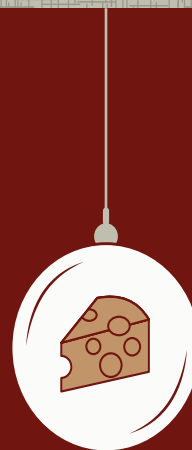
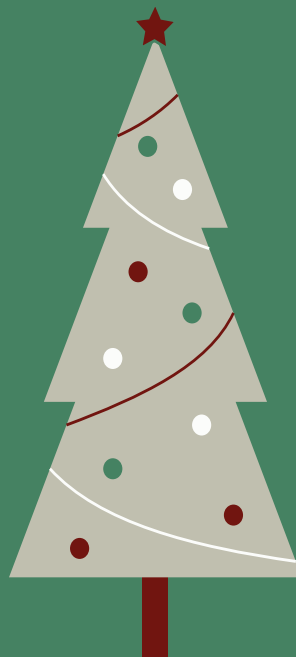
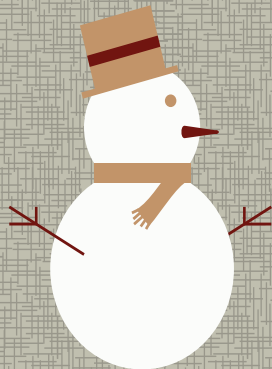




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Candidates file for Shawano mayoral seat

Filing is open for potential mayoral candidates to announce their intent to run.

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Merry Christmas from a Shawano resident in 1924

A letter written in 1924 brings back memories of Christmases past.

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2 take out papers to run for Shawano mayor

School board member, former mayor could vie to replace Whealon

By **LEE PULASKI**

City Editor

Two people have taken out paperwork to run in the special Shawano mayoral election, according to City Clerk Lesley Nemetz, and there are currently no contested races for the three Shawano Common Council seats up for regular reelection.

Running for the seat vacated by Ed Whealon at the end of November are Jeanne Cronic, who has previously served as mayor from 2014 to 2018, and Bruce Milavitz, who currently serves on the Shawano School Board as its at-large member. Whoever is elected will serve for one year until the regular mayoral election comes around in April 2022.

Cronic said that a lot of the projects that started during her first stint as mayor are coming to fruition in the next year or two, and she'd like to see those projects come to their conclusion on her watch.

"I have the experience, and I have the desire to continue to help our community. I love my community and its citizens," Cronic said. "I've had citizens stop at my door and ask me to run, so I've had a lot of encouragement from community members to run again."

Cronic feels that Shawano is in a good place, and she believes she can



JEANNE CRONCE



BRUCE MILAVITZ

continue to keep it on the right track.

"I want to see it continue to grow," Cronic said. "I know that we have awesome department heads that are working very hard for our citizens, and I would like to continue to serve our community."

Milavitz did not return calls from NEW Media seeking comment as of press time.

Whealon

stepped down as mayor due to his place of residence changing from Shawano to the Town of Wescott. He had originally planned to resign at the end of December, but when that conflicted with calling a special election, at the behest of the Shawano Common Council, Whealon agreed to resign at the end of November. Council President Rhonda Strebel is serving as interim mayor.

The official window for mayoral candidates to take out paperwork began Dec. 1, and they have until 5 p.m. Jan. 5, to turn in nomination

papers, which must include 50-100 signatures, a campaign registration statement and a declaration of candidacy. More candidates could join the race if they complete the necessary requirements, and if that is the case, a primary election could take place Feb. 16.

The council seats up for grabs are in aldermanic districts one, three and five, which are currently held by Cronic, Seth Mailahn and Sandy Steinke, respectively. Cronic has not filed a statement of non-candidacy for her council seat but said she plans to do so. Appointed to the seat after Jeff Easter resigned and left the community earlier this year, Cronic said she would like to serve on the council but cannot do so when she's running for mayor.

Also, Mailahn has informed Nemetz that he will be filing his statement of non-candidacy, leaving his seat up for grabs.

Steinke has taken out her paperwork to run for reelection but has not yet returned it, according to Nemetz. Currently, no one else has taken out paperwork to run for the first or third districts, she said.

For information about the election or filing for candidacy, contact Nemetz at 715-526-6138.

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USDA increasing CRP incentive payments in 2021

The U.S. Department of Agriculture is increasing incentive payments for practices installed on land enrolled in the Continuous Conservation Reserve Program, or CRP.

USDA's Farm Service Agency is upping the practice incentive payment for installing practices, from 5% to 20%. Additionally, producers will receive a 10% incentive payment for water quality practices on land enrolled in CRP's continuous signup. FSA administers CRP on behalf of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

"The Conservation Reserve Program provides agricultural producers and landowners with a tool to con-

serve natural resources on their land that is less suitable for farming," said FSA Administrator Richard Fordyce. "We offer a number of CRP initiatives — including continuous CRP, which greatly benefits natural resources like water. Increasing the incentive payment gives farmers even more reason to participate in continuous CRP, one of our nation's largest conservation endeavors."

Under continuous CRP, producers can enroll environmentally sensitive land devoted to certain conservation practices with signup available at any time. FSA automatically accepts offers provided the land and producer meet

certain eligibility requirements and the enrollment levels do not exceed the number of acres FSA is allowed to enroll in CRP, which was set by the 2018 Farm Bill.

Signed into law in 1985, CRP is one of the largest private-lands conservation programs in the United States. It was originally intended primarily to control soil erosion and potentially stabilize commodity prices by taking marginal lands out of production. The program has evolved over the years, providing many conservation and economic benefits.

For information, visit fsa.usda.gov or contact your local FSA county office.

Interim health director gets position permanently

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Shawano County has a permanent director for its health department after next week as the county board voted unanimously Dec. 16 to name Theresa Harmala for the position.

Harmala has been the interim director for the office, which covers both Shawano and Menominee counties, since Vicki Dantoin stepped down in October.

In describing how the office is doing in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic, there is “forward motion,” Harmala said, during a Dec. 9 meeting of the executive committee. “We’re really excited that we have an agency with eight nurses now handling the contact tracing, which is really good case management for our community members.”

Harmala told the committee, which voted unanimously to recommended she take over the department, that she has a lot of ideas about improving public health, but she did not go into specifics.

“We want people to know who we are and what we do,” Harmala said. “I



Theresa Harmala talks about her philosophy about public health during the Shawano County Board of Supervisors meeting Dec. 16 at the Shawano County Courthouse.

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welcome any suggestions or input or anything like that.”

Harmala brings almost 40 years of nursing experience to the job and said she has filled a variety of roles in that time.

“I’ve worked in a lot of different areas during my tenure in terms of long-term care and hospitals and clinics,” Harmala said. “I’m just really looking forward to working in the community.”

Transparency is going to be the

name of the game for the health department, according to Harmala. She told the county board she hopes to work with county officials and the community to make public health an even stronger force than before.

“If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to call,” Harmala said. “I’m all about transparency, and we need to do this together. We’re dealing with COVID, and that’s one thing, but there’s always going to be something we need to face and collaborate and work together to make this community stronger.”

Supervisor Marvin Klosterman noted that the two counties were fortunate to have a health officer with experience, since a lot of counties in Wisconsin were having difficulty finding replacements when their directors left.

“Throughout the state, there are many public health nurses that had retired or quit, and it was hard to find new public health officers,” Klosterman said. “Here we have a good qualified person to help Shawano County.”

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PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Dec. 20

Deputies responded to 34 calls, including two reckless driving complaints on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Aniwa; an intoxication complaint on Main Street in Gresham; taking a 26-year-old man into custody on a warrant at the county line with Marathon County; four accidents, three involving deer.

Dec. 19

Deputies responded to 46 calls, including reckless driving complaints on County Road C in the Town of Green Valley, County Road C in the Town of Angelica and state Highway 117 in the Town of Hartland; a trespassing complaint on Hiawatha Court in the Town of Wescott; an ATV problem on School House Road in the Town of Morris; a child abuse complaint on Poplar Road in the Town of Richmond; a property damage complaint at Hanke's, 110 S. Mission St. in Wittenberg; seven accidents, one involving deer.

Dec. 18

Deputies responded to 49 calls, including reckless driving complaints on state Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg, state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine and at Doc's Harley-Davidson, W2709 State Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland; drug complaints at an undisclosed location in the Town of Wittenberg and on state Highway 160 in the Town of Maple Grove; a property theft

complaint on Oriole Road in the Town of Birnamwood; seven accidents, three involving deer.

Dec. 17

Deputies responded to 34 calls, including drug complaints at Park Avenue in the Town of Wescott, Main and Center streets in Shawano, Green Bay and Washington streets in Shawano and at the Ho-Chunk Casino, N7198 U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Wittenberg; a harassment complaint on state Highway 22 in the Town of Washington; an automobile theft on Knoke Street in Gresham; a death investigation on Main Street in the Town of Angelica; a threatening complaint on Valley Road in the Town of Waukechon; a noise complaint on Maple Street in Birnamwood; five accidents, two involving deer.

Dec. 16

Deputies responded to 37 calls, including a trespassing complaint on Spruce Street in Eland; a drug complaint on U.S. Highway 45 in Tigerton; reckless driving complaints on state Highway 22 in the Town of Washington and Green Bay Street in Bonduel; a fraud complaint on state Highway 156 in the Town of Maple Grove; an elderly abuse complaint on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; a fight in progress at the county work release center, 1240 Engel Drive in Shawano; five accidents, three involving deer.

Dec. 15

Deputies responded to 28 calls, including reckless driving complaints at County Road VV in the Town of Red

Springs and state Highway 47 in the Town of Hartland; a harassment complaint on Pine Street in Tigerton; a drug complaint on state Highway 47 in the Town of Lessor; a repossession on North Avenue in Mattoon; one accident involving a deer.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Dec. 20

Officers responded to 20 calls, including arresting a 39-year-old man on an OWI call at Lincoln and Randall streets; a fraud complaint in the 100 block of South Andrews Street; arresting a 53-year-old woman and a 32-year-old man on warrants at Maurer and Andrews streets; a report of Amazon-delivered packages being stolen from a front porch in the 900 block of South Franklin Street; a found wallet delivered to the police station, 125 S. Andrews St.; a purse stolen at Family Dollar, 413 S. Main St.

Dec. 19

Officers responded to 15 calls, including a car crashing into a house in the 500 block of West Green Bay Street; a property theft complaint at St. James Lutheran Church, 324 S. Andrews St.; a burglary complaint in the 300 block of South Sawyer Street; a found purse in the 200 block of East Center Street; a scam complaint in the 1200 block of Valley Lane; a noise complaint in the 500 block of Picnic Street; an accident at Richmond and Main streets.

Dec. 18

Officers responded to 34 calls, including an accident with no injuries at

Randall and Sawyer streets; a shoplifting complaint at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; a reckless driving complaint at Main and Third streets; an intoxicated person complaint at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.; a property theft complaint at St. James Lutheran Church, 324 S. Andrews St.; an accident at McDonald's, 1202 E. Green Bay St.; two threatening complaints in the 800 block of East Richmond Street; a noise complaint in the 100 block of South Smalley Street.

Dec. 17

Officers responded to 26 calls, including a sexual assault at an undisclosed location; a knapsack with CDs and other items turned in to the police station, 125 S. Sawyer St.; the arrest of two people on a drug call at Home Plate Cafe, 804 S. Main St.; a shoplifting complaint at The Store, 404 E. Green Bay St.; arresting a 25-year-old man for bail jumping at Kadletz and Elizabeth streets.

Dec. 16

Officers responded to 23 calls, including a domestic disturbance and a restraining order violation complaint in the 800 block of East Randall Street; an identity theft complaint in the 1700 block of Estates Lane; an attempted theft at Dunham's, 1211 E. Green Bay St.

Dec. 15

Officers responded to 15 calls, including assisting at fires in the 300 block of South Washington Street and the 800 block of East Richmond Street; a domestic disturbance at Humphrey Circle.

COURT NEWS

Recent proceedings in Shawano-Menominee County District Court include:

Geran D. Metko, 35, Green Bay, was charged Dec. 14 with possession with intent to deliver methamphetamine with a second or subsequent offense modifier; possession of a firearm after being convicted of a felony with a repeater modifier; possession of THC, second or subsequent offense, with a repeater modifier; four counts of felony bail jumping, all with repeater modifiers; two counts of possession of narcotic drugs and possession of an illegally obtained prescription. A search warrant was executed Dec. 15. A cash bond of \$7,000 was set and an initial appearance will resume Jan. 4, 2021.

Keilon A. Snipes Reed, Kenosha, 16, was charged Dec. 15 with using a vehicle to flee from an officer. An initial appearance was set for Dec. 28.

Brianna J. Stewart, 23, Little Chute, was charged Dec. 16 with possession of THC, second or subsequent offense and possession of drug paraphernalia. A signature bond of \$1,000 was signed Dec. 17. An initial appearance will resume Jan. 27, 2021.

Joseph L. Corn, 37, Keshena, was charged Dec. 16 with operating while revoked, two counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, possession of methamphetamine, possession of narcotic drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting/obstructing an officer. A cash bond of \$1,500 was set. No future court action was listed in the court record.

Arlin J. Cox, 42, Keshena, was charged Dec. 17 with one count of retail theft, four counts of felony bail jumping and possession of methamphetamine. A cash bond of \$3,000 was set and a preliminary hearing was scheduled for Dec. 21. Cox was also charged Dec. 17 with one count of retail theft and two counts of felony bail jumping. A cash bond of \$750 was set and a preliminary hearing was set for Dec. 21.

Joshua A. Crowell, 35, Mosinee, was charged Dec. 17 with possession with intent to deliver methamphetamine of more than 50 grams with a second or subsequent offense modifier; possession of methamphetamine with a repeater modifier; maintaining a drug trafficking place with a second

or subsequent offense modifier. A cash bond of \$10,000 was set and an initial appearance will resume Dec. 28.

Todd R. Warnick, 45, was charged Dec. 17 with possession of methamphetamine with a repeater modifier. A cash bond of \$3,000 was set and an initial appearance will resume Dec. 21.

Ashley M. Sanapaw, 29, Keshena, was charged Dec. 18 with possession of methamphetamine with a party to a crime modifier; possession of drug paraphernalia with a party to a crime modifier and four counts of felony bail jumping. A cash bond of \$1,000 was set and an initial appearance will resume Dec. 28.

Brian K. Peters, 40, Keshena, was charged Dec. 18 with operating while revoked, possession of methamphetamine with a party to a crime modifier and possession of drug paraphernalia with a party to a crime modifier. A cash bond of \$500 was set and an initial appearance will resume Dec. 28.

Nicholas P. Ragen, 26, Green Bay, was sentenced Dec. 18 to nine months in jail with credit for 228 days served on an operating while revoked

conviction and other charges. He was charged in August 2018 with operating while intoxicated, third offense; operating while revoked, fourth offense; tampering/failure to install/violate court order for an ignition interlock device; possession of THC, second or subsequent offense; possession of drug paraphernalia and three counts of misdemeanor bail jumping.

Howard J. Hancock, 57, Cecil, was sentenced to 180 days in jail Dec. 17 for operating while intoxicated, fourth offense with Huber Law privileges and credit for "good time." The charge from August 2018 also requires Hancock to pay court costs of \$4,143.50, undergo alcohol assessment and install an ignition interlock.

Jeffrey M. Frechette, 46, Keshena, was sentenced Dec. 1 and a judgment of conviction entered Dec. 10 to 60 days in jail on a conviction for operating while intoxicated, third offense and possession of THC, second or subsequent offense. He was also ordered to pay \$2,570 in fines and costs, a \$42.50 blood draw fee, had a 26 month revocation imposed and alcohol and other drug abuse assessment.

OPINION

YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW

State must do more to promote openness

Last January, a person involved in local emergency management asked the Office of Open Government, part of the state Justice Department, whether emergency preparedness coalitions run by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) are subject to the state's open meetings and open records laws.

The answer to this question, it turns out, is yes. These laws apply to the state's seven Wisconsin Regional Healthcare Emergency Readiness Coalitions, critical entities in the age of COVID-19, meaning their meetings must be noticed and open to the public.

Arriving at this answer took nearly a year, which should not have happened.

The Office of Open Government replied to that Jan. 9 query nearly nine months later, on Sept. 29. Its response letter, one of 19 issued during the third quarter of 2020, was posted online in late October.

These long waits for response let-



BILL LUEDERS

ters have been the norm for at least the last decade, even though they average only about two per week and consist largely of boilerplate used in previous letters. Eliminating this backlog has not been a priority under Attorney General Josh Kaul or his two predecessors, J.B. Van Hollen and Brad Schimel.

Moreover, these responses often fall short of providing clear answers. In the case at hand, the Office of Open Government laid out a complex analysis of operative court rulings, then said it "cannot make a definitive determination" as to whether the laws apply to these coalitions.

So, on Oct. 28, I emailed Jeff Phillips, director of DHS's Office of Preparedness and Emergency Health Care, asking whether the state's openness laws

applied to these coalitions. My subject line was "Quick question." If only.

Phillips contacted other DHS officials, prompting an exchange of emails that carefully avoided discussing the matter in any detail. This is an increasingly common strategy employed to keep useful information away from someone like me who might ask for email records (which I did). Rather, the officials arranged to meet online to arrive at a response.

After a number of these meetings took place without resolution, Phillips, who handled the matter with professionalism and cheer, emailed me on Nov. 25 to affirm that, yes, the state's openness laws do apply to these coalitions. He said the DHS's legal eagles will be providing the coalitions with "guidance as necessary."

That's good, because earlier that same day, the head of one of these coalitions responded to my request to attend its upcoming meeting by asking, "What health care preparedness orga-

nization are you with?" When I said I was just a member of the public hoping to observe a government meeting, there was no reply.

In my opinion, it should always have been clear that these meetings (where, truly, nothing nefarious happens) are open; public officials, in parsing these matters, should err on the side of openness, if they err at all.

That's the message that Kaul and Gov. Tony Evers should be sending to state and local officials. In truth, both of them could do better in terms of providing leadership on issues related to open government.

The state's openness laws should not be seen as a burden, but as a way for public officials to build trust with the people they represent. Wisconsin needs a stronger commitment to transparency, from the top on down.

Your Right to Know is a monthly column distributed by the Wisconsin Freedom of Information Council (wisfoic.org), a group dedicated to open government. Bill Lueders, the editor of The Progressive, is the group's president.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Christmas nothing without spiritual context

To the editor:

As I grow stronger spiritually, I begin to see the spirit God present in all humankind, in every religion and in creation itself. I believe that the spirit God knocks on every person's heart wherever they are and whatever they happen to believe or not believe.

It is up to inspired people, including Christians of every kind, to give witness by word and example of a God who fathers and mothers us, who loves us, who suffers with us and who offers us the uniting spirit so strongly witnessed by Jesus of Nazareth, who was born in a stable and was laid in a manger.

Christmas is only a remembrance unless we allow the spirit to be born again in our hearts and souls this holy season. It means letting go of our feelings of racial, social, political, religious or sexual superiority. It means loving and welcoming all others with the spirit who flows in and through us.

Perhaps Christmas is like a light switch to help us refocus on our oneness with all creating and all living

things; refocusing on the Christ in whose transparency — and therefore in our own transparency — we learn and continue to learn to meet the living God, the spirit who walks with us in good times and bad; who offers harmony and hope to a troubled world.

May the seasonal decorations and multi-colored lights remind spiritual seekers everywhere to reflect the spirit presence, as Jesus so clearly did, for all to see.

If only we can learn to love as we are loved; if only we can learn to forgive as we are forgiven, to welcome as we are welcomed. What a difference it would make to those who have given up on church or on efforts, however small, for racial and social reconciliation, for equality, peace and brotherhood everywhere.

Merry Christmas to everyone.

Mike Murphy, Shawano

Returning to school recipe for disaster

To the editor:

I was surprised to hear that Shawano schools would go back to in-person education in January. Despite the claims by some, virtual schooling has

not been a total disaster. My children and many others have done fine with the current virtual learning plan. While it is correct that children are at lower risk for complications from COVID-19, infected students will bring it home to their family members who are at a greater risk for complications. Teachers and staff may be looking forward to again working with kids in person, but many also are fearful that without any plans for mitigation their health will be at risk.

Though COVID numbers are decreasing in our region, there is a very good chance that cases will begin to climb again if people are not careful over the upcoming holidays. If we want our schools to remain open, the entire community must do its part.

We need people to practice social distancing, avoid large gatherings, only order takeout from bars/restaurants, and we need everyone to wear a mask in indoor public places and when associating with those who do not live in their household. Just as we expect traffic laws to be enforced, we need enforcement of Wisconsin's mandatory mask mandate. This is a public safety measure that needs to be followed, not politicized.

There is nothing sacred about being in a school building all day five days a week; this is only our tradition. Students in many countries thrive in a variety of learning arrangements. It would be much safer to have only half of the students in the building at a time, either by having cohorts of students attending alternate days or attending just morning or afternoons. Sending everyone back five days a week full time, without any ability to provide social distancing in classes or in hallways, has a huge potential for disaster.

Just wanting the world to go back to pre-pandemic normal will not make it happen. We all have missed out on many things over the past nine months, and I understand that many kids are not as motivated as mine to excel in school — regardless of how the material is presented to them — but part of a parent's job is being a tutor, and making sure that their children keep up with their course work. Students who are behind now can in time catch up, but dead parents, grandparents or school staff cannot be replaced.

Dr. Joseph Guenther, Shawano



Members of the Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School FFA sort fruit into individual student orders at the high school's new ag center.

SUNSHINE BY THE BOXLOAD

Witt-Birn FFA students sort, stack and deliver fundraiser fruit

**STORY AND PHOTOS
BY CAROL RYCZEK**
Editor-in-chief

There was a time when an orange at Christmas was such a rare thing, it was a much-anticipated holiday treat.

Today, oranges are still a treat, but not so rare. In fact, the Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School FFA packed and delivered more than 12,000 pounds of oranges, grapefruit, pineapples and other treats during their annual FFA fruit sale.

A team of students sorted the fruit and packaged up the orders Dec. 18 for fellow students to deliver. Matthew Christian, FFA adviser, said the 150 FFA members grossed \$23,000 in sales this year. To get the items ready for delivery, students worked in the new ag center at the high school, stacking boxes and checking off long lists of items per student.

The new center is working well for the project, Christian said, due to its large work space and overhead doors.

Students sold 12,010 pounds of citrus fruits, pears, apples and — thanks to a donation by J&J Potatoes — 1,000 pounds of potatoes, packed in 10 pound bags. Included in that number were 76 half-boxes of oranges. Pineapples were also popular this year. The sale also offers meat and cheese boxes and packaged nuts.

Most of the fruit is sold in the Wittenberg-Birnamwood area, Christian said.



Lily Kolbe studies an order form before handing it off to other students to find the appropriate fruit boxes.

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood FFA worked with a Merrill company called Crazy Fresh, Christian said. They brought in fruit from Florida, Minnesota and South Dakota. "It's high quality fruit," Christian said.

In the past, Christian said, the money raised helped to fund a fishing trip to Canada to celebrate high school graduation. This year, with travel still uncertain due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a different kind of trip will be planned with less travel, he said.



Abby Giddings catches a 10-pound bag of potatoes from Ryan Bushman as FFA students package fruit, nut and vegetable orders for the annual FFA sale.

OBITUARIES

Marrian M. Tomashek, 93, of the Town of Waukechon, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2020, at the Markesan Residential Assisted Living and Rehab Center.

Marrian was born June 2, 1927, in Bonduel, the daughter of the late William and Hildegard (Radloff) Gehm. She attended country school and graduated from Bonduel High School. On Nov. 30, 1946, Marrian was united in marriage to her most cherished life companion and love of a lifetime, Vincent Tomashek at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Shawano. Following their marriage, the couple lived and farmed in the Town of Waukechon.

After many years of farming, Marrian and Vince bought R&R Lanes in Shawano. The couple



owned and operated the bowling alley from 1967 until the early 1990s when they retired. Marrian is a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Shawano, and she loved to see the familiar faces there every Sunday morning. She was a member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary 40 et 8 Local 986, and she cared deeply for her community around Shawano. Marrian loved her home full of love, the growth and passing of many generations and boundless memories. She loved the birds that she cared for, mowing her large lawn and the activity in the fields.

Lee E. Meisner

Lee E. Meisner, 71, of Wittenberg, formerly of Tigerton, passed away on Dec. 18, 2020, at Rose Mary Manor in Mattoon. Lee was born April 10, 1949, to Elmer and Erma (Arndt) Meisner in Shawano. He attended K-12 in Tigerton.

Following high school, Lee worked on the family farm and then at Nolan Sales in Marion. He later attended North Central Technical School in Wausau where he studied to be an electromechanical technician. After tech school, he began working for Marion Plywood Corporation for approximately 30 years until his retirement in 2015.

As Lee grew older, he obtained an avid movie collection and added to his firearm collection. He enjoyed hunting and gardening as well. He even planted watermelons on the roof of the garage. He always enjoyed putting his own twist in carpentry and enjoyed reminiscing back to the days when he worked on the farm.

With him, it seemed there was a story around every corner, coming from his time working for Nolan



Sales and his time at Marion Plywood. One of his favorite stories to tell was when he was coming back from an auction and he picked up a truckload of green beans for a cold six-pack of beer.

Lee is survived by his daughter, Elizabeth (Savanna), of Shawano; sisters, Yvonne (Loren) Watter and Patricia Johnson, both of Wittenberg; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Elmer and Erma; his brother, Danial; and brothers-in-law, Duaine Klingbile and Reginald Johnson.

A funeral service was held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020, at Schmidt and Schulta Funeral Home in Wittenberg. The Rev. Matthew Christians officiated.

Memories and messages of support may be shared at schmidtschulta.com.

Harold Johnson

Harold Johnson, 90, formerly of Suring, passed away Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020 at Aurora Hospital. Harold was born Aug. 17, 1930, to Walter and Amelia "Asplund" Johnson.

He graduated from Suring High School in 1949 and went on to college in Marinette, where he received a degree in teaching. Later on, he moved to Milwaukee to do receptionist work at a hotel.

Harold is survived by a brother, Leonard, and two sisters, Joyce Bruni and Ruby Buchholz.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister-in-law, Janice Johnson; brothers-in-law, Emil Gardebrecthm Marvin Bruni and Ernest Buchholz; and a niece, Cindy Buchholz.

A graveside memorial will be held at a later date.

Marrian M. Tomashek

Marrian enjoyed delivering crocheted and crafted gifts and treats to her loved ones. A dear friend to many, she carried memories of beautiful travels, golfing, bowling, boating and enjoying evenings of Wisconsin supper club dining.

Marrian treasured her large family. Her surviving family members include her loving children, Mary Campbell, of Green Bay, Michael (Carol) Tomashek, of Madison, Jeanne (Donald) Yeager, of Clintonville, and Kathleen (Eric Ascher) Tomashek of the Town of Waukechon; six grandchildren, Mary Frances (Gregory) Poul, Laurie (Mark DeWitt) Jarvey, Katie (Tim) Menzel, Kristy Tomashek, Jessica (Brent) Meier and Ryan Yeager; 10 great-grandchildren, Kylie and Sierra Poul, Cortney and

Kiara Jarvey, Kaitlin, Cody and Carly Menzel, Grace and Andrew Meier, and Jeremiah Yeager.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Vincent, on Aug. 30, 1997, and her brother, William (Sylvia) Gehm.

A private blessing service and entombment with family and close friends will be at the Sacred Heart Catholic Mausoleum in Shawano at a future date, due to COVID-19.

Mickelson Funeral and Cremation Service of Shawano is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share online condolences at www.mickelsonfs.com.



Leonard Klemens

Leonard Klemens, 70, of Shawano, passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2020. Lenny was born Oct. 8, 1950, to the late Walter and Paulina (Jaeger) Klemens in Shawano. He graduated from Washington High School in Two Rivers with the Class of 1969.

Lenny served his country in the United States Army from Aug. 4, 1970, to July 30, 1973. He continued to serve in the Army Reserves until July 1979. On July 12, 1975, Lenny married Donna Kasten. Lenny worked at Gillett Cement Products for 36 years operating heavy equipment. He greatly enjoyed outdoor activities including hunting, fishing, camping and yardwork. Lenny also enjoyed his time spent at the Shawano Speedway.



Leonard is survived by his three children, Heather (Todd) Skarban, Nicholas (Ali) Klemens, and Corey Klemens; three grandchildren, Emerich Skarban, Ellayna Skarban and Nolan Klemens; siblings, Dee (Dick) Oelke, Richard (Chris) Klemens, Dorothy Hesler, Sue (Ritchie) Peterson, Helen McKenna, John



(Sue) Klemens, Aggie Ollendorf; the children's mother, Donna Klemens. He is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Military honors will be held Monday, Dec. 28, 2020, at Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring at 3 p.m. followed by visitation until 5 p.m. A private burial will be held at a later date. Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.



Bonnie A. Fenner

Bonnie A. Fenner, 80, of Shawano, passed away Friday, Dec. 18, 2020, at Birch Hill Health Services in Shawano.

The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory in Clintonville assisted her family.

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Opioid recovery program to launch in Shawano

Program offers peer support and services to inspire success in recovery

A new program to combat addiction has been launched at ThedaCare Medical Center-Shawano.

The program is called Emergency Department to Recovery Plus, or ED2R+. ThedaCare will offer the program in partnership with Apricity, an organization that provides treatment options for patients with addictions. The program began here on Dec. 11.

"While opioid hospitalizations have been on the decline for the last three years, opioid addiction continues to be on the rise, especially now as we are experiencing the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic," said Paula Morgen, director of Community Health Improvement at ThedaCare. She cited statistics from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, which tracked data on opioid-related inpatient hospital stays and emergency department visits among Wisconsin residents from 2006 to 2016. "The number of people who were discharged from emergency departments for opioid-related issues in the region quadrupled from 473 to 2,090," she said. "In 2018, that number had declined but remains more than three times higher than a decade prior."

ThedaCare and Apricity, as partners, have received a \$100,000 grant to implement the program from Wisconsin Voices for Recovery in the UW-Madison Department of Family Medicine and Community Health through a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Human Services. In addition to funding, Wisconsin Voices for Recovery provides technical assistance and expertise in implementation. They have also received financial support from the Fox Cities Community Health Action Team, which is led by ThedaCare.

The ED2R+ program model offers peer support services by recovery coaches or certified peer support specialists. These services offer referrals, support and follow-up for treatment and recovery to individuals who have history of or experienced an opioid or stimulant overdose and are taken to the emergency department.

Recovery coaches and certified peer support specialists may also



In August 2019, ThedaCare Community Health Action Teams from Wild Rose and Fox Cities hosted a community study on addiction. Both the Fox Cities and Wild Rose teams identified recovery coaching as a strategy. CONTRIBUTED

offer services outside of emergency department settings including through EMT services, first responders, public health departments, probation and parole offices, law enforcement and treatment or recovery centers.

"When we learned about the ED2R+ program and successes, we recognized the opportunity to leverage the partnerships at the table, including ThedaCare's emergency departments," said Tracey Ratzburg, ThedaCare community health coordinator. "When someone comes to the ED in the middle of an addiction crisis, it is often the end of the road; they don't know where else to go. ED2R+ offers hope and support from a peer that walked a similar journey."

"The recovery coaches or certified peer support specialists are people who have walked the journey of recovery themselves and can offer real life experience," explained Sadie Bodenbach, a clinical substance abuse counselor and recovery coach with Apricity. "Peer support is shown to offer a level of backing that increases success in recovery. It can be as simple as having someone to call when they are having a difficult day, or suggestions about speaking with loved ones about their addiction. We want those who are in the beginning stages of their recovery to have access to any resources that might support them."

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the increasing need for recovery

and mental health support has been highlighted as a critical need in our community. Morgen explained it as a "mental health shadow pandemic."

According to the Well Being Trust and Robert Graham Center for Policy Studies in Primary Care, alongside the thousands of deaths from COVID-19, the growing epidemic of "deaths of despair" is increasing. As many as 75,000 more people will likely die from drug or alcohol misuse and suicide.

At a local level, support organizations are also seeing the impact of the pandemic.

"The shadow pandemic is real and often hidden," said Ratzburg. "When we can offer the right supports at the right time, our community members benefit. ED2R+ has proven outcomes that treatment and recovery support utilization increases and overdose fatalities decrease, which strengthens our communities."

In addition to the ED2R+ model, ThedaCare has implemented other initiatives to address the opioid epidemic. Since 2018, the health system has worked on programs related to the opioid awareness campaign — "It only takes a little to lose a lot" — which

was developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Other key components of the campaign included an increase in number of providers offering medically assisted treatment; expansion of Sources of Strength, a school-based prevention program; and drop boxes at ThedaCare sites to safely dispose of unused medication.

The campaign contributed to a decline in opioid-related hospitalizations and deaths across northeast Wisconsin in 2019. It also helped drive more than 300 calls to the new Wisconsin Addiction Recovery Helpline.

ThedaCare has also worked with partners to implement recovery coalitions and assist in securing drug courts in Shawano and Waupaca.

"We know it takes more than a health system to achieve better health for all of those living in northeast and central Wisconsin," said Morgen. "We hope programs like ED2R+ help people define what their recovery looks like for them, creating support networks and recovery communities that help more of our community members lead productive, healthy lives."

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Is Social Security income taxable?

By **JIM MILLER**

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Dear Savvy Senior,

I understand that a portion of my Social Security benefits may be taxable when I retire. Can you tell me how to calculate this?

Ready to Retire

Dear Ready,

Whether you'll be required to pay federal income tax on your Social Security benefits will depend on your income and filing status. About 35% of Social Security recipients have total incomes high enough to trigger federal income tax on their benefits.

To figure out if your benefits will be taxable, you'll need to add up all of your "provisional income," which includes wages, taxable and non-taxable interest, dividends, pensions and taxable retirement-plan distributions, self-employment and other taxable income, plus half your annual Social Security benefits, minus certain deductions used in figuring your adjusted gross income.

How to calculate

To help you with the calculations, get a copy of IRS Publication 915 "Social Security and Equivalent Railroad Retirement Benefits," which provides detailed instructions and worksheets. You can download it at [IRS.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p915.pdf](https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p915.pdf) or call the IRS at 800-829-3676 and ask them to mail you a free copy.

After you do the calculations, the IRS says that if you're single and your total income from all of the listed sources is:

- Less than \$25,000, your Social Security will not be subject to federal income tax.
- Between \$25,000 and \$34,000, up to 50% of your Social Security benefits will be taxed at your regular income-tax rate.
- More than \$34,000, up to 85% of your benefits will be taxed.

If you're married and filing jointly and the total from all sources is:

- Less than \$32,000, your Social Security won't be taxed.
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benefits will be taxed.

- More than \$44,000, up to 85% of your benefits will be taxed.

If you're married and file separate returns, you probably will pay taxes on your benefits.

To limit potential taxes on your benefits, you'll need to be cautious when taking distributions from retirement accounts or other sources. In addition to triggering ordinary income tax, a distribution that significantly raises your gross income can bump the proportion of your Social Security benefits subject to taxes.

How to file

If you find that part of your Social Security benefits will be taxable, you'll need to file using Form 1040 or Form 1040-SR. You also need to know that if you do owe taxes, you'll need to make quarterly estimated tax payments to the IRS, or you can choose to have it automatically withheld from your benefits.

To have it withheld, you'll need to complete IRS Form W-4V, Voluntary Withholding Request ([IRS.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw4v.pdf](https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw4v.pdf)), and file it with your local Social Security office. You can choose to have 7%, 10%, 12% or 22% of your total benefit payment withheld. If you subsequently decide you don't want the taxes withheld, you can file another W-4V to stop the withholding.

If you have additional questions on taxable Social Security benefits call the IRS help line at 800-829-1040.

State taxation

In addition to the federal government, 13 states — Colorado, Connecticut, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont and West Virginia — tax Social Security benefits to some extent, too. If you live in one of these states, check with your state tax agency for details. For links to state tax agencies see [TaxAdmin.org/state-tax-agencies](https://www.taxadmin.org/state-tax-agencies).

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Erdmann feted for half-century of service

Business manager kept social services operational

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Shawano County Board of Supervisors wished a longtime employee well in her retirement after close to 50 years of service.

The board approved a resolution Dec. 16 honoring June Erdmann for her work with social services, now known as the human services department, since 1970. Erdmann retired June 6 after being part of a wide variety of changes.

When Erdmann started with the county, social services was housed at the courthouse. Erdmann followed the department as it moved to the Fellman Center and, finally, the new human services complex on Anderson Avenue in the Town of Wescott last year. The resolution noted she worked under three directors and with 360 other employees over a 49.7-year period.

Erdmann also received letters of commendation from Wisconsin's health services department and department of children and families for her service, which Shawano County Human Services Director Rick Kane had framed and presented to her during the Dec. 16 board meeting.

"It has been great being employed by Shawano County Human Services for 50 years," Erdmann said as she spoke to the board prior to its unanimous vote. "They have been great to work with and have had the best interests of the county in mind."

Erdmann added that Kane has been "a great boss."

"I have a lot of stories about the last 50 years," Erdmann said.

Among those stories was the fact that she was one of the first employees to use sick leave when she had to take time off to have children.



June Erdmann tells the Shawano County Board of Supervisors about her experiences with Shawano County's social services over the last 50 years during the Dec. 16 county board meeting. Erdmann retired from the county June 6.

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"In the 1970s, women did not go back to work after childbirth," Erdmann said.

She also talked about how food commodities used to help people in need before the food stamps program came along.

"I would do the paperwork to the state for a shipment of \$1 million at a time," Erdmann said. "I kept the food stamps locked up at the BMO bank, and when we needed more as an agency, I withdrew them out of the bank and carried \$100,000 in food stamps in a grocery bag."

Erdmann said she was also instrumental in ordering social services' first computers in 1984 from Radio Shack.

She also told about how a man who missed his carnival ride at the county fair once went to the social services department with a big "Rambo knife," and the receptionist was afraid to wait on him, so Erdmann dealt with him.

Kane noted Erdmann's letters from the state were well deserved. "They don't just give these out to anybody," Kane said. "There are

very few people that have the dedication to service like June does for almost 50 years."

He added that he only has 28 years worth of stories about Erdmann to tell, but the ones he remembers fondly were how she saved the county hundreds of thousands of dollars.

"There was the time where the auditors missed some errors, and June caught them and saved the county a lot of money," Kane said. "That was never recognized. We have a bang-up public servant here, one that is missed and will not be replicated."

Erdmann noted that the auditor error would have cost the county \$155,000 if she had not caught it.

County supervisors praised Erdmann for her dedication to her neighbors. Supervisor Deb Noffke noted that Erdmann kept everything positive in an environment where optimism is not in abundant supply.

"You've been here for 50 years and have nothing but good to say," Noffke said.

Supervisor Gene Hoppe also pointed out Erdmann's positive attitude in his praise of the longtime employee.

"You are a person with a wonderful attitude and a dedication to Shawano County that I don't think anyone can go up against," Hoppe said.

Supervisor Jerry Erdmann, June's husband, told the board that in her first week of working for social services, she got up at 6 a.m. and asked him to do the same at least for that week.

"Well, that turned into 50 years almost," Jerry Erdmann said. "She brought a lot of her work home with her to make sure it was accurate, done correctly. I know for a fact that, yes, she did go after the state to get money back."

He added that even though she deserves a pat on the back for her work with the county, she deserves an equal pat "just for putting up with me."

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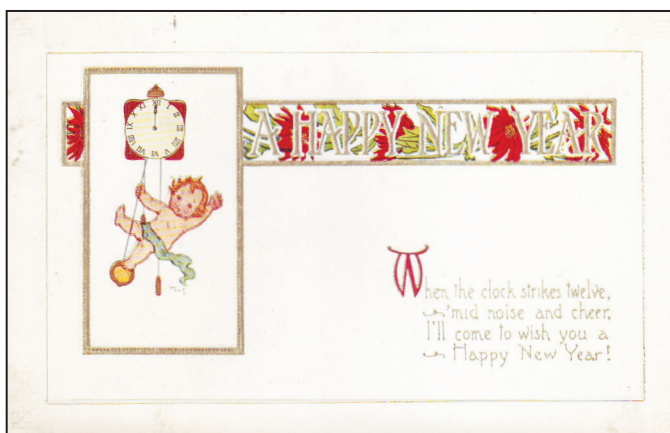
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Christmas 1924

Shawano teen shares anticipation of hidden gifts, gingerbread and annual orange

Editor's note: Fred Rush, a resident of West Linn, Oregon, shares this letter that his mother wrote in 1924. He sent it as a "joyful reminder for the upcoming holiday season for readers in the Shawano area, which she remembered fondly." It seems especially appropriate to share these memories at a time when generations are separated by the coronavirus and difficulty in travel.

CHRISTMAS 1924

Anticipation! Christmas is coming!

By Thanksgiving the ground is covered with snow. The wagons and buggies have been changed to sleds by replacing wheels with runners and when the horses pull the sleds we hear the jingle of bells.

I live in Shawano, Wisconsin with my father, my second mother, and my sisters. Dorothea is three years old and Marie and Irene are twelve years old. Marie's birthday is July 13 and Irene's birthday is November 13. I am thirteen years old.

Sometimes when my sisters and I come home from school the house is filled with the most tantalizing aromas — peppernuts, fruit cake, Hollanders, spritz, sugar and gingerbread cookies, and fudge and seafoam candy.

At our Lutheran School we are practicing songs for the Christmas program to be given Christmas Eve. We are all so excited. Mother is making dresses for us especially for the program.

Irene, Marie and I are busy buying gifts. We have our own money. In the summer we picked beans for the cannery and saved some of it for Christmas gifts. We feel very happy buying gifts for Mother, Father, and Dorothea. Irene and I buy Marie a book and we hide it. Then Marie and Irene go to town and I can't go along. And they hide their present.

Boxes arrive from Tiffin, Ohio and from Chicago and mother puts these away for Christmas.

Since Thanksgiving we have crossed off the days on the calendar and now we are to December 24. We hurry through our chores

at home. Mother says, "Father has to work late and will not be able to come to the program but Dorothea and I will be there." We are so excited mother says we may get ready even if it is a little early.

We are ecstatic when we leave. Oh, what a beautiful night. There is no wind but the air is brisk and we see our breath in the cold. People hurry to the church, sleigh bells jingle, and people call "Merry Christmas" and we joyfully answer. Usually people are very sedate on the street, but this is Christmas Eve.

Our instructions are to meet at the school. Here we line up and at a signal all the students from the eighth grades march from the school to the church and we find our seats in the front of the church which have been reserved for us.

On the right side of the church is the most beautiful Christmas tree I have ever seen. It is about eighteen feet tall, and all the candles are lit, and it has beautiful decorations.

As the minister reads the Christmas story and we sing our songs, the true meaning of Christmas encompasses us. Then for the final number the minister asks the congregation to join us in singing "Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht (Silent Night, Holy Night)". In the quiet of the reverence that is upon us, the ushers silently come forward and pass out Christmas treats, bars of candy, nuts and an orange.

I take the orange with its delightful fragrance in my hand. This, too, a part of Christmas, for there will be no more oranges in Shawano until next Christmas.

After the benediction we silently file out of the church. When Mother and Dorothea join us, and with a "Merry Christmas" along the way, we hurry home for the family Christmas.

Father is there to greet us and he says to Dorothea and all of us, "Santa was here while you here were gone". We see a big Christmas tree in the living room, and candles are lit, and all the presents have been placed under the tree.

After we tell Father about the program we are ready to open the presents. Father takes a present



LEFT: City sidewalks were dressed in holiday style, though the same might not be said of the road in this undated photo of Shawano's downtown. SHAWANO COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BELOW: A photo of a Christmas tree, taken in Pewaukee in the 1920s is courtesy of Jesse Borlen, curator, Shawano County Historical Society.

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The Farmers Hardware store on South Main Street in Shawano was one possible place to do some Christmas shopping in the 1920s. SHAWANO COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

from under the tree, reads the name of the person receiving the present and the name of the person giving it. When the present is opened it is passed around for everyone to see.

We are thrilled with our gifts. In addition to the dress Mother made for the program I received a wool cap and gloves from my parents, and a book from Marie, a bracelet from Aunt Florence, material for a summer dress from Aunt Elsie and Uncle Jake, and a game of jack straws from Cousin John.

Irene says impishly, "I found the place where you hid my book and I read it." Then we all start laughing.

Marie and I found our books and we read them and we all we read the books we gave and we plan to read them again. Mother and Father are better at hiding gifts, so theirs was a complete surprise.

After opening gifts it is customary to have some Christmas goodies. We all gather around the dining room table — there is so much to talk about.

Dorothea is asleep and Mother says we should all go to bed. Reluctantly I go to my room. With thoughts of the wonderful Christmas I slowly drift to sleep.

— Anna Katherine Martin,
Christmas 1924



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Birnamwood farm featured in Cow College 2021

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Cow College meetings and farm tours have been offered as in-person events during prior years. However, due to the pandemic, Cow College 2021 meetings and tours have moved to a virtual format.

Jan. 13 kicks things off with a presentation by Dr. James Salfer, University of Minnesota-Extension, who will discuss the economics of automated milking systems and learn if robotic milking is right for your farm. The session runs from noon to 1 p.m. with a question-and-answer session after.

Dairy heifer management will be the topic Jan. 20 from noon to 1 p.m. Tina Kohlman, University of Wisconsin-Extension Fond du Lac County, will focus on heifer inventory management practices. Kohlman will help farmers decide which heifers to keep and which heifers to cull.

In addition, participants will also learn about the importance of achieving the correct heifer maturity from the second speaker of the day, Dr. Gavin Staley with Diamond V.

Virtual farm tours and discussion

will be held Jan. 27 from 8-9 p.m. The first tour will be of Townline Acres Registered Holsteins in Birnamwood, to learn more about using a ground grain mix feed in a robotic box, rather than traditional pelleted feed. The next tour will visit Wichman Farms, Inc., Appleton, to tour their automated calf feeding facilities and learn more about robotic calf feeding.

In addition, Kevin Jarek, UW-Extension Outagamie County, will provide an update on 2021 feeds, while Dr. Rodrigo Werle, UW-Extension weed specialist, will discuss the introduction and spread of Palmer Amaranth in Wisconsin farm fields.

Fox Valley Technical College's Clintonville Regional Center will open rooms for viewing the webinars for those who do not have adequate internet service. All pandemic protocols will be followed to maintain safety of all attendees. Anyone registering should indicate if they plan to view the program at home or at FVTC.

There is no registration fee for these virtual meetings and farm tours. However, the deadline to register is 5 p.m. the night before the meeting. Registration can be made online at <https://go.wisc.edu/9lxc62>.

For information, contact UW-Extension Shawano County at 715-526-6136.

This program is sponsored by Shawano and Outagamie UW-Madison Division of Extension offices and Fox Valley Technical College.



Townline Acres Registered Holsteins in Birnamwood will take Cow College participants on a virtual tour of the farm on Jan. 27.

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Pediatrician offers tips on babies' sleeping habits

For new parents, bringing home a baby can be both a wonderful experience and a time when their routines change drastically, including the loss of a good night's sleep.

It is possible, however, to help infants learn a reasonable sleep routine that benefits both the baby and the parents.

"You should always do what's best for you and your baby," said Dr. Sneha Subbarayan, a pediatrician at ThedaCare Physicians-Neenah. "The earlier we start with trying to instill good habits into our babies — and our family members — the better and more successful you're going to be in the future when it comes to developing good sleep patterns."

While some parents want to hold their babies as much as possible,

Subbarayan recommends putting the infant down while they sleep, which helps the baby learn how to sleep on her own and gives parents a much-needed break.

Babies generally have a 90-minute sleep cycle, in which they're ready to go back to sleep after 1½ hours of waking time. Keeping track of it helps babies maintain their natural circadian rhythm and extends their sleep cycle through the night.

"As they get older, you can wean that down, because you don't need a 1-year-old to be sleeping every hour and a half," she said. "They will gradually begin to stay awake for longer periods of time."

Subbarayan also recommends separating feeding from sleep so that babies don't associate the two.

Instead, parents can help babies to get drowsy by rocking or swaddling, then put them down before they fall asleep completely.

"That teaches them they can fall asleep on their own, without having to be held and rocked, so as they get older, sleep training becomes a little bit easier," she said. "They will already understand how to fall asleep on their own, without the help of a caregiver."

One of the more difficult hurdles with sleep training is getting everyone, including grandparents, on board with the plan, because they might not have done things the same way.

Additionally, pediatricians recommend that babies sleep on their backs to help prevent Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. Infants also should not

sleep with pillows, toys or blankets (except for tight swaddling) because of the danger of suffocation. Babies should sleep in a darkened room in their own crib or bassinet, not in a regular bed, on a couch or with other people.

For toddlers, using accessories such as pacifiers and blankets creates a dependency on these items at sleep time, and parents may end up having to constantly search for the items or pick them up when they're tossed from the crib or bed.

When a baby appears to be having trouble learning the sleep routine or is crying excessively, it may be a signal there are other problems such as acid reflux or colic. Parents should consult with their pediatrician to help address those concerns.

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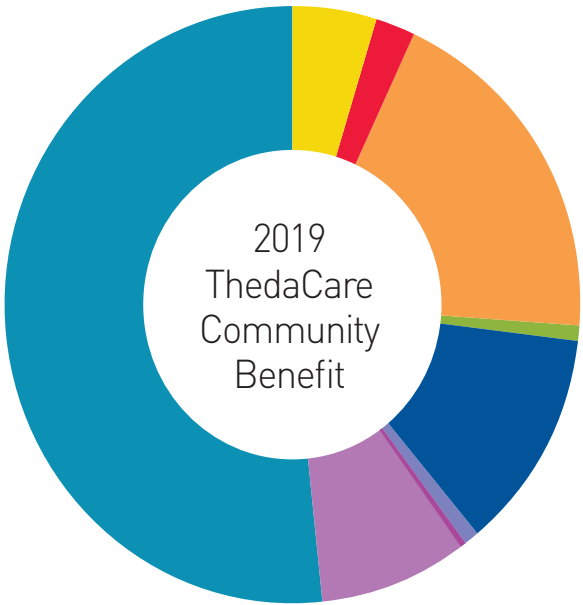


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Imran A. Andrabi, MD
President and CEO
ThedaCare

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Making a Difference in Our Communities



In 2019, the total dollar value of that donated community support, called Community Benefit, amounted to nearly \$55 million across the communities we serve.

Below is a breakdown of 2019 Community Benefit by category and by hospital.

Community Health Improvement	\$ 2,660,653
Health Professional Education	\$ 1,166,343
Subsidized Services	\$10,505,004
Research	\$ 405,008
Financial and In-Kind	\$ 6,835,675
Community Building	\$ 465,661
Community Benefit	\$ 69,247
Financial Assistance	\$ 4,707,644
Government Sponsored	\$27,891,278

Total: \$54,706,513

The Community Benefit total includes non-hospital financial assistance and Medicaid. The dollar value of hospital-only Community Benefit is \$41,319,045.



Supporting Sources of Strength

Funding \$280,000 over five years, ThedaCare is working to expand the universal Sources of Strength (SoS) prevention program throughout rural communities in northeast and central Wisconsin. This effective, peer-led program helps address suicide prevention among teens and help youth with interpersonal violence, bullying and substance-use challenges.

SoS has been prevalent in the Fox Cities, previously implemented in 17 schools through the ThedaCare-supported N.E.W. Mental Health Connection. The Connection is expanding the program to all interested high schools in Calumet, Outagamie and Winnebago counties.

Funding from ThedaCare helped expand SoS to five rural school districts during the 2019-20 school year: Montello, Tri-County (Plainfield), Berlin, Shawano and Wild Rose. Clintonville joined the regional collaborative as a second-year SoS school district. ThedaCare’s contribution also helps reduce the training cost to schools by about 75%, from \$15,000 to \$3,875, for the first three years of the program.

“I’m impressed by how well kids know what they need through their participation in Sources of Strength at their school. They want to connect with their mentors and talk to their friends about the eight strengths we teach in the program. They tell me, ‘Our school really needs this. I really need this.’”

Kara Vanvooren
Sources of Strength Coordinator for ThedaCare

Medication Take-Back Program

As part of a ThedaCare community health initiative to combat the misuse of opioids and other prescription drugs, medication take-back drop boxes were placed in our seven medical centers.

Nearly 1,200 pounds of unused medications were collected and destroyed in the first year of take-back drop boxes being available at ThedaCare medical centers.

ThedaCare is one of the few health care organizations in northeast and central Wisconsin that has permanent take-back drop boxes in their hospitals. Unused medication can be dropped into any of the secure boxes 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



Employee Volunteer Program

ThedaCare team members make a difference – serving others at work and helping in our local communities.

In 2019, ThedaCare team volunteers provided the equivalent of \$1,087,895 in labor to support nonprofit organizations in northeast and central Wisconsin. Over 60% of the hours recorded by team members impacted organizations that focus of ThedaCare Community Health Needs Assessment priorities of:

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- Mental health/substance misuse (1,470 hours)
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New app can help with COVID-19 contact tracing

Device anonymously informs people if they've
been near someone who's positive, contagious

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Gov. Tony Evers announced Dec. 17 that a new app, created jointly by Google and Apple, will be rolled out to help with the coronavirus pandemic as he encouraged state residents to stay home for Christmas the same as they did for Thanksgiving.

Evers, in one of his regular media briefings on COVID-19, noted that the app will help people determine whether they might have the coronavirus "right from their pocket." The app was launched Dec. 23, called the WI Exposure Notification app, and uses Bluetooth technology to provide a heads-up if they have been in close contact with someone who has the virus.

Android and iPhone users will get a message on their phones that day letting them know the free app is available for download.

"I strongly encourage you to do so once the app is available," Evers said. "It's anonymous, so your privacy is protected even as you help us in stopping the spread of the virus."

The app will send a code to anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 and allows them to anonymously notify others who have the app and who might have been in close contact that they may have been exposed. Bluetooth must be enabled on the phone for the app to work, and the app must be enabled prior to someone receiving a positive test result.

Evers urged residents to repeat what they did in November and avoiding large family get-togethers for Christmas Day and New Year's Eve in the hopes of stopping the spread of the virus. He noted that the new app is not a substitute for maintaining physical distancing and



TONY EVERS

proper hygiene for the next few months.

"Don't host parties or gatherings at your home or anywhere else with folks you don't live with," Evers said. "Getting tested

is an important part of our efforts to box in the virus, but it's not a pass to attend a gathering. Your test results are only a snapshot in time, and a negative test one day does not guarantee a negative test the next."

Wisconsin has been seeing a downward trend in new cases, but health officials warned the number of daily cases is still way too high for comfort. Evers warned that "we're not out of the woods yet."

"We are asking people to continue doing your part to help keep our health care workers, our families and our communities healthy and safe," Evers said.

State officials are expecting more vaccine doses to roll in weekly, especially with the recent approval of Moderna's coronavirus vaccine by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, and Evers urged people to get the doses when there is enough available for the general public.

"As I've said all along, I believe in science, and I trust our scientists, researchers and public health experts who are guiding the planning, preparation and distribution (of the vaccine)," Evers said. "These folks have put in a lot of effort to ensure the vaccine infrastructure and clinics are ready for the successful rollout of our Wisconsin COVID-19 vaccination program."

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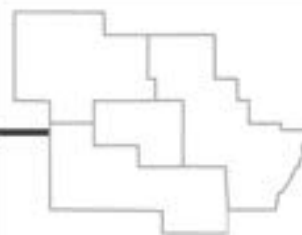
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Shawano FFA helps Santa hit streets

Milk and cookies handed out to Shawano children

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Holiday cheer has not been in abundant supply this year with many activities canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but the Shawano FFA was bound and determined to take their holly, jolly attitudes to the street on Dec. 19.

FFA members set up outside Co-Op Park in Shawano with a trailer, a tree, Santa Claus himself and bags with milk and cookies for local children to enjoy. Although it was quiet to start the evening, families in the residential areas around Richmond Street soon wandered outside to see where the cries of “Ho, ho, ho!” were coming from.

“We just thought it was a great thing to do during the holiday season,” said Brady Stomberg, a junior at Shawano Community High School who helped to coordinate the event. “It’s just Oreos out of the box that we got at Sam’s Club, and we got the milk with the (Shawano School District) food service. We’ve got candy canes, too.”

Missy Goers, adviser for the Shawano FFA, noted that the group wanted to make sure everything was pre-packaged due to concerns about COVID-19. The members



Shawano FFA member Morgan Weinig, right, hands a paper bag with milk and cookies to a couple of neighborhood children at Co-Op Park on Dec. 19, with the help of Santa Claus and other FFA members. The event was one of the few that the FFA could salvage due to this year’s pandemic. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

wanted to make sure the event went as planned, considering many of their other activities have been altered or canceled due to the schools closing and going to virtual learning.

“Because of everything going on, the FFA members haven’t been able to get together a whole lot and do things,” Goers said. “A few of them got the idea to do something fun and hopefully spread some holiday cheer into the community. We were talking about, if it was agriculture, we have to include milk and cookies.”

Normally, the Shawano FFA

brings in a large tree to the high school and decorates with lights and other goodies, but the school being generally closed to the public

necessitated scaling those plans back considerably. There was a tree, but it was smaller, according to Goers, and the FFA decided to bring it along when they brought Santa out to greet the children.

“Everybody was happy about that and that we were able to continue the tradition,” she said. “We went in there one Sunday night and put it up so that, when staff came in the next day, it was all lit up.”

Stomberg and Goers rattled off a list of activities they weren’t able to do this year due to the pandemic — hosting the ag Olympics at the Shawano County Fair, participating in the annual SCHS homecoming parade, working a booth at downtown Shawano’s Octoberfest. That’s what made bringing out Santa to mingle with local residents so important.

“That’s a big part of our FFA chapter is the community presence and giving back to our community,” Goers said.

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SPORTS

ATHLETE PROFILE: MAKAYLA BELONGIA

Gresham senior eager to finish career strong



Gresham's Makayla Belongia looks to make a pass during a Central Wisconsin Conference crossover matchup against Menominee Indian on Jan. 14 in Keshena.

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With its entire starting lineup back from last season, the Gresham Community High School girls basketball team had high hopes for the winter season. Senior Makayla Belongia is one of those starters and is off to a strong start this season.

In a season-opening loss to Northland Lutheran on Dec. 4, Belongia finished the game with 14 points, four assists and three steals. She tallied 12 points and four assists in a loss to Wabeno/Laona on Dec. 15.

Through Dec. 20, Belongia had also helped the team to wins over Marion and Tigerton.

Belongia made the Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division second team as a junior. She averaged over eight points, two steals and three assists a game.

Q: When did your interest in basketball begin?

A: I started playing basketball in second grade and since then I fell in love with the game.

Q: What is your favorite part about the basketball season?

A: My favorite part of the season is always having my friends on the court with me.

Q: What has basketball taught you over the years?

A: Basketball taught me teamwork is key and always have fun.

Q: What's the biggest key to success for your team the rest of the season?

A: Biggest key to success I would say we just need to stay working as a team and boxing out.

Q: Do you have any individual goals you hope to achieve this season?

A: Average more points and assists than I had last year.

AT A GLANCE

ATHLETE: Makayla Belongia

SPORT: Girls basketball

POSITIONS: Point guard

SCHOOL: Gresham Community High School

YEAR: Senior

ONLINE

This week's college highlights can be found online at www.newmedia-wi.com.

Q: Do you have any rituals you go through before a game starts?

A: Before the game I just prepare myself and tell myself what I need to do for this game.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Gresham girls basketball team?

A: Winning our first round of regionals last year.

Q: What are you going to miss most about high school basketball?

A: I'm going to miss the friends I made on and off the court.

Q: Favorite TV show, movie and musical artist?

A: TV show — "Riverdale."
Movie — "Wizard of Oz." Musical artist — Billie Eilish.

Q: Name one thing about yourself that not many people know.

A: I love to draw and paint.

Q: What's the greatest piece of advice you have ever been told?

A: Hard work always pays off.

Q: What are some things you hope to accomplish after graduating high school?

A: I hope to go to college and start my career in nursing.



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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Gresham boys knock down 17 triples in win over Tigerton

4 Wildcats score in double figures

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Gresham Community High School boys basketball team connected on 17 3-point shots to roll to an 86-17 win over Tigerton on Dec. 18 in Gresham.

Gresham junior Lukas Pecore led the 3-point barrage, hitting seven triples to lead the team with 23 points. Juniors Belasaire Vele and Austin Sperberg each connected on four 3-pointers, scoring 16 and 12 points, respectively. Junior Will Jensen hit the final two triples and finished with 15 points.

"I think a big difference tonight over previous games — and we're a good 3-point shooting team. We got three, four guys that can shoot it pretty consistently, so that's a bonus — is we got good ball movement," said Gresham coach Jeff Zobeck. We created for each other for good opportunities instead of coming down, one pass and jacking them up."

"Out of all of our games this year, I think we moved the ball better tonight and shared the ball and spread out those shots, and everybody was on tonight."

It was Tigerton that scored the first five points of the contest before Gresham used a 15-0 run to take control. Senior Jake Hoffman got the Wildcats on the scoreboard with a 3-point play before Pecore and Vele knocked down their first 3-pointers of the contest.

After a Tigerton field goal, Pecore scored the game's next two baskets, both 3-pointers. After another Tigerton field goal, Gresham went on a 13-0 run, with two triples from Sperberg and another from Vele during the run.

Gresham finished the first half on a 12-0 run, with Vele hitting two more 3s and Pecore one to cap a 46-point half that included 10 3-point makes.

"All of our teammates played together," said Vele. "We shared the basketball and made really good quick passes. Everyone understood their roles. We have some really good 3-point shooters and when on their game, they are hard to stop."



Gresham's Will Jensen (4) rises up for a shot during a Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division win over Tigerton on Dec. 18 in Gresham.

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Gresham's Weston Schick, left, posts up against Tigerton's Asher Michaelis during a Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division matchup on Dec. 18 in Gresham.

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The second half started similar to the first, with Tigerton hitting a

couple of shots, but then Gresham's 3-point shooting heated up again.

Pecore knocked down two 3s and Sperberg one during a quick 11-0 Wildcat run. Tigerton then knocked down a free throw with 9 minutes, 43 seconds left, which turned out to be the Tigers' final point.

While finishing the game on a 25-0 run, Pecore, Sperberg and Jensen all hit triples. Jensen hit two of them and tallied eight of his points in the final three minutes of the game.

"We hope to keep that going in our games to come and try to move the ball faster and smarter, being a threat both behind the arc and in the paint because if we can make a threat in both areas that makes (us) a hard team to beat," said Pecore of the team's offensive outburst.

Tigerton 11 6 — 17

Gresham 46 40 — 86

Gresham (86): Belasaire Vele 0-0 16, Will Jensen 3-3 15, Lukas Pecore 0-0 23, Austin Sperberg 0-0 12, Weston Schick 0-0 8, Jonah Surprise 0-2 4, Jake Hoffman 2-5 8.

Tigerton (17): Colby Wanta 1-2 4, Justin Knaup 0-0 2, Ryder Graham 0-0 9, Zeke Griepentrog 0-2 2.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Bonduel 66

Omro 55

Bonduel took down Omro in a nonconference clash on Dec. 19 in Bonduel.

Allaina Robaidek scored 19 points to pace Bonduel. Kara Troxel contributed 12 points and six assists.

Brenna Hertzfeldt finished with 12 points and 11 rebounds for the Bears. Kylie Hoffman tallied 12 points and three blocks, while Breanna Schnell grabbed 10 rebounds.

"It was a dogfight. Omro was very

physical and played well defensively," said Bonduel coach Jerry Reinke. "They certainly took us out of our comfort zone on the offensive end and did some really good things offensively. It was a very good test for us."

Shawano 43

Menasha 33

Shawano picked up a Bay Conference win over Menasha on Dec. 18 in Menasha.

Lydia Beyer scored a career high 19 points to lead Shawano.

Gresham 44

Tigerton 38

Gresham held on for a Central Wisconsin Conference-North Divi-

sion victory over Tigerton on Dec. 18 in Tigerton.

Hannah Cerveney scored 18 points to pace Gresham on the offensive end. Destiny Reindl chipped in 11 points.

Bonduel 64

Wey-Fre 22

Bonduel picked up a CWC-East win over Weyauwega-Fremont on Dec. 18 in Weyauwega.

Ella Hischke scored 17 points to lead Bonduel. Kara Troxel added 14 points, while Allaina Robaidek had 12 points and four steals.

Hailey Zernicke grabbed 11 rebounds for the Bears. Kylie Hoffman dished out four assists.

WRESTLING

Manawa 28

Bonduel 27

Bonduel dropped a CWC dual to Manawa on a tiebreaker Dec. 15 in Manawa.

The tiebreaker came in the first head-to-head matchup of the night. Manawa's wrestler scored more points in the match — and eventually won by pin — than any of Bonduel's wrestlers did in the matches they won.

Kaden Bergsbaken (195) won by pin for Bonduel, while Donovan Vigue (182) won a 10-7 decision. Jayson Toellner (138), Tyson Bogacz (152) and Max Sokolski (170) all won by forfeit.

RECREATION SCOREBOARD

BOWLING

Lakeshore Lanes — Guys and Dolls

Team	W	L
Happy Old Farts	73	25
9 Pin Tappers	65	33
A Team	59	39
Good Times	51	47
SSI's	51	47
Slingers	50 1/2	47 1/2
4 Masked Bowlers	46 1/2	51 1/2
The Aces	45	53
Hilly's Helpers	39	59

High individual game (women): Patricia Nathan 219, Nancy Mitchell 190, Tammy Morotz 189, Patricia Nathan 177, Patricia Nathan 177.

High individual game (men): John Campbell 261, John Campbell 235, Don Hudson 233, Don Hudson 223, Jim Schwaller 219, Bob Schraeder 205.

High individual series (women): Patricia Nathan 573, Nancy Mitchell 515.

High individual series (men): John Campbell 691, Don Hudson 632.

Lakeshore Lanes — Lakeshore Masters

Team	W	L
Meyer Insurance	57	23
Farmall Fanatics	55	25
Golfside	53	27

Full Service Tents	48 1/2	31 1/2
Torborg	47	33
Launching Pad	44 1/2	35 1/2
Dearco Distributors	38	42
Lakeshore Lanes	37 1/2	42 1/2
Brother's	37	43
Pin Pricks	31 1/2	48 1/2
Shawano Auto Sales	18	62
Curb Impressions	13	67

High team scratch games (top 3): Farmall Fanatics 712, Dearco Distributors 667, Meyer Insurance 662.

High individual scratch games (top 7): Dave Druckrey 269, Carson Malueg 269, Bryant Rankin 258, Landon Braatz 258, Brian Schultz 247, Bill Meyer 246, Brad Weisnicht 245.

High team scratch series (top 3): Farmall Fanatics 1,963, Dearco Distributors 1,928, Meyer Insurance 1,897.

High individual scratch series (top 7): Landon Braatz 741, Dave Druckrey 703, Carson Malueg 691, Bill Meyer 672, Mike Passon 666, Brad Weisnicht 661, Brian Schultz 659.

Friday Night Him and Hers

Team	W	L
Keglers	43	13
CDH	41	15

Brothers Pub	36	20
MW Auto Body	35	21
Buss Automotive	32	24
Brothers Pub Too	28	28
Humana	25	31
Lund's Corner Bar	21	35
Gingerly	21	35
The Farmers	20	36
Water Buffaloes	18	38
Just 4 Fun	16	40

High individual scratch games (top 7): Eric

Schuh 279, Daniel Poels 251, Bobby Reiter Jr. 237, Bill Grosskreutz 235, Kyle VanDerLinden 231, Sharon Buss 228, Darcie O'Kimosh 224.

High individual scratch series (top 7): Bobby Reiter Jr. 670, Daniel Poels 627, Bill Grosskreutz 621, Brad Weisnicht 611, Eric Schuh 608, Sharon Buss

607, Kevin Zuleger 596.

Lakeshore Lanes — Tuesday Afternoon Ladies

Team	W	L
Tim's Harvest Queens	3	1
Spinning Wheel	3	1
Boettcher Tax Service	3	1
Mike's Girls	2	2
Mike's Plumbing	2	2
Lisa's Floral	1	3
Lakeshore Lanes	1	3
Lake Drive Solutions	1	3

High individual games: Bonnie Johnson 203, Julie Torborg 198, Betty Bergsbaken 198, Judy Reisner 189.

High individual series: Connie Babino 548, Suzanne Schuettelpelz 521, Karrie Dollar 489, Kathi Dieck 484, Julie Torborg 471.

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2020 Readers Poll

Deadline: January 31, 2021

BALLOT #1



Best Goods:

- ☐ Appliances _____
- ☐ Carpets/Flooring _____
- ☐ Discount Store _____
- ☐ Farm and Feed Store _____
- ☐ Flower Shop _____
- ☐ Furniture/Home Accessories _____
- ☐ Grocery Store _____
- ☐ Gift Store/Antiques _____
- ☐ Hardware _____
- ☐ Health Food _____
- ☐ Jewelry _____
- ☐ Men's Clothing _____
- ☐ Women's Clothing _____
- ☐ Paint Store _____
- ☐ Pet Grooming & Boarding _____
- ☐ Plant/Nursery _____

Best Services:

- ☐ A/C & Heating _____
- ☐ Attorney _____
- ☐ Bank _____
- ☐ Butcher/Meat Shop _____
- ☐ Child Care/Daycare _____
- ☐ Chiropractor _____
- ☐ Credit Union _____
- ☐ Dentist _____
- ☐ Electrician _____
- ☐ Fitness Center _____
- ☐ Gas Station/C-store _____
- ☐ Hair Salon/Barber _____
- ☐ Insurance Agency _____
- ☐ Massage _____
- ☐ Pharmacy _____
- ☐ Physician _____
- ☐ Plumber _____
- ☐ Real Estate Company _____
- ☐ Retirement Community _____
- ☐ Travel Agency _____
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SHAWANO LEADER

2020 Readers Poll

Deadline: January 31, 2021

BALLOT #2



Best Thing To Do:

- ☐ Casino _____
- ☐ Cheese Factory _____
- ☐ Happy Hour/Night Spot _____
- ☐ Hotel/Motel/Resort _____
- ☐ Live Music _____
- ☐ Museum _____
- ☐ Golf Course _____
- ☐ Campground _____

Best Vehicle Services:

- ☐ ATV Store _____
- ☐ Small Engine Repair _____
- ☐ Auto Body Repair _____
- ☐ Auto Parts/Supply Store _____
- ☐ Boat Dealer/Maintenance _____
- ☐ Car Dealer _____
- ☐ Vehicle Service Center _____
- ☐ Car Wash _____
- ☐ Tire Store _____

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#1619
December 4, 11, 18, 24, 31, 2020 &
January 8, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 20-CV-123

Notice of Foreclosure
COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION
Plaintiff
Vs.
ESTATE OF KEITH R. HARRINGTON
C/O SPECIAL ADMININSTRATOR NELSON J. EWINGS
Defendant
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on September 17, 2020 in the amount of \$129,290.62 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:
TIME: January 13, 2021 at 9:00 am
TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the Oconto County Clerk of Courts. (Personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation for the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and encumbrances.

PLACE: Shawano County Courthouse, main lobby
311 N. Main Street in Shawano, WI 54166 in Shawano County
DESCRIPTION: Lot One (1), Vol. 1 Certified Survey Maps, Page 297, as Doc. No. 345860,
Map No. 278; and part of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4 of NE 1/4), Section Seventeen (17), Township Twenty-seven (27) North, Range Fifteen (15) East, in the Town of Richmond, Shawano County, Wisconsin, described as follows:

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AND;

The East 33 feet of the South 550.11 feet of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4 of NE 1/4), Section Seventeen (17), Township Twenty-seven (27) North, Range Fifteen (15) East, in the Town of Richmond, Shawano County, Wisconsin.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: W8906 Cty A Road, Shawano, WI 54166
DATED: November 3, 2020
Galanis, Pollack, Jacobs & Johnson, S.C.

Attorneys for Plaintiff
839 N. Jefferson Street, Suite 200
Milwaukee, WI 53202
414-271-5400
Galanis, Pollack, Jacobs & Johnson, S.C. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a Chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.
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#1641
December 4, 11, 18, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
Case No. 20-PR-67

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Andrew V. Lagatta
DOD July 26, 2020
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, the date of birth June 10, 1941 and date of death July 26, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W8503 Cloverleaf Lake Rd, Clintonville, WI 54929.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is March 19, 2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202.
Sharon Greene-Gretzinger
503 S. Main St
Shawano, WI 54166
715-526-2401
Bar No. 1000837

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#1644
December 18, 24, 31, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
Case No. 20-PR-69

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Roger Eugene Rosenow
DOD October 07, 2020
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, the date of birth July 09, 1938 and date of death October 07, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 541 Bennett Court, Gresham, WI 54128
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 05, 2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202.
J. Edison Woods, Jr.
208 W. Green Bay St
Shawano, WI 54166
Bar No. 1013125
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#1645
December 18, 24, 31, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
Case No. 20-PR-76

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Janice D. Schultz
DOD November 29, 2020
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, the date of birth June 12, 1931 and date of death November 29, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 931 S. Union Street, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 12, 2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Probate.
James E. Aschenbrener
PO Box 146
Shawano, WI 54166
715-524-6258
Bar No. 1008896
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#1646
December 18, 24, 31, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
Case No. 20-PR-32

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Steven Jelinski
DOD October 15, 2020
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, the date of birth August 02, 1948 and date of death October 15, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W5024 Frontage Rd, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 5, 2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202.
Elizabeth Albert
607 Bivebird Lane
Green Bay, WI 54303
920-526-5791
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#1649
December 11, 18 & 24, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 20PR71

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Lloyd E. Fye, Jr.
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1.An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, the date of birth October 17, 1954 and date of death October 17, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W5112

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Pioneer Court, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is March 25, 2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202.
Attorney Julie M. Maslowski
P.O. Box 917
Oshkosh, WI 54903
(920) 651-1820
Bar No. 1033984

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#1652
December 11, 18 & 24, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
Case No. 20PR73

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Nicholas Robert Frank
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, the date of birth August 23, 1981 and date of death October 15, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 611 S. Lafayette St., Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 5, 2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202.
Joseph R. Frank

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#1658
December 24, 31, 2020 &
January 08, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MANITOWOC COUNTY
Summons By Publication
Case No. 20-CV-404

UnitedOne Credit Union
1117 South 10th St.
Manitowoc, WI 54220
Plaintiff,
vs.
Darwin Pyawasay
N3482 HWY 47, Apt 1
Neopit, WI 54150
Defendant.
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, to the above-named Defendant:
You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. Within forty (40) days after **Thursday, December 24, 2020**, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is Manitowoc County, Courthouse, 1010 S. 8th Street, Manitowoc, WI 54220 and to Michele McKinnon, Plaintiff's Attorney, Law Firm of Conway, Olejniczak & Jerry, S.C., whose address is 231 South Adams Street, PO Box 23200, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54305-3200. You may have an attorney help or represent you.
If you do not demand a copy of the Complaint within forty (40) days, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
Dated this 16th day of December, 2020.
LAW FIRM OF CONWAY, OLEJNICZAK & JERRY, S.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
/s/ Michele McKinnon
State Bar No. 1041053
231 South Adams Street
PO Box 23200
Green Bay, WI 54305-3200
(920) 437-0476
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#1653
December 24 & 31. 2020 &
January 08, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Publication Summons
Divorce
Case No. 20FA142

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF
Debra Lynn Regal
Petitioner
and

Legals
WNAXLP

Gregory Alan Regal
Respondent
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS RESPONDENT:
You are notified that the petitioner named above has filed a **Petition** for divorce or legal separation against you. You must respond with a written demand for a copy of the **Petition** within 40 days from the day after the first date of publication.
The demand must be sent or delivered to the court at: Clerk of Court, Shawano County Courthouse, Address: 311 N. Main St
Address: 2nd Floor, Room 206
City: Shawano State: WI Zip: 54166
And to
Petitioner Name: Debra Regal
Address: 128 S. Lafayette St
City: Shawano State: WI Zip: 54166
It is recommended, but not required, that you have an attorney help or represent you.
If you do not demand a copy of the **Petition** within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the **Petition**, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the **Petition**.

A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
You are further notified that if the parties in this action have minor children, violation of 948.31, Wis. Stats., (Interference with custody by parent or others) is punishable by fines and/or imprisonment.
If you and the petitioner have minor children, documents setting forth the percentage standard for child support established by the department under 49.22(9), Wis. Stats., and the factors that a court may consider for modification of that standard under 767.511(1m), Wis Stats., are available upon your request from the Clerk of Court.
You are notified of the availability of information from the Circuit Court Commissioner as set forth in 767.105, Wis Stats.

767.105 Information from Circuit Court Commissioner.
(2) Upon the request of a party to an action affecting the family, including a revision of judgment or order under sec. 767.59 or 767.451:
(a) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall, with or without charge, provide the party with written information on the following, as appropriate to the action commenced:
1. The procedure for obtaining a judgment or order in the action.
2. The major issues usually addressed in such action.
3. Community resources and family court counseling services available to assist the parties.
4. The procedure for setting, modifying, and enforcing child support award, or modifying and enforcing legal custody or physical placement judgments or orders.
(b) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall provide a party, for inspection or purchase, with a copy of the statutory provisions in this chapter generally pertinent to the action.

/s/Debra Regal
128 S. Lafayette St, Shawano, WI 54166
12/7/2020
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#1656
December 24, 31, 2020 &
January 08, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY

Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for Filing Claims
Case No. 20-PR-79
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Bernice A. Begrow
DOD October 22, 2020
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1.An application for informal administration was filed.
2.The decedent, the date of birth February 15, 1938 and date of death October 22, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of Homme Home, 604 Webb St. Wittenberg, WI 54929.
3.The application will be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, before Darlene Hoffman, on January 19, 2021 at 9:00am.
You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.
4.The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 14, 2021.
5.A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202.
6.This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.
James E. Aschenbrener
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Lighting the way



A old-fashioned light fixture on the front of a church on the grounds of the Shawano County Historical Society becomes part of the Christmas decorations.

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#1655
December 18, 24, 31, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 20-PR-70

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Bruce A Lamers
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth August 26, 1963 and date of death October 09, 2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N5005 Lake Drive, Shawano, WI 54156.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 12, 2021.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202. Electronically signed by Darlene Hoffman, Probate Registrar Jon Fischer
McCarthy Law LLP
2401 E. Enterprise Ave
Appleton, WI 54913
920-882-4070
Bar No. 1088197
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#1657
December 24, 31, 2020 &
January 8, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY

Order and Notice for Hearing on Petition for Final Judgment

Case No. 19-PR-70

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Randall A. Burke
DOD May 08, 2019
A Petition for Final Judgment was filed.
THE COURT FINDS:

The decedent, with date of birth February 16, 1954 and date of death May 8, 2019 was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with mailing address of W16262 Derr Creek Rd, Tigerton, WI 54486.

THE COURT ORDERS:

1. The Petition will be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room, before Judge Katherine Sioma, Court Official, on January 15, 2021, at 1:30 by Zoom.
You do not need to appear unless you object. The Petition may be granted if there is no object.
2. Notice by publication is required.

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Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.
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#1659
December 24 & 31, 2020
Agenda

Board of Adjustment - Public Hearing Notice Meeting
Thursday, January 14, 2021 @ 9:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A, B & C
311 N Main St., Shawano, WI

Members: Alan Beyer, Bill Bowers, Robert Korth, John Stezenski, Gary Thomack
Alternates: 1st Thomas Taufemer, 2nd Robert Krause
V-1-21: Ricky L. and Veronica Damp request variance to construct a 16' x 36' addition to an existing garage to be: 1) 12 feet from the south lot line where 15 feet is required pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Table X.3.03A: Dimensional, Yard, and Other Development Regulations, Residential Zoning Districts; and 2) 33 feet from the centerline of Sunset Lane where 50 feet is required pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Table X.3.03B: Minimum Required Setback for Front and Street Side Yards. Property is located and described as Klostermans Plat of Sunset Beach Lot 1 Certified Survey Recorded Volume 10 Page 26 Map #2587, located in Section 7, T27N R17E. Tax parcel #044-80200-0320. Town of Washington. Property address: N6564 Sunset Lane

Any interested person may address the Board of Adjustment by letter or appear in person or by agent and be heard at the public hearing. Written correspondence must bear a legible signature or the author.

The Board of Adjustment will be meeting after the public hearing to deliberate and take possible action on the following items:

1. Public hearing decisions
1.1. Discuss and take possible action on V-1-21: Damp.
2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting.
12-10-2020 BOA Public Hearing and Meeting Minutes
3. Board member comments or new business to be considered at a future meeting.
4. Correspondence.
5. Set next public hearing date.
6. Adjournment.
Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766
Meeting notice emailed/posted: Shawano County Courthouse, Department of Human Services, Shawano County Library, Shawano Leader, WTCR Radio, Shawano County Civic website @ coshawanwi.civicweb.net
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NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN THAT ORDINANCE # 2020-07: Amending Ordinance 2019-03, Town of Wescott Nuisance Ordinance, and ORDINANCE #2020-09, Amending Ordinance 2012-03 Town of Wescott Zoning Ordinance, both approved December 10th, 2020 IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT : TOWN OF WESCOTT OFFICE, N5794 OLD KESHENA RD OR WWW.TOWNOFWESCOTT.COM, OR CONTACT CLERK VREEKE AT 715-526-9755 THE FOLLOWING IS AN ORDINANCE SUMMARY:

ORDINANCE #2020-07- AMEND THE "JUNKED VEHICLES" SECTION OF THE ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE #2020-09 AMEND THE "FENCES" SECTION OF THE ORDINANCE WITH RESPECT TO ROADWAY SETBACKS.

ANGELA VREEKE, TOWN CLERK

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**Town of Richmond
Planning & Zoning Commission Public Hearing
& Town Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
At Town of Richmond Town Hall,
N5170 County Road MM, Shawano, WI. 54166**

The Town of Richmond Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at the Richmond Town Hall at N5170 County Road MM, Shawano on Tuesday, December 29, 2020 beginning at 7:00 p.m. to consider:

1. Application of Patrick D. Pedersen and Michael D. Pedersen for a request to re-zone Lot 1 from Commercial to Residential of the (attached) proposed Certified Survey Map of Tax Parcel 040263200110; Legal Description of said tax parcels: NW 1/4 SW 1/4 LYG S OF HWY 29 EX W 497' SEC 26 T27N R15E

Notice given December 10, 2020 by Richard J. Stadelman, Town Clerk

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6th-7th grade Girls Basketball Coach:

Gresham School District is looking for someone to coach the 2021 Junior High, 7th grade-Girls Basketball Team. The season starts in January and continues through February.

Send a letter of interest including previous coaching experience and references to:

Gresham Community School
c/o Jeff Zobeck, Athletic Director
501 Schabow Street
Gresham, WI 54128

If you have any questions, please call Jeff Zobeck at 715-787-3211 Ext. 404 or email to zobeckj@gresham.k12.wi.us.

Recess/Playground Aide:

Gresham School District is looking for a part time, recess and playground aide for the 2020-2021 school year. The hours would be from 10:30am-12:00 noon.

Anyone interested in the position, please call and request an application (<http://bit.ly/GreshamInstrAideApp>) from:

Newell E. Haffner
District Administrator/4K-5 Principal
c/o Gresham School District
501 Schabow Street
Gresham, WI 54128

If you have questions, please call 715-787-3211 ext 850 or email: haffnen@gresham.k12.wi.us

Substitute Teachers: Must have an associate degree or higher from an accredited college or university and successfully completed an approved substitute training program, but has not completed a state-approved educator preparation program (Three-Year short-term substitute license). <http://bit.ly/GreshamSubApp>

Substitute Special Education aide: These positions are great ways to get experience on being a special education aide. The applicant must be able to pass an assessment in reading, writing, and mathematics OR have an associate degree or higher OR have two years of post-secondary education equal to 48 credits. <http://bit.ly/GreshamInstrAideApp>

Anyone interested in a substitute special education aide position, please call and request an application.

Newell E. Haffner
District Administrator/4K-5 Principal
Gresham School District
501 Schabow Street
Gresham, WI 54128

If you have questions, please call 715-787-3211 ext 850 or email: haffnen@gresham.k12.wi.us

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SHAWANO LEADER



2020 Readers Poll

Deadline: January 31, 2021

BALLOT #3

Best Food/Dining:

- ☐ Bakery _____
- ☐ Bar _____
- ☐ Breakfast _____
- ☐ Burger _____
- ☐ Coffee House _____
- ☐ Dessert _____
- ☐ Dinner _____
- ☐ Family Restaurant _____
- ☐ Fast Food _____
- ☐ Fish Fry _____
- ☐ Ice Cream _____
- ☐ International _____
- ☐ Kids Meal Deal _____
- ☐ Lunch _____
- ☐ Pizza _____
- ☐ Sandwich _____

Best of Wolf River Region

ENTRY FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Clip & Mail Your Ballots To: **Shawano Leader**
Attn: Best Of
1464 E. Green Bay St., Shawano WI 54166
 e-mail: advertising@newmedia-wi.com

Deadline: January 31, 2021

*A minimum of 10 categories on ballot must be completed in order for your vote to count to be eligible to win prizes.

No purchase necessary to win.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Pella Dam Concrete Repairs

Pella, Wisconsin

TIME AND PLACE FOR BIDDING

Notice is hereby given by the Town of Pella, Shawano County, Wisconsin, that it will receive separate sealed bids for the Pella Dam Concrete Repairs project until 1:30 PM January 14, 2021, in the offices of Becher Hoppe Associates, 330 N 4th Street, Wausau, WI 54403. Bids will be publicly opened and read by the undersigned at that time.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

The project comprises concrete repairs to the Pella Dam that have become deteriorated over time. The work consists of removal of the deteriorated and loose concrete surface of the two fixed crest Ogee spillways and areas of the upstream concrete support piers. Deteriorated concrete removal includes an old layer of shotcrete/granite approximately 2 to 3 inches in thickness covering the spillway surfaces. Deteriorated concrete shall be removed using mechanical means such as jack hammer and sawing equipment as necessary to chip deteriorated concrete away and provide a solid foundation for the repairs. The spillway repairs shall consist of a 6-inch concrete overlay repair and the concrete pier repairs consist of partial depth concrete repairs.

There are no additional investigative reports or information on the project conditions. The contractor is encouraged to visit the site, after contacting the owner to examine site conditions.

The proposed improvements include, but are not limited to, the following estimated major bid item quantities:

Item Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit
Mobilization	1	LS
Traffic Control	1	LS
6 Concrete Cap (Spillway #2)	800	SF
6 Concrete Cap (Spillway #5)	975	SF
Quality Control Material Testing Program	1	LS
Structural Crack Repair (undistributed)	100	LF
Non-Structural Crack Repair (Estimated)	150	LF
Partial Depth Concrete Repair 0 to 6-Inch Thickness	75	SF
Partial Depth Concrete Repair 6-Inch or Greater Thickness	75	SF
Dewatering	1	LS
Mandatory Alternate #1 - 13' Slide Gate #1	1	LS
Mandatory Alternate #2 - 13' Slide Gate #2	1	LS
Mandatory Alternate #3 - 13' Slide Gate #3	1	LS
Mandatory Alternate #4 - Water Level Warning System	1	LS

DOCUMENTS

The Project Manual, with Drawings and Bidding Forms, is on file and may be reviewed at the office of Becher-Hoppe Associates, Inc.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.becherhoppe.com or www.questcdn.com. You may download the digital plan documents for \$15.00 by inputting Quest Project # 7456592. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. Please contact us at 715-845-8000 if you have any questions.

PRE-BID CONFERENCE

A Pre-Bid Conference will not be held for this project. The Contractor is encouraged to visit the site to become familiar with the project and site conditions.

PROOF OF RESPONSIBILITY

Potential bidders shall submit a Bidders Proof of Responsibility on the Qualifications Statement form to the Engineer's Office, five business days prior to the bid opening. The Town of Pella reserves the right to reject the bid by a contractor when answers in the Proof of Responsibility and financial statement are not satisfactorily sufficient.

SUBMITTING BIDS

No bids shall be considered unless submitted on the official Bid Form by a qualified bidder. Each bidder must deposit with the BID, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders along with supplement forms required. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in bidding, and to award the contract(s) in the best interests of the Owner. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the bid opening.

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Have a news tip? Email us!
news@newmedia-wi.com

DR. GRETCHEN AUGUSTINE & DR. THERESE YARROCH
ARE ACCEPTING PATIENTS IN SHAWANO!



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or visit us at www.womenscareofwi.com.