its nest.

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Prairie Blazing Star can be digested by native insects — in turn providing food for birds.

- Reduce window strikes: Studies have shown that up to 1 billion birds die annually after colliding with windows. Choose one window in your home that is prone to strikes and fix that one. A couple options include applying decals or decorations to the outside of windows and/or turning lights off at night during migration.

- Buy coffee that is grown in bird-friendly ways: Look for the Bird Friendly (BF) seal when you buy coffee. One example is Café Fair for sale at Festival Foods, Woodman's Markets and Meijer.

You can find information on what plants to buy, easy fixes for window strikes and options to buy bird-friendly coffee on the SOS website at <https://www.sosaveoursongbirds.org>. There are so many times in life

when I want to help but I just don't know how. This SOS campaign not only tells us what we can do to help save our birds, but it also provides the information and resources on this website to help make it happen.

We should help birds not only because they are something pretty to look at and beautiful to listen to. According to the SOS, birds boost our mental health and anchor Wisconsin's \$2.6 billion wildlife watching economy. Birds disperse seeds, pollinate plants and help reduce crop and forest pests. Lastly, birds alert us to unhealthy conditions for people and wildlife. In summary, birds benefit our economy, our environment and our quality of life.

What would the world be like without our feathered friends? A morning without a white-breasted nuthatch skimming up and down the tree trunk and a house wren sing-

ing her sunrise song? An afternoon without hearing a hairy woodpecker drumming or never again watching a great blue heron stalk its prey? No more twilight with the enchanting "hoo-h'hoo-hoo-hoo" of the great horned owl and the lakes silent of the tremolo of a common loon?

What I do know is that I don't want to live in that world. Let's give one, or better yet all three, of these actions a try. A little effort on our part can make a big difference. Then the next time you see a bright red northern cardinal posing on a branch, a sweet black-capped chickadee gathering fruits and nuts or a silly American robin splashing in the bird bath, you can smile knowing you helped to keep them here, on this earth with us, where they belong.

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



Going nuclear at the Capitol

State Rep. Peter Schmidt, R-Bonduel, stands with Grace Stanke, the current Miss America, who spoke to the Assembly on June 29 about the benefits of nuclear power. Stanke is a nuclear engineering student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and promotes the value of nuclear science in everyday life.

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Flowers for Mary

Alexandria Thorson walks down the aisle at Sacred Heart Catholic Church during its all-school Mass on May 3. Sacred Heart Catholic School celebrated May as the Month of Mary with its annual May Crowning of Mary inside Sacred Heart Parish. The second grade, who recently received the Holy Sacrament of First Communion, helped celebrate as they processed in and presented Mary with flowers.

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True love should always be unconditional

Spring is here, and love is in the air. This time of year seems to bring new beginnings. In the spring, flowers bloom, trees turn green and life seems more vibrant.

The slow, dormant state of winter has passed, and a renewing spirit has come over our lives again. It appears love is in the air. What type of love are you experiencing, conditional or unconditional?



KATHRYN HENNES

Conditional love has restrictions, terms and consequences. Unconditional love has no restrictions, terms or consequences — just freedom and peace.

“I would love you more if you would be more caring or if you would buy me this item.” “I will love you if you are the person I want you to be.” “If you do this, I won’t love you anymore.” These are statements that demand certain requirements to be met before the love is given to you.

Unconditional love is just loving someone else without requirements, loving someone else despite their shortcomings, mistakes, appearance or attitudes.

The best example of unconditional love is stated in the King James Bible, John 3:16: “God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him, should not perish, but have everlasting life.” God loves us so unconditionally that he sacrificed his son so we could spend eternity with him.

Conditional love is difficult to accept and sometimes seems unbearable. When the love I am given has conditions or expectations for me, I start to feel unworthy, unwanted and useless, especially when I cannot fulfill those requirements. As a human being and individual, I will make mistakes and will not be able to meet those conditions as expect-

ed and therefore feel unloved.

Loving unconditionally does not come without heartache, difficulties and strife, but with a true heart and acceptance, it can bring a sense of peace and purpose.

Love is not just a feeling; it is a choice. It is your choice to love unconditionally or to love with conditions. I choose to love Jesus unconditionally as he does for me. I choose to love my husband, children and grandchildren unconditionally. I am human and a sinner and, at times, may choose to put conditions on my love for someone or God, but that decision can be changed as soon as I realize that is what I am doing.

Satan loves to convince us that lust is love and that the more our lust is satisfied, the more we feel loved. This creates thoughts that “I can feel loved all the time if I can just satisfy my lustful wants.” That thinking is wrong; although you may feel a sense of gratification or “love” for a short period of time, the desire for more of that feeling will keep increasing. This is not loving, especially not loving unconditionally.

In the New Testament of the Bible, Jesus gave us examples of unconditional love. Jesus healed a homeless, lame man at the pool of Bethesda and removed demons from a prostitute. It did not matter who they were or what they had done; instead, he showed them his unconditional love and healed them.

As a Christian, I believe I can feel the same unconditional love if I keep my faith strong and do not allow Satan’s manipulative ways to enter my mind and heart.

Today, try to love unconditionally as you are loved by God, if even for a few moments. Each day those moments will grow into minutes, hours and days. I am not perfect, but I am unconditionally loved.

Bless you.

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NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW	2023 Tour de France Stage 1 From Bilbao, Spain. Medium-mountain stage, 182 km. (N) (Live)																		26 Paid Prog. 12 One Team (N)		26 Paid Prog. 12 Earth Ody.	Swimming U.S. National Championships (N) (Live)	2023 U.S. Senior Open Championship Third Round From SentryWorld in Stevens Point, Wis. (N) (Live)		Horse Racing Breed-ers' Cup Challenge Se-ries Races (N) (Live)		Paid Programing	NBC Nightly News (N)
PBS 28 WHRM 65 WLEF 65 WPNE	Wild Kratts "Mimic"	Curious "Lights, Camera, Action!; Pen Pals"	Work It Out Wom-bats!	Daniel Tiger's Neighbor-hood	Best of Sewing "How to Sew Art, Part 1"	Love of Quilting "Scoops by the Sea-side"	Garden "Trees -- Planting and Care"	Wood-shop "Tri-Leg Triangular Seat ..	Essential Pépin "Fruit Fete"	Dooky "Leah's Classic New Orleans ..	Steven Raichlen "Argentine Fire"	Cook "The Cuban Sandwich Show"	Test Kitchen "Spring Chicken Dinner"	Milk "From Spain With Love"	Sara's "Basta Pasta: US vs. Italy"	Pati's Mexican Table	This Old House	Ask This Old House	Rick Steves' Europe "Egypt's Cairo"	Weekends With Yan-kee "Land and Sea"	The Lawrence Welk Show "Harry Warren Salute"							
42 WACY 46 WTPX	Hearts of	oh baby!	PaidPro..	Makeov..	PaidPro..	Outdoo..	PaidPro..	Bensin..	World's	World's	SOS		Fisher..	Walleye	Outdoo..	Wingsh..	Heartland		ModFam	ModFam	Goldbe..	Goldbe..						
CW 14 WCWF 64 WYOW	Bones		Bones		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU							
	14 Out-door 14 Pop-star!	14 Paid Prog. 64 MyP-illow	14 Into Wild 64 Into Wild	14 Into Wild 64 Into Wild	14 Into Wild 64 Into Wild	14 Into Wild 64 Into Wild	14 Pet Vet 64 Pet Vet	14 Tail-Valor 64 Tail-Valor	14 Sci-ence 64 Live Life	14 Paid Prog. 64 MyP-illow	LIV Golf League Valderrama, Day 2 From Valderrama Golf Club in Sotogrande, Ourense, Spain. (N) (Live)										14 Last Man 64 Burg-ers	14 Last Man 64 Burg-ers						

SATURDAY			EVENING										JULY 1		
6 PM			6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30		
ABC 8 WAOW 8 WBAY			8 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at Six (N)	8 Never Fear Power Outages 2 Paid Programing	America's Funniest Home Videos Pranks that backfire; mishaps featuring horses.		America's Funniest Home Videos Kids having trouble with their Halloween costumes.		America's Funniest Home Videos Embarrassing moments caught on security cameras.		8 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	8 (35) Weird Earth 2 (35) Investigate TV	2 (05) The Song "Peter Frampton" Guests Peter Frampton	8 (35) Storm of 2 (35) Opry (N)	
CBS 6 WFRV 7 WSAW			6 To Be Announced 7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	6 Friends 7 Inside Edition Weekend (N)	NCIS: Los Angeles "Game of Drones" Callen and Kilbride get news of a body found in Syria.		48 Hours		48 Hours		6 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	6 (35) Feel-Beat 7 (35) Big Deal "Leadville Boom Days"	7 (05) The Song "Peter Frampton" Guests Peter Frampton	6 (35) Friends 7 (35) Opry (N)	
FOX 65 WZAW 11 WLUK			MLB Baseball Cleveland Guardians at Chicago Cubs From Wrigley Field in Chicago. (N) (Live)						65 Big Bang "The Luminous Fish Effect" 11 News (N)	65 Big Bang 11 Seinfeld	Special Forces: World's Toughest Test "Fear" The celebrity recruits learn to use fear to inform and help.		65 S.W.A.T. "The Tiffany Experience" 11 Seinfeld "Th..	11 The King of Queens "Dreading Vows"	
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW			26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 12 Elite Money Market Update	26 Paid Programing 12 Wheel "America's Game"	USFL Football Championship: Teams TBA From Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton, Ohio. (N) (Live)						26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 (N)	Saturday Night Live Pedro Pascal; Coldplay performs.			
PBS 28 WHRM 65 WLEF 65 WPNE			The Carol Burnett Show "Ella Fitzgerald and Sid Caesar" Guests: Sid Caesar and Ella Fitzgerald.		Frankie Drake Mysteries "Ghost in the Machine" Nora is convinced she was visited by the ghost of a murdered woman.		Miss Scarlet and the Duke on Masterpiece "The Vanishing" Eliza is hired by a newspaper to investigate the disappearance of a famous magician.		The Fall "Beauty Hath Strange Power" After Paul Spector is identified as the killer, Gibson must play an agonizing waiting game.		Midsomer Murders "The Sting of Death: Part 1"		(40) Midsomer Murders "The Sting of Death: Part 2" The owners of a thriving bee company will stop at nothing to ensure their success.		Mr. Bean "The Trouble With Mr. Bean"
42 WACY 46 WTPX			Family Feud	Two Men	Chicago Fire "I Will Be Walking"		Chicago P.D. "Now I'm God"		Housewife	Housewife	The Simpsons	Family Guy	Family Guy	S.W.A.T.	
			Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law-SVU "She Paints for Vengeance"		Law-SVU "The Longest Night of Rain"		Law-SVU "Redemption in Her Corner"		
CW 14 WCWF 64 WYOW			14 Big Bang 64 Good Dr	14 The Big Bang Theory "The Fuzzy Boots Corollary"	Masters of Illusion Meir Yedid, Lucy Darling	Masters of Illusion "Science, Oracles, and a Twist on Houdini"	World's Funniest Animals: National Puppy Day Special		14 The Rookie "In Justice" 64 Liquidator "The Blind Side"	64 ★★ Fools Rush In (97) Matthew Perry.	14 The National Desk (N) (Live)		14 TMZ (N)	64 To the Rescue "Live to Serve"	

SUNDAY				MORNING / AFTERNOON																		JULY 2			
	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30			
ABC 9 WAOW 8 WBAY	Good Morning America (N)		9 This Week (N) 2 Action 2 News: This Morning (N)		9 Capitol 2 This Week	9 Up-Front	9 Financial 2 Up-Front	9 Paid Prog. 2 Hearts of	9 Coldwell 2 Vets-Pets	9 Paid Prog. 2 Free Ent.	Special Olympics World Games Berlin 2023			WNBA Basketball Washington Mystics at Dallas Wings From College Park Center in Arlington, Tex. (N) (Live)			9 Greatest 2 Paid Prog.		Paid Programing	ABC World News (N)	9 News 9 (N) 2 News (N)				
CBS 6 WFRV 7 WSAW	6 (5:30) News (N) 7 Sunrise	6 News-maker Sunday	CBS News Sunday Morning News, features, weather and commentary. (N)			Face the Nation (N)		6 Mass 7 Retirement	6 TBA 7 Paid Program	6 TBA 7 Paid Program	Rodeo 100 Rodeos in 100 Days (N)		PGA Tour Special The John Shippen		PGA Tour Golf Rocket Mortgage Classic, Final Round From Detroit Golf Club in Detroit, Mich. (N) (Live)			CBS Weekend News (N)		6 Retire 7 News-Channel 7					
FOX 65 WZAW 11 WLUK	65 Paid Prog. 11 (6:00) News (N)	65 Mountain Faith Living	65 FOX News Sunday (N)	11 Sharyl Attkisson	65 Invest. 11 Fox News (N)	65 Paid Programing	65 Paid Programing 11 Reti..	Paid Programing	Paid Programing	Paid Programing	65 Blockbusters 11 Dog Challenge Atlanta, Ga. (N)		65 National Salute to America's Heroes 11 Sports		65 Extra (N) 11 GSL: Class of 1978		MLS Soccer Philadelphia Union at Atlanta United FC From Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta. (N) (Live)			Match Day (N) (Live)					
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW	Sunday Today With Willie Geist (N)		26 Meet the Press (N)..	12 Home Remodeler	26 Earth Ody. 12 Meet Press	26 Wild Child (N)	26 Play It (N) 12 Paid Prog.	26 One Team (N) 12 Voyager	Swimming U.S. National Championships From Indianapolis. (N) (Live)			2023 U.S. Senior Open Championship Final Round From SentryWorld in Stevens Point, Wis. (N) (Live)			NASCAR Cup Series Grant Park 220 Racing action from the NASCAR Cup Series. (N) (Live)										
PBS 28 WHRM 65 WLEF 65 WPNE	(6:30) Alma-Puerto	Curious "Orange Crush; Monkey Market"	Work It "Talent Turmoil; Zeke's Collectio..	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	Washington Week (SP)	Fir-	Here and Now	Market to Market	Midsomer "The Sting of Death: Part 1"	(40) Midsomer Murders "The Sting of Death: Part 2"	Mr. Bean "The Trouble With Mr. Bean"	Frankie Drake Mysteries "Ghost in the Machine"	Miss Scarlet and the Duke on Masterpiece "The Vanishing"	The Articulate Hour "Marking Time" (F)	The Great American Recipe		WI Foodie "Little Blue Ridge F..	John McGive "Escanaba, Michigan"							
42 WACY 46 WTPX	Pets.TV	Wonder..	PaidPro..	Jeffress	Outback	Wildlife	Rock-P..	Ocean..	Midwes..	Know	The List	Broadw..	Kickin It: Byron	The Good Doctor	Good Dr "SFAD"	ModFam	ModFam	FamFe..	FamFe..						
CW 14 WCWF 64 WYOW	14 Worship 64 To-morr..	14 Daily 64 In Touch (N)	14 Catholic Mass	14 Shalom 64 Key of David	14 Outdoor 64 Cath. Mass	14 Mt. Faith 64 Perry Stone	14 Paid Program 64 Mad Dog & M	Paid Programing	14 Polka 64 Paid Program	64 Sounds of Summer	LIV Golf League Valderrama, Day 3 From Valderrama Golf Club in Sotogrande, Ourense, Spain. (N) (Live)										14 Sheldon 64 Family ..	14 Sheldon 64 Family ..			

SUNDAY				EVENING								JULY 2									
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30								
ABC 9 WAOW 2 WBAY		America's Funniest Home Videos Kids who don't understand old technology.		America's Funniest Home Videos Wed-ding disasters; kids get into their mom's makeup.		★★★★ Toy Story 2 (99) Voices of Tim Allen, Joan Cusack, Tom Hanks. When a toy collector kidnaps Woody, Buzz Lightyear and the others band together to bring him home. (P)			9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)		9 (:35) Entertainment Tonight (N) 2 (:35) Sunday Sports Night 2 (:45) Entertainment Tonight (N)		9 (:35) Weather Gone Viral 2 (:45) 9-1-1 "Eddie Begins"								
CBS 5 WFRV 7 WSAW		60 Minutes (N)		Tough as Nails (N) (SP)		Tough as Nails (N)			NCIS: Los Angeles "In the Name of Honor" Kensi and Fatima are kidnapped and drugged.		6 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 7 (:35) Investi-gate TV		6 (:35) Sports Xtra 7 (:05) Game Time Jonquel Jones (N)		6 (:05) Osteen 7 (:35) SEAL Team						
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK		2023 Concacaf Gold Cup United States vs. Trinidad and Tobago Group A. (N) (Live)				Gordon Ramsay's Food Stars "Got This in the Bag" The teams create a menu for a delivery-only restaurant.		65 Seinfeld "The Opposite" 11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N)		65 Seinfeld "The Dinner Party"		65 Goldbergs "Quaker Warden" 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N)		65 Goldbergs 11 (:35) Attkisson		65 Housewife "Graduation" 11 (:05) National (N) (Live)		65 American Housewife "Psych"			
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW		(4:00) NASCAR Cup Series Grant Park 220 Racing action from the NASCAR Cup Series. (N) (Live)				America's Got Talent "Auditions 3" The auditions continue as a variety of acts audition for the chance to win the \$1 million prize.								26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)		26 (:35) The Race 12 Outdoorsman "Peru Waterfowl"		26 (:05) Graham Bensinger 12 Paid Program-ming		26 (:35) Outdoors "Peru Waterfowl" 12 Funny You Should Ask	
PBS 20 WHRM 35 WLEF 38 WPNE		Help! We Bought a Village The owners of a French village host the local council at their restaurant.		Ridley "Hospitality, Part 1" The body of a young woman with a secret life is found buried in a shallow grave on a bleak moor-land. (N)		Endeavour on Masterpiece "Exeunt" As preparations for Joan's wedding proceed, the Blenheim Vale case reaches a climax. (N) (SF)			Antiques Roadshow "Tucson Hour 2" A Jackie Robinson archive circa 1938; 1960 GMT Master model Rolex; diamond and onyx jewelry.				Austin City Limits "Stevie Ray Vaughan on Austin City Limits: 30 Years On"								
42 WACY 46 WTPX		Family Feud		Two Men		★★ Fools Rush In ('97) Salma Hayek Pinault, Jon Tenney, Matthew Perry.			Mom		Mom		The Simpsons		Bob's Burgers		Bob's Burgers		S.W.A.T.		
46 WTPX		NCIS "Face the Strange"		NCIS "False Start"		NCIS "Docked"			NCIS "Peacekeeper"		NCIS "Collective Memory"		NCIS "Pledge of Allegiance"								
CW 14 WCWF 34 WYOW		14 Big Bang 34 Good Dr		14 The Big Bang Theory "The Ham-burger Postulate"		Gotham Knights "City of Owls" The team uncovers evidence that could clear their names.			Superman & Lois "Injustice" Lois and Clark clash with Jordan over his carelessness.		14 WOW Manipulative Maneuvers (N) 34 Liquidator		63 Chicago P.D. "This City"		14 Truth of God		63 WOW - Women Manipulative Maneu-vers (N)		14 Paid Program-ming 63 Moviefone TV		

WEEKDAY								MORNING / AFTERNOON										JULY 3 TO JULY 7							
		7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30		
ABC	8 WAOW	Good Morning America				Live with Kelly and Mark		The View		News 9		Barry-more	GMA3: What You Need to Know		General Hospital		Tamron Hall		Dr. Phil		News 9 WAOW at 4PM		News 9	World News	
	8 WBAY	Good Morning America				Action 2 News		25 Words	The View		Inside Edition		Pawn Stars	News/1u Pitch It	Paid Pro-gram	General Hospital		GMA3: What You Need to Know		Dr. Phil		News/1u Salute	Action 2 News	Action 2 News	World News
CBS	6 WFRV	CBS Mornings				Local 5 Live		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		News	Bold/ Beautiful	The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		Friends	Friends	News	News	News	CBS News		
	7 WSAW	CBS Mornings				25 Words		Paid Pro-gram	The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		News-Channel..	Bold/ Beautiful	The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		The Kelly Clarkson Show		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	CBS News	
FOX	55 WZAW	Business	AgDay	Dateline	Rachael Ray		The Jennifer Hudson Show		Family Feud	Family Feud	Blast	Blast	Judge Mathis		Hot Bench	Hot Bench	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News/ Sounds..	Family Feud	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon			
	11 WLUK	(4:30) Good Day Wisconsin				Live with Kelly and Mark		Fox 11 Living With Amy		Rachael Ray		Various	Judge Judy	The Jennifer Hudson Show		Barry-more	Barry-more	The People's Court		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News/1u Charity	1u Best Class		
NBC	26 WGBA	Today				Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		Scripps News Live		NBC News Daily		Dateline		Tamron Hall		The Kelly Clarkson Show		Family Feud	Family Feud	News	NBC News		
	12 WJFW	Today				Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		Neighbor	Neighbor	NBC News Daily		You Bet	Pictionary	Pictionary	Funny You	Jeopardy		TMZ	Up North at 4	Jeopardy!	News	NBC News	
PBS	20 WHRM	Wild Kratts	Curious/ Curious	Tiger/ Tiger	Rosie's Rules	Sesame Street	Work It	Donkey Hodie	Pinkalicious	Elinor	Nature Cat	Elementary	Xavier Riddle	This Old House	Test Kitchen	America Outdoors		Various	1u Ride	Odd Squad	Arthur	Nature Cat	America		
	35 WLEF	Wild Kratts	Curious/ Curious	Tiger/ Tiger	Rosie's Rules	Sesame Street	Work It	Donkey Hodie	Pinkalicious	Elinor	Nature Cat	Elementary	Xavier Riddle	This Old House	Test Kitchen	America Outdoors		Various	1u Ride	Odd Squad	Arthur	Nature Cat	America		
	33 WPNE	Wild Kratts	Curious/ Curious	Tiger/ Tiger	Rosie's Rules	Sesame Street	Work It	Donkey Hodie	Pinkalicious	Elinor	Nature Cat	Elementary	Xavier Riddle	This Old House	Test Kitchen	America Outdoors		Various	1u Ride	Odd Squad	Arthur	Nature Cat	America		
	32 WACY	Judge	Relative	Divorce	Divorce	A.Wom..	Midwes..	iCRIME	iCRIME	The First 48		Dateline		Chicago Fire		Sherri		TMZ Live		ModFam	ModFam	Goldbe..	Goldbe..		
CW	45 WTPX	Various	Xplorati..	Various	F Planet	Various	Various		Various		Various	Various	Various	Various		Various		Various		Various		Various	Various		
	44 WCWF	The National Desk		National Weat	Paid Pro-gram	Couples Court	Couples Court	Hot Bench	Hot Bench	Paternity Court	Paternity Court	Law & Order: SVU		Judge Jerry		Judge Mathis		Pictionary	You Bet	Jeopardy	Funny You	You Bet	Young Sheldon		
	34 WYOW	Divorce Court	Providence	Maury		The Steve Wilkos Show		Karamo		Maury		Extra	Holly-wood	Sherri		Judge Jerry		Karamo		The Steve Wilkos Show		Judge Lake	Judge Lake		

MONDAY				EVENING						JULY 3			
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
ABC 8 WAOW 2 WBAY	9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at Six (N)		Entertainment Tonight (N)	Claim to Fame "Don't Get Chummy, You Dummy!" The contestants take on a Hollywood challenge. (N)		The Bachelorette A woman meets a number of men and tries to narrow them down to one who could steal her heart. (N)			9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)		(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!		(:35) Nightline (N)
CBS 5 WFRV 7 WSAW	6 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)		6 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 7 Inside Edition (N)	The Neighborhood "Welcome to the Cornhole"	Bob Hearts Abishola "Americans and Their Dreams"	NCIS "Stranger in a Strange Land" NCIS works to solve the murder of a Marine private.		NCIS: Hawaii "Good Samaritan" A Navy deserter accidentally comes out of hiding.		6 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert		(:35) The Late Late Show With James Corden
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK	65 Big Bang "The Relaxation Integration" 11 Jeopardy! (N)		65 The Big Bang Theory "The Higgs Boson Observation"..	Stars on Mars "Fire in the Hole" The contestants brave the elements of the Martian desert.		Crime Scene Kitchen "Welcome Self Taught Bakers" Six baking teams arrive at the "Crime Scene Kitchen."		65 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	65 Seinfeld "The Hamptons"	65 Seinfeld "The Summer of George" 11 11 News (N)	65 Last Man "Animal Wrongs" 11 (:35) Seinfeld "The Hamptons"	65 Last Man "Wherefore Art Thou, Mike Baxter".. 11 (:35) King "Like Hell"	65 Goldbergs "Mr. Ships Ahoy" 11 (:35) King "Like Hell"
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW	26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)		26 Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune "Great Escapes"	American Ninja Warrior Qualifiers 3 The qualifying rounds continue as ninjas face new obstacles.		The Wall "John and Toni" Father and daughter John and Toni contend with the wall.		Weakest Link "That's Supposed to Be My Line!" Contestants play trivia and vote each other off one by one. (N)		26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	26 (:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (N) 12 (:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		(:35) Late Night With Seth Meyers
PBS 20 WHRM 36 WLEF 38 WPNE	PBS NewsHour Amna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N) (SP)		Antiques Roadshow "Tucson Hour 3" A 1994 Pete Seeger original song; an 1889 George Hitchcock oil diptych; Lincoln presidential pardon.		The Great American Recipe The cooks prepare their favorite comfort food and a dish inspired by a loved one. (N)		POV "A Story of Bones" The discovery of an unmarked mass burial ground of an estimated 9,000 formerly enslaved Africans. (N)		Endeavour on Masterpiece "Exeunt" As preparations for Joan's wedding proceed, the Blenheim Vale case reaches a climax. (SF)				
32 WACY 46 WTPX 16 CW 16 WCWF 34 WYOW	Family Feud		Two Men	Dateline "Jagged"		Chicago P.D.		My News at 9 (N)	Tonight (N)	Two Men	Housewife	Housewife	Mom
	FBI "Pilot"			FBI "Green Birds"		FBI "Prey"		FBI "Crossfire"		FBI "Doomsday"		FBI "Family Man"	
		14 Big Bang 34 Divorce	14 Big Bang 34 Divorce	14 The Rising (N) 34 The Rising "Episode 6" With unfinished business, Neve sets out to make amends. (N)		14 Barons (N) 34 Nancy Drew "The Oracle of the Whispering Remains"		14 Last Man "Animal Wrongs" 33 Liquidator "Measuring Up"	14 Seinfeld 33 Chicago	14 The National Desk (N) (Live)	14 The National Desk (N) (Live) 34 black-ish "First and Last"	14 Last Man 34 black-ish	14 Sheldon 33 Family Guy

TUESDAY				EVENING										JULY 4										
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30											
ABC	8	News 9 (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Celebrity Wheel of Fortune "London Hughes, Fortune Feimster and Bobby Berk" London Hughes		Celebrity Jeopardy! "Semifinal #3: Patton Oswalt, Brendan Hunt and Michael Cera" Patton Oswalt, Brendan Hunt		Shark Tank A smoothie-making machine; an oral health product.		8	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!	(35) Nightline (N)												
2	9	Action 2 News at Six (N)								2														
WBAY	2									Action 2 News at 10 (N)														
CBS	6	Local 5 News at 6:00 (N)	6	Local 5 News at 6:30 (N)	FBI "Love Is Blind" The team investigates after an officer is killed.	FBI: International "Blood Feud" A Russian hit man seeks revenge on Forrester.		FBI: Most Wanted "The Miseducation of Metcalf 2" The team jumps into action to find missing coeds.		6	(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert	(35) The Late Late Show With James Corden												
5	7		7							7														
WFRV	5		7							7														
WSAW	7	NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	7	Inside Edition (N)						NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)														
FOX	65	Big Bang "The Explosion Implosion"	65	Big Bang 11 Wheel	Beat Shazam "Schoolhouse Rock!" Teams of teachers battle to take home the \$1 million prize.		Don't Forget the Lyrics! "Margaritas and Middle School!" A bartender and a school teacher compete for \$1 million.		65	NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)	65	Seinfeld "The Engagement"	65	Seinfeld "The Butter Shave"	65	Seinfeld "The Butter Shave"	65	Last Man 11 (35) Seinfeld	65	Last Man 11 (05) King	65	The Goldbergs "Love Triangle"	65	The Goldbergs "Love Triangle"
WZAW	65		11							11				11					11					
WLUK	11	Jeopardy! (N)								Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)				Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)										
NBC	26	NBC26 News at 6pm (N)	26	Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune "Great Escapes"	Macy's 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular (N) (Live)				Macy's 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular		26	NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	26	NewsChannel 12 at 10pm (N)	26	NewsChannel 12 at 10pm (N)	26	NewsChannel 12 at 10pm (N)	26	NewsChannel 12 at 10pm (N)	26	NewsChannel 12 at 10pm (N)	26	NewsChannel 12 at 10pm (N)
WGBA	26																							
WJFW	12	Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)																						
PBS	20	PBS NewsHour Amna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)			A Capitol Fourth 2023 Guests The Muppets (N) (Live)				A Capitol Fourth 2023 Guests The Muppets				Help! We Bought a Village The owners of a French village host the local council at their restaurant.				NOVA "Emperor's Ghost Army" Experiments and 3-D technology provide insight into how China's terracotta army was made.							
WHRM	20																							
WLEF	65																							
WPNE	68																							
WACY	62	Family Feud	Two Men	Dateline "Evil Was Watching"		Chicago "Looking Out for Stateville"		My News at 9 (N)		Tonight (N)		Two Men		Housewife		Housewife		Mom						
WTPX	46	Chicago P.D. "Emotional Proximity"		Chicago P.D. "Profiles"		Chicago Fire "Hiding Not Seeking"		Chicago Fire "What I Saw"				Chicago P.D. "Good Men"		Chicago Fire "Off the Grid"										
CW	14	Big Bang	14	Big Bang	World's Funniest Animals: Summer Fling Guests Mikalah Gordon, Brian Cooper		14 Animals		14 Animals		14 Last Man		14 Seinfeld		14 The National Desk (N) (Live)		14 The National Desk (N) (Live)		14 Last Man		14 Sheldon			
WCWF	14	Divorce	64	Divorce				64	Animals Gregg Sulkin	64	Animals Kaci Walfall, Mikalah Gordon	64	Liquidator	64	Chicago				64	black-ish	64	Family Guy "High School English"		
WYOW	64																							

WHAT'S HAPPENING

SATURDAY, JULY 1
SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. More than 45 local food and craft vendors.

LAKEWOOD: Ride for Veterans – ATVs, UTVs, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Paul Bunyan Ski Hill, 15360 Ski Hill Lane. Colors presented and ride begins 10 a.m., returning around 1 p.m. Food available 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., kids bounce house noon to 5 p.m., music by John Welch Band 1-5 p.m., Jeep mud run course 2-5 p.m., hill hunt for kids, raffles.

MOUNTAIN: Fire Department Independence Day Celebration, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., Bill Lazansky Community Center, 13412 State Highway 32. Bouncy house, slide, games, horseshoes, food, beverages, raffles, craft vendors and fireworks at dusk. Proceeds go to equipment and costs for Mountain Fire Department.

OCONTO: Summer Vendors Market, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 516 Brazeau Ave. Local creators and crafters, food available. First and third Saturdays in June through August, first and second Saturdays in September.

GRESHAM: Fourth of July Celebration, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Veterans Park. Parade at 11 a.m., Baseball, food vendors, raffles, free bike raffle, fireworks at dusk.

CRIVITZ: Crooked Lake Sportsman's Club Annual Picnic, noon to 5 p.m., 15526 County Road W. Music by Thunder Country, food, raffles, kids games and activities.

SHAWANO: The Naberhood Block Party, 1:30-3 p.m., The Naberhood, 214

S. Main St. Music by Central Standard.
SUNDAY, JULY 2
SHAWANO: Zurko Outdoor Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$2.

SHAWANO: Summer of Music, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Arlington Park, 300 N. Humphrey Circle. Music by KNX Party. Bring a lawn chair.

MONDAY, JULY 3
KESHENA: Elders Exercise Class, 10-11 a.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, W2908 Tribal Office Loop Road.

CLINTONVILLE: Festivities at W.A. Olsen Athletic Field, 6-10:30 p.m. Music, food, fireworks at dusk.

OCONTO: Elks Waterfest, 4-11 p.m., Breakwater Park, 1301 Harbor Road, Live music, kids activities, merchant and food vendors, fireworks 10 p.m.

GILLETT: Fourth of July Celebration, 4 p.m. to midnight, Zippel Park. Lawn chair concert with Back When 4 p.m., truck pull 7 p.m., music by Country Rewind 7 p.m., food and beverages.

SHAWANO: Fireworks at dusk, City-County Airport, N5468 Airport Road.

TUESDAY, JULY 4
GILLETT: Fourth of July Celebration, 9 a.m. to midnight, Zippel Park. Antique and classic car and truck show 9 a.m., horse pull 10 a.m., music by Bernie's Polka Band 11 a.m., parade 2 p.m., music by Jess Hav'n Phun 3 p.m., antique tractor pull 5 p.m., music by Rapid Transit 7 p.m., fireworks at dusk.

LEOPOLIS: Triathlon, registration 8-9:30 a.m., races 10 a.m. Jocks, under

16 and beer belly divisions. Cornhole tournament, 2:30 p.m., A.N. Brunner Field, 11930 Third St., registration 1:30 p.m.

BONDUEL: Independence Day Celebration, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Village Park, 300 E. Park St. Parade at 11 a.m., music by The Mix 1-5 p.m., bike raffle 3 p.m., music by Spark Spark Bang 5:30-7 p.m. Food vendors all day; Dairyland and Legion baseball games all afternoon, fireworks at dusk.

TOWNSEND: Independence Day Celebration, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Fire Station, 17937 Front St. Noon parade, crafters, food, beer, soda, raffles and music; fireworks at dusk at ball park, Grove and Wheeler streets.

TIGERTON: Fourth of July Block Party, 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., Community Park. Fireworks at dusk, music, food and games. Auxiliary brat fry 5 p.m., First National Bank, 140 Cedar St. Free ice cream, 5 p.m. at old village hall, 215 Cedar St.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5
KESHENA: Elders Exercise Class, 10-11 a.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, W2908 Tribal Office Loop Road.

SHAWANO: Shawano Ski Sharks Water-ski Team performance, 6 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive. Pre-show for junior skiers 5:30 p.m.

SHAWANO: Kids from Wisconsin, 7 p.m., Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B. \$15 reserved seating, \$12 general admission, 715-526-2175 or shawanotheater.ludus.com.

THURSDAY, JULY 6
KESHENA: Beading Vibes Only, 2-5

p.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, W2908 Tribal Office Loop Road.

SHAWANO: Thursdayz at Franklin, 6-8:30 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Music by The Third Wheels.

FRIDAY, JULY 7
KESHENA: Kehtekaewak Farmer's Market, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. College of Menominee Nation, N172 State Highway 47-55.

SATURDAY, JULY 8
SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. More than 45 local food and craft vendors.

SHAWANO: Shawanofest, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., 100 and 200 blocks of Main Street and Franklin Park. Live entertainment, food trucks, craft vendors, kids' games and car show.

SHAWANO: The Naberhood Block Party, 1:30-3 p.m., The Naberhood, 214 S. Main St. Music, snacks and refreshments.

SUNDAY, JULY 9
SHAWANO: Zurko Outdoor Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$2.

SHAWANO: St. James Lutheran Church 150th Anniversary Celebration, 1-5 p.m., Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B. Service with guest preacher Rev. Dean Nadasdy 1 p.m., followed by fellowship and refreshments.

SHAWANO: Summer of Music, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Arlington Park, 300 N. Humphrey Circle. Music by Lonesome Road Band. Bring a lawn chair.

FRIDAY				EVENING				JULY 7				
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CBS 6 WFRV 7 WSAW	6 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	6 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 7 Inside Edition (N)	Tough as Nails (N)		Fire Country "Watch Your Step" The crew fights a blaze at a wellness retreat.		Blue Bloods "The Big Leagues" Danny's childhood friend comes to him for help.		6 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert		(35) The Late Late Show With James Corden
FOX 65 WZAW 11 WLUK	65 Big Bang "The Geology Methodology" 11 Jeopardy! (N)	65 Big Bang 11 Wheel	WWE Friday Night SmackDown The Superstars of World Wrestling Entertainment do battle in elaborate, long-running rivalries. (N) (Live)				65 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	5 Seinfeld "The Wink"	65 Seinfeld "The Blood" 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	65 Last Man "Circle of Life" 11 (35) Seinfeld "The Wink"	65 Last Man "Bullying" 11 (05) King "Doughie Houser"	65 Goldbergs 11 (35) King
NBC 26 WGWA 12 WJFW	26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)	26 Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune "Great Escapes"	Hot Wheels: Ultimate Challenge "Cyber Slicker vs. Power Charged" Superfans transform vehicles into Hot Wheels™ showstoppers.			Dateline NBC (N)			26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		(35) Late Night With Seth Meyers
PBS 20 WHRM 38 WLEF 39 WPNE	PBS NewsHour Anna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)		Washington Week (N)	Here and Now (N)	Halifax: Retribution The task force learns Daniel's identity; Tom is seriously injured.		Bancroft Armed with information to solve the case, Elizabeth heads into the heart of the viper's nest.		POV "A Story of Bones" The discovery of an unmarked mass burial ground of an estimated 9,000 formerly enslaved Africans.		Songs at the Center "Part Two: Molly Tuttle, Lilly Hiatt, Aaron Lee Tasjan"	
62 WACY 46 WTPX	Family Feud Hawaii Five-0 "Aloha"	Two Men	Dateline "A Texas Twist"		Chicago P.D. "A Night Owl"		My News at 9 (N)	Tonight (N)	Two Men	Housewife	Housewife	Mom
			WNBA Basketball Phoenix Mercury at Minnesota Lynx (N) (Live)				Hawaii Five-0 "Pilot"		Hawaii Five-0 "Ohana"		Hawaii Five-0 "Malama Ka Aina"	
CW 14 WCWF 64 WYOW	14 Big Bang 64 Divorce	14 Big Bang 64 Divorce	Family Law "Revisionist History" Abby sets out to get justice for a debt-ridden widow. (N) (SP)		Moonshine "Standby Out of Newark" Lidia returns home for her aunt's funeral. (N) (P)		14 Last Man 64 Liquidator	14 Seinfeld "The Blood" 64 Chicago P.D. "A Night Owl"	14 The National Desk (N) (Live)	14 The National Desk (N) (Live) 64 black-ish "R-E-S-P-E-C-T"	14 Last Man "Bullying" 64 black-ish "White Breakfast"	14 Sheldon 64 Family Guy

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COLLEGE NOTES

Wisconsin Lutheran College

Students were named to Wisconsin Lutheran College's dean's list for the spring 2023 semester include the following:

- Pulaski: Connor Heezen, Trevor Stiede, Kara Troxel

To be eligible for the dean's list, a student must carry a semester grade-point average of 3.6 or higher.

University of Dubuque

The University of Dubuque announced that Riley Engebretsen, of Gillett, has been named to the spring semester 2023 academic dean's list.

Full-time students in good academic standing (registered for and having earned 12 or more letter grade credits for the term) who earn a term grade-point average of 3.5 or above and who do not have any grades of incomplete for the term are named to the dean's list.

UW-Madison

The University of Wisconsin-Madison has recognized students named to the dean's list for the spring semester of the 2022-2023 academic year.

Local students who made the dean's include the following:

- Birnamwood: Halle Pietz, dean's list; Cole Schairer, dean's list; Amara Schoepke, dean's list; Tyler Schroepfer, dean's list; Torrence Spencer, dean's list
- Bowler: Jalyann Horacek, dean's honor list
- Eland: Stetson Potrykus, honor roll
- Wittenberg: Jadalynn Davids, dean's list; Maya Thiex, dean's list
- Bonduel: Graci Zuleger, dean's list
- Bowler: Jalyann Horacek, dean's honor list
- Krakow: Alyssa Wittman, dean's list
- Shawano: Avery Dreier, dean's list; Corissa Hutmaker, dean's list; Karah Latender, dean's list; Leo Liu, dean's list; Jake Polzin, dean's list; Elise Pyatskowitz, dean's honor list; McKenzie Trinko, dean's list; Autumn Van Der Linden, dean's list; Kori Vickery, dean's list; Ananya Wilson, dean's list
- Abrams: Kaelyn Allen, dean's list; Keeshawn Katers, dean's honor list
- Lakewood: Kessler Cook, dean's list
- Lena: Emma Huberty, dean's honor list; Dylan Nelson, dean's list
- Little Suamico: Cole Bertrand, honor roll; Valerie Rehn, dean's

honor list; Nicholas Symons, dean's honor list

- Oconto: Philip McKeefry, dean's honor list; Gavin Mlnarik, dean's honor list; Maggie Sohrweide, dean's list; Ashley Vondrachek, dean's honor list

- Oconto Falls: Bethy Olson, dean's honor list; Autumn Payette, dean's list

- Sobieski: Makayla Erdmann, dean's list; Helen Treankler, dean's honor list

- Townsend: Jacob Christianson, dean's list

Students who achieve at a high level academically are recognized by the dean at the close of each semester. To be eligible for the dean's list, students must complete a minimum of 12 graded degree credits in that semester. Each university school or college sets its own grade-point average requirements for students to be eligible to receive the distinction.

University of Alabama

A total of 12,791 students enrolled during fall semester 2022 at The University of Alabama were named to the dean's list with an academic record of 3.5 (or above) or the president's list with an academic record of 4.0.

The 2022 fall lists include the following students:

- Lena: Hailey Peitersen, president's list
- Sobieski: Alana Bergin, dean's list
- Shawano: Hannah Seehafer, dean's list

UW-Oshkosh

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh officials have released the names of students who qualified for the dean's list and honor roll in spring 2023 across its three campuses.

Among the local students on the list are the following

- Birnamwood: Elizabeth Muscha, dean's list
- Bonduel: Riddik Bohm, honor roll; Cassandra Heling-Pleshek, dean's list; Harrison Mueller, dean's list
- Cecil: Mackenzie Moore, honor roll
- Shawano: Tatiana Kunschke, dean's list; Marshall Lautenbach, honor roll; Audrey Naeyaert, dean's list; Andrew Popp, honor roll; Kendra White, honor roll
- Wittenberg: Stephanie Kerstner, honor roll
- Lena: Adam Haines, honor roll;

Kaylee Sadowski, dean's list

- Oconto Falls: Brett Norling, honor roll

- Sobieski: Alexis Hesselink, dean's list; Jade Schroeder, dean's list

The term grade-point average (GPA) requirement for University honor roll is 3.3; the term GPA requirement for dean's list is 3.75 out of a possible 4.0.

To qualify, a student must have been enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits. There can be no individual grades below a "C" and no incomplete or non-reported grades at the time the process is run.

Abilene Christian University

Karsyn Delforge, of Birnamwood, and Emily Thornock, of Shawano, were named to the Abilene Christian University spring 2023 dean's honor roll. Delforge is a senior majoring in communication disorders, and Thornock is a senior majoring in environmental science.

Delforge and Thornock were among more than 1,200 students named to the honor roll. To qualify, students must be registered for 12 or more credit hours and earn a grade-point average of 3.6 or higher.

St. Mary's University of Minnesota

Emma Toellner, of Bonduel, completed requirements for a bachelor of arts degree at St. Mary's University of Minnesota in April 2023.

Wisconsin Lutheran College

Trevor Stiede, of Pulaski, graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in biology. Stiede is a graduate of Pulaski High School.

University of Minnesota Duluth

The University of Minnesota Duluth has announced its Dean's List for Spring Semester 2023.

Among the local students named to the list are the following:

- Leopolis: Levi Schick
- Shawano: Hannah Milavitz
- Sobieski: Lauren Dixon

Students on the dean's List have achieved a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher while earning a minimum of 12 letter-graded credits.

UW-River Falls

The spring semester dean's list at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls has been released and honors 1,461 students.

Among the local students named to the list of the following:

- Cecil: Kayla Fischer

- Gresham: Eli Magee
- Shawano: Mallory Busch, Taylor Dillenburger, Emma Etten, Gage Timm, Faith Ugoretz
- Gillett: Justin Engebretsen
- Sobieski: Caitlin James
- Suring: Kylee Stelzer

To be named to the dean's list, a full-time undergraduate must earn a grade-point average of at least 3.5 on a scale of 4.0, or midway between an "A" and "B" average.

University of Mississippi

Quinn Cain, of Oconto, was named to the University of Mississippi's spring 2023 honor roll lists.

Cain was named to the chancellor's honor roll, which is reserved for students who earn a semester grade-point average of 3.75-4.0.

"The remarkable students achieving chancellor's honor roll are among the best and brightest at the University of Mississippi," said Chancellor Glenn Boyce. "I commend them for their hard work and dedication resulting in their outstanding academic achievements and this well-deserved recognition."

University of Minnesota Crookston

The University of Minnesota Crookston has announced Kayla Hines, of Oconto Falls, was named to the spring 2023 dean's list which was recently released.

To qualify, students must complete 12 or more letter-graded credits while attaining a 3.66 grade-point average.

South Dakota State University

South Dakota State University has announced Caleb Gross, of Lena, and Aidan Frederick, of Wittenberg, have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2023 semester.

To earn dean's list distinctions in SDSU's colleges, students must have completed a minimum of 12 credits and must have earned at least a 3.5 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale.

Marquette University

This past spring, three area students graduated from Marquette University.

- Shawano: Kylie Guenther, Bachelor of Arts in psychology
- Lena: Sarah Sprout, Master of Arts in communication
- Sobieski: Taylor Williquette, Bachelor of Science in biomedical sciences

The students were among 3,143 students who graduated from Marquette in May.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Pulaski hires associate principal at PCMS

Brenda Shimon is the new associate principal at Pulaski Community Middle School.

She replaces Erin Adams, who served seven years in the role.

"We are thrilled to have her join our PCMS family, as she brings with her a wealth of knowledge and expertise in working with students, staff, families and curriculum," said PCMS principal Pat Fullerton. "Brenda's dedication and passion for education are truly commendable, and we are excited to witness the positive impact she will have on our school community."

She has worked for the Southern Door School District for 25 years, starting as a middle school science teacher and then transitioning to director of pupil services. Her last five years were spent as middle school principal and district curriculum director.

"Brenda's experiences with curriculum, instruction, assessment and student services will be a great addition to both at the middle school and district level," said Jenny Gracyalny, assistant superintendent of teaching and learning. "She has a passion to meet each and every student's needs and will carry on our work with Professional Learning Communities. We are eager to bring her on board in PCSD (Pulaski Community School District)."

Shimon is a 1992 graduate of Southern Door High School. She graduated from St. Norbert College with a bachelor's degree in science and education. Her master's program for licensure in principalship, curriculum and pupil services were all through Viterbo University.

"I was attracted to PCMS because of the focus on students and PCMS having inclusive connections with the community," Shimon said.

Tri-County United Way has announced that Oconto County has been chosen to receive \$8,687 from the U.S.

Oconto County receives emergency funds

Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency to supplement emergency food and shelter programs.



BRENDA SHIMON



Library gets \$1,000 boost

Wheeler Lake Association President Greg Jensen, left, and WLA representative Lori Repinski, right, present a \$1,000 check for Lakes Country Public Library to its director, Katie Essermann. The WLA contribution was made to assist in fundraising efforts for the library renovation and expansion project.

CONTRIBUTED

The selection was made by a national board that is chaired by the U. S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and consists of representatives from American Red Cross; Catholic Charities, USA; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA; The Jewish Federations of North America, The Salvation Army; and, United Way Worldwide.

A local board will determine how the funds awarded are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by local service agencies in the area. The local board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds made available under the phases of the program.

Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local agencies chosen to receive funds must be private voluntary nonprofits or units of government, be eligible to receive federal funds, have an accounting system, practice non-discrimination, have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, and have a voluntary board if they are a

private voluntary organization.

Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for funds should contact Larry Wall, Tri-County United Way board president for an application by emailing Board@tcunitedway.org and putting "Oconto EFSP Funding" in the subject line. Voice messages can be left at 715-735-7785. The deadline for applications is July 7.

Kids From Wisconsin coming to Shawano

The Kids From Wisconsin will be providing their own fireworks, of a sort, as the traveling youth performance group returns July 5 to Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B, Shawano.

The show begins at 7 p.m., but prior to that, there is a free performing arts workshop, Realize Your Dream, for children ages 7-14.

One of the performers, Nathan Edwards, is from Shawano. He is studying clarinet, saxophone, and flute at University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. He plays in the jazz ensemble, symphonic wind ensemble and other chamber groups. Edwards' favorite

styles to play include Dixieland, funk, Broadway, and contemporary classical. Previously, Edwards has played in the St. Norbert's Youth Orchestra and the University of Louisville's Honors Jazz Band.

Off stage, Edwards enjoys cooking fun meals and helping students with music at SCHS.

Tickets are \$15 for reserved seating and \$12 general admission, and they can be purchased at 715-526-2175 or shawanotheater.ludus.com.

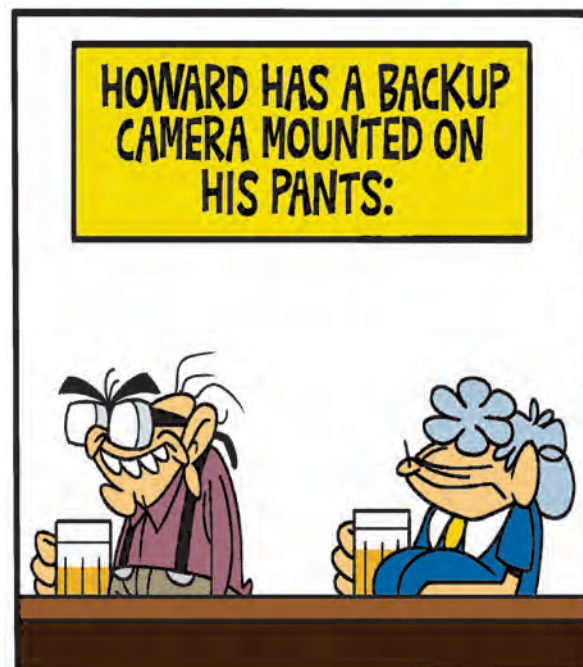
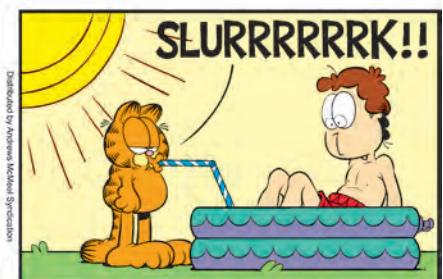
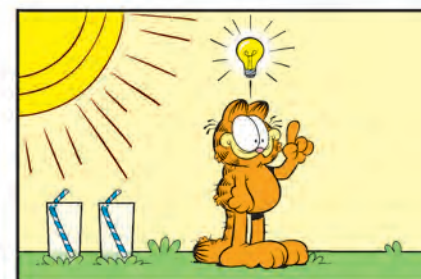
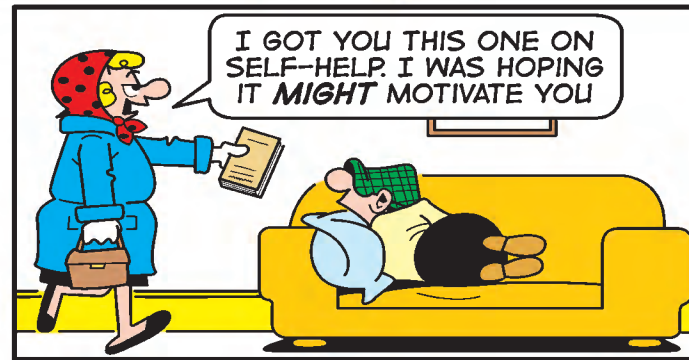
Genealogical society updating school info

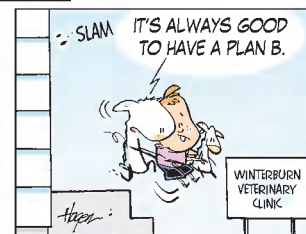
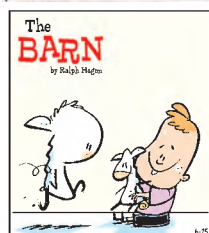
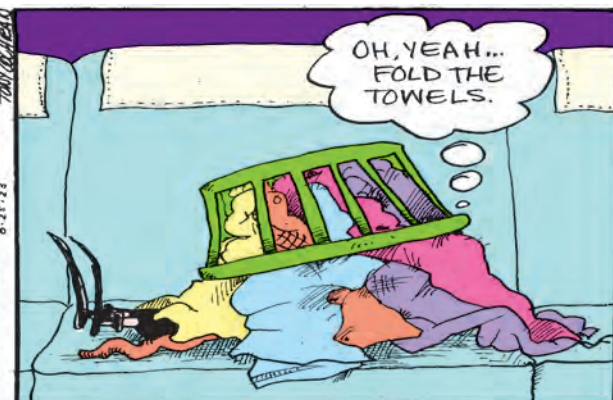
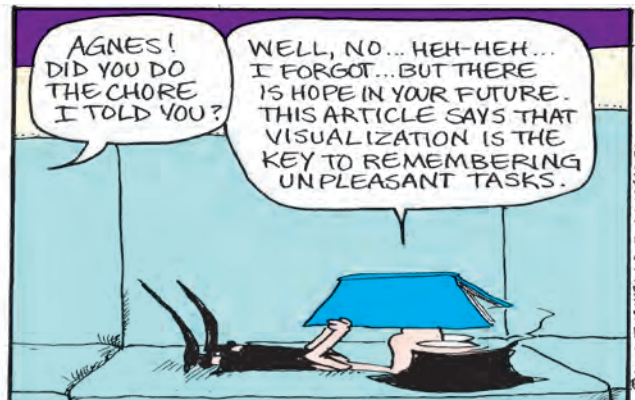
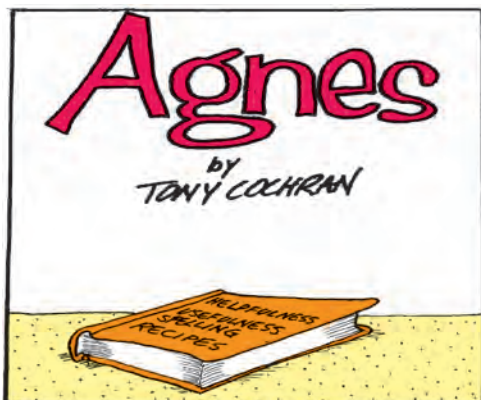
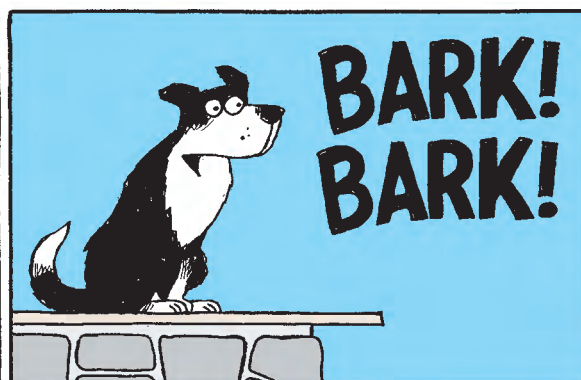
The Oconto County Genealogical Society will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. July 13 at the Suring Municipal Building, 604 E. Main St., Suring.

The group will organize and update school records of local schoolhouses of Oconto County. The society is also searching for stories on local teachers and schools and hopes that the public may have yearbooks, photos, articles, scrapbooks, or historical items of schools.

For information, email wiocgs@gmail.com.

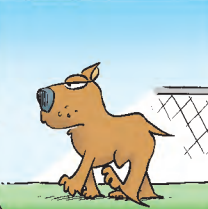
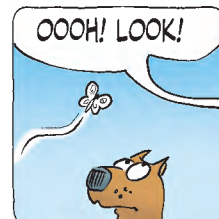
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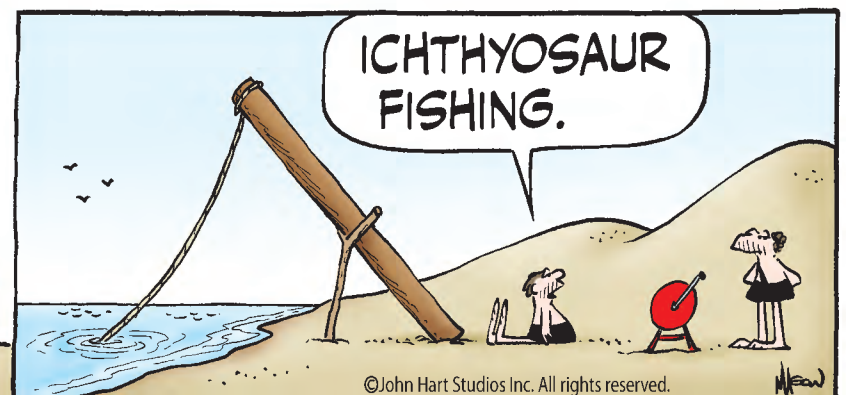
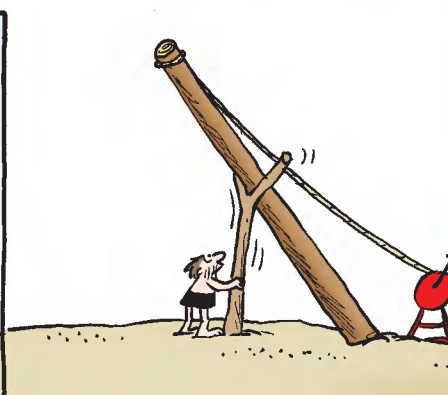
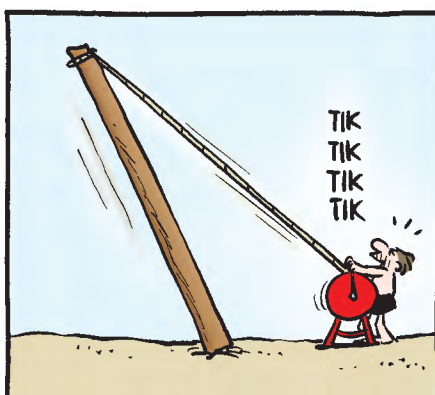
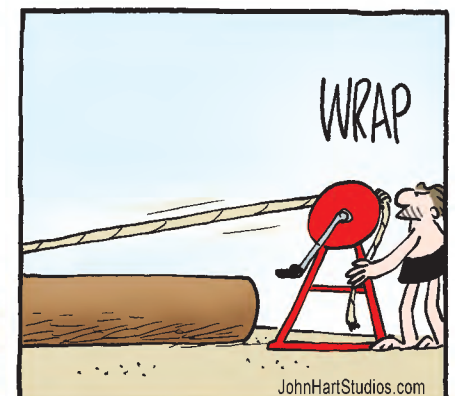
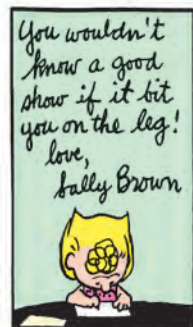


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Another memorable year in the books

There were high hopes for area sports teams coming into the 2022-23 school year because of some talented individual athletes and strong teams, and they didn't disappoint — with some memorable accomplishments occurring in each season.



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The fall season began with cross-country teams leading the charge, coming in with a history of state-qualifying teams and individual runners. By the end of the season, plenty of cross-country

teams and individuals made it to state, but there were also state-qualifying teams in boys soccer and girls volleyball. Some girl swimmers also made it to state.

Wittenberg-Birnhamwood's volleyball team qualified for state for the first time in school history, winning several thrilling postseason matches to get there. Pulaski's boys soccer team reached state for the second time ever.

Pulaski's Taya Schmidt reached state as a diver, coming in fifth in the Division 1 competition. Annika Resch, Faith Resch and Reese Dickman made D2 state swim as individuals, and teamed up with Olivia Bessette on a 200-yard freestyle relay at state.

Shawano and Bonduel's girls cross-country teams qualified for state, with Shawano taking sixth in Division 2 and Bonduel coming in seventh in Division 3. The Gillett and Shawano boys also made state, placing eighth in Division 3 and 13th in Division 2, respectively.

Individual cross-country runners from Oconto Falls, Bonduel, Pulaski, Witt-Birn and Gillett also made it to state.

The winter sports season was powered by wrestling teams and individual athletes, as it usually is in the area, but there was another state-qualifying team in girls hockey.

The De Pere co-op, better known as the Bay Area Ice Bears girls hockey team, not only made state but ended up winning it all. The co-op includes Pulaski, and three Red Raiders on the rosters played a role in claiming the title.

Twenty-eight individual wrestlers from the area qualified for state this winter.

For the first time, girls joined boy



The Pulaski boys soccer team celebrates a goal during its Division 2 state semifinal match against Whitefish Bay on Nov. 3 at KOHLER Engines Stadium at Uihlein Soccer Park in Milwaukee.

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wrestlers at the state tournament in Madison — two of whom led the area by climbing to the top of the podium. Bonduel's Maddy Sokolski and Oconto Falls' Taylor Whiting came away with state titles.

A total of 12 of those state wrestlers placed in the top six while in Madison.

Like cross-country in the fall and wrestling in the winter, track and field always figures to produce a good number of area state qualifiers. That was the case again this year, but there were also state qualifiers in boys golf and boys tennis.

The Lena boys golf team made its first ever state appearance, taking fifth place in the Division 3 competition. Shawano No. 1 doubles team of Tristan Sheldon and George Buerman made it to the state boys tennis cham-

pionships, earning a win while there.

Eight area track and field teams were represented at the state track and field meet in La Crosse.

Gresham/Bowler's Emmitt Kietlinski led the area with a first- and second-place finish. Witt-Birn's Reese Rogowski was a top-10 finisher in four events, while Gillett's Alex Peterson was a part of three top-five finishes. Suring's Christine Sleeter placed inside the top five twice. Witt-Birn's Faith Resch turned in a third-place finish.

The list of area athletes and teams to reach state was enough to provide this entire story. To include all the conference, regional and sectional titles would require a few more pages and a couple thousand more words, which again speaks to just how memorable a year it was for

area high school teams.

All the state appearances are a promising thing to think about, especially considering many of the state-qualifying teams and athletes return this coming school year, meaning more big seasons could be on the way.

But there are a decent amount of athletes who have graduated and have competed for the last time at the high school level. Some will keep competing at the next level and in amateur action, while others have played their sports for the final times.

Regardless of what your next step is, I wish you all the best of luck in your future endeavors. It's been a pleasure getting to cover and watch you all these past few years.

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Kietlinski named top boys athlete

Bowler senior excelled in football, basketball, track and field

By MORGAN RODE
Sports Editor

Bowler High School three-sport athlete Emmitt Kietlinski has been named the NEW Media Inc. Boys Athlete of the Year after a memorable senior season.

Kietlinski began the school competing on the Bowler/Gresham 8-player football team before starring for the Bowler basketball team. He then was one of the top boys athletes in the state, and eventually the country, as a track and field athlete this spring.

"Every summer I spent time training for all three sports," said Kietlinski. "Much of that training was done on my own — throwing footballs at targets in the yard, working on my shot in the driveway or doing jumping drills wherever possible. I also weight trained at home quite a bit and biked as often as possible."

While the football team struggled to earn wins, it wasn't because of Kietlinski, who was one of the better dual-threat quarterbacks at the 8-player level this fall.

He made the Central Wisconsin Conference second team as a quarterback and was on the honorable mention list for his play as a defensive back.

Kietlinski completed nearly 64% of his passes while throwing for 1,379 yards across eight games. He tossed 10 touchdowns to just four interceptions.

He also led the team in rushing, going for 496 yards and three more scores. On defense, he picked off three passes.

"Football has always been my favorite sport," said Kietlinski. "The thing people don't understand about our football team is that we've always had good football players at Bowler, we just don't have enough of them. So any success I had in football was the result of working with the other good players around me."

Kietlinski was the Co-Player of the Year in the CWC-North during the basketball season, despite Bowler taking fourth in the conference.

The senior led the Panthers in points per game (15.1), shooting 55% from the floor. All of his points came inside the 3-point line.

Kietlinski also led the team in rebounds per game (8.9). Of his 223 total boards, 69 came on the offensive glass.

He filled out his well-rounded sea-



Gresham/Bowler's Emmitt Kietlinski competes in the Division 3 boys high jump competition during the state track and field championships on June 2 in La Crosse.

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son by averaging 2.1 assists, 1.2 steals and 0.6 blocks a game.

"My basketball skill set has always

been built around a soft shooting touch," said Kietlinski. "Developing that took time, but that 10-foot turn-

around shot got better each year due to all the time spent working on it."

After strong football and basketball



Bowler's Emmitt Kietlinski takes a free throw during the team's conference basketball game against Northland Lutheran on Feb. 9 in Bowler.

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seasons, Kietlinski geared up for his track and field season with lofty goals. He also said he gained confidence after each season and was in great shape after lifting weights was a part of the football and basketball practice schedules. The end result was a elite showing during the track and field season.

Kietlinski racked up numerous top finishes during the regular season before taking first in the high jump, long jump and triple jump at the CWC-Small Meet.

He competed in just triple jump and high jump during the postseason, winning regional titles in both events before a sectional high jump title. Kietlinski placed second in the triple jump at sectionals to reach state in both events.

On the first day of state, Kietlinski won the high jump competition after clearing 6 feet, 6 inches. The following day, he placed second in the triple jump after a top leap of 44-9¼.

After graduating, Kietlinski made a trip to the University of Oregon to compete in the Nike Outdoor Nationals. There, he placed second in the high jump after clearing 6-9 and took 23rd in the triple jump with a top mark of 42-2¼.

"A lot of time working on my technique really helped me in track and field," said Kietlinski. "Working

my core more and building on new stretching exercises also played an important part in my success.

"When I first started high jumping as a sophomore, people laughed at my horrible form going over the bar. This year at the Nike Nationals, several other competitors were asking me what drills I do to get such good form. What a difference after two years of training."

At this point, Kietlinski is not committed to a college program, but he hopes to compete in college track and field meets as an unattached athlete at the very least in the coming years. He said he'd scratch his competitive itch by competing in things like disc golf and bowling, and he also hopes to help coach both football and track and field.

He had several people to thank for helping him become the elite athlete he is today.

"I have had many excellent coaches throughout my sports journey," said Kietlinski. "I have also seen tremendous support from my family, girlfriend, community and school. Lastly, without my dad teaching strong sports fundamentals I would not have been the athlete I am today."

Honorable mentions

There were several other boys multi-sport standouts across the area this school year.



Bowler/Gresham's Emmitt Kietlinski runs with the ball during a conference football game against Marion/Tigerton on Sept. 16 in Bowler.

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Wittenberg-Birnamwood's David Gauderman excelled on the football field and wrestling mat, while also playing baseball this spring. He made the CWC-Large first team on both sides of the football, along with being tabbed the Co-Offensive Player of the Year, and then placed second in his weight class at the state wrestling meet.

Mason Meverden was another Witt-Birn athlete who played three sports at a high level. Meverden ran cross-country in the fall before making the all-conference second team as a basketball player. He made the all-conference first team as a baseball player.

Sticking in the CWC-East, Noah Weier served as a leader for Bonduel this school year. He earned all-conference honors at two football positions, landed on the CWC-East second team for basketball and was on the first team this baseball season. He also did some golfing for Bonduel's conference-winning team.

Bonduel's Ryan Westrich also played four sports this school year. The year began with an all-conference nod in football, continued with another recognition in basketball and then ended with some golf and a state track and field appearance in the shot put.

Menominee Indian's Isaiah Moss was the cross-country team's top run-

ner at the CWC Meet. He then was a unanimous pick to the CWC-East basketball first team and honorable mention selection in baseball.

Oconto Falls' Cole Bozile turned in strong football, wrestling and baseball seasons this year. He made the Northwoods Conference first team on defense during the fall, placed fourth at the state wrestling tournament and then landed on the North Eastern Conference second team this spring.

Gillett's Jesse DeBauch began his year by being named the first team quarterback in the Peninsula Conference. He then made the Marinette & Oconto Conference second team during the basketball season before helping the Gillett/Suring baseball team this spring.

Shawano's Michael Metcalf-Grassman earned double all-conference honors in the Bay Conference during the football season before being tabbed the Co-Player of the Year in the Bay for basketball. He capped a strong year with a second team honor in baseball.

Gillett's Alex Peterson was one of the top distance runners in the area and state. He placed eighth at the state cross-country meet in the fall and then was part of three top-five finishes at the state track meet this spring.

Rogowski repeats as top girls athlete

She earned state honors in 3 different sports

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School's Reese Rogowski was named the NEW Media Inc. Girls Athlete of the Year for a second straight year after standout showings in her three sports.

The senior athlete helped the Chargers' volleyball team qualify for state during the fall before a big basketball season in the winter. Rogowski wrapped up her high school athletic career with a strong track and field season, capping it by competing at the state meet.

"Working hard during the offseason and setting small goals for myself were definitely the main reasons I found success in volleyball, basketball and track and field this past school year," said Rogowski.

Rogowski helped Witt-Birn's volleyball team claim its fourth straight Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division title. The senior was named to the all-conference first team for her strong play.

Rogowski and her team eventually got to the state tournament in Green Bay, with the senior making the Wisconsin Volleyball Coaches Association Division 3 All-Tournament Team for her efforts in the team's state semifinal match against Howards Grove.

"A state appearance in the fall season gave me a lot of motivation to accomplish the same things for basketball and track and field," said Rogowski.

For the season, Rogowski tallied 367 attack kills and a kill percentage of 38.3. She served 36 aces and had 201 service points, while posting 30 total blocks and 40 assists.

Rogowski, who made the WVCA D3 honorable mention all-state team, led the Chargers with 325 digs.

"For volleyball, it was all about putting trust in my coaches and my teammates to hope for the best and the most out of that season," said Rogowski on how she put together a big season.

After doing most of the heavy lifting during the basketball season during her high school career, Rogowski got some consistent help this winter. The result was a 21-4 overall record and second-place finish in the CWC-East as a team.

Rogowski was tabbed the conference's top player and helped guide the team to a regional title game.

For the season, Rogowski averaged 19.1 points while shooting about 42% from the floor. She made nearly 36% of her 3-point attempts.

She wasn't just a scorer though, also leading the team with 4.6 assists, 4 steals and 1.9 blocks per game. She pulled down 4.5 rebounds a game.

After the season ended, she was named to the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Division 4 honorable mention team.

"For basketball, it was due to giving 100% effort, whether that was in practice or games or the offseason," said Rogowski on her strong season.

Rogowski's track and field season was full of top finishes, usually first-place ones, with a few seconds



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Reese Rogowski starts the Division 2 400-meter dash finals at the WIAA state track and field championships on June 3 in La Crosse.

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sprinkled in.

She took first place in the 100-, 200- and 400-meter dashes at the CWC-Large Meet, winning each

event convincingly.

Rogowski continued her success as the postseason began, placing first in those four events at the



Witt-Birn's Reese Rogowski takes a shot during a conference basketball game against Shiocton on Dec. 2 in Wittenberg.

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Clintonville Regional. She won sectional titles in the 100, 200 and 400 and placed third in the long jump at the Little Chute Sectional, which qualified her for state in all four events.

At state, she had a goal of placing in the top 10 in her four events. To do that, she needed to first qualify for the finals, which she did in each event.

Rogowski placed second in the long jump after a top leap of 18 feet, 2 inches. She claimed third in the 400 (56.45 seconds) and was sixth in the 200 (24.94). The senior finished 10th in the 100 (12.65).

"Lastly for track, it was about staying active outside of the season and trusting my coaches during the season," said Rogowski on why she was able to excel.

While Rogowski's high school careers have now come to a close, she will continue competing at the collegiate level, as she is set to join the North Dakota State University track and field team.

She had several people to thank for helping her become the high school athlete she was and the success she found.

"My parents are the biggest factors that helped me achieve all the things I did in my years in athletics," said Rogowski. "They are my biggest supporters, and support me no matter the condition and I



Witt-Birn's Reese Rogowski bumps under the ball during a Division 3 sectional final volleyball match against Edgar on Oct. 29 in Auburndale.

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know I wouldn't be the athlete I am today without them.

"Also, my coaches and teammates of course, because both pushed me to get better each and every day and to strive for bigger goals for myself and for the team."

Along with earning her second straight Girls Athlete of the Year honor, she earned two top athlete honors in track and field and another in basketball. She was an honorable mention in every other season.

Honorable mentions

There were several other girls in the area who excelled in athletics this school year.

Carleigh Kaczmarek was a three-sport standout for Gillett. She made it to state during the cross-country season before being named the basketball Player of the Year in the Marinette and Oconto Conference in the winter. She was the conference champion in the 1,600 and 3,200 during the spring track season.

Christine Sleeter was a leader for Suring's volleyball, basketball and track and field teams. She made the M&O first team in volleyball and second team in basketball. In the spring track and field season, she

tied for fourth in the pole vault and high jump at the state meet.

Witt-Birn's Rory Salvesen made a name for herself in her freshman season. She made it to state in cross-country, landed on the second team in the CWC-East during the basketball season and then made the first team as a softball player in the spring.

Faith Resch, another Witt-Birn athlete, also excelled this school year. She opened the year by making it to girls swim state as an individual and on a relay team. After helping out the basketball team in the winter, she got to the state track and field meet and finished third in the 300 hurdles.

Bonduel's Hailee Thompson was a first-team selection in the CWC-East in volleyball and softball, also being named a Co-Player of the Year in softball. In between, she made the honorable mention list in her basketball season.

Lena's Eva Brooks helped the volleyball team to a strong fall before making the M&O first team during the basketball season. She capped the year with an 11th-place finish in the high jump at the state track and field meet.

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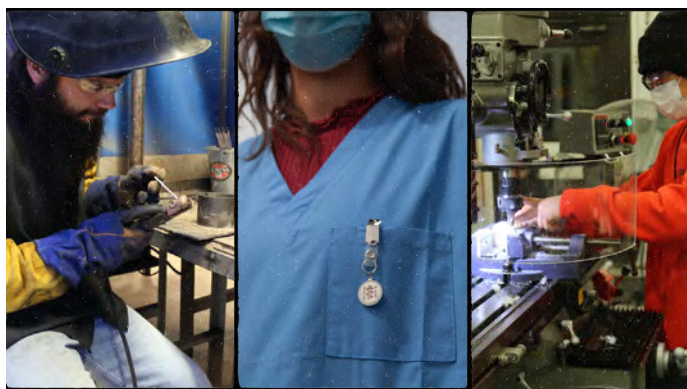
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Bonduel quarterback Noah Weier, center, drops back to pass as his linemen block during a conference win over Peshtigo on Oct. 7 in Bonduel. The football team's only losses in the fall season came to ranked teams.

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Bonduel named top school after several strong showings across 2022-23 seasons

Bears won several conference and postseason titles, had multiple state qualifiers

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Area high school sports teams had another successful showing during the 2022-23 school year, with several memorable moments and accomplishments along the way.

Bonduel turned in several great seasons across several sports, helping the Bears earn the NEW Media Inc. School of the Year honor.

The school's success began back in the fall season.

The girls cross-country team convincingly won a Central Wisconsin Conference title. The Bears then qualified for state as a team after winning a sectional title.

A team of Ashlyn Kurey, Mariah Wondra, Teagan Engel, Kendra Troxel, Joselyn Bohm, Hailey Berg and Cierra Schnell placed seventh at the state meet.

Ben O'Brien was the top boys cross-country runner from Bonduel, also making it to state.

Bonduel's girls golf team placed third at its regional meet to qualify for sectionals. Sarah Garside led the



Bonduel's Cierra Schnell, left, and Joselyn Bohm run side by side during the Eagle Invitational on Sept. 20 in Middle Village. The Bonduel girls cross-country team went on to win conference and sectional titles on their way to a state appearance.

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Bears throughout the season and made the all-conference second team in the Bay Conference.

"We are in a nice run with some pretty good athletes coming through right now," said Bonduel girls golf and

boys basketball coach Duke Copp, of Bonduel's overall athletic success. "What also contributes to their success is they are really good kids who like to play and also have a fun time doing it. Credit to the kids."

Bonduel's football team placed third in the Packerland Conference with a 5-2 record. All four of the team's overall losses came to teams that were listed in the final state rankings.

The Bears outscored their final four regular season opponents 137-6 and then earned a road playoff win over Crivitz. The team earned all-conference recognition at 15 spots.

Bonduel's volleyball team went 22-8 during the fall season. The Bears advanced to a regional title match before being ousted in five sets by eventual state-qualifiers Wittenberg-Birnamwood.

Four Bears earned all-conference recognition for their play on the volleyball court.

Bonduel's basketball and wrestling teams enjoyed productive winter seasons.

The girls basketball team won a CWC-East title with a 13-1 mark and ended the season with a 22-5 overall record.

Bonduel won a regional title before falling by two points in a sectional semifinal to eventual state-qualifying Mishicot. None of the team's four all-conference players were seniors.

"We have had a great group of athletes come through Bonduel that are willing to work hard year-round on all the sports," said Bonduel girls basketball coach Jerry Reinke, on the school's overall athletic success. "They find time to get in the weight room and also hone their skills, even when that particular sport is not in season.

"We have been blessed with unselfish kids who put their teammates' successes ahead of their own. Our parents and the community have been supportive of the sports programs, and our youth coaches do a great job of getting the athletes ready for high school competition. I also think the fact we have several coaches that have led our programs for many years has been very beneficial to our continued success — not only during competition, but also in the classroom."

Bonduel's boys basketball team earned 19 wins this past winter, finishing tied for second in the CWC-East after a four-game winning streak to end the regular season.

The Bears won a regional playoff game and had two all-conference players, with neither being seniors. In fact, by the time the season ended, its entire varsity roster was without a senior player.

Bonduel's wrestling team came in third at the CWC Tournament, with Jaxon and Tyson Bogacz taking first in their weight classes. Those two, plus Colin Fischer, Kaitlyn Kroening, Hailey Berg and Maddy Sokolski, made it to the state tournament in Madison.

Sokolski stole the show at state with a dominant showing on her way to a state title. Tyson Bogacz and Hailey Berg each placed fourth, while Kroening came in sixth.

Bonduel enjoyed more success in the spring season.

The boys golf team dominated in CWC action, comfortably winning the conference title. Reed Luepke, Jake Dreyer, Colin Margelofsky and Jaxon Bogacz all finished inside the top 10 in the conference as individual golfers.

Bonduel went on to place second at regionals to qualify for sectionals as a team. The Bears missed out on a spot at state by two shots.

Bonduel's softball team won a share of the CWC-East title with an 11-3 record. The Bears went 18-6 over-



The Bonduel softball team celebrates a regional title game win over Manawa on May 25 in Bonduel. The Bears also won a share of the CWC-East title this spring.

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The Bonduel girls basketball team poses for a photo after clinching the CWC-East title outright after a win over Iola-Scandinavia on Feb. 16 in Bonduel. The Bears won a regional title later in the season.

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all and won a regional title before falling in a sectional semifinal to eventual state champion Iola-Scandinavia.

Five Bears made an all-conference list, led by Hailee Thompson being named the Co-Player of the Year in the conference.

Bonduel's baseball team finished fourth in the CWC-East standings with a 9-5 mark. The Bears won 14 games overall, including a playoff contest.

None of the team's five all-conference players were seniors.

Bonduel's track and field teams each enjoyed success this spring, with three individuals and a relay team ending the season competing at state.

Ryan Westrich led the boys team at the CWC-Large Meet with a pair of top-three finishes. He placed eighth at state in the shot put. Senior Karter Schroeder took ninth in the high jump at state.

The girls team was powered by its 4x800 relay team, which won a conference title. The quartet of Troxel, Schnell, Kurey and Wondra capped the year competing at state. Wondra, who was second in the conference in the 3,200, also made it to state in that event.

"We are fortunate to have good kids, many of which are multiple sport athletes," said Bonduel football

coach James Westrich, of the school's year of success. "They work hard are very coachable, and respect their teammates and coaches.

"Many of our student-athletes put in extra time improving their skills and strength. We also have organized and dedicated coaching staffs, along with great community and administrative support."

Four Bonduel teams — girls cross-country, football, girls basketball and softball — were named Teams of the Year in All-Region Review season recaps during the 2022-23 school year.

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