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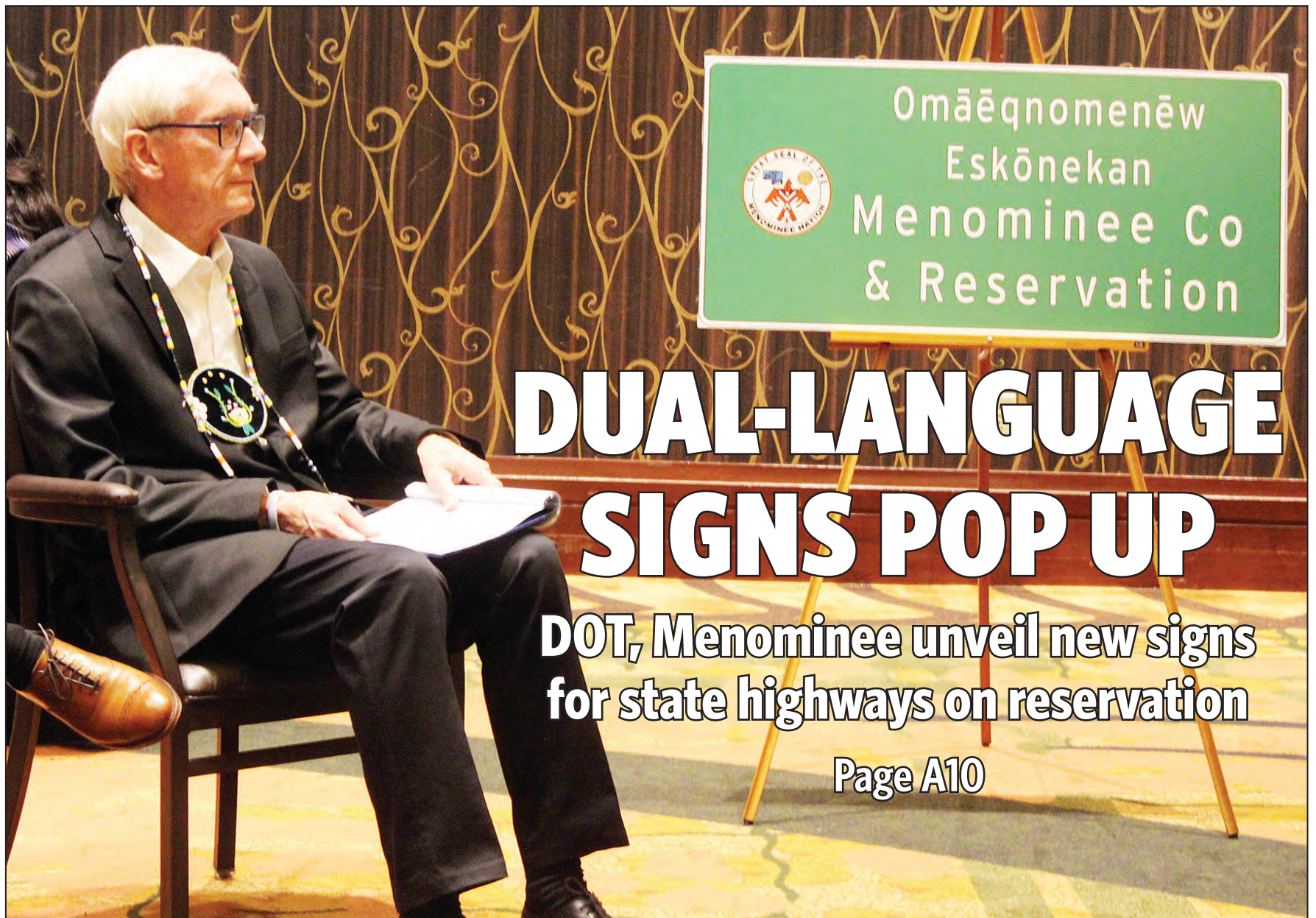
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District purchases five Raptor check-in systems

Board members stress importance that systems are always used

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Shawano School Board approved by a 7-2 vote a new security system that will keep better track of which visitors are in the schools during regular hours, but it also made clear to administrators that the system needs to be used across the board, not only the schools that feel like doing it.

The district will be purchasing five Raptor systems — one for each of the schools and one for Shawano Community Education, which is over at Shawano Community Middle School but has its own entrance. Interim Superintendent Kurt Krizan said the entry program checks individual IDs like driver's licenses.

"A visitor will come in, and they would hand us their ID and put it into a little device that looks like a toaster," Krizan said. "It would look at that ID and run them through a database and then print out a visitor's ticket for them with their name and their picture right off of their ID."

The devices will also check the database whenever someone comes in to pick up a child and see if that person is authorized to do so, according to Krizan.

"It's another systems check that allows us to look at visitors coming in and out of the building," Krizan said, noting that Raptor is utilized by 35,000 school districts through the United States.

Krizan pointed out the device would only be utilized during regular school hours when the office is staffed. Evening events would not require visitors to check in, and special events like Veterans Day ceremonies would not require everyone to check in, either, he said.

Board member Alysia Pillsbury saw the Raptor system as an essential part of keeping schools safe and noted that such a system should have been implemented long ago.

"What took us so long to get to this?" Pillsbury said.

Krizan noted the initial funding of \$10,000 would be coming out of the second round of Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief funds initiated during the coronavirus pandemic. Following the initial investment, the district will have to pay \$750 annually for each of the schools to continue to use the system plus \$600 for SCE's continued use, which Krizan said would come out of the individual budgets.

Krizan said the district's policy has required any visitors during school hours to sign in and sign out, but many fail to return to the office to check out. With the Raptor system, visitors' IDs will be held at the office until they return to check out, he said.

The Raptor system will also be used to print passes for students who are tardy, according to Krizan.

Board member John Arens voted in favor of the system, but he said the district's going to have some problems, pointing out that the adhesive from ID stickers that are put on clothing will likely last five minutes before becoming worthless. He also stressed the importance of making sure the system is mandatory at every school and not used as a convenience.

"It's easy for an admin to say we need this, but the face of this thing is all administrative assistants," Arens said. "Not one of the administrators is going to stare that person in the eye at the other end of the table and tell them 'I need your ID.' I just want to make sure we've vetted this thing to the point that we know that we're putting people who are a lot less paid as the face of this whole thing."

Arens also questioned what would happen if the internet went out at a school, preventing the front office from being able to access the database.

"We have a ton of technology at this school that we paid for that doesn't work," Arens said. "I trust that you have, or you will, go through these situations, because I don't want to spend money on something that they decide they'll use when they want to. What we're saying is safety and security will be at our leisure. Either we have safety and security, or we don't."

Board member Sam Sousek expressed concern that the Raptor system should be used for students, as well. He noted an incident where a student was let in via a door other than the main office; when a staff member questioned it, a department head said: "He's my student. I can have him in here when I want."

"Who is going to be enforcing this?" Sousek said. "Who is this going to be protecting?"

Krizan pointed out a Raptor system is not being purchased for the district office because visitors are few to that part of Shawano Community High School. He said any district office visitor who needs to go into the high school would be escorted by someone at the district office to the high school office, where the visitor would need to submit their ID there.

Board member Mart Grams, who voted against purchasing the Raptor system along with Al Pyaskowit, was against the idea of tracking people, suggesting it wouldn't make an impact on security.

"I just have a real problem with tracking human beings, regardless of what our private businesses do," Grams said. "When I started looking at this company, they have a pretty good tracking system that can tell when I poop. That's how good they are. Tell me one school safety issue that's going to be stopped by this — 'Oh, I don't think I'll shoot anybody today because I had to show my ID.'"

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Shawano Pathways recaps busy year

Highlights include, snowshoeing, new GRACE Trail 10-year anniversary of Bike the Barn Quilts

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Snowshoeing, a new GRACE trail and the 10-year anniversary of Bike the Barn Quilts were among the highlights of the Shawano Pathways' annual report during the organization's annual meeting at the American Legion building in Shawano on Nov. 15.

Shawano Pathways President Nancy Brown-Koeller presented a recap of the year, highlighting the major events in chronological order, starting with snowshoeing at Kroenke Lake and the Sugar Shack Trail.

"Kroenke Lake — we are very happy to see it used more and think that is a result of us putting trail markers down, making maps available and leading big hikes through the areas, so we are pleased to see it used much more," said Brown-Koeller. "Sugar Shack Trail has some very interesting sort of trail markers there — you never know what you are going to see."

Brown-Koeller noted the increased popularity of moonlight snowshoe hikes as well, saying that it is a fun and entertaining experience for those involved.

She added that Shawano Pathways also started selling trail passes this year, with all of the money going back to the county for Mountain Bay Trail maintenance.

"We want people to remember that if you buy a trail pass in Shawano County, the money stays in Shawano County," said Brown-Koeller. "If you buy it in Brown County or Marathon County, or anywhere else, that is the county that gets the money."

Trail passes can be bought through Shawano Pathways, at Shawano City Hall, at the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce, or at the Shawano County Court House.



Shawano Pathways President Nancy Brown-Koeller, right, presents a gift basket to Bike the Barn Quilts Chair Matty Mathison, during the Shawano Pathways annual meeting on Nov. 15. Bike the Barn Quilts recently hit its 10-year anniversary, giving Shawano Pathways an incentive to reward Mathison, as she heads the program.

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Throughout the spring, Brown-Koeller said that the organization participated in a spring clean-up event on the Mountain Bay Trail and parks in the city. They are looking at doing the same thing this year.

"We have 16 miles of trails that we would like to do," said Brown-Koeller. "We need volunteers this year on Saturday, April 29. If you have two hours, please come and help us clean up the trails that are in the city of Shawano."

Back in May, Shawano Pathways opened a new GRACE Trail at the Navarino Nature Center. Brown-Koeller said that the trail has been popular and thanked Bike the Barn Quilts Chair Matty Mathison for her work in getting it in place.

"The GRACE Trail (idea creator)

continues to tap into Matty to say that you are an example that we want to share around the country for what you've done," said Brown-Koeller. "It is a lot of work, but we have good volunteers who do that and it is a good addition to our county."

During her report, Brown-Koeller noted that Shawano Pathways has begun work to help improve the Mountain Bay Trail, partnering with the Friends of the Mountain Bay Trail.

"We added numbers to the 17 shelters on the Mountain Bay Trail — it is just a safety thing, it is easier to locate someone if you know what shelter they are at," said Brown-Koeller. "Thanks to some anonymous donors, we are able to experiment with adding two sides to the shelters. Adding two sides

will be a good wind-break and rain-break."

The last topic that Brown-Koeller talked about was the 10-year anniversary of Bike the Barn Quilts. Brown-Koeller and the rest of the members of the Shawano Pathways all chipped in to recognize Mathison on her work with the program for the past decade with a basket of household items and treats.

"It started as a little idea at one of our meetings, and were just trying to figure out ways that we could make money," said Mathison. "(Barn quilts) are obviously something that Shawano has become famous for, and I remember blurting out, 'What about a barn quilt ride?'"

SMU seeks larger, more modern facility



This is how the exterior of the proposed Shawano Municipal Utilities building is expected to look once it's complete.

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State approval needed to construct new \$12.6M building

By KEVIN MURPHY
Correspondent

Shawano Municipal Utilities has outgrown its service center and wants to replace it with larger modern facility.

"I've been here 18 years," said Rob Koepp, electrical supervisor and engineer, "and we've talked about (a new building) on and off that whole time."

A 2017 space study concluded that new construction and not remodeling would be best option to provide SMU with more functional and efficient facilities.

This week, SMU submitted plans to the Wisconsin Public Service Commission seeking authorization to construct the estimated \$12.6 million project.

PSC approval would mean demolition of the 21,000-square-foot structure at 122 N. Sawyer St. and 213 E. Green Bay St. and then construction of a 29,000-square-foot replacement building.

Although SMU has acquired adjacent properties over the years, its 2.45-

acre site isn't large enough to accommodate both buildings simultaneously. So, SMU would set up temporary offices in town while the new building is built, Koepp said.

A site won't be selected for the temporary offices until the PSC's four-to-six-month approval process is closer to completion.

SMU has two sheds off Fifth Street where the equipment and materials would be stored and the crew would work out of, Koepp said.

SMU has committed to remaining downtown to support revitalization of the underused East Green Bay Street corridor. No similar sized site is available downtown, and the nearest acceptable site would likely be several miles from the center of the city. That wouldn't be convenient to the hundreds of customer visits that occur monthly, according to SMU's construction application submitted to the PSC.

"Also, relocation would likely result in leaving a vacant brownfield site for a new greenfield development, which is not an environmentally positive outcome," according to the application.

The building was constructed in the 1930s as a fire station and public works shops. SMU moved in in the 1980s and expanded the structure to its current size.

The service center is showing its age with roofs, windows, doors and pavement in need of replacement in order to continue to use the building.

Public offices are on the second floor, which isn't considered a desirable location. Also, the building was remodeled without present-day concerns for employee security, Koepp said.

"We haven't had any issues, but we do make people mad when their service is disconnected and we get some disgruntled people here," he said.

The employee kitchen is the only area large enough to accommodate SMU Commission meetings, and there isn't an area large enough to hold all the staff for training sessions. Employee bathrooms also require extensive remodeling, according to the application.

Field staff locker room, restroom, and break rooms were always cramped for space.

SMU's vehicle fleet has outgrown its current facilities, requiring many "front line" trucks, trailers and materials to be stored outdoors.

The new service center would provide space for indoor vehicle storage and adequate accommodations for employee and public needs.

A rooftop solar array is in the plans as well as a geothermal heating system with some lines extending 150 feet

deep to heat and cool the offices.

Aesthetic landscaping and improved storm water management for the site are also in the plans.

Miron Construction estimated the building's cost at \$12.6 million but the actual price won't be known until the project is bid, Koepp said.

Construction would be financed by utility revenue bonds which would be paid off by a 5.35% increase in rates, according to an estimate calculated by SMU Manager Brian Knapp.

SMU currently has an electric rate increase before the PSC. Financing the building project would be addressed in a subsequent rate case, probably within two or three years, Koepp said.

The project's timetable tentatively calls for construction to begin next year and occupancy about 18 months later.

The modern facilities are expected to be appreciated by the employees and public, Koepp said.

"We haven't had much trouble retaining office staff ... with many being here for several years. Our turnover comes in the line department. The vehicles they work out of are newer but our facilities, especially downstairs, are bad. Anything we can do to make them feel that this is a good place to work helps our retention rate," Koepp said.

Shawano council approves \$14.3M budget

Tax rate jumps up to \$10.67 after assessed valuation doesn't rise as much as equalized

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Shawano Common Council approved a budget of almost \$14.3 million on Nov. 16, and even though the city's taxes are increasing for property owners, residents should see an overall drop on their tax rate.

The city tax rate is going from \$9.90 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation this year to \$10.67, which means the owner of a \$100,000 property can expect to pay \$1,067 in city taxes alone.

However, a steep drop in the tax rate for Shawano School District has positioned city property owners to pay \$2,339.80 on that same \$100,000 property in 2023 when the tax impact in 2022 was \$2,362.53.

The reason the city's tax rate is increasing while the school district's is dropping is due to the method of property valuations. The school district bases its tax rate off of the equalized value of property, which jumped up \$126.2 million in the last year. The city tax rate is based on a property's assessed value, which only saw a \$5.6 million increase.

"Some years are easier than others," said City Administrator Eddie Sheppard in describing the process of piecing together the 2023 city budget. "This year presented some challenges for us, but ultimately, I think it was a great process. Working with staff is always a pleasure."

The equalized value adds about 15% more to property values, something Sheppard hasn't seen in the nearly 10 years he's been with the city.

"Unfortunately, as a city, we don't budget on equalized value," he said. "Only our TIFs do, and so we didn't see the benefit of the increase."

As a result, the city is looking at a revaluation in 2023 in the hopes of getting the equalized and assessed values back in line with each other. Sheppard noted the city would not do a full revaluation but instead do a market-rate analysis, because it will produce the same results but not cost the city as much.

"A full revalue would cost the city about \$150,000, but we're only looking at \$48,000 (for the market analysis)," he said.

The total levy for the city increased by \$518,540 to almost \$6.4 million, which include a 35% hike from the Tax Increment Finance District levy, according to Sheppard. The city was



County Road B from Waukechon Street to Main Street will be one of the road reconstruction projects that the city of Shawano will be working on during 2023.

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also able to find about \$230,000 in revenues not connected to the levy, which will help deal with some of the city's increased costs.

"Things are costing more," Sheppard said. "We are not immune from that."

The biggest slice of the pie remains public safety, which covers police, fire and building inspections. That takes up 26% of the budget, with almost \$3.7 million geared toward it. Sheppard said that makes sense, as the police and fire departments are 24-7 services while the other departments work fewer hours.

"There's significantly more cost to manpower to run a police department than some of our other services," Sheppard said.

Capital improvements and equipment suck up 20% of the budget, and the city's general obligation debt service takes a similar amount. Public works takes up 13%, while city hall contributes 12%. Another 7% is earmarked for parks and recreation, which also covers the civic center and Woodlawn Cemetery.

This year's budget is including a 4% wage increase for all city employees. That could have been muted by higher

health care increases, as the city was originally looking at a 19% increase in its insurance plans, but that was reconfigured to a high-deductible setup that resulted in only a 4.1% increase for the city, according to Sheppard.

"We had an initial scare with insurance when we got our renewals coming back to the tune of about a 19% increase," he said, noting the city could no longer ride out keeping with a low deductible. "Only 4.1% in this climate is about as good as you're going to get."

The 2023 budget also includes no staffing changes for next year, with no new positions or positions being eliminated.

The capital improvement projects slated for 2023 include mill and overlay work on County Road B from Main Street to Waukechon Street in partnership with Shawano County, as well as on Waukechon Street from Green Bay Street to Lieg Avenue. The latter project will be a \$1.3 million joint effort with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, with the city only have to pay 20% of the expenses.

"Anytime we can bring that outside money and leverage what we have benefits us greatly," Sheppard said.

The city also has street reconstruction projects planned for Weed and River streets.

"Those areas were hit particularly hard with the lead line replacements, so there's a lot of holes in the roads," Sheppard said. "We've also had some utility issues down there that we've wanted to deal with for a long time. We felt like it was a good year to do this."

Sheppard added that the capital improvement projects for 2023 are light in order to prepare the city for some major projects coming up after, including work on West Green Bay Street.

Efforts to renovate the community room and council chambers at City Hall originally slated for 2022 are back in the 2023 budget, with Sheppard noting most of the work will be done in house when bids for the project came back significantly higher than what was budgeted.

"I cannot wait for the council to see the council chamber desk that you're going to be at in a few months," Sheppard said. "It's going to be absolutely gorgeous."

OBITUARIES

Patricia E. Wendler

Patricia E. Wendler, 85, of Wittenberg, died on Monday, Nov. 14, 2022, at Rennes Health and Rehab Center in Weston.

Pat was born on March 22, 1937, in Wausau, the daughter of John and Erma (Schoenhofen) Suwyn.

On July 2, 1955, Pat was united in marriage to Clarence Wendler in Elderon. He preceded her in death on April 27, 2016.

Pat and Clarence farmed in the Town of Wittenberg for many years. Pat was active in the community and was involved with the Forest Home Cemetery, Wittenberg Historical Society and was a member of the Bloecher-Johnson American Legion Auxiliary. Pat was an active member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wittenberg and taught Sunday School for 20 years and was in the Ladies Aid. She enjoyed crocheting, gardening and canning.

In her free time, Pat enjoyed watching Westerns and the couple attended many Hodag Music Festivals throughout the years. Pat was an avid Brewers, Badgers and Packers fan. Family and friends were very important to Pat, and she truly treated anyone as family. Pat had a heart of gold and will be deeply missed.

Pat is survived by five children, Joni Adams, of Marion, Brenda (Brian) Retzlaff, of Clintonville, Charles (Shirley) Wendler, of Wittenberg, Theresa (Mike) Stai, of Watertown, and Clarence "Willy" (Laura) Wendler, of Chippewa Falls; grandchildren, Amanda Adams, Jason Adams, Rebecca (Steve) Niesen, BobbiJo (Josh) Ladwig, Jessica (Anthony) Miller, Travis (Rachel) Herrmann, Alisha (Craig Engelhardt) Wendler, Zachary (Cassie) Wendler, Samantha (Charlie Hustad) Doolittle, Anita (Dan Sengpiel) Stai, Kory (Emily Pomerich) Stai, Kristina (Matthew) Hoffman and Johnathon (Alexandra) Wendler; great-grand-



children, Serenity (Antwon Cross) Adams, Zane Forslund, Anton Fedie, Carlos and Gracie Gonzalez, Xander Adams, Channing and Jasmine Niesen, Brennon and Tristan (Halaina)

Fowler, Aiyana Miller, Emma, Georgia and Finley Ladwig, Ava and Jaxton Herrmann, Clara, Levi and baby (due in December) Hoffman, Ryleigh Stai, Charlotte and Boone Wendler; great-great-grandchildren, Gianna Cross and one on the way; special grand puppies, Rascal and Buttons; two brothers, William (Donna) Suwyn and Jack (Betty) Suwyn; brothers and sisters-in-law, Viola Konkel, Lucille Bricco, Evelyn Verkuilen, Roger Wendler, Mike (Georgia) Swenson and Merry (Roger) Voigt; and many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Clarence; one grandson, Ryan Wendler; one son-in-law, Chuck Adams; three sisters, Mary, at birth, Marjorie Cornell and Beverly Tomson; and many other relatives.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 18, 2022, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wittenberg. The Rev. Matthew Christians will preside. Burial will follow in Forest Home Cemetery in Wittenberg. Visitation will be on Thursday from 4-7 p.m. and again on Friday from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the church.

Schmidt and Schulta Funeral Home in Wittenberg is assisting the family with funeral arrangements. Memories and messages of support may be shared at schmidtschulta.com.

Memorials to the St. Paul Lutheran Church Building Fund would be appreciated.

Mary Litzow



Mary (née Lindquist) Litzow died Nov. 15, 2022, at Cardinal View residence in Middleton after a long life filled with love of family and friends. Mary was born in Milwaukee on Jan. 8, 1943, to Alrich and Florence Lindquist. Mary graduated from Milwaukee Washington High School in 1961 and kept a collection of senior class photos of her many friends.

Mary's world came alive in 1965 and again in 1969, when her beloved kids, Scott and Carolyn, were born. That love ignited anew decades later with the arrival of her grandchildren, Peter, Joe, Julia and Ellie. With that, Mary became "Grandma on the River," entertaining her grandkids at her home on the Wolf River in Shawano. She was known for squirt guns, bountiful breakfasts, tuna and potato salads, and a screen porch where she and her husband, Tom Litzow, would share stories (his much longer than hers). Mary loved a good vodka gimlet, everything written by Stephen King and the peace of the river when she would wake up at sunrise.

A longtime staff member at Shawano High School, Mary also loved the many students who confided in her in the guidance office. Many words describe Mary — funny, kind, understanding, accepting — but one stands out, protector. Mary stood by everyone in her life. We will miss that about her but know she will continue to be with us as strongly and staunchly as ever.

Mary was preceded in death

by her parents; sister, Arlene; husband, Thomas; and former spouse, Clair Culver, with whom she raised her wonderful kids.

She is survived by those

she loved the most, son, Scott (Katy) Culver; daughter, Carolyn Pahl; grandchildren, Pete (Stevie), Joe and Ellie Culver and Julia Pahl; sister Kaaren (Bill) Kropf; brother John (Wendy) Lindquist, and niece Jessica; nephew, Greg Roy; and son-in-law, Dan Pahl. Mary also is survived by dear friends, Carolyn, Mary, Deb and Marilyn.

We are all grateful to Agrace Hospice, Cardinal View staff and many others for their kindness and care for Mary. We miss you, G'ma — the OG in every way.

We will gather for visitation at Cress Funeral Home from 10-11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022, with a memorial service at 11 a.m. A private family burial will follow in the coming months.

In remembrance of Mary's life, the family requests that any charitable donations be made to Agrace Hospice Care, <https://www.agrace.org/donate>.

Cress Funeral and Cremation Service, 3325 E. Washington Ave., Madison. 608-249-6666. Please share your memories at www.cressfuneralservice.com

Carol J. Buenning

Carol Joyce Buenning (Schmoll), 95, of Spring Hill, Florida, passed away on Nov. 13, 2022.

Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory, Clintonville.

Many affected by seasonal affective disorder

Does your mood seem to mirror the seasons — growing darker as the winter days get shorter and lifting as the brighter days of summer approach? You could have a condition known as seasonal affective disorder (SAD).

SAD is a type of depression characterized by its recurrent seasonal pattern, with symptoms lasting about four to five months per year in late fall to early spring. According to the

American Psychiatric Association, about 5% of adults in the United States experience SAD.

"People may start to feel 'down' as the days get shorter this time of year. This is 'winter-pattern SAD' and can make you feel tired, crave carbohydrates, gain weight, avoid things you normally enjoy or withdraw socially during the fall and winter months," said Heidi Pritzl, Aspirus licensed clinical social worker.

Anyone can be affected by SAD, but according to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), those who are the most at risk are women, people living in the north, people living with other mental health disorders and those a family history of depression. In most cases, SAD begins in young adulthood.

If a patient is diagnosed with SAD, a variety of recommendations may be made, depending on severity. Pritzl

recommends a well-balanced lifestyle and getting outside for regular walks when the weather is mild.

"Light therapy (utilizing a light box or dawn-stimulating lamp), talk therapy, vitamin D and in some cases medications such as antidepressants may be used alone or in combination. Talk to your health care provider about which treatment, or combination of treatments, is best for you," said Pritzl.

COURT NEWS

• Aaron J. Kaquatosh, 37, Bowler, was charged Nov. 14 with one count of possession of narcotic drugs, one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Shawano-Menominee Circuit Court Judge Katherine Sloma set a cash bond of \$500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Dec. 2.

• Brandon J. Turney, 22, Gresham, was charged Nov. 14 with one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer. Sloma set a cash bond of \$500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 29.

• Jennifer M. Wallace, 34, Green Bay, was charged Nov. 14 with one count of possession of methamphetamine, one count of possession of narcotic drugs, one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia and one misdemeanor count of possessing/illegally obtaining a prescription. Sloma set a signature bond

of \$2,500 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for Jan. 10.

• Jennifer L. Zabel, 46, Howard, was charged Nov. 14 with two counts of possession of methamphetamine, one count of possession of narcotic drugs, four counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a cash bond of \$500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 30.

• Megan E. Hackbarth, 35, De Pere, was charged Nov. 14 with one count of operating while intoxicated (fourth offense). Sloma set a cash bond of \$500 and scheduled a status conference for Dec. 22.

• Joel R. McGrath, 33, Green Bay, was charged Nov. 14 with two counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct. Sloma set a cash bond of \$250 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 30.

• Michael J. Feather, 37, Gillett

was charged Nov. 15 with one count of operating while intoxicated (fourth offense), two misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer and one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Sloma set a cash bond of \$500 and a signature bond of \$1,500. She also scheduled a preliminary hearing for Dec. 2.

• Charges against Robby J. Lewis, 29, Gillett, were dismissed Nov. 15 on a prosecutor's motion. Those charges included one count of possession of methamphetamine, one misdemeanor count of possession of cocaine/coca and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• Charges against Terri L. Singletary, 57, Bonduel, were dismissed Nov. 15 on a prosecutor's motion. Those charges included two counts of possession of THC, with intent (less than or equal to 200 grams), two counts of maintaining a drug trafficking place, one count of possession of narcotic drugs and one misdemeanor

count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• Gabriel J. Villanueva, 40, Menasha, pleaded no contest Nov. 17 to one count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense). Sloma sentenced Villanueva to 120 days in jail and three years of probation.

• Keenan J. Zhuckkahosee, 30, Keshena, pleaded no contest Nov. 18 to one count of possession of methamphetamine, two counts of possession of narcotic drugs, three counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer and one misdemeanor count of operating without a valid license (second offense in three years). Seven counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer, one misdemeanor count of criminal damage to property and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia were dismissed but read into the record. Sloma sentenced Zhuckkahosee to five years of probation.

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SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Nov. 19

Officers responded to 18 calls, including a disturbance on Aspen Court; a threat on South Lutz Street; reckless driving on North Main Street; criminal damage on South Prospect Street.

Nov. 18

Officers responded to 19 calls, including disorderly conduct at Amerivu Inn and Suites, 211 Waukechon St.; trespassing on South Maiden Lane; trespassing at Amerivu Inn and Suites, 211 Waukechon St.; property damage on South Main Street; a threat at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; criminal damage on South Lafayette Street.

Nov. 17

Officers responded to 20 calls, including harassment at Arrowcast, 2900 E. Richmond St.; reckless driving on County Road B; a disturbance at ThedaCare

Medical Center, 100 County Road B.

Nov. 16

Officers responded to 18 calls, including criminal damage at Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.; a drug offense at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; car property damage on County Road B; disorderly conduct on East Richmond Street.

Nov. 15

Officers responded to 21 calls, including a threat on South Maiden Lane; a disturbance on South Maiden Lane; criminal damage on South Main Street; property theft at Family Dollar, 413 S. Main St.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Nov. 19

Deputies responded to 33 calls, including a disturbance on Sunset Drive in the Town of Herman; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Richmond; bail jumping on West Sandy Drive in the

Town of Washington; reckless driving on Maple Road in the Town of Almon; disorderly conduct on Fischer Street in Gresham; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Seneca; 10 crashes, two involving deer.

Nov. 18

Deputies responded to 27 calls, including harassment on North Shore Lane in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on South Cecil Street in Bonduel; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg; five crashes, two involving deer.

Nov. 17

Deputies responded to 45 calls, including property theft on state Highway 156 in the Town of Maple Grove; reckless driving on state Highway 117 in Bonduel; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland; a disturbance on Red Oak Lane in the Town of Wittenberg; a disturbance on County Road B in Shawano; reckless driving on state Highway 156 in the

Town of Maple Grove; six crashes.

Nov. 16

Deputies responded to 44 calls, including an assault on North Main Street in Shawano; trespassing on Pioneer Drive in the Town of Wescott; a threat on County Road HH in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Angelica; a domestic disturbance on West Cherry Road in the Town of Hutchins; harassment on Emma Street in Aniwa; property theft on Glenwood Court in the Town of Wescott; property theft on Old Lake Road in the Town of Wescott; property theft on Maple Street in Birnamwood; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Angelica; trespassing on Oak Street in Tigerton; operating while intoxicated on County Road A in the Town of Red Springs; seven crashes, one involving deer.

Nov. 15

Deputies responded to 31 calls, including reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Belle Plaine; 12 crashes.

Late-night snacking an issue, according to ThedaCare

Research continues to show excessive eating at bedtime results in weight gain and could keep people up at night with heartburn, so what's a person to do to stave off the hunger pangs?

"Sometimes hunger at bedtime is more of a head hunger and comes from boredom or a stressful day," said Lori Knapp, a registered dietician with ThedaCare Medical Center-New London. "Health experts recommend doing something to keep your mind busy — go for a walk, do a puzzle — something more than just watching

TV. Sometimes we are just tired, so going to bed a little earlier might help avoid hunger."

Knapps suggested doing a hunger check before opening the fridge and cupboards, which includes asking if enough food and water were consumed during the day and if enough sleep was achieved the previous night.

"Sometimes we think we are hungry when really, we are craving more fluids," she said. "Our brains can confuse mild dehydration for hunger. Additionally, studies have shown a

lack of sleep can trigger an increase in the 'hunger hormone' ghrelin, increasing the urge to eat and decreasing a feeling of fullness when you do consume food."

Knapp said being truly hungry can make it hard to sleep, so having something small can help.

"A snack before bed is fine for most people," she said. "I would recommend sticking to minimally processed, nutrient-rich foods."

She explained foods high in protein or vegetables are the best options in

feeling full at night — whether someone is struggling to fall asleep or wakes up with the midnight munchies.

Healthy snack suggestions include yogurt with berries, string cheese, nuts, celery with peanut butter and vegetables with humus.

Even with healthy choices, she suggests eating 1-2 hours before bedtime, especially for anyone with acid reflux. Snacking could cause heartburn.

Whether truly hungry or not, Knapp explained people should avoid foods high in carbohydrates.

Wisconsin below nationwide average for Thanksgiving costs

Side dishes, overall prices increase, grocers say

By LUKE REIMER
Reporter

According to a Marketbasket survey from the Wisconsin Farm Bureau, a Thanksgiving meal in Wisconsin will cost an average of \$74.54, which is a 4.3% increase from last year.

While turkey and all the trimmings will cost more this year than in 2021, Wisconsin families still pay about \$6 less for the meal than the national average, which sits at \$81.30. Bryce Iverson, owner of Iverson's Piggly Wiggly in Oconto Falls, said competition among grocery stores is what helps keep those prices down for Wisconsin shoppers.

"There is a lot of different grocers that are located here in Wisconsin," said Iverson. "That market share is spread out."

Kelly Sufka, director of Charlie's County Market in Shawano, attributed part of the difference to Wisconsin's cost of living.

"I think it is the cost of things in general. We just have so much rural area compared to some of these other states," said Sufka. "I think it really comes down to what it always comes down to — the cost of living, the wages people get paid in Wisconsin and that in general. Gas is cheaper here than it is in Chicago. A case of beer is cheaper here than it is in Milwaukee. It is just cheaper here in general."

While average turkey and ham prices have decreased in Wisconsin, the cost of many side dishes has increased. Pie shells, for instance, jumped up 70 cents from \$2.58 to \$3.28, and milk increased 80 cents from \$3.05 to \$3.85. Iverson noted that prices are higher than last year at Iverson's Piggly Wiggly. On average, he said, store prices rose around 20%.

"Our turkey prices this year are, as far as I can tell, the cheapest in the



Oconto Falls native Crystal Young reaches into the cooler at Iverson's Piggly Wiggly in Oconto Falls to find just the right turkey for her meal. According to a Wisconsin Farm Bureau survey, the price of an average Thanksgiving meal in Wisconsin is about \$6 cheaper than the national average. Iverson's Piggly Wiggly Owner Bryce Iverson said competition among Wisconsin stores helps keep costs down.

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BY THE NUMBERS

Item	Wisconsin 2021	Wisconsin 2022	National 2022
Turkey, 16 lbs.	\$28.48	\$27.52	\$28.96
1 gallon whole milk	\$3.05	\$3.85	\$3.84
Cream, half pint	\$2.04	\$2.47	\$2.24
12 dinner rolls	\$2.52	\$3.02	\$3.73
1 lb. relish tray	\$0.78	\$0.84	\$0.88
Fresh cranberries, 12 oz.	\$2.11	\$2.35	\$2.57
Pumpkin pie mix, 30 oz.	\$3.74	\$4	\$4.28
Pie shells (2)	\$2.58	\$3.28	\$3.68
Cube stuffing, 14 oz.	\$3.14	\$3.29	\$3.88
Sweet potatoes, 3 lbs.	\$2.88	\$3.06	\$3.96
Frozen green beans, 1 lb.	\$1.70	\$1.80	\$1.97
Miscellaneous ingredients	\$3.45	\$4.13	\$4.13
Ham, 4 lbs.	\$10.68	\$10.56	\$11.64
Russet potatoes, 5 lbs.	\$2.62	\$2.67	\$3.64
Frozen peas, 16 oz.	\$1.72	\$1.70	\$1.90
TOTAL	\$71.49	\$74.54	\$81.30

area at 47 cents a pound with a \$25 purchase," said Iverson. "Last year, they were 39 cents a pound with a \$25 purchase. That is about a 17% increase just on the turkeys."

Traditional sides have also increased at Charlie's County Market. Sufka noted that a bag of potatoes, which cost \$1.89 last year, rose 10 cents to \$1.99 this Thanksgiving. Additionally, stuffing was a deal at two

for \$5 last year; this year, the price is two for \$6.

"Prices have been going up since earlier in the year," said Sufka. "Everybody is kind of accustomed to (increasing prices)."

Iverson said that reason for the increase in costs across the board is due in large part to the increased costs for transportation and packaging materials.

"Everything has gone up — fuel prices, transportation prices. That is the main reason for these price increases in not just groceries, but everything," said Iverson. "For the average person, you are going to notice more when you are buying groceries and gas; it is something that people deal with on a daily business."

While prices have increased, Iverson said that business has not been too affected. Iverson said that can once again be attributed to staying competitive with prices.

"Piggly Wiggly Midwest, our home base, helps us by doing price checks with our competitors to make sure that in every category, we are matching or beating them on prices," said Iverson.

Iverson added that even though he thought there could be shortages on turkeys, that has not fully been the case and the store has been able to supply almost everyone coming in with the main Thanksgiving dish.

"It has been quite busy," said Iverson. "For the most part, we have gotten all of the turkeys that we have pre-ordered. There has been some shortages, but I thought that it would be worse."

In terms of shortages on food, Sufka said that Charlie's County Market has been lucky in keeping all of the shelves stocked in the store.

"Just prior to COVID-19, we brought in a secondary warehouse, so we are able to go out on the store and have two order guns," said Sufka. "You can really see when there is a shortage in both places."

Sufka added that she has noticed many of the big turkeys in the store being sold first, something that she attributed to people seeking a return to normalcy following the pandemic.

"I feel like the Thanksgiving gatherings might be going back to the bigger gatherings instead of everyone just having small gatherings with only part of their families," said Sufka. "It is just as busy here as last year, maybe even a little more busy. We have a lot of people looking for big birds this year."

Cellcom awards \$1,000 to Berry Lake association

Berry Lake Property Owners Association (BLPOA) has been selected to receive a 2022 Cellcom Green Gift in the amount of \$1,000 to support water quality monitoring.

The Green Gift from Cellcom will support the purchase of a digital dissolved oxygen meter, which will improve the accuracy of ongoing testing.

"More accurate data will help us better monitor the health of the lake," said Jennifer McDermot, BLPOA aquatic invasive species chairwoman. "New equipment will also allow us to test more often. With an easier testing operation, we will be able to invite lake residents and all members of our local community to see the testing live. During this time, we will be able to teach them why we gather the data and how

it informs us on the health of the lake."

Berry Lake is a 209-acre lake located in Menominee and Oconto counties. BLPOA supports ongoing efforts to maintain a healthy lake ecosystem and educating residents on invasive species and water quality. Volunteers monitor water quality as a part of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Citizen Lake Monitoring Network. This helps the DNR and BPLOA make informed decisions on how to best manage the lake.

A total of 32 green organizations received a share of the \$30,527 in Green Gifts from Cellcom this year. The Green Gifts program uses funds generated from Cellcom's cell phone recycling program to fund green non-profit initiatives.



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Bonduel pursues grant for EV charger

Shawano looks into adding charging stations around parks, other locations

By **KEVIN MURPHY**
Correspondent

The village of Bonduel is seeking a \$15,000 state energy grant to fund installation of one of the area's first electric vehicle charging stations.

If Bonduel receives the grant, the EV charging station would be located on a village-owned parking lot at the intersection of Green Bay and Cecil streets, said Jesse Rankin, Bonduel's municipal services director.

Bonduel residents probably don't see the need for a charging station at this time, said Rankin, which is why he doesn't want to use taxpayer dollars to fund the project.

Buss Chevrolet-Oldsmobile, of Shawano, would be donating the station, a Level II charger, which are deployed where drivers can charge their vehicles while at work, shopping or dining.

Rory Buss, president of the Buss dealership, said the General Motors

Dealer Community Charging Program is in its infancy and there's more paperwork to do before the stations become operational.

"Besides Bonduel, we're looking at other locations, maybe Charlie's (County Market), maybe the hospital, but nothing's final yet," he said.

GM's program gives three charging stations to each dealer to contribute locally, and up to 40,000 nationwide, to make chargers more accessible and move closer to the goal of zero exhaust emissions.

Shawano City Administrator Eddie Sheppard said that Shawano Municipal Utilities has completed the electrical work and is awaiting the arrival of four chargers to be installed, within a few weeks, near SMU's offices.

"We'd like to be adding more in parking areas and parks," in the future, Sheppard said.

While EVs remain scarce in the area, Shawano's charging stations could be a draw for those driving

across the state who could stop, shop and charge up, according to Sheppard.

"Having more stations pop up could encourage others to purchase an electric vehicle," Sheppard added.

Sheppard admits to being a little "out front" of the EV trend in the area but sees car manufacturers pushing them and expects to see many more down the road.

SMU's chargers won't be the quick-charge type, but an hour of charging should get an EV back on the road for a reasonable price billed to a credit card.

The chargers were donated by SMU's wholesale electric supplier, Badger Power Marketing Authority.

In Bonduel, the two-vehicle charging station also should have a positive economic and environmental impact on the community, Rankin said.

"Currently, (the village) doesn't have any electric vehicles and doesn't have any immediate plans to add any, but everybody is trying

to reduce the carbon footprint and electric vehicles seem to be the wave of the future," he said.

The village gets a lot of north-south traffic on weekends, and an EV charging station in the center of town should attract those drivers to stop and charge up, "Because the stations will be more scarce further north," Rankin said.

The cost of charging an EV varies. Based on the national average price of electricity at 12.89 cents per kilowatt hour, and if an EV requires 40 kWh to fully recharge its battery, the cost would be \$5.16, according to GM.

Applications for the state's Energy Innovation Grant Program are due by Jan. 30, 2023, and grant recipients will be announced sometime later. If Bonduel doesn't receive that grant, Rankin said he will look for other funding sources.

"My goal is to have a charging station here without any expense to the taxpayer," he said.

Board adds behavior support staff position

Members concerned one person may not be enough to deal with students' issues

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Eliminating the dean positions at Shawano's public schools has resulted in an uptick of bad behavior from students, so the Shawano School Board is looking at curbing the problem by hiring a behavioral support employee to work at all four schools.

"We've had some administrative positions removed, and we've been looking at how we can be more proactive in supporting both our teachers and our students when it comes to student behavior," said Kurt Krizan, interim superintendent.

Krizan said the position is considered a teaching position and not administrative. It will be a two-year position paid at about \$50,000 annually, and the district plans to use its Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief funds to cover the position before looking at it and seeing if it's being effective in curbing behavioral problems.

"The idea with deans and assistant principals is more reactive, whereas this would be proactive, working with

our students and working with our teachers to look at strategies we can have for some of the more challenging students that we have," Krizan said. "We have some higher needs at certain buildings, so much of the focus would be there, but it's looking at the processes and the systems in place to deal with student behaviors as a district."

Board member Alysia Pillsbury said she doubted the position would only last two years and wanted to know how the district could keep funding it once the ESSER funds expire in 2024. Krizan said that it would depend on whether the state increases its per pupil aid to schools.

Board member Karen Smith was also dubious, but her concerns were about whether the district would be able to find someone who meets the requirements but would only work for \$50,000.

"I don't know if this is possible," Smith said. "You're requiring a master's degree and all that experience. I can't see that being effective. I have fears. We need boots on the ground right now in some of our buildings. I don't know that we need another

person at the top directing."

Board member Bobbi Lemerond agreed with Smith, noting that one position is not enough and questioning how one person covering four schools could be proactive.

"We need boots on the ground, at Hillcrest (Primary School), in particular," Lemerond said. "The high school definitely needs assistance. We've got kindergartners assaulting teachers, students swearing at lunch staff volunteers. We need some positions that are permanent."

Krizan noted there are still some positions that are not filled, including aides, but he said the district is filling the positions as fast as it is able.

"Would I love to come to you and say that we need one at every building? Absolutely, if that's our need," Krizan said. "I don't know if that's our need, but what I know right now is that we need some additional support."

Board member Mart Grams said there is a need for something stronger, pointing out that his own wife is a teacher in Shawano's public schools and was recently hit by a student.

"Four staff members that week were assaulted by students, and those students are still in this building," Grams said. "If you're going to start controlling bad students, maybe you don't need this stuff. It is out of hand. I come here every day to eat lunch with my wife and there are more kids in the hallway wandering than there are kids in classrooms."

Krizan said that, while there could be more administrators issuing punishment for bad behavior, it's not going to resolve the issue of that behavior repeating itself.

"If we're going to use the same strategies we've used, we're not going to get the results we need," Krizan said. "I'm not saying our teachers aren't doing a great job, but there's more research and more things coming out about the child/adolescent brain and also about social/emotional learning. How do we add those skills for our staff in that proactive away instead of looking at it as someone who comes in after the behavior is done and going to be the hammer on it?"

Menominee, Evers show off their new dual-language signs

Tribe third in the state to receive signs depicting their native tongue

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Visitors to the Menominee Reservation will be able to not only know where they are due to some new dual-language highway signs, but they'll also know their location in the Menominee language.

The Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin unveiled its new signs Nov. 17 that indicate when someone has entered the reservation and county that makes up most of it, as well as specific community signs for Keshena, Middle Village, Neopit and Zoar. Besides tribal officials, Gov. Tony Evers, Transportation Secretary Craig Thompson and U.S. Federal Highway Administrator Glenn Fulkerson came out to sing the signs' praises.

Menominee Tribal Legislator Joey Awonohopay noted that the tribal elders from long ago had wished for everything to be displayed in the Menominee language, but that language was brought very close to extinction, with only a recent drive to reestablish the language through programs and other aspects prompting the people to embrace their mother tongue.

"It was their (elders) vision to have our signs in our language, our schools that spoke our language, our tribal business run in our language, our tribal departments in the language," Awonohopay said. "These were the visions that we picked up and we carried forward today."

The Menominee are the third tribe in Wisconsin to receive dual-language highway signs. In 2021, the Oneida Nation and the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa install signs on their tribal territory.

Menominee leaders described Evers as a friend of their people, and Evers spoke about how the signs are celebration for the bond shared be-

tween tribal officials in Keshena and state officials in Madison.

"First, we're celebrating the government relationship that we share with the Menominee Nation," Evers said. "Also, as governor, I'm committed to upholding tribal sovereignty. That's what we begin with and continue to do with the collaboration and partnership of these signs."

Evers noted the timing of the signs being unveiled in November, which is Native American Heritage Month, gives an opportunity to reflect on the state's history with the tribes.

"It's through these partnerships, folks that we better work together, build stronger communities and support the people that we serve," Evers said. "It is symbolic, but it's not symbolic. It's something that is really important to me ... and I know it's important for the tribal members."

Thompson saw the sign unveiling as an important day in history, acknowledging his longtime friendship with Corn.

"When we have these signs on the roadway, they really give a sense of place," Thompson said. "What better way than through this dual-language sign program that we give a stronger sense of place and of heritage for people to know what they are coming into?"

Menominee Tribal Chairman Ron Corn Sr. noted that Evers' leadership of the state helped to lead to the new signs being part of the reservation's highways. He also said that the tribe's commitment to reclaiming its culture also made an impact.

"For us, it's at the center of how we want to move forward as a people. We want to keep our language. We want to keep our culture at the center of everything we do," Corn said.

Culture and language are the keys to sustainability for the tribe, in Corn's opinion, and having the dual-language signs will move the tribe forward in its own prosperity.

"Sometimes, it feels like it's not fast enough, but we're moving in the right direction," Corn said.



Officials gathered at the dual-language sign welcoming people to the Menominee Reservation on state Highway 47-55 are, from left, U.S. Highway Administrator Glenn Fulkerson, Wisconsin Transportation Secretary Craig Thompson, Gov. Tony Evers, Menominee Tribal Chairman Ron Corn Sr. and Menominee Tribal Historic Preservation Officer David Grignon.

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Menominee Tribal Legislator Joey Awonohopay talks about the importance of the Menominee language as a sample of the signs on display at the entryways to the reservation for state highways 47 and 55 sits nearby during a presentation Nov. 17 at the Menominee Casino Resort.

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Why I Give Thanks 2022

Local leaders share their thoughts at Thanksgiving

Editor's note:

It is so easy to overlook gratitude.

We are busy. We are distracted, overwhelmed, we have lives to lead, and what should be a routine — taking a moment to appreciate — is easily forgotten.

We set aside a day for thanksgiving, and although it is deeply rooted in our common historical tradition, it has come to mean so much more. We are grateful to our ancestors, and we are grateful to those whose lives have shaped ours, but Thanksgiving Day has become a day to reflect on many aspects of our lives.

For several years, NEW Media has asked community leaders to write a short essay on “Why I Give Thanks.” These essays can be about the Thanksgiving holiday, or what the writer is grateful for, or just the concept of gratitude.

These are personal reflections, but

they also speak to issues and beliefs that many of us share. They are as interesting for how they are the same as for how they are different. Some of the authors find them easy to write, others struggle with the pressure of a blank screen, a blank piece of paper, and a looming deadline.

Knowing this, it is especially important for the editorial and advertising team at NEW Media to say “Thank you” to these writers. Thank you for sharing what is important to you. Thank you for being willing to make your feelings public. Thank you for making time to have a portrait taken. Thank you for facing that blank screen or blank piece of paper and writing the first word.

Thank you for showing us, again, how gratitude connects us all.

From everyone at NEW Media, a very happy Thanksgiving to you and yours.

WHY I GIVE THANKS

Grateful for family, country, friends

By GEORGE LENZNER

Recently I was asked to share what I'm thankful for. It caused me to pause and think WOW, I'm thankful for so many things in life.

Let me start with how thankful I am for having amazing parents and grandparents I was blessed with. They raised me and my siblings with strong Christian values and taught me the value of hard work. I could always count on them if I needed anything, and they always had great advice that at times I should have taken more than I did.

I was fortunate to have a son of my own whom I couldn't be prouder of. He followed in my footsteps with a career in law enforcement in which he continues to advance in and is very fulfilled in his career working for the Department of Justice in Madison. He alongside his wife and their four children are the epitome of happiness, and I love watching my grandchildren grow and prosper at so many different things.

I am so thankful for my wife, Brandi. We have been married nine years, and her love and support help me get through even the darkest days. We have two adorable dogs,

Pablo Picasso and Molly, that make us laugh and smile every day and lighten our mood when we have hard times, we all endure in life.

I'm grateful for the four years I spent in the United States Air Force. The military taught me to appreciate this country and the veterans who sacrificed and served during times of peace and well as war. Without them we would not have our freedom in this great country that I love.

I have been in law enforcement for 35 years now; I recently ran for sheriff and never imagined the support from friends and family that I received, so many of them sacrificed their time and honestly their lives to help me accomplish my dream of becoming the next sheriff of this wonderful county. I have met so many great people while campaigning, between all the parade and community events. We should all be grateful to live here in this great community.

In closing I hope this article helps others to take a moment out of their hectic lives and reflect on what you are thankful for. God bless!

George Lenzner is chief deputy and sheriff-elect of Shawano County.



After a primary election in August, George Lenzner was unopposed on the November ballot and will be the next Shawano County sheriff.

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WHY I GIVE THANKS

Thankful for family and the good in people

By JODY HAMMOND

My very first thought that comes to mind when asked “Why I Give Thanks” is to express appreciation for the life I have been given and the people in it. Having been raised in a Christian family home and grown up with love and kindness, I learned early on to appreciate the little things in life, be thankful for what I have, don’t take things for granted, and be caring and thoughtful to others.

To achieve success, you must work hard and do your best. Sometimes acceptance of how or why things happen in life can be very challenging, but remembering who you are as a person, how you react to the situation, and how you share your actions and words with others directly reflects on your own self goodness and gratitude. Having an open mind, respecting others’ beliefs and opinions, makes one appreciate the individualism that makes us all unique.

I am honored by people accepting who I am as a person and humbled to be singled out. It would be very lonely going through life without family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, and acquaintances and I feel that the people that have surrounded me in my life’s journey, helped mold me into the person I am today. Without all of them, I would stand alone, and unfortunately some individuals do by no choice of their own.

It is truly a heartbreaking experience when you see others struggle with daily living. This touches my heart greatly and makes me stop and think what all I have to be thankful for, and how one act of kindness can make such a difference in the lives of others. My entire career and experiences along the way has always led



Jody Hammond was named SAM25’s new executive director last spring.

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me down the path of helping others and taking pride in acknowledging the wonderful people I have had the privilege of working with. I would never ask someone to do something that I wouldn’t do myself. I do not believe you can ever share enough praise, whether it be to your work team, family members, customer service personnel, or anyone else you encounter on a regular basis. I am a Shawano native and proud to be a member of our community.

I am truly grateful for the won-

derful family that I am blessed to have, my spouse, daughters, sons-in-law, in-laws, and my 3 beautiful granddaughters, my extended relatives, friends, and my work families, both past and present. They all help to inspire, encourage, and motivate me to be the best person I can be. Thank you!

Honestly, I am not sure how I feel about my personal reflection being shared publicly but coming from a person who tries to be positive, acknowledge and recognize the

goodness in people, stay neutral and non-judgmental, I hope my words will inspire others in the many opportunities available that one can “give back.” So, the next time you see someone in need, ask yourself, how can I lend a helping hand? Personally, it is a wonderful feeling, and it will warm your heart!

Jody Hammond is executive director of Shawano Area Matthew 25 Inc., a nonprofit organization focused on helping people in the community who are struggling with poverty and homelessness.



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ABC	Good Morning America (N)			Good Morning America (N)		Wildlife		oh baby!		Hearts of		Saving Pets		College Football South Carolina at Clemson. Clemson Memorial Stadium. (N) (Live)			College Football Scoreboard		College Football Teams TBA. (N) (Live)					College Football Scoreboard																
WAOW				Action 2 News: This Morning (N)		Morning		baby!		of		Wildlife																												
WBAY																																								
CBS	Mission		Hope in the Wild		CBS Sat		Innovation Nation		Mission Unstoppable		Hope in the Wild		All In With Laila Ali		Did I Mention Invention?		Parade		Trans-form		Paid Program		NFL Championship Chase: Playoff Push (N)		College Football Special (N)		College Football Today (N)		College Football Auburn at Alabama. Bryant-Denny Stadium. (N) (Live)											
WFRY	CBS Sat		Hope in the Wild		Lucky Dog		Innovation Nation		Mission Unstoppable		Hope in the Wild		All In With Laila Ali		Did I Mention Invention?		Parade		Trans-form		Paid Program		NFL Championship Chase: Playoff Push (N)		College Football Special (N)		College Football Today (N)													
WSAW																																								
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FOX	Xplor. Planet		Xploration Space		Big Noon Kickoff (N) (Live)										College Football Michigan at Ohio State. Ohio Stadium. (N) (Live)					FOX College Football Extra (N)		College Football Teams TBA. (N) (Live)																		
WZAW	Planet		Xploration Space																																					
WLUK	News																																							
NBC	Today		906 Outdoors		Today's Home-owner		Paid Program		Earth Odyssey With Dylan		Wild Child "Winter Wild"		Harlem Globetrotters		One Team Sports		Blade		FIS Alpine Skiing Killington Cup: Women's Giant Slalom. From Killington, Vt. (N) (Live)		College Football Grambling State vs Southern. Caesars Superdome. (N) (Live)					Lumi-ness		NBC Nightly News												
WGBA	(6:00) Today		Outdoors		Home-owner		Saving Pets		Earth Odyssey With Dylan		Wild Child "Winter Wild"		Harlem Globetrotters		One Team Sports		The Voyager		Women's Giant Slalom. From Killington, Vt. (N) (Live)																					
WJFW																																								
PBS	Hero Elementary		Alma's Way		Curious George		Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood		The Great Age Reboot Strategies for the future.					Wisconsin From the Air Landscapes of the state.					Eat Your Medicine: The Pegan Diet With Mark Hyman, MD How to use food as medicine.					Aging Backwards 3: Fast Track With Miranda Esmonde-White					Old Fashioned: The Story of the Wisconsin Supper Club Dining experience of supper clubs.					Lawrence Welk's TV Treasures Stories and insights about the series.						
WHRM	Way		Alma's Way		Curious George		Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood																																	
WLEF	(EI)		(EI)		"Relax! The Box and the Hound"		Neighborhood																																	
WPNE	(DVS)		(DVS)		Hound"		(DVS)																																	
WACY	Hearts		oh baby!		Paid		Mak		Slim Cy		Out		MidWest		Bensin		World's		World's		SOS: Survive		Sporting		Raised		Offshore		Spanish		Heartland		Mod		Mod		Gold		Gold	
WTPX	MacGyver				Law & Order: SVU				Law & Order: SVU				Law & Order: SVU				Law & Order: SVU				Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU			
CW	Outdoor		Paid Program		Jack Hanna's Into the Wild		Jack Hanna's Into the Wild		Jack Hanna's Into the Wild		Jack Hanna's Into the Wild		Pet Vet Dream Team		Tails of Valor "Surf's Pup!"		Science		Med Plan?		Cook Like		Boundless		WOW - Women Of Wrestling Siren the Voodoo Doll and Chainsaw. (N)		Sports		Greatest Sports		Paid		Look Young Instantly		Last Man		Last Man			
WCWF	Pop-star!		MyPillow		Jack Hanna's Into the Wild		Jack Hanna's Into the Wild		Jack Hanna's Into the Wild		Jack Hanna's Into the Wild		Pet Vet Dream Team		Tails of Valor "Surf's Pup!"		Science		Med Plan?		Cook Like		Boundless		WOW - Women Of Wrestling Siren the Voodoo Doll and Chainsaw. (N)		Sports		Greatest Sports		Paid		Look Young Instantly		Last Man		Last Man			
WYOW																																								

SATURDAY				EVENING								NOV. 26			
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30		
ABC		College Football Scoreboard (N)	College Football Notre Dame at USC. Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. (N) (Live)							9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)		9 (:35) Weird Earth	2 (:05) The Song "Sarah McLachlan"	8 (:35) Storm of Suspicion	
9 WAOW											2 (:35) Investigate TV		8 (:35) Opry (N Same-day Tape)		
2 WBAY															
CBS		9 Game Time With Boomer	9 Discover Wisconsin (N)	9 Robbie the Reindeer/Hooves of Fire	9 Robbie the Reindeer in Legend of the Lost Tribe	9 The Story of Santa Claus Animated. Jolly couple's history.	9 To Be Announced			9 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	9 To Be Announced	7 (:05) The Song "Sarah McLachlan"	8 (:35) Friends		
5 WFRV		7 NewsChannel 7 at 6	7 WBA Hall of Fame Show (N)	7 TBA		7 To Be Announced				7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	7 (:35) Beat the Odds	7 (:35) Opry (N Same-day Tape)	8 (:35) Friends		
7 WSAW															
FOX		(3:00) College Football Teams TBA. (N)	FOX College Football Extra (N)	College Football Kansas at Kansas State. Bill Snyder Family Football Stadium. (N) (Live)									55 Young Sheldon	53 SEAL Team "What Appears to Be"	11 Wheel of Fortune "Hawaii"
55 WZAW													11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N)		
11 WLUK															
NBC		23 NBC26 News at 6pm (N)	23 Paid Program	The National Dog Show Dogs vie to be named Best in Show.				Saturday Night Live "Will Ferrell; King Princess" From Nov. 23, 2019: Will Ferrell. (N)		23 News	(:29) Saturday Night Live "Jack Harlow" Jack Harlow hosts and performs.				
25 WGBA			12 Wheel of Fortune "Hawaii"							12 Newswatch 12					
12 WJFW										Saturday					
PBS		(5:00) Lawrence Welk's TV Treasures Stories and insights about the series.		Great Performances "Josh Groban's Great Big Radio City Show" Josh Groban performs.				Mariah Carey: Live at the Tokyo Dome Mariah Carey performs in concert.				Prince and The Revolution: The Purple Rain Tour Prince and The Revolution perform.			
20 WHRM															
35 WLEF															
38 WPNE															
32 WACY		Family Feud	Two/Half Men	NBA G League Basketball Sioux Falls Skyforce at Wisconsin Herd. (N)				Am Housewife	Am Housewife	The Simpsons	Family Guy	Family Guy	S.W.A.T.		
45 WTPX		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit			
CW		11 The Big Bang Theory	11 The Big Bang Theory "The Leftover Thermalization"	Silent Night: A Song for the World The creation of the Christmas carol.				11 Fox 11 News at Nine on CW	11 Moviefone TV	11 The National Desk (N) (Live)		11 TMZ (N)			
11 WCWF									11 *** Match Point (2005, Drama)						
34 WYOW															

SUNDAY				EVENING								NOV. 27		
6 PM		6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30		
ABC 8 WAOW 2 WBAY		Mickey Saves Christmas (N)  (DVS)	Olaf's Frozen Adventure (2017) <i>Voices of Josh Gad.</i> 	The Wonderful World of Disney: Magical Holiday Celebration Celebrity musical performances. (N)  			America's Funniest Home Videos A Christmas-themed episode.   (DVS)		8 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) 8 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	8 (:35) Entertainment Tonight (N)   8 (:35) Cover 2	8 (:05) Entertainment Tonight (N)  	8 (:35) Weather Gone Viral When extreme weather strikes.		
CBS 6 WFRV 7 WSAW		60 Minutes (N)  		The Equalizer "Paradise Lost" A singer receives a scary fan letter. (N)  		East New York "When Dinosaurs Roamed the Earth" Bentley and Quinlan grow closer. (N)  		NCIS: Los Angeles "Let It Burn" NCIS investigates an arson attack. (N)   (DVS)		8 Local 5 News at 10:00 7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	8 (:35) Sports Xtra 7 (:35) Investigate TV	8 Osteen 7 Game Time With Boomer	8 (:35) Friends 	
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK		(3:25) NFL Football Los Angeles Rams at Kansas City Chiefs. (N)	The OT (N)  (Live) 	Welcome to Flatch A tornado hits the town. (N)   (DVS)	(3:1) The Simpsons "When Nelson Met Lisa" (N) 	Bob's Burgers Animated. Teddy makes a grave mistake. (N) 	(3:1) The Great North Animated. Ham fails to care for a cactus. (N)	8 Seinfeld "The Burning"  10 Fox 11 News at Nine (N)	8 Seinfeld George seeks women at bookstore.  	8 The Goldbergs  11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) 	8 Goldbergs 11 Sharyl Attkisson	8 American Housewife 11 (:05) The National Desk	8 American Housewife Katie's family receives a Boo. 	
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW		Football Night in America (N)  (Live) 		(1:5) NFL Football Green Bay Packers at Philadelphia Eagles. Aaron Rodgers and the Packers visit the Eagles. Rodgers is 5-2 against Philadelphia. (N)  (Live) 						26 News 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm	26 The Race 12 Outdoorsman International	26 Graham Bensinger 12 Funny You Ask		
PBS 20 WHRM 38 WLEF 36 WPNE		(1:08) Mary Berry's Simple Comforts "River Thames" Mixed bean and butter-nut squash wraps.		All Creatures Great & Small: The Next Chapter All Creatures Great & Small.  			Miss Scarlet & The Duke: Secrets Revealed Behind the scenes with cast and crew.  		Suze Orman's Ultimate Retirement Guide Planning for retirement.  					
WACY 46 WTPX		Family Feud 	Two/Half Men	*** Dick (1999, Comedy) Kirsten Dunst, Michelle Williams.				Mom 	Mom 	The Simpsons		Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	S.W.A.T. 
		(5:00) A Puppy for Christmas 		Dognapped: Hound for the Holidays (2022, Romance)  				12 Pups of Christmas (2019) Charlotte Sullivan, Donny Boaz.  				Dognapped: Hound		
CW 14 WCWF 34 WYOW		11 The Big Bang Theory  8 The Good Doctor 	11 The Big Bang Theory Sheldon and Amy build a blanket fort. 	Family Law "Truthiness" Abigail defends an anti-vaccine friend. (N) 		Coroner "LJND" Deaths lead to uncomfortable truths. (N) 		11 WOW - Women 8 Liquidator	8 Chicago P.D. Burgess' ride-along goes south. 	11 Truth of God	8 WOW - Women Of Wrestling (N) 	11 Extra (N)  	8 Moviefone TV  	

WEEKDAYS					MORNING / AFTERNOON																NOV. 28		
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ABC	Good Morning America				1 Live	2 25 Words or Less	The View		9 News 9	9 Drew Barrymore	9 GMA3: What	9 Paid Program	General Hospital		9 Tamron Hall		Dr. Phil		9 News at 4PM	2 Action 2 News at 4:30	9 News 9	ABC World News	
8 WAOW					2 News				2 Inside	2 Pawn	2 News				2 GMA3: What You Need to Know				9 Action 2 News		2 News		
2 WBAY																							
CBS	CBS Mornings				6 Local 5	7 Paid Program	The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		9 News	Bold and the Beautiful	The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		6 Friends	6 Friends	9 Local 5 News	9 Local 5 News	9 News	CBS Evening News	
6 WFRV					7 25 Words						9 NewsChannel 7						6 Friends		9 Local 5 News	9 Local 5 News	9 NewsChannel 7		
7 WSAW																			9 Jdg Judy	9 Jdg Judy			
FOX	55 Business First	65 Ag-Day	World Cup Live 2022		FIFA World Cup 2022		Varied Programs		55 Family Feud	55 Family Feud	FIFA World Cup 2022 Today		FIFA World Cup 2022				55 Judge	55 Judge	55 News	55 Family Feud	55 Sheldon	55 Sheldon	
55 WZAW																	11 Peo. Court	55 Judge	55 News	55 Jdg Judy	55 Jdg Judy	55 Jdg Judy	
11 WLUK	11 News									11 Jdg Judy											11 Jdg Judy	11 News	11 Varied
NBC	Today				Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		26	26 List	NBC News Daily		26 Dateline	12 Pictionary	26 Tamron Hall	12 Funny You Ask	26	12 TMZ	26 Family Feud	26 Aft. Focus	26 News	NBC Nightly News	
26 WGBA									12	12 Neighborhood			12 You Bet		12 Pictionary		12		12 Up North	12 Jeopardy	12 News		
12 WJFW																							
PBS	Hero Elementary	Alma's Way	Curious George	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	Rosie's Rules	Donkey Hodie	Sesame Street	Pinkalicious & Peterrific	Dinosaur Train	Elinor Wonders Why	Sesame Street	Rosie's Rules	Ask This Old House	America's Test Kitchen From Cook	Downton Abbey on Masterpiece		Rick Steves' Europe	Odd Squad	Arthur	Nature Cat	BBC World News America		
20 WHRM																							
36 WLEF																							
38 WPNE																							
62 WACY	Judge	Relative	Divorce	Divorce	Wom	Grill'n	iCRIME	iCRIME	The First 48		Dateline		Chicago Fire		Sherri		TMZ Live		Mod	Mod	Gold	Gold	
46 WTPX	Varied Programs																						
CW	14 National	64 Caught in Providence	14 Weather	14 Paid Program	14 Court	14 Couples Court	14 Hot Bench	14 Hot Bench	14 Paternity	14 Paternity Court	14 Law & Order: SVU	64 Access Hollywood	14 Judge Jerry		14 Judge Mathis		14 Pictionary	14 You Bet Your Life	14 Jeopardy	14 Funny You Ask	14 You Bet	14 Sheldon	
14 WCWF	64 Divor.		64 M'ry		64 S. Wilkos		64 Karamo		64 M'ry		64 XTRA		64 Sherri		64 Judge Jerry		64 Karamo		64 Steve Wilkos		64 Judge	64 Judge	
64 WYOW																							

MONDAY				EVENING								NOV. 28			
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30		
ABC		News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N) (DVS)	The Great Christmas Light Fight (Season Premiere) Families make holiday decorations. (N) (DVS)				The Good Doctor "Boys Don't Cry" Shaun and Lea discuss starting a family. (N) (DVS)		News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (DVS)		(:37) Nightline (N) (DVS)		
WBAY		Action 2 News at Six (N)													
CBS		Local 5 News at 6:00 (N)	Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) Inside Edition (N) (DVS)	Rudolph, Red-Nosed Reindeer Neighborhood	Bob Hearts Abishola Christina gets a new job. (DVS)	NCIS "All or Nothing" NCIS investigates an unexpected death. (DVS)		NCIS: Hawai'i "Nightwatch" A Navy seaman is involved in a murder. (DVS)		Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) (DVS)		(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (N) (DVS)		
WFRV		(5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6													
WSAW															
FOX		The Big Bang Theory (DVS) Jeopardy! (N) (DVS)	The Big Bang Theory (DVS) Wheel of Fortune (N) (DVS)	9-1-1 "Red Flag" A family dog retrieves a severed hand. (N) (DVS)		(:02) The Cleaning Lady "The Ask" Arman confronts Nadia about her secret. (N) (DVS)		NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) (Live) Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		Seinfeld Kramer helps George take arcade game. (DVS)	Seinfeld "The Diplomats Club" Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	Last Man Standing (DVS) (:07) The King of Queens (DVS)	The Goldbergs (:35) The Neighborhood		
WZAW															
WLUK															
NBC		NBC26 News at 6pm (N) (DVS) Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) (DVS)	Family Feud Wheel of Fortune "America's Game" (N)	The Voice "Live Top 10 Performances" The top 10 artists perform. (N) (Live) (DVS)				(:01) Pitch Perfect: Bumper in Berlin (DVS)		NBC26 News at 10pm (N) Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (N) (DVS) (:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (N) (DVS)		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers (DVS)		
WGBA															
WJFW															
PBS		PBS NewsHour (N) (DVS)		Jerry Apps: Food & Memories (N)			Decoding the Driftless North America's Driftless Area. (DVS)			Alone in the Wilderness Living in nature. (DVS)			The Great Age Reboot Strategies for the future. (DVS)		
WHRM															
WLEF															
WPNE															
WACY		Family Feud (DVS)	Two/Half Men	Dateline "At Close Range" (DVS)		Chicago P.D. (DVS)		My News at 9		NBC 26 Tonight		Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	
WTPX		Criminal Minds "Zugzwang" (DVS)		Criminal Minds "Magnum Opus"		Criminal Minds "All That Remains"		Criminal Minds "Broken" (DVS)				Criminal Minds "Carbon Copy" (DVS)	Criminal Minds "The Gathering" (DVS)		
CW		The Big Bang Theory (DVS) Divorce Court (N) (DVS)	The Big Bang Theory (DVS) Divorce Court (N) (DVS)	All American "Hate It or Love It" Layla helps Patience with a crisis. (N) (DVS)		All American: Homecoming "Integrity" Marcus learns some disappointing news. (N) (DVS)		Last Man Standing The Liquidator		Seinfeld (DVS) Chicago P.D. (DVS)		The National Desk (N) (Live)	The National Desk (N) (Live) black-ish (DVS)	Last Man Standing (DVS) black-ish (DVS)	
WCWF															
WYOW															

TUESDAY					EVENING					NOV. 29		
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
ABC	News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	News 9 Pack Attack	Love Actually: 20 Years Later -- A Diane Sawyer/ABC News Special Celebrating the holiday classic. (N) (V)		20/20 "Cold to the Touch" (N) (V)		The Rookie: Feds "Flashback" Garza's character comes into question. (N) (V) (DVS)		News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (V)		(:37) Nightline (N) (V)
News 9 WAOW	Action 2 News at Six (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N) (V)							Action 2 News at 10 (N)			
WBAY												
CBS	Local 5 News at 6:00 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	Locker Room (N)	Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Animated. Burl Ives narrates an animated tale. (V)		(:01) Reindeer in Here Animated. Saving the future of Christmas. (N) (V)		(:01) FBI: Most Wanted "Inheritance" A couple are killed by a con artist. (V)		Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) (V)		(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (N) (V)
WFRV		Locker Room							NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)			
WSAW												
FOX	The Big Bang Theory (V)	The Big Bang Theory	The Resident "No Pressure No Diamonds" Dr. Bell faces negative press. (N) (V) (DVS)		(:02) Monarch "Mergers and Propositions" Media mogul Skyler Samuels arrives. (N) (V) (DVS)		NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)	Seinfeld "The Clip Show" Highlights from the series. (V)	Seinfeld "The Understudy" (V)	Last Man Standing (V)	Last Man Standing (V)	The Goldbergs
WZAW	Jeopardy! (N) (V)	Wheel of Fortune (N) (V)					Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	(:35) Seinfeld (V) (Part 1 of 2)	(:07) The King of Queens (V)	(:35) The Neighborhood
WLUK												
NBC	NBC26 News at 6pm (N) (V)	Packers Live	The Voice "Live Top 10 Eliminations" America votes seven artists through. (N) (Live) (V)		Lopez vs Lopez "Pilot" Mayan deals with a difficult client. (V)		Michael Bubl��s Christmas in the City The singer hosts a new holiday special. (V) (V)		NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (V) (V)		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers (V) (V)
WGBA	Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) (V)	"America's Game" (V)							Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)			
WJFW												
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) (V)		Craft in America "Quilts" Contemporary masters of quilting. (V) (V)			Ken Burns: America's Storyteller Tribute to producer Ken Burns. (V) (V)			Wisconsin From the Air Landscapes of the state. (V) (V)			Easy Yoga for Arthritis With Peggy Cappy Yoga relieves stiffness and pain. (V) (V)
WHRM												
WLEF												
WPNE												
WACY	Family Feud (V)	Two/Half Men	NBA G League Basketball Wisconsin Herd at Grand Rapids Gold. (N)				My News at 9	NBC 26 Tonight	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	Mom (V) (V)
WTPX	Chicago Fire "A Hell of a Ride" (V)		Chicago Fire "A Problem House"		Chicago Fire "Prove It" (V) (V)		Chicago Fire "Defcon 1" (V) (V)		Chicago Fire "A Nuisance Call" (V)		Chicago Fire "A Power Move" (V)	
CW	The Big Bang Theory (V) (V)	The Big Bang Theory (V) (V)	The Winchesters "You're Lost Little Girl" Mary's neighbor goes missing. (V) (V)		Professionals "The Hunted" Grace is desperate to save the others. (N) (V)		Last Man Standing	Seinfeld "The Understudy" Chicago P.D. "A Night Owl"	The National Desk (N) (Live)	The National Desk (N) (Live)	Last Man Standing (V)	Young Sheldon (V)
WCWF	Divorce Court (V) (V)	Divorce Court (V) (V)					The Liquidator		black-ish (V) (V) (DVS)	black-ish (V)	black-ish (V)	Family Guy (V)
WYOW												

WEDNESDAY						EVENING				NOV. 30								
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30						
ABC	9 News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	9 Packers Live	The Conners The family moves into the new house. (N)	The Goldbergs Adam hangs out with his new colleagues. (N) 	Abbott Elementary "Sick Day" Jarine is out sick for the day. (N)	(:31) Home Economics Denise's parents shake things up. (N) 	Big Sky "Where There's Smoke There's Fire" (N)   (DVS)		9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!  		(:37) Nightline (N) 						
9 WAOW	2 Action 2 News at Six (N)	2 Entertainment Tonight (N)  							2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)									
2 WBAY																		
CBS	5 Local 5 News at 6:00	5 Green Bay Nation (N)	Survivor (N)  		The Amazing Race (N)  		FBI: International "Unburdened" A police detective is murdered.  		8 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N)  	(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (N)  							
5 WFRV	7 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	7 Inside Edition (N)  												8 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)				
7 WSAW																		
FOX	55 The Big Bang Theory  	55 The Big Bang Theory 	The Masked Singer "Two Hour Epic Finale Pt. 1; Two Hour Epic Finale Pt. 2" (Season Finale) The winner is crowned. (N)   (DVS)				55 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)	55 Seinfeld "The Clip Show" Highlights from the series. 	55 Seinfeld "The Face Painter" 	55 Last Man Standing 	55 Last Man Standing 	55 The Goldbergs						
55 WZAW	11 Jeopardy! (N)  	11 Wheel of Fortune (N)  							11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	11 (35) Seinfeld  (Part 2 of 2)	11 (07) The King of Queens	11 (35) The Neighborhood				
11 WLUK																		
NBC	26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 	26 Total Packers-Matt LaFleur	90th Annual Christmas in Rockefeller Center The 90th annual tree-lighting ceremony. (N)  (Live) 				Kelly Clarkson Presents: When Christmas Comes Around Kelly Clarkson celebrates the holidays.  		26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon  	(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers  							
26 WGBA	12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) 	12 Wheel of Fortune									12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)							
12 WJFW																		
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N)  		Our Birds: An In Wisconsin Special			Nature "Santa's Wild Home" Animals survive in Lapland.   (DVS)			Classical Rewind (My Music) Classical masterpieces.  			Master Your Future With Rajiv Nagaich Planning for retirement.  						
20 WHRM																		
36 WLEF																		
38 WPNE																		
32 WACY	NBA G League Basketball Wisconsin Herd at Grand Rapids Gold. (N)				Family Feud 	Two/Half Men	My News at 9	NBC 26 Tonight	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	Mom  						
46 WTPX	NCIS "Something Blue" 				NCIS "Rendezvous"  (DVS)		NCIS "House Divided" 		NCIS "Twofer"   (DVS)		NCIS "Exit Strategy" 		NCIS "Skeleton Crew" 					
CW	44 The Big Bang Theory  	44 The Big Bang Theory  	DC's Stargirl "Frenemies -- Chapter Twelve: The Last Will and Testament of Sylvester Pemberton" The JSA fears for what comes next. (N)			Kung Fu "Betrayal" Mei-Li gets creative at the restaurant. (N)  		44 Last Man Standing	44 Seinfeld  	44 The National Desk (N) (Live)	44 The National Desk (N) (Live)	44 Last Man Standing 	44 Young Sheldon 					
14 WCWF	53 Divorce Court  	53 Divorce Court  						53 The Liquidator	53 Chicago P.D.  		53 black-ish   (DVS)	53 black-ish 	53 Family Guy 					
34 WYOW																		

THURSDAY						EVENING						DEC. 1	
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	
ABC	News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N) (V) (D)	*** Frozen II (2019, Children's) <i>Voices of Kristen Bell, Idina Menzel, Josh Gad.</i> Premiere. Animated. Queen Elsa embarks on a journey to the enchanted forests. (V) (D)			(:01) America's Funniest Home Videos A Christmas-themed episode. (V) (DVS)			News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (V) (D)	(:37) Nightline (N) (D)		
9 WAOW 2 WBAY	Action 2 News at Six (N)												
CBS	Local 5 News at 6:00 (V) (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) (D) Inside Edition (N) (V) (D)	Young Sheldon Mary feels uncomfortable at church. (V)	(:31) Ghosts Hetty accidentally possesses Jay's body. (V) (D)	(:01) So Help Me Todd "Let the Wright One In" Margaret attempts to join an elite club. (V) (D)		CSI: Vegas "The Painted Man" Catherine enlists the help of Folsom. (V) (D)		Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) (V) (D)	(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (N) (V) (D)		
5 WFRV 7 WSAW													
FOX	The Big Bang Theory (V) (D) Jeopardy! (N) (V) (D)	The Big Bang Theory (D) Wheel of Fortune (N) (D)	Hell's Kitchen "Game On!" Chefs Jon Shook and Vinny Dotolo. (N) (V) (DVS)		(:02) Welcome to Flatch Barb hosts her first open house. (V)	Call Me Kat Phil has a romantic dilemma. (N) (V) (D) (DVS)	NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	Seinfeld "The Finale" The four pals are arrested. (D)	Seinfeld "The Foundation" (V) Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	Last Man Standing (V) (:35) Seinfeld (V) (Part 1 of 2)	Last Man Standing (V) (:07) The King of Queens	The Goldbergs (V) (:35) The Neighborhood	
55 WZAW 11 WLUK													
NBC	NBC26 News at 6pm (N) (D) Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) (D)	Family Feud (V) Wheel of Fortune (V) "America's Game" (N)	Dolly Parton's Mountain Magic Christmas (2022, Musical) <i>Dolly Parton, Tom Everett Scott, Ana Gasteyer.</i> Premiere. Dolly Parton stars in a holiday musical with special guests. (V) (D)			The Wall "Deck the Wall: A Holiday Spectacular" Holiday-themed trivia questions. (V) (D)		NBC26 News at 10pm (N) Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)		(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (V) (D)		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers (V) (D)	
26 WGBA 12 WJFW													
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) (V) (D)		Welcome to John McGivern's Main Street (N) (V) (D)		20 Things to Do in Midsomer ... Before You Die Midsomer Murders anniversary. (V) (D)		Mary Berry's Simple Comforts "Paris" Mary Berry returns to Paris.		(:08) Mary Berry's Simple Comforts "River Thames" Mixed bean and butter-nut squash wraps.		Eat Your Medicine: The Pegan Diet With Mark Hyman, MD How to use food as medicine. (V) (D)		
20 WHRM 36 WLEF 38 WPNE													
32 WACY 46 WTPX	Family Feud (V)	Two/Half Men	Dateline "What They Saw" (D)		Chicago P.D. (V) (D)		My News at 9	NBC 26 Tonight	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	Mom (V) (D)	
	Chicago P.D. "False Positive" (V)		Chicago P.D. "Informant" (V)		Chicago P.D. "No Regrets" (V)		Chicago P.D. "Absolution" (V)		Chicago P.D. "Mercy" (V)		Chicago P.D. "43rd and Normal"		
CW	The Big Bang Theory (V) (D) Divorce Court (V) (D)	The Big Bang Theory (V) (D) Divorce Court (V) (D)	Freddie Mercury: The Final Act The story of Queen's Freddie Mercury. (V)			Last Man Standing The Liquidator		Seinfeld (V) (D) Chicago P.D. (V) (D)	The National Desk (N) (Live)	The National Desk (N) (Live) black-ish (V) (D) (DVS)	Last Man Standing (V) black-ish (V)	Young Sheldon (V) Family Guy (V)	
14 WCWF 34 WYOW													

WHAT'S HAPPENING

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 23

GILLETT: 32nd annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner, 3:30-6:30 p.m., Hillside Assembly of God Church. Reservations at 920-855-2962, teri@hillsideassembly.com or www.hillsideassembly.com; specify 3:30-4:15 p.m., 4:30-5:15 p.m., or 5:30-6:15 p.m.

SHAWANO: Thanksgiving Eve service, 6:30 p.m., Divine Savior Lutheran Church, 102 Northridge Drive.

THURSDAY, NOV. 24

SHAWANO: Turkey Trot, 7-9 a.m., Total Fitness, 116 N. Main St., Suite A. www.shawanototalfitness.com

TOWNSEND: Thanksgiving Day dinner, noon, St. John Lutheran Church, 17963 State Highway 32. RSVP to Lorry Runge at 715-276-7313 by Nov. 21.

FRIDAY, NOV. 25

OCONTO: Winter Wonderland Opening Night, 5-11 p.m., Holtwood Campground, 400 Holtwood Way. Drive-through holiday light display, open daily through Jan. 1.

SATURDAY, NOV. 26

SHAWANO: Holiday Stroll and Tree Lighting, activities 3-5 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Tree lighting 5 p.m.

OCONTO FALLS: Avenue of Lights Opening Night, 6 p.m., East Side Beach, North Main Street. Live Christmas music at the shelter 6 p.m., Santa Claus arrives as lights light up 6:30 p.m. Lights displayed 6-10 p.m. daily through Jan. 1.

SUNDAY, NOV. 27

BREED: Vets 4 Vets of Northeast Wisconsin Free Christmas Trees for Veterans, 1-4 p.m., Uncle Paul's Christmas Trees, 11489 State Highway 32. Veterans reserve a time at Vets4vetsnew@gmail.com or call Dan at 414-627-9866.

FRIDAY, DEC. 2

SHAWANO: Downtown Santa Parade, 6-8 p.m., Start at Elizabeth and Main, proceed north on Main to Green Bay Street,



Darrell Joachim poses with a couple of his wife Cynthia's creations during the craft and vendor sale at St. John's Lutheran Church in Gillett in 2022.

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turn west (left) one block to Washington Street, turn south (left) and end at Franklin Park. After the parade, visit with Santa at Coldwell Banker, 105 S. Washington St.

NAVARINO: Wreath Making Class, 6-8:30 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. \$35 covers frame, greenery and supplies, or bring your own frame \$25. RSVP requested, 715-758-6999, www.navarino.org.

WITTENBERG: Community Christmas Tree Lighting, 7-7:30 p.m., Art Park, 114 Vinal St.

SATURDAY, DEC. 3

OCONTO: Class of 2024 Christmas

Craft and Vendor Event, 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Oconto High School, 1717 Superior Ave.

SHAWANO: Shawano Optimist Club Christmas Movie Event, 8:30 a.m. to noon, Shawano Cinema, 1494 E. Green Bay St. Admission free with nonperishable food donation for SAFPARC. Doors open 8:30 a.m., movies start 9:30 a.m.

SHAWANO: Craft show, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 W. Presbyterian St.

SHAWANO: Cookie Walk, 9-11 a.m., Peace United Church of Christ, 208 E. Maurer St.

GILLETT: Christmas in the Park, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Santa's Workshop Sale, 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., St. John's Lutheran Church, 101 W. Main St. Santa Claus and kids' activities 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Zippel Park, 150 N. McKenzie St. Caroling 4:45 p.m., light displays 5 p.m., followed by fireworks.

SHAWANO: Merry Mielke Trivia Challenge, 1-4 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 N. Airport Road. \$10 per person for teams of eight. Prizes for ugliest Christmas sweater and best decorated table. Cash prizes for first- through third-place teams. Food and beverages available for purchase.

OCONTO: Santa's Visit and Christmas Parade, 2-4:30 p.m., City Hall, 1210 Main St. Parade to Farnsworth Public Library starts at 4 p.m.

LENA: Village of Lights, 3:30-7 p.m. Reindeer Dash 5K Run, 3:30 p.m., sponsored by Lena High School baseball team, 204 E. Main St.; Tree lighting ceremony, 4:45 p.m., Santa arrives 5 p.m., Village Hall, 117 E. Main St. Horse-drawn carriage rides and Blizzard Bingo from Village Hall, 5-7 p.m.

RIVERVIEW: Christmas Tree Lighting, 4-7 p.m., Riverview Community Center, 15471 State Highway 32. More than 30 trees adopted by local businesses; Santa's Village inside where kids can share their Christmas wishes with Santa.

SHAWANO: Jingle and Mingle, 4:30-9 p.m., Sacred Heart Parish, 321 S. Sawyer St. Catholic Mass at 4:30 p.m., Evening Out local food and beverage tasting 5:30 p.m. 21 and older, silent auction, bucket raffles, meat raffle and music, \$20 per person.

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FRIDAY				EVENING								DEC. 2	
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	
ABC	9 News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	Entertainment To-night (N) (D) (D)	Shark Tank Daniel Lubetzky guest sharks. (N) (D) (DVS)		(:01) 20/20 (N) (D) (D)				9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) 9 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (D) (D)		(:37) Nightline (N) (D)	
9 WAOW 2 WBAY													
CBS	9 Local 5 News at 6:00 7 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	9 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) (D) 7 Inside Edition (N) (D) (D)	S.W.A.T. "Sequel" (N) (D) (D)		Fire Country "Happy to Help" Bode's crew is accused of stealing. (N) (D) (D)		Blue Bloods "Heroes" (N) (D) (DVS)		9 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 9 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) (D) (D)		(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (D) (D)	
3 WFRV 7 WSAW													
FOX	Pac-12 Championship Pregame (N) (D) (Live) (D)		College Football Pac-12 Championship: Teams TBA. (N) (D) (Live) (D)							9 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (D) (D) 11 Jeopardy! (N)		9 The Goldbergs (D) (D) 11 Wheel of Fortune (N) (D)	
53 WZAW 11 WLUK													
NBC	9 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) (D) 9 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) (D) (D)	9 Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune "America's Game" (N)	Lopez vs Lopez "Lopez vs Birthdays" George throws a party.	Young Rock Dwayne is locked in a restaurant. (N) (D)	Dateline NBC (D) (D)				9 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 9 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (D) (D)		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers (D) (D)	
23 WGBA 12 WJFW													
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) (D) (D)		Washington Week (N) (D) (D)	Here and Now (N) (D) (D)	Willie Nelson: Live at Budokan Willie Nelson in a 1984 show in Japan. (D)			Nitty Gritty Dirt Band and Friends: 50 Years and Circlin' Back The band celebrates milestones and hits. (D) (D)		Alone in the Wilderness Living in nature. (D) (DVS)			
20 WHRM 35 WLEF 38 WPNE													
32 WACY	Family Feud (D)	Two/Half Men	To Be Announced					My News at 9	NBC 26 Tonight	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Mom (D) (D)	
45 WTPX	Hawaii Five-0 (D) (D)		Hawaii Five-0 (D) (D)		Hawaii Five-0 (D) (D)			Hawaii Five-0 (D) (D)	Hawaii Five-0 (D) (D)		Hawaii Five-0 "He Puh'e Miki" (D)		
CW	11 The Big Bang Theory (D) (D)	11 The Big Bang Theory (D) (D)	Penn & Teller: Fool Us "That (Bleeping) Teller!" Luka Vidovic; Connor McDonald. (N) (D) (D)		Criss Angel's Magic With the Stars "Easy Rider" Actors Michael Ian Black and Matt Walsh. (N) (D) (D)		11 Fox 11 News at Nine on CW	11 Seinfeld (D) (D) 11 Chicago P.D. (D) (D)	11 The National Desk (N) (Live)	11 The National Desk (N) (Live) 11 black-ish "I'm a Survivor" (D)	11 Last Man Standing (D) (D)	11 Young Sheldon (D)	
14 WCWF 34 WYOW	9 Divorce Court (N) (D) (D)						11 The Liquidator (D) (D)			11 black-ish (DVS)	11 Family Guy (D)		

WHY I GIVE THANKS

Thankful for a rich and vibrant culture

By **CHRISTOPHER M. CALDWELL**

Wāēwāēnen

It is to the Creator I give thanks.
It is to our ancestor's leadership and vision that I give thanks.

It is to today's leaders that I give thanks.

It is to the forest that I give thanks.

It is to my family that I give thanks.

It is to all my relations that I give thanks.

It is for the ability to serve that I give thanks.

In the Menominee language, wāēwāēnen is one way to say thank you. Even though I know so little of my people's language, I speak and write as much as I can throughout my day at work and at home. Sometimes when I struggle to understand what others say to me in the language, I feel a little sad. I wish I knew more. I wish I visited and listened to my elders more. I wish the boarding schools and assimilation efforts had never existed. On and on my mind goes.

But, then I stop and think, the word wāēwāēnen is a simple reminder of all our leaders did do to protect what we have today. We are still connected to the lands of our ancestors. We are connected to our forest, our language, and our culture. We are able to serve our families, our communities, and all of our relations. We are able to share knowledge as part of solutions that address global issues. Wāēwāēnen is a simple reminder that the Menominee language has been spoken across our lands since time immemorial

through times of great uncertainty. That one word also reminds me to be grateful for the opportunities we have today to be good ancestors for future generations.

In my work at the College of Menominee Nation, I am privileged to be a part of helping our tribal land-grant institution serve the Menominee people and all those who wish to come learn with us. Yet, there are many others in our community focused on revitalizing the Menominee language. Community grassroots organizations like MenominiYou and Menikēnaehkem, tribal government programs such as the Menominee Language and Culture Commission, Menominee Tribal Historic Preservation Department, as well as the Menominee Indian School District. But, just as important are the many individuals who continue to practice and share language and culture with others as a way of life. This collective effort is what will move our language from endangered status to being the vibrant foundational part of our community life. Thinking about all of this work is a way to truly be thankful and say wāēwāēnen.

Yet, in thinking about all of this, I find one more important thing to remember is that saying wāēwāēnen is not just a Menominee way but can be found in the languages and cultures from across this world. If we were all able to focus on remembering and doing, that would be truly something to give thanks to.

Eneq (that is all).

Christopher M. Caldwell is president of the College of Menominee Nation.



Christopher M. Caldwell is the fourth person to serve as president of the College of Menominee Nation since its inception in 1993.

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WHY I GIVE THANKS

We live in such a wonderful part of the world

By **SAMANTHA BOUCHER**

Ten years ago, when I became the tourism director for Oconto County, I took on a huge responsibility. Oconto County offers some of the best vacation experiences in the Midwest. Suddenly, I was in charge of telling about these experiences and supporting the people who made them happen. I knew I couldn't go at it alone. So, when NEW Media asked me to explain why I give thanks, I immediately thought of everyone who makes my job promoting Oconto County so easy.

I'm especially thankful for my family and friends who go along with my crazy ideas and jump in with two feet to volunteer with community projects. Winter Wonderland in Oconto is a great example. You need a lot of volunteers and a lot of hours to set up all of the holiday lights. I don't think people realize how much work goes into a light display like Winter Wonderland or the Avenue of Lights (the Oconto Falls Christmas display organized by the Lioness Club). One day alone is spent just laying down extension cords! What really surprises me about these volunteers is their smiles. They're so happy to participate and generously give of their time for the betterment of others, not themselves.

I'm so grateful to all of the civic organizations that organize community events like Winter Wonderland, Avenue of Lights, Fourth of July celebrations, the Oconto County Fair, Oconto Fly-in, Breakfast on the Farm, Lena Dairyfest, and so many other festivals and events. These celebrations truly inspire a sense of community pride and community spirit, bringing together local residents and visitors as well. I encourage you to get involved in your local civic organization, because a couple of hours



For the last 10 years, Samantha Boucher has helped guide the effort to welcome visitors to Oconto County.

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volunteering goes a long way.

Tourism is a \$123 million industry in Oconto County, and these events contribute to that number. Festivals, craft fairs, farmers markets, and other events are so important to the local economy.

I'm also grateful for the volunteer organizations that support and maintain our wonderful trail systems and natural resources. Visitors love spending time in Oconto County because it's their ticket to the great outdoors. Guests come here to camp,

hunt, fish, snowmobile, take ATV and horseback rides, ski, kayak, and hike. Our trails and waterways are well-used. The Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest in northern Oconto County is a fantastic scenic playground year-round. I'm grateful to all of the businesses and local residents that welcome guests and help them enjoy the Northwoods to its fullest.

The Oconto County Economic Development Corp. wholeheartedly supports the tourism industry and

the business community in Oconto County. In addition to promoting Oconto County near and far, we help local small businesses start, expand, and transition their companies. For example, we help business owners apply for grants and microloans to buy equipment and inventory or renovate their facilities.

The Main Street BounceBack Grant is a great example. These grants are available until Dec. 31 as part of the American Recovery Plan Act, also known as the COVID-19 stimulus package. Numerous businesses in Oconto County opened new locations or expanded operations with the help of this grant. Recipients use the grants to pay leases, mortgages, business costs, and operational expenses. Research shows that everyone benefits from a strong local economy, higher property values, and a better-skilled workforce. For me, watching local businesses open, grow, and thrive is so rewarding. I'm grateful to all of the companies that make their home in Oconto County.

But enough about work!

I'm also grateful to my family – my husband, Dustin, and son, Bodhi, who are always there for me. I'm thankful for my parents, Clark and Julie Routheau, who always encourage me and guide me in the right direction.

This Thanksgiving, I'll be spending time with my family around a traditional Thanksgiving dinner at Grandma June's house in Oconto. It's just where I want to be on this special holiday.

From the Routheau and Boucher families and all of us at Oconto County Economic Development Corp., I want to wish you and your loved ones a Happy Thanksgiving.

Samantha Boucher is the tourism director for the Oconto County Economic Development Corp.



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WHY I GIVE THANKS

Life in Wisconsin leaves much to be thankful for

By LUKE REIMER

Going from growing up in De Pere, to attending college in La Crosse, to landing a job in Shawano, to now living in Green Bay, has predominately shaped who I am as a person.

I, personally, am most thankful for my time growing, learning and becoming an adult in Wisconsin. Winters might be cold, summers might be short and mosquitoes may take over any vacation, but one thing that stands above all that is the people. Wisconsin has shown me that no matter who you are — whether it be a different race, gender, ethnicity, age, income level, have different political ideologies, or even just have different interests — we can all enjoy a cold beer or hot chocolate together like we are brother or sister. Growing up, my parents instilled in me to accept others for who they are, and so far in my short adult life, I have made so many friends, that seven years ago, I probably wouldn't have thought of introducing myself to, due to different interests. Living in Wisconsin, where everybody wants to go out for a fish fry and an old-fashioned, makes it that much easier to do so.

I think that is proven best at Green Bay Packers games. Even if you don't have tickets to the game, I implore everybody to tailgate before a game. Everyone hosting a tailgate will be more than happy to grill you a hot dog or offer a beer, but what makes it Wisconsin is that those same people will make you feel like family. In the maybe 10 minutes that you stay at each tailgate, you will know someone's whole family heritage. That speaks to who the people of Wisconsin are — something that I am incredibly thankful for. Minimal drama, minimal fighting, but maximum amounts of



Among his numerous duties Luke Reimer covers the Packers for NEW Media's Green and Gold Express.

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friends, family and laughs.

I know that I am only 24 years old, but living in Wisconsin has given me more than I could have imagined so far in my life. I have interviewed hall of fame boxer Virgil Hill, seen Sir Paul McCartney in concert and met my childhood hero, Aaron Rodgers. Bigger than that, Wisconsin has given me a college degree, a professional job and the start to the rest of my life.

It would be negligent of me too if I didn't talk about my parents here. My dad, Mike, and my mom, Beth, have been the two strongest support pieces on my journey. With both of them being social workers, they have taught me a number of life lessons

that nobody else will understand, because they have seen the worst of the worst. I am at the Shawano Leader today, because my father had inquired about the open position here for me. I was able to apply for and be accepted to college, mostly due to my mom constantly asking me if I filled out applications or scholarships. For every thing that I have seen and experienced, my parents have done all they can to put me in the right position to do so, which is something that I will always be thankful for.

Finally, I am thankful to be able to serve the residents of Shawano, Oconto and Menominee counties and provide them with the news that

is happening around them. I started here in March 2021, during a pandemic, and the reception and support that I received from each municipality in those three counties has been overwhelming. I know that I have already made some lifelong friends, and I cannot wait to see what the future holds here.

With an incredible mixture of family, friends, supporters and anyone else who has taken time out of their life to get me here, I thank you.

God Bless and Go Pack!

Luke Reimer is a reporter for NEW Media, which publishes the Shawano Leader, Oconto County Times Herald, Wittenberg-Biramwood Enterprise-News and newmedia-wi.com.

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WHY I GIVE THANKS

Past years have brought many blessings

By **BRUCE MILAVITZ**

As I reflect on the past year and years of my life, these are some of the things I am thankful for:

My continued health especially since I had battled prostate cancer, and through the grace of God and the help of alternative treatments, I have beat it.

I am thankful for my family, for my loving wife, Charlene, of over 30 years; she is my soulmate, my business partner and the glue that holds our family together.

I am thankful that I was blessed with five wonderful, healthy, productive children, and through those children our family thus far has grown to include four healthy, fun, rambunctious grandchildren who I absolutely adore.

I am thankful for the relationship I have with God and His guidance in my life.

I am thankful for a successful business for over 25 years in Shawano, first starting out as Tires Plus then with a name change to American Car Center. I am thankful that with months of prayer, when we had the opportunity to sell, we were at peace with that decision and still are.

I am thankful that we still have a successful towing business and for the past year our son Aaron, mostly runs it



Bruce Milavitz has been mayor of Shawano since a special election in April 2021.

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and will soon take over.

I am also thankful that I was able to take flying lessons and become a pilot while still a business owner of American Car Care Center and for the past year I have been flying an air ambu-

lance, helping patients in need.

I am thankful that selling our business gave me the opportunity to run for and become the mayor of Shawano, which opened my eyes even more to all the great things about Shawano. I'm

thankful to live in such a grateful and kind community, and as your mayor I will strive for continued forward progress of our city.

Bruce Milavitz is the mayor of Shawano.



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OPINION

GUEST COLUMN

Let's allow children to be whole selves

I am a Vietnamese American educator, and I want you to know that, every day, you are empowered to be fascinated by the prior experiences and knowledge that all of our students, educators and families bring to us. Sharing stories provides space for us to connect with one another and helps build authentic relationships.

In any profession (and especially in education), it is important that we think through our “why” — the reason we do the work we do — and that we share our story with each other. By doing so, we strengthen our understanding of each other's perspectives and the experiences and strengths each of us bring to the table. My personal story and experiences growing up helped shape me and the work I do for Wisconsin students.

My family left Vietnam as refugees in the 1980s because we did not believe in the political construct that ultimately took over. It took us four attempts to flee Vietnam to finally be united as a full family of 11 in America.

As all our educators want to do right by each of our students, our schools and districts are continuing to dig deeper into understanding and supporting different marginalized subgroups. Growing up, I fell into many of these — low



DUY NGUYEN

socio-economic status, language learner and Asian.

In elementary school, I learned early on that my family struggled with access to food.

I still remember being handed the bright orange lunch tickets to let our food service staff know I needed to be accounted differently for lunch. The awareness at 5 years old that my family and I were not worthy of food, that I had to be treated differently, is steeped in my identity.

At the same time in elementary school, it was decided that I was unable to speak English proficiently. Because of that, I was sent to a separate classroom and was tasked with playing a computer game to help me learn. Instead of using my knowledge to think critically like other students in my class, I was isolated and spent some of my days deciding if I wanted to eat the virtual fish, ignore the bait or escape from predators.

As one of the only Vietnamese students in school, it was clear to me that I was different, and for me to fit in, I had to act and be some-

one else. In this case, I assimilated to a point where I was embarrassed of who I really was and where I came from.

Years later, I look back and have so many questions.

What if I had educators who acknowledged my prior experiences and background and saw them as my strengths to then build upon?

What if we develop the capacity for compassion — to see the good in each other? To notice the fact that having food is a basic need for all children? To see that our children do not come to us broken; they are whole. They come to us with prior experiences and knowledge to be valued and acknowledged.

What if my educators recognized that my understanding of language was higher than my ability to speak? What if I had the chance to be with my peers, in the classroom, to feel connected, to be visible and to know that my story was worthy of inclusion?

What if I could be my whole self? Not ashamed of my genesis story; instead, proud knowing that it is the counter story that supports the work of wanting all humans to flourish.

It wasn't until I had the opportunity to be with people who believed in me, people who were fascinated

by me, that I could start to put my compelling “why” I am in education into words. As an assistant state superintendent at the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, I want to give every child a voice, so they do not end up being adults without one, or who don't recognize their own. I encourage all of us to know our own stories and find ways to engage in storytelling and “story listening.”

As an American educator and Wisconsin's first Southeast Asian assistant state superintendent, please join me in lifting our students' lived experiences, so we can start to appreciate and allow them to be their whole selves. This will go a long way toward becoming the lifelong learners that we need to be.

Our amazing educators have a deep respect for our students. Let's lean into our curiosity and fascination with others by taking the time to slow down and truly know who is in our school communities. I firmly believe that hearing their stories and learning from one another will help every student flourish; in turn, our educators will continue to thrive and be inspired to persist in the incredible work they do.

Duy Nguyen is the assistant state superintendent of public instruction.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Enough with the dark money ad campaigns

To the editor:

On Nov. 8, the Town of Bartelme in northwest Shawano County held a referendum to weigh in on the Wisconsin United to Amend question calling for a U.S. Constitutional Amendment to once and for all disallow corporations, unions, Super PACs and others from making unlimited contributions to political campaigns.

The same question has been posed 167 times previously in WIUTA referendums and resolutions in Wisconsin. It passed with an 88.8% approval in Bartelme, giving

the WIUTA initiative a 168 wins, zero losses record in the state, and now represents over half the state population on the issue.

Ironically, the midterm elections also set a record for campaign spending totaling \$16.7 billion nationwide. That's more money than any previous election in world history, including every previous presidential election. The most amazing thing? With few exceptions, all that money simply maintained the status quo by returning incumbents to their preordained gerrymandered outcomes.

The Wisconsin United to Amend effort, like the other 22 states that have already called for the constitutional amendment, compares its nonprofit grassroots bottom-up

populist effort to the ground swell for women's suffrage that occurred in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

Women's suffrage in America began in Seneca Falls, New York, July 1848. It took 70-plus years to come to fruition with the passage of the 19th Amendment in 1919. The 19th Amendment is 39 words long and takes less than a minute to read. It took over 70 years to simply agree that women get to vote, same as men. When viewed from today's perspective, it's hard to comprehend why or how it could take so long to pass such a basic, fundamental right.

With the unprecedented record-breaking spending spree that each new election cycle digresses into

— complete with non-stop, back-to-back, fact-check-immune negative ads sponsored by dark money Super PACs — it's impossible to fathom what our elections will look like in another decade or two, let alone 70 years and whether our citizens can or will be able to make wise choices through the thickening smoke screens, distracting noises and intentional disinformation.

The vast majority of people agree with the voters in Bartelme. It's really just a matter of getting our elected officials to agree with us — to forsake the allure of special-interest money and all the strings that come entangled with it — strings that profit them, always at our expense.

Steve Parks, Bowler

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A public hearing has been scheduled for Friday, December 2, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Duration Expected: 4 Hours

Location 1) Zoom Audiovisual connection-use <http://us02web.zoom.us/j/pscheatings>.

Location 2) Telephone connection-dial (312) 626-6799, and Enter 809 513 2930# (Meeting ID). All information regarding this application is also available at the PSC's website: <http://psc.wi.gov> **WNAXLP**

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City of Shawano
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held by the Cecil Planning & Zoning Committee Tuesday, December 20th, 2022 at 6:00PM at the Village Hall at 111 E Hofman St, Cecil, Wisconsin to hear the following request for zoning change:

DGI-Cecil, LLC request a zoning change from A-G Agriculture to C-C Community Commercial District for a portion of parcel number 111 16230 0000 for the proposed project of a Dollar General retail store.

Part of the southwest ¼ of the northwest ¼ of section 16, Township 27 North, Range 17 East, Village of Cecil, Shawano County, Wisconsin.

In addition, DGI-Cecil, LLC requests allowance of 35 off-street parking stalls with dimensions of 9'x20' which is a reduction from the zoning ordinance that requires 10'x20' stalls.

Any interested party may address the Village Planning & Zoning committee by letter or appear in person or by agent and be heard at the Public Hearing.

Cecil Planning & Zoning Committee

Teri Westerfeld, Clerk/Treasurer
Village of Cecil

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Bazaar start to the holidays

ABOVE: Tables were filled with a variety of holiday items for folks to purchase Nov. 19 during the annual holiday bazaar at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Keshena.

LEFT: A small Christmas tree lights the way to bazaar items being looked over by visitors Nov. 19 at St. Michael's Catholic Church. **RIGHT:** Kelly Lightner, left, and Karen Smart look over the inventory to be set out on the tables in front of them Nov. 19 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Keshena for its annual bazaar. There were an estimated 1,000 to 1,200 cookies made for the event, with 15 volunteers taking the time to decorate all the cookies.



Mattoon doing its part to halt drugs

Drug awareness task force asks residents to be on lookout

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

One local organization is taking the necessary steps to help eliminate drugs in Mattoon.

The village of Mattoon recently established the Mattoon Area Drug Awareness Task Force and the group sponsored a drug awareness program on Nov. 14. Various village leaders are involved with the task force, including Shepherd's Watch President Wade Reimer, Vice President Laurel Collins, Mattoon Village Board Chairman Jim Zahn, Mattoon Village Superintendent Zak Kickhaver and community member Bill Stevens, who was appointed chairman of the task force.

"Concerned leaders and residents were becoming more and more aware of a drug problem existing in Mattoon, the township of Hutchins, as well as surrounding areas, and it has been getting worse over time," said Collins, on why a drug task force is needed for the village.

Collins said that the idea for the task force came up when Reimer found drug paraphernalia on the grounds of Shepherd's Watch.

"This incident had made it quite apparent that our children and teens were clearly in harm's way," said Collins.

When the task force was formed, Collins said that there was couple of goals that they wanted to meet. The first was talking to the village board and purchasing three large black and yellow signs to be displayed in the village that read — If you see something, say something. The second goal was to host a drug awareness meeting for the public that featured two members of the Shawano County Sheriff's Department, Drug Detective Craig Rekoske and Lt. Eric Chernetski, as well as Langlade County Crime Stoppers President Rhonda Drexler.

"Our request to Craig and Eric was to focus on educating the community on ways to recognizing drug use, how to report it and how we as citizens can help," said Collins. "During the presentation, Craig (Rekoske) stated that drugs are increasingly becoming a problem across the state in large and small cities, as well as villages and townships."



A yellow sign signifying that if Mattoon citizens see any suspicious activity that could be linked to drugs, to call the Shawano County Sheriff's Department. The sign was purchased and is displayed in response to drug being present in Mattoon.

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The final goal for the drug task force is to continue to keep citizens educated and informed, in hopes that they can help to save lives from drug use.

"It isn't only the lives of drug users at risk, but the lives of our precious teens and children are at stake here also, which is completely unacceptable," said Collins.

When identifying someone who may be on drugs, Collins relayed Rekoske's message that drug users like to blend in with crowds.

"A few things to look for are any odd or unusual activities such as people stopping by a location and en-

tering, but only staying for a short time of day," said Collins. "Any drug paraphernalia lying around such as used needles, sturdy plastic bottles with any unusual substances remaining in them, small spoons, tin foil, cut-up drinking straws, pipes and pill bottles are more of the common items to look for."

Collins said that drug use is becoming an issue in the village, due to how easy it can be to find the drugs.

"Craig (Rekoske) shared that because drugs are now pouring in over the border, they're readily available for distribution in and out of the larger cities to all points north, south, east and west," said Collins. "Because

of this, drugs are now easier and cheaper to obtain for both distributors and buyers."

She pointed to fentanyl as the most glaring drug, but also mentioned meth and other opioids as areas for concern.

"According to Mr. Rekoske, fentanyl is the drug of greatest concern," said Collins. "That is because only two milligrams of this substance is a fatal dose — which is like three grains of table sugar. In pill form fentanyl looks like a prescription medication and when mixed with other drugs is undetectable."

Officer on leave after Shawano shooting

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

A Shawano police officer is on administrative leave following an officer-involved shooting that killed a man Nov. 19.

Shawano County Sheriff's Office, with assistance from the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) is investigating an officer in-

involved death in the City of Shawano that occurred on Nov. 19 at approximately 5 p.m.

Officers responded at about 5 p.m. to a home in the 900 block of Lafayette Street for a reported disturbance, according to a press release from Police Chief Bradley Rabideau. Officers were let into the home and directed to the basement, where officers observed someone

with their hands in the air and another person holding a shotgun. An officer discharged their weapon, striking the individual with the gun. Rabideau said in the release that officers attempted lifesaving measures before the individual was transported to the hospital, where they died.

No law enforcement personnel were injured during the incident,

according to Rabideau.

Shawano County Sheriff's Department is leading the investigation and is assisted by the Wisconsin Division of Criminal Investigation, Wisconsin Crime Lab, Wisconsin State Patrol, and the Shawano County Coroner's Office. All involved law enforcement officers are fully cooperating with the investigation, according to Rabideau.

Insomnia tends to be problem for many women

One in four women report having sleep problems — that is, trouble falling asleep, staying asleep or returning to sleep — according to the U.S. Office of Women's Health.

"Insomnia is one the most common symptoms people see their primary care provider for help with," said Kirsten Grove, a family medicine and obstetrics physician at ThedaCare Physicians-Berlin. "Untreated insomnia can impact a person's quality of life, cognitive function and performance. It is also associated with worsening mental health and suicidal ideation, and there are also cardiovascular health risks for people who aren't getting adequate sleep. It is not a problem people should ignore and hope it will go away eventually."

Sleep disorders are defined as insomnia when people report an inability to go to sleep or return to sleep, wake up too early or feel unrested for at least three nights a week for a minimum of three months.

Grove added persistent sleep difficulty, adequate sleep opportunity and daytime dysfunction also need to be involved.

"Those are all the things that are often present for us to reach an insomnia diagnosis," she said.

When patients report with insomnia problems, Grove looks for co-morbidities that may be contributing to sleeplessness.

"Those can include psychiatric issues, such as depression or anxiety, as well as other medical conditions," she explained. "Almost any health condition can be associated



KIRSTEN GROVE

with insomnia. We also look for things like medications that can affect sleep, and any substances patients are using — such as caffeine, stimulants, alcohol or drugs."

The National Sleep Foundation (NSF) reports that women have a 40% greater chance of experiencing insomnia than men.

"All of the unique hormone-related events women experience in their lifetimes certainly contribute to the tendency for women to have higher rates of insomnia than men," Grove said. "Hormonal changes with menstrual cycles, pregnancy, perimenopause, menopause and post-menopause and the symptoms associated with those times, such as hot flashes, can be very disruptive to sleep."

Talking about pregnancy, Grove added that 25% of pregnant women report sleep problems in the first trimester, and that increases to 66% in the third trimester.

"In the first trimester, it's things like nausea and extreme fatigue that often cause sleep issues," she said. "By the third trimester, it's frequent urination, heartburn and back pain that cause sleeplessness."

She noted that restless leg syndrome also seems to be more of a problem during pregnancy, which can contribute to keeping women awake.

For postpartum women, awakening to feed or care for the baby, hormonal shifts, postpartum depression and physical and emotional adjustment after pregnancy all contribute to increased rates of poor sleep in postpartum women. In general, it takes three to six months for a mother's sleep to normalize after childbirth.

One of the first things recommended for someone experiencing insomnia is to practice good sleep hygiene; that is, to review and adjust their sleep habits and environment. The NSF offers these suggestions for improving sleep hygiene:

- Maintain a consistent sleep schedule. Go to bed and wake up at the same times every day, including weekends and holidays.
- Limit the use of alcohol or caffeine in the hours before bedtime.
- Avoid screen time for an hour before going to bed. Stop using cell phones, tablets or computers. Some providers recommend avoiding watching television as well.
- Include relaxation techniques as part of your bedtime routine.
- Create a cozy bedroom environment. Have a good mattress,

quality bedding, keep the room at a comfortable temperature and limit noise and light pollution. Also, keep televisions out of the bedroom.

Grove also noted that regular exercise, including yoga, often helps resolve sleep problems.

"Our bodies need a certain amount of movement every day, and a regular exercise routine provides that," she said. "Yoga seems to be especially helpful to some people."

Beyond those efforts, Grove said if someone has improved their sleep hygiene, avoided alcohol and/or caffeine and is still having insomnia problems for three months or more, it's time to see their provider.

"Good sleep is an important component of good health," she said. "Anyone regularly experiencing insomnia should focus on good sleep hygiene. If that doesn't help, they should see their provider. Care teams are available to talk through the issues, and try to uncover the source of the issue. We're here to help you get a good sleep and be your best self."

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Jammed fingers usually treatable at home

A good number of athletes know the feeling when they make they move for the ball, but miscalculate a bit.

The ball hits the fingertip in just the wrong way, causing pain and swelling — what many people call a “jammed finger.”

“That feeling is likely a sprain to the joint,” said Guoqing Song, advanced practice clinician at ThedaCare Medical Center-Orthopedic, Spine and Pain. “It’s a common type of sports injury, such as when a fingertip sustains a direct hit by a basketball or volleyball. Some people may see noticeable bruising and swelling, and there may be a limited range of motion.”

A sprain can be mild, moderate or severe, and people may experience various levels of pain because of the injury. Some jammed fingers can be treated at home, at least to begin with.

“If the finger joints function well, and there is no deformity to the finger, people can try to manage it at home for two or three days,” Song said.

The general rule for caring for



GUOQING SONG

jammed fingers can be followed with the acronym PRICE — Protection, Rest, Ice, Compression and Elevation.

“Those with a sprained finger should keep it protected from further injury, including taking a break from whatever activity caused the injury,” Song said.

“They should rest the hand to give the finger a chance to heal, and ice can be applied a couple of times a day to reduce swelling.”

Using compression, such as an elastic bandage, also can help reduce swelling and provide support, but people should be mindful of keeping the compression light.

“Too much compression can be uncomfortable,” he said. “It could also stop healthy blood supply to the finger.”

Patients are encouraged to elevate the limb above the heart, as that also can help reduce swelling by prevent-

ing fluid from pooling in the affected digit.

“Additionally, if a patient needs some pain control, over-the-counter oral medications such as Tylenol or ibuprofen usually work well,” Song said.

For those patients who do not see improvement within two or three days, and for those who experience other symptoms, a visit to a walk-in clinic is advisable.

“Symptoms that can indicate damage beyond a sprain include noticing some deformity in the finger along with an inability to bend or straighten the finger, which can indicate the finger has been fractured, dislocated or has sustained a torn tendon,” Song said. “To determine if a finger has been fractured, X-ray is usually ordered during the medical evaluation.”

Additionally, some patients may experience a tingling, numbness or pale color to the finger, in which case, it’s possible the finger also has sustained some nerve damage as well. Untreated finger injuries can lead to a higher risk of arthritis in the injured joint. Some more serious finger inju-

ries may require surgery to correct.

“If there’s any concern of serious injury, we want patients to be evaluated by a medical professional,” Song said. “Fractures and dislocations can cause permanent stiffness or deformity and a loss of function.”

Children with jammed fingers particularly should be taken to visit a medical provider as their bones have not matured, and a proper diagnosis can help prevent permanent damage such as long-term stiffness and loss of motion.

“We want patients to feel empowered to see a provider at the walk-in clinic if they have any concerns about the injury,” Song said.

Orthopedic experts can provide diagnostic tools such as imaging like X-ray or MRI and can offer different types of finger splints to stabilize the injuries.

“There are many things we will discuss and can offer to help people during their visit,” Song said. “We can talk about activity modification and the possibility of occupational therapy — whatever is needed to get patients back to the activities they enjoy.”

“If the finger joints function well, and there is no deformity to the finger, people can try to manage it at home for two or three days.”

GUOQING SONG, advanced practice clinician at ThedaCare Medical Center-Orthopedic, Spine and Pain

New year of college reignites grandparent scams

With college students settling in on campus, many of them living away from home for the first time, the Better Business Bureau has warned consumers to guard against the so-called “grandparent scam.”

Scammers will call family members and pretend to be a child, grandchild or friend who has run into a difficult situation, often while traveling. The scammer may claim to have been arrested, mugged or hospitalized and make urgent pleas for money. These emergency scams are often called “grandparent scams” because they target senior citizens.

Receiving a frantic phone call may scare people into letting their guard down, but BBB encourages everyone to make sure they know signs of this scam. Folks should resist requests to send money immediately. Ask for a phone number to contact the person back, then check with other relatives to confirm the

location of the person in question.

Requests to send money by Western Union, MoneyGram, a prepaid card like Green Dot or MoneyPak or a digital payment app like Zelle are often a scam.

Consumers nationwide have reported about 450 family/friend emergency scams to BBB Scam Tracker in the last three years.

A Cape Girardeau, Missouri, woman reported receiving a call last fall from someone claiming to be her grandson, saying he had been jailed after a car accident and asking her to pay \$9,500 to an attorney. Immediately after the woman hung up, she received a phone call from a man claiming to be her son’s public defender and asking for personal information. The woman knew neither call was legitimate and reported the scam to BBB.

Here are some tips to avoid the grandparent scam:

- Know the red flags. Typically, the

grandparent receives a frantic phone call from a scammer posing as a grandchild or a friend of the grandchild. The “grandchild” explains that he or she is in some kind of trouble and needs help. The “grandchild” pleads to the grandparents not to tell his or her parents and asks that they wire thousands of dollars for reasons such as posting bail, repairing a car, covering lawyer’s fees or even paying hospital bills.

- Stay calm. Emergency scams count on an emotional reaction. It’s important to resist the pressure to act quickly or react to the caller’s distress. Ask for a phone number, then contact another family member to determine whether the call is legitimate and confirm the whereabouts of the grandchild.

- Ask a personal question, but don’t disclose too much information. If a caller says “It’s me, Grandma!” don’t respond with a name, but instead let the caller explain who he or

she is. One easy way to confirm their identity is to ask a simple question that the grandchild would know such as what school he or she goes to or their middle name. Families might consider developing a secret code or password that can be used to verify a true emergency.

- Do not wire money. Wiring money is like giving cash — once it’s sent, it can’t be taken back. If asked to wire money based on a request made over the phone, especially overseas, consider it a red flag. Always make certain of the recipient’s identity before using a wire service or prepaid debit cards.

- Communicate. Students should stay in regular contact with their families while away at college, and they should share travel plans with family members before leaving the state or country. Parents are encouraged to let extended family members know when their child is heading back to school and/or traveling.

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November 10, 18 & 23, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR101

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Brian J. Schultz
DOD 9/16/2022
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 6/9/1972 and date of death 9/16/2022, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 171103 Church Road, Aniwa, WI 54408.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 2/8/2023.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
Hougum Law Firm, LLC.
305 S. 18th Avenue
Suite #200
Wausau, WI 54401
715-843-5001
Bar No. 1100219
DATE SIGNED: October 31, 2022
Electronically signed by Gwen Hoffman
Probate Registrar
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#2462
November 18, 25 & December 2, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for
Name Change Hearing
Case No. 22CV188

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Collon Dewayne Griffin
By (Petitioner): Collon Dewayne Griffin
Notice is Given:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Collon Dewayne Griffin
To: Collon Harvey Eisner
Birth Certificate: Collon Dewayne Griffin
It is ordered:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin:
Judge's Name: William F Kussel Jr.
Place: Shawano County Courthouse
Shawano, WI 54166
Date: 12/21/2022
Time: 8:00 AM
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#2474
November 23, & December 2 & 9, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for
Name Change Hearing
Case No. 22CV178

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Collin Elliott Bravatto
By (Petitioner): Collin Elliott Bravatto
Notice is Given:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Collin Elliott Bravatto
To: Collin James Hill
Birth Certificate: Collin Elliott Bravatto
It is ordered:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin:
Judge's Name: William F. Kussel, Jr.
Place: Shawano County Courthouse Branch II
311 N. Main St.
Shawano, WI 54166
Date: 12/22/2022
Time: 8:00 AM
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#2467
November 18, 23 & December 2, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
BRANCH 2
SUMMONS
CASE NO. 2022CV000154
CASE TYPE: Money Judgment: 30301
PLAINTIFF:
BAYCARE CLINIC LLP
PO BOX 28900
GREEN BAY, WI 54324
-Vs-
DEFENDANT:
TONYA J OTTO
W1730 HOLY HILL RD
CECIL, WI 54111
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

To each person named above as a Defendant:
You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above, Baycare Clinic LLP, filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.
Within 20 days of receiving this Summons, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The Court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is: Clerk of Circuit Court, 311 N Main St, Shawano, WI 54166, and to the plaintiff's attorney, Michael C. Koehn, PO Box 92, Eau Claire, WI 54702. You may have an attorney help or represent you. If you do not provide a proper answer within 20 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 21st day of September, 2022.
Electronically signed:
Michael C. Koehn
Michael C. Koehn, S.C.
SBN 1006590
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Eau Claire, WI 54702-0092
Tel: (715) 832-5074
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#2472
November 18 & 23, 2022
Notice of Public Hearing
Planning, Development and Zoning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, December 7, 2022
@ 9:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse,
Rooms A, B & C
Members: Ken Capelle,
Jeremy Gretzinger, Kathy Luebke, Theresa Serrano,
Michael Stupecky

Proposed amendment to the Shawano County Land Division Ordinance No. 3-10: Amendment to remove the following requirement: Section 7.09: Certified Survey map used for Land Division; D. An onsite inspection will be completed before the map will be approved and signed by the Planning and Development office.
Town Map Amendment (TMA)-4-22: Adopting the Town of Aniwa Official Zoning Map Amendment: The County will consider the following (1) parcel to be amended from the C-G, Commercial General Zoning District to the FP, Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District: 006061100020; the following (1) parcel from the FP, Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District to the A-R, Agricultural Residential Zoning District: 006124200000; the following (1) parcel from FH, Farmland and Forest Holding Zoning District to A-R, Agricultural Residential Zoning District: 006293300030; and the following (7) parcels from the C-G, Commercial General Zoning District to the A-R, Agricultural Residential Zoning District: 006314400070, 006314400080, 006314400090, 006323300020, 006323300040, 006323300030, 006323300010. A total of 10 parcels are included with this request which will all be compliant with the Towns Comprehensive Plan.
Town Map Amendment (TMA)-5-22: Adopting the Town of Red Springs Official Zoning Map Amendment: The County will consider the following (1) parcel to be amended from the A-R, Agricultural Residential Zoning District to the C-C, Community Commercial Zoning District: 038343400032; the following (1) parcel from R-M, Residential Mixed Zoning District to the OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District: 038144200000; the following (2) parcels from the C-G, Commercial General Zoning District to A-R, Agricultural Residential Zoning District: 038112400131,

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038112400140; the following (93) parcels from FH, Farmland and Forest Holding Zoning District to OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District: 038211300020, 038212400010, 038303400000, 038303100000, 038193300000, 038193400000, 038194300000, 038192100000, 038192400000, 038193100000, 038211100010, 038044300000, 038043100000, 038091100000, 038094400000, 038161400000, 038161100010, 038161200000, 038211300010, 038191300000, 038191200010, 038211200000, 038212100000, 038192300000, 038182300000, 038182300030, 038181300000, 038181200000, 038041400000, 038044300010, 038054100000, 038031100000, 038031300000, 038031400000, 038192200010, 038032200000, 038043300000, 038162300000, 038164300000, 038173200000, 038211100001, 038191400000, 038083200000, 038191100000, 038222200000, 038301300000, 038304200000, 038201300000, 038201400010. A total of 97 parcels are included with this request which will all be compliant with the Towns Comprehensive Plan.

Town Map Amendment (TMA)-6-22: Adopting the Town of Morris Official Zoning Map Amendment: The County will consider the following (1) parcel to be amended from the C-G, Commercial General Zoning District to OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District: 032152100010; the following (1) parcel from OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District to A-R, Agriculture Residential Zoning District: 032233300010; the following (2) parcels from M, Manufacturing Zoning District to OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District: 032151100000, 032104200010. A total of 4 parcels are included with this request which will all be compliant with the Towns Comprehensive Plan.

Z-10-22: Amos and Mary Yoder request zone change on 8.168 acres of land from FP, Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District to A-R, Agriculture Residential Zoning District pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Section X1.10(4) and Section X.2.01(1) to Section X.3.01(2) for the purpose of combining land to parcel #018-23310-0020 (property address N3395 County G Road) which is currently zoned A-R. Property is located and described as part of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 now known as Lot 1 Certified Survey Map #4769, located in Section 23, T26N R13E. Tax parcel #018-23310-0000. Town of Grant. Currently vacant land.

NOTE: Any person may appear at the public hearing and be heard and/or submit comments to be read into the record for Committee consideration. Correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer.

Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766

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#2576
November 23 & December 2, 2022
Agenda
Board of Adjustment - Public Hearing Notice Meeting
Thursday, December 15, 2022
@ 9:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse,
Rooms A & B
311 N Main St., Shawano, WI
Members: Alan Beyer, Bill Bowers,
John Stezenski, Thomas Tauferner, Gary Thomack
Alternates: 1st Robert Krause,
2nd David Korth

V-14-22: Roger and Diane Thario requests variance to construct a 12' x 14' single family dwelling addition to be 68.5 feet from the ordinary high water mark of the Oconto River where a 75 foot setback is required pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland - Wetland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 6.2. Property is located and described as that part of Government Lot 3 commencing at the intersection of the West line of said Government Lot 3 with the North line of Highway 22 and thence Northeasterly along the North boundary of said highway 130 feet, and there shall be the place of beginning; thence Southwesterly along North boundary of said highway, 130 feet to the West boundary of said Government Lot; thence North along the West boundary

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of said Government Lot 260 feet; thence East to a point intersected by a line drawn North from the place of beginning and parallel with the West boundary of said Government Lot 3; and thence South to place of beginning AND part of Government Lot 3 commencing on the West line of Government Lot 3 of Section 12, T27N R17E at a point where the said West line of Government Lot 3 intersects with the North line of Highway 22; thence North along the West line of said Government Lot 3, 260 feet and there shall be the place of beginning; thence East 222 feet, thence North, parallel with the West line of said Government Lot 3, to the Southwest Bank of the Oconto River, thence continuing North along the Southwest Bank and the West Bank of the Oconto River, as direction may be in accordance with change in direction of River, to the North line of said Government Lot 3 to the Northwest corner of said Government Lot 3, thence South along the West line of said Government Lot 3 to the place of beginning. All located in Section 12, T27N R17E. Tax parcel #044-12120-0030. Town of Washington. Property address: W2694 State 22 Highway

V-15-22: Jerry Orlando, Church Trustee and Agent for Evangelical Lutheran Emanuels Congregation of the Town of Washington, owner, requests variance for the creation of a sub-standard size lot, .51 acres where 1.5 acres is the minimum lot size in the OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District for the purpose of splitting off the church parsonage from the property pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Table X.2.03A. Property is located and described as that part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 14, T27N R17E bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 14; thence N88;47'53"W along the section line 330.83 feet; thence N02;51'39"W 33.08 feet to a found 1" iron pipe on the north line of White Clay Lake Drive and the place of beginning; thence N02;51'39"W continuing on the same line 166.92 feet to a set 1" iron pipe; thence S88;47'53"E 132.19 feet to a set 1" iron pipe; thence S02;51'39"E 166.92 feet to a set mag nail on the North line of said White Clay Lake Drive; thence N88;47'53"W along the North line of said White Clay Lake Drive 132.19 feet to the place of beginning being part of tax parcel #044-14340-0020. Town of Washington. Property address: W3122 White Clay Lake Drive (Parsonage)

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 of the author as well as the primary address of the signer.

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

V-14-22: Roger and Diane Thario

V-15-22: Jerry Orlando, Church Trustee and Agent, for Evangelical Lutheran Emanuels Congregation of the Town of Washington, owner

2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting.

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3. Board member comments or new business to be considered at a future meeting.

4. Correspondence.

5. Set next public hearing date.

6. Adjournment.

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Panthers get balanced
scoring in win

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Oconto Falls' Madeline Maloney puts up a shot during the team's nonconference game against Menominee Indian on Nov. 17 in Oconto Falls.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Oconto Falls opens season with home win

Panthers hold off late charge by Eagles

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Oconto Falls girls basketball team opened the winter season by taking down Menominee Indian 46-39 on Nov. 17 in Oconto Falls.

Oconto Falls built a big lead in the first half behind some strong 3-point shooting before needing to hold off a valiant Menominee Indian comeback effort in the final half.

"It's crazy, senior season, me and Kate (Pytleski) are definitely really excited and we really love our teammates so it feels really good to start the season with a win," said Oconto Falls' Ashlyn Allen.

Fittingly, it was the two seniors that got Oconto Falls going in the first half. Pytleski converted a contested shot near the rim on the team's opening possession, and then Allen knocked in a 3-pointer to put the hosts up 5-0.

Menominee Indian's first basket was a 3-pointer from Mariah Fish, making it 5-3 briefly before Oconto Falls took over. The Panthers scored the next 12 points.

The run began with a pair of free throws from Morgan Moynihan before Allen and Pytleski hit 3-pointers. Madeline Maloney joined the scoring parade with a bucket before Bailee Gorman capped the big spurt with a bucket.

A 3-pointer from Menominee Indian's Kaysha Wilber put a halt to the run, but Oconto Falls then then went on an 11-1 run to push the lead to 21, 28-7.

Amber Otto scored five points, including another 3-pointer, to lead the Panthers on that spurt. Gorman, Moynihan and Allen all chipped in a bucket.

Menominee Indian settled in during the last four minutes of the half, with a 3-pointer from Anisa Peters stopping the run before Wilber hit another shot. Oconto Falls still led 32-13 at the break and seemed in complete control.

After dealing with some foul trouble in the opening half, Allen was tagged for her fourth foul early in the second half.

A couple free throws and 3-pointer from Peters got Menominee Indian within 14 points, but a triple from Gor-



Menominee Indian's Isabella O'Kimosh, right, defends Oconto Falls' Brynn Hodkiewicz during a nonconference matchup on Nov. 17 in Oconto Falls.

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man and baskets from Maloney and Pytleski put the hosts back up 19 again.

After a timeout with 12:03 to play, Menominee Indian started applying some full-court pressure. The pressure got to Oconto Falls, leading to more turnovers than attempted shots over the next several minutes. During that stretch, the Eagles slowly crept back into the game.

Fish and Natalie Peters converted shots to start an 8-0 run from the visitors. Emma Komanekin later hit a shot, and Fish and Wilber made a free throw each to cap the run.

"I feel like Menominee has a big thing of like being a second half team," said Wilber. "We don't start out too good but the next half we're pretty good. We just cut it a little short every time."

Oconto Falls' Hannah Ludemann connected on a key 3-pointer to stop the Eagles' run and the Panthers' long scoring drought, but Wilber

answered with a basket and then hit another shot to get the deficit down to 10, 42-32.

Maloney had the game's next basket, but Menominee Indian still didn't back down. A triple from Wilber made it a nine-point game with just under four minutes to play. A free throw from Otto was answered by two free throws from Fish with exactly three minutes left.

Oconto Falls was able to hold on for the win by holding Menominee Indian scoreless until the last final seconds of the contest.

Pytleski thought the Panthers got overconfident after going up big and then started to make mistakes as a result. "But we finished strong, so it was a good first game."

The senior added that as the young, inexperienced group of players get more familiar with the varsity level of play, that the team will respond better to pressure. "We have to be more

confident with the ball. Who wants it more, pretty much."

While the comeback effort fell short, Menominee Indian was pleased with its finish to the contest and anticipate better results going forward.

"It's really nice to see because I feel like we have a good season in store for us coming ahead — because most of our varsity is full of young girls and we can tell the heart they already have and all of the energy they're giving us this early on," said Fish on the team's strong second half.

Menominee Indian 13 26 — 39

Oconto Falls 32 14 — 46

Oconto Falls (46): Hannah Ludemann 0-0 3, Ashlyn Allen 0-0 8, Kyndra Staidl 1-4 1, Morgan Moynihan 2-2 4, Bailee Gorman 0-2 7, Amber Otto 1-4 8, Madeline Maloney 0-1 8, Kate Pytleski 0-0 7.

Menominee Indian (39): Anisa Peters 0-2 6, Kaysha Wilber 3-6 17, Mariah Fish 5-8 10, Emma Komanekin 0-0 4, Natalie Peters 0-0 2.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

8 Hawks make all-conference lists

Henning the Bay's top receiver

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Shawano Community High School football team had eight players make all-conference teams after helping the team to a 3-4 finish in the Bay Conference this fall.

Senior Ashton Henning earned the highest honor after being tabbed the conference's Wide Receiver of the Year. He made the first team unanimously as a receiver and also earned a second team honor on defense for his play as an outside linebacker.

"It meant a lot to me, especially with having my surgery and not knowing how many games I was going to be able to play," said Henning of his honors. "So the help from my coaches and teammates played a big role into me accomplishing what I did and I couldn't be more happy."

Henning hauled in 32 receptions for 755 yards and 11 touchdowns in just six games. He also carried the ball seven times for 59 yards and an additional score.

Sophomore Jerzy Brocker earned double first team honors for the Hawks. He unanimously made the first team for his play as a defensive back and also was honored as a flex player on offense — he served as the team's quarterback most of the season.

Brocker completed 118 passes for 1,683 yards and 22 touchdowns. He also led the team with 573 rushing yards and five scores. On defense, he picked off three passes, had one fumble recovery and took three of those takeaways back for scores.

"First of all, I would like to thank all the seniors for what they did and I couldn't have done it without them," said Brocker. "At the start of the season I just wanted to get on the field and help the team out as much as I could. When our QB went down, I knew I had to step up and this was my chance, the team really helped me out and was willing to accept my mistakes early on."

"Earning the two all-conference spots meant a lot to me and is one of my biggest accomplishments of my young sports career. After our playoff loss to Mosinee, it really sunk in and I didn't want it to end that way. That



Shawano's Ashton Henning, right, runs with the ball during a Bay Conference win over Winneconne on Sept. 24 in Shawano. Henning was tabbed the conference's top receiver and earned all-conference honors at two spots as a senior.

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game really motivates me and it will for next season as well."

Sophomore Logan Sipple was a unanimous selection to the first team for his play as a wide receiver.

He caught 30 passes for 388 yards and four scores. Sipple also returned a kickoff for a touchdown this fall.

"It means a lot to me, especially being my first year playing wide receiver. It feels good to know that work is paying off," said Sipple. "Receiving a first team award will push me even harder for the next couple of seasons. It definitely motivates me to keep pushing hard during the offseason and working for the next year."

Senior Brady Glysch was another unanimous first teamer, making the list as an offensive lineman.

Glysch helped the Shawano

offense throw for 1,935 yards and rush for an additional 884 yards. The Hawks scored the second-most points in the Bay.

"It means a lot. One of my goals going into this year was to be named first team all-conference, and the fact that every coach in the conference voted for me makes me feel proud of how my senior season went," said Glysch.

Senior Michael Metcalf-Grassman joined Brocker on the all-conference first team defensive list. Metcalf-Grassman made it as an inside linebacker.

The senior picked off two passes and returned one for a touchdown.

Metcalf-Grassman made the second team as a wide receiver. He caught 21 passes for 266 yards and six scores. The senior also rushed for over 100 yards and threw for 252 yards and two

scores after starting the year as the team's quarterback.

"It means a lot. It was a goal of mine to win all-conference awards both ways my senior year," said Metcalf-Grassman. "I could not have done it without the help of my teammates and coaching staff."

Senior Jacob Landon was a second team selection as a tight end. Landon hauled in a team-leading 45 receptions for 444 yards and three scores.

Senior Deacon Carroll made the honorable mention list after helping Glysch fill out the offensive line.

Senior Owen Curran was also an honorable mention pick, making it as a defensive back. He led the team with four interceptions.

Shawano's Young signs letter of intent



Shawano's Caden Young, center, reacts after signing his letter of intent to Southwest Minnesota State University on Nov. 17 in Shawano. Caden's parents, John and Chelsea, sit alongside him.

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Senior will wrestle in Minnesota in future

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Shawano Community High School senior Caden Young took the next step in his wrestling career after signing a letter of intent to Southwest Minnesota State University.

Young signed the letter of intent in front of family, coaches, teammates and friends inside the high school on Nov. 17.

"It means a lot. I've been working for this for probably 13-ish years, or whenever I started wrestling," said Young of signing. "Just very happy to finally find a home where I can continue on."

Young's wrestling career at the high school level has been a unique one, as he began wrestling at Clintonville before transferring to Shawano as a sophomore.

"It means a lot. I've been working for this for probably 13-ish years, or whenever I started wrestling. Just very happy to finally find a home where I can continue on."

CADEN YOUNG, Shawano senior wrestler

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"I came here to just continue on and improve my skills, but I didn't know that many people in Shawano," said Young. "Thank you to the wrestling team, they really helped me just transition in — they're my best buds here. Of course, I have my Clintonville boys, and they've always supported me throughout life and not just wrestling."

Before Young signed, Shawano wrestling coach Mike Homan helped introduce the senior wrestler, listing off some of his accomplishments to this point of his life.

Young has made an all-conference first team three times, never losing a conference match. He's also won a pair of regional titles

and a sectional title, and qualified for the Division 1 state meet at 170 pounds last winter.

Young is also an All-American, has won 10 high school tournaments and is an Academic All-American.

"His attention to detail in wrestling and in the school environment will be a great addition to the Mustangs of Southwest Minnesota State University," said Homan.

Young then thanked all the people that came to watch him sign, which included some of his Clintonville friends.

After signing, Young exclaimed: "Roll 'Stangs," before soaking in the minute with some pictures.

Young said he didn't receive "that much interest" because of some injuries he's dealt with in high school.

He filled out an online questionnaire to Southwest Minnesota State before getting in contact with the coach. After taking a visit, Young liked what he saw and decided to call that home after high school.

Having signed before the season has gotten underway, Young now has the opportunity to show everyone why he's getting a scholarship to wrestle at the next level.

"This year, it's state title," said Young on any goals for his final high school season. "That's been my goal all four years, that's what I'm shooting for and I'm really prepared to do that this year."

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

10 Witt-Birn players honored for CWC-Large play

Gauderman tabbed as Co-Offensive Player of the Year

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School football team had 10 players earn spots on Central Wisconsin Conference-Large Division teams after strong fall seasons.

Six of the players recognized earned double honors after Witt-Birn went 5-2 in conference play (officially 6-1 after a forfeit win over Amherst).

Senior David Gauderman earned the highest honor of the Chargers after being tabbed the Co-Offensive Player of the Year. He was honored for his play as a running back.

Gauderman also made the first team as a linebacker on defense.

The senior rushed for 1,168 yards and 10 touchdowns in seven conference games. Gauderman also caught 11 passes for 152 yards and three more scores.

Defensively, Gauderman finished with a team-leading 77 total tackles, with 19 going for losses. He also had 6½ sacks, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery.

"It means a lot, I think I came a long way throughout my high school football career," said Gauderman. "From playing o-line and d-line to being first team running back and first team linebacker just puts a smile on my face, seeing how far I've come over the last four years means a lot to me. All thanks to my coaches and teammates for putting me in the best position to succeed."

Junior Charlie Nowinsky was also a double first team honoree, making it for his work on the offensive and defensive lines.

On defense, Nowinsky tallied 34 total tackles, with nine going for losses, and a pair of sacks.

"It means a great deal to me to be named first team all-conference for both offensive line and defensive line," said Nowinsky. "Going into the season it was one of my personal goals to receive all-conference honors. My all conference recognition, along with my all-regional honors for both sides of the ball, raises the bar for me next season and motivates me to keep working hard in

the weight room and on the field."

Juniors Casey Kielman and Nathan Waupekenay also earned spots on the first team.

Kielman made the first team as a defensive back, while also picking up an honorable mention nod for his play as a receiver.

Kielman finished with 12 total tackles in conference play. He picked off three passes and recovered one fumble.

As a receiver, Kielman caught 10 passes for 260 yards and three scores.

Waupekenay was a first teamer as a kicker, and made the honorable mention list as a quarterback.

The junior threw for 850 yards and 12 touchdowns while rushing for an additional 427 yards and two scores.

Senior Max Fraaza earned two second team honors — which he called a surprise — for his play on the offensive and defensive lines.

Fraaza finished with 45 total tackles, with 11 going for losses, in CWC-Large play. He also tallied five sacks, forced a fumble and recovered a fumble.

Junior Coye Brillowski landed on the second team for his play as a defensive lineman.

Brillowski finished with 34 total tackles, eight of which went for losses. He also recovered a fumble and had one sack.

Senior Chris Crews was a second teamer as a linebacker.

Crews was second on the team with 65 total tackles. He also posted three sacks and eight tackles for losses while recovering a fumble.

Senior Dylan Resch and juniors Braeden Groshek and Marshall Fraaza were all honorable mentions for Witt-Birn.

Resch made the list as a defensive back. He finished CWC-Large play with 25 total tackles, two interceptions and a fumble recovery.

Groshek was recognized as a linebacker. He registered 28 total tackles and an interception in conference play.

Fraaza was on the honorable mention list as a linebacker and wide receiver. On offense he rushed for 140 yards and two touchdowns, while hauling in 18 passes for 326 yards and a team-leading five scores. Defensively, the junior had 33 total tackles, one interception, one forced fumble, one fumble recovery and three tackles for losses.



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Nathan Waupekenay, left, hands the ball off to David Gauderman during a nonconference game against Iola-Scandinavia on Aug. 26 in Wittenberg. Gauderman and Waupekenay each earned two all-conference nods this fall.

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Witt-Birn's Max Fraaza, left, closes in on an Amherst player during a conference game on Sept. 9 in Wittenberg. Fraaza made the all-conference second team at two positions this fall.

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8	Sunday, October 30	at Buffalo Bills	*7:20 p.m.	NBC
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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Bonduel falls to St. Mary Catholic in opener

Bears struggle with pressure

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Bonduel High School girls basketball team started strong but struggled to adjust to full-court pressure and eventually fell 55-41 to St. Mary Catholic in a nonconference battle on Nov. 15 in Bonduel.

The rematch of a Division 4 sectional semifinal last winter was a back-and-forth battle in the early going before the Bears created some separation. That's when St. Mary turned to a full-court press, and Bonduel was never truly able to get in a rhythm again.

The Bears scored 21 points in about nine minutes of game time before tallying just 20 points in the final 27 minutes.

"We have a lot of young blood, a lot of people that were on JV last year, so the pressure kind of got to us," said Ella Hischke, who led the Bears with 15 points, six rebounds and four assists. "First game, so we were a little out of shape too. But I think the next part of the season we'll be better under pressure."

"I mean, we weren't really used to the pressure, so we need to work on that in practice," said Kendra Troxel, who was second on the team with 11 points. "Just put more pressure on everyone so they understand what's going to be coming since our team is so young."

St. Mary scored first in the contest, but a 3-pointer from Audrey Weier on the next possession gave Bonduel the early advantage. Weier knocked down a couple free throws after a steal a couple minutes later to put Bonduel up 5-4, and then Troxel hit a shot to make it 7-4.

The Zephyrs tallied the next five points before free throws from Bonduel's Hailee Thompson tied it. Macy Niles converted a shot for Bonduel's 10th and 11th points, but St. Mary took a 13-11 advantage soon after.

Hischke knocked down two 3-pointers and then converted another shot for a personal 8-0 run that made it a 19-13 lead with just under 10 minutes to play in the half. Troxel then hit a shot, making it 21-16, before St. Mary turned up the pressure.



Bonduel's Hailey Zernicke, right, battles for a rebound during a nonconference game against St. Mary Catholic on Nov. 15 in Bonduel. MORGAN RODE | NEW MEDIA

Bonduel's next points came on a Hischke bucket with 3:03 left in the half, but thanks to strong defense of their own, the Bears still led 23-19. Troxel hit a couple shots and Hailey Zernicke hit a layup in the final seconds of the half to give the hosts a 29-24 halftime advantage, making it appear as if Bonduel had weathered the storm and settled in against the pressure.

Hischke drilled a triple to start the second half and put Bonduel up 32-24, but St. Mary caught fire from deep, and after making three 3s and another bucket, led 35-32.

Trailing for the first time since early in the game, coach Jerry Reinke thought his team started settling for long jumpshots instead of attacking the rim like it had most of the first half.

Troxel made a shot to stop the 11-0 St. Mary run, but the next time the Bears scored was over five minutes later, and by then, the Zephyrs led by double digits.

"I think they made it a point to make sure that they were reversing the ball several times, and they got some pretty good open looks against our 2-3 (zone)," said Reinke of St. Mary. "I think we maybe ran out of gas a little bit, but I probably waited a little too long, we probably should have went to man-to-man a little sooner — we actually played some pretty good man-to-man defense tonight."

It was Troxel again that stopped the St. Mary scoring run, this time with a free throw. A bucket from Zernicke made it a 10-point game, 47-37, with still over eight minutes to play.

The next several minutes saw

more strong defense from each team and not a lot of great looks. St. Mary scored the next points with 6:30 remaining in the contest, and Bonduel was next to score with under four to play.

Hischke scored for the Bears, and then two Thompson free throws got the Bears within eight with 3:28 to play, but those were the final points for the hosts. St. Mary sealed the win by knocking down six free throws.

St. Mary 24 31 — 55

Bonduel 29 12 — 41

St. Mary (55): Chloe Vogel 5-8 15, Emily Vogel 4-9 12, Audrey Norville 0-1 15, Nolie Anderson 2-5 6, Sienna Anderson 2-2 7.

Bonduel (41): Macy Niles 0-0 2, Kendra Troxel 1-2 11, Ella Hischke 0-2 15, Audrey Weier 2-2 5, Hailee Thompson 4-4 4, Hailey Zernicke 0-1 4.

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

4 Gresham/Bowler players make all-conference lists

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Gresham/Bowler boys soccer co-op had four players named to all-conference teams after the fall season wrapped up.

While Gresham/Bowler was unable to earn any wins in Central Wisconsin Conference play, seniors Edward Castellanos, Blade Hoffman and Wesley Thiex were joined by sophomore Kaidyen Zaitz on the honorable mention list.

Zaitz served as the co-op's goalie this fall. He averaged about 13 saves per game, helping Gresham/Bowler stay in matches.

"It made me feel very important and valuable and it will motivate me to play hard next year," said Zaitz of his conference honor.

Thiex earned his all-conference nod mainly because of his play on defense, but did chip in a goal and an assist on the season.

Interim coach Cory Bougie said he'd move Thiex forward on the field if the team needed a spark.

"Making the honorable mention is a big step in my success in sports, but also my last success in high school soccer, which I'll truly miss. All my honor goes towards my teammates and coaches," said Thiex.

Hoffman and Castellanos controlled the central midfield for the co-op.

Castellanos scored a goal and added two assists for the season, while Hoffman had a pair of assists.

"It means a lot knowing that all my hard work towards the sport paid off even though it wasn't first or second team — I am still honored to get honorable mention," said Castellanos.

"Making honorable mention means that the hard work and good sportsmanship I showed in the sport paid off," said Hoffman of his honor.

After the regular season wrapped up, Gresham/Bowler was a No. 9 seed in Division 4 for the playoffs. The co-op was topped 6-1 by No. 8 Northland Lutheran in its opening postseason match.

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Gresham/Bowler's Blade Hoffman kicks the ball during a tournament match against Clintonville on Aug. 27 in Gresham. Hoffman made the honorable mention list in the CWC as a senior. MORGAN RODE | NEW MEDIA

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Mertz's late sneak for TD pushes Badgers past Nebraska

Badgers become bowl eligible

By **ERIC OLSON**
The Associated Press

A Wisconsin team that has endured the midseason firing of its head coach and the death of a former teammate let its emotions spill out as groups of players gathered near midfield at Memorial Stadium to celebrate and pose for pictures with the Freedom Trophy.

Graham Mertz scored on a 2-yard quarterback sneak with 35 seconds left to complete a comeback from an 11-point deficit entering the fourth quarter, and the Badgers beat Nebraska 15-14 on Nov. 19 for their ninth straight win in the series.

"It's everything that this team has overcome off the field; that was what came up on the field today," Mertz said. "There's so many emotions and feelings that guys have had to deal with this year. There's

so many different things that have happened to us this year that could easily have buried us and made us just fold. It's really cool to see how guys come together and want to succeed together."

Wisconsin (6-5, 4-4 Big Ten) arrived in Lincoln with heavy hearts and left eligible for a bowl for a 21st straight year.

The Badgers had to cope with the death of former teammate Devin Chandler, who was one of three Virginia football players killed in a shooting in Charlottesville. Interim coach Jim Leonhard had said late in the week that he sensed players who were friends with Chandler could be distracted.

"It was such a rough week, and early on the game mirrored that," said Leonhard, 4-2 since taking over for the fired Paul Chryst. "It was ugly for a long time, and the guys just continued to battle and find ways to make plays."

The Badgers were held to three points through three quarters and lost their top defensive player, Nick

Herbig, to a targeting penalty and its top offensive player, Braelon Allen, to a leg injury on their second-to-last possession.

Mertz's 10-yard TD pass to Skyler Bell cut Nebraska's lead to 14-9. Mertz was off target with his 2-point pass, leaving the Badgers down five with 10 minutes left.

Wisconsin started its final drive from midfield with 3:11 left. Mertz passed to Isaac Guerendo for 27 yards to set up the winning touchdown.

Chez Mellusi led the Badgers with 98 yards on 21 carries. Mertz was 8 of 18 for 83 yards on a day when the feels-like temperature was 16 degrees with a gusty north wind.

Herbig was ejected for targeting when he hit a sliding Thompson in the head. By rule, Herbig must miss the first half of next week's rivalry game against Minnesota.

Allen, already playing with a banged-up shoulder, had 92 yards on 18 carries before he hopped off the field with an apparent leg injury late in the game.

"There was a lot going on this week," Allen said, "and that was a great way to turn the rough side of the week into something positive and get a big win and keep the trophy at home."

There was no immediate word on the extent of Allen's injury.

The Badgers had to work hard for this one even though they rushed for 235 yards and outgained the Huskers in total offense 318-171.

The game was the Big Ten's first that matched interim head coaches since Illinois' Bill Cubit and Minnesota's Tracy Claeys squared off in 2015. Leonhard said he hopes he's made a case to have the interim tag removed.

"We're playing much better," he said. "Winning games is No. 1, and there's a way, style, even in a loss — how you play, togetherness, how hard you fight, that matters. Even in games we come up short, the fight and grit factor have been there."

Wisconsin next hosts Minnesota on Nov. 26 looking to get back Paul Bunyan's Axe.

HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Rogowski, Metropulos, Bruss make all-state teams

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Reese Rogowski and London Metropulos and Pulaski's Emily Bruss were named to Wisconsin Volleyball Coaches Association All-State Teams on Nov. 11.

Rogowski and Metropulos each made the Division 3 honorable mention team, while Bruss was an honorable mention in Division 1.

In her senior season, Rogowski accumulated 367 attack kills, 201 service points, 36 aces, 30 total blocks and 325 digs.

Rogowski also made the WVCA All-Tournament Team for her play in the team's state semifinal match.

Metropulos tallied a team-leading

416 attack kills and 50 total blocks in her junior season. She also totaled 217 service points, 62 aces and 247 digs.

Both Metropulos and Rogowski were first-team selections in the Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division this fall.

Bruss was the Co-Player of the Year in the Fox River Classic Conference.

The Pulaski junior racked up 593 assists, 235 digs, 116 attack kills, 141 service points, 52 aces and 32 total blocks during the season.

All-state honorees are invited to the WVCA Player Awards Banquet on Dec. 10 in Madison. Details of the event can be found at www.wisvca.org/news_article/show/1247217.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Gauderman, Marquardt, Kristof earn all-state honors

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's David Gauderman and Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy co-op's Sam Marquardt and Josh Kristof were named to Wisconsin Football Coach Association's All-State Teams on Nov. 14.

Gauderman made the Small School All-State Team as an offensive back. Marquardt made the 8-player All-State Team as a running back, while Kristof was an honorable mention as an inside linebacker.

Gauderman was a workhorse for the Chargers, rushing for 1,539 yards and 16 touchdowns on 149 attempts. He also caught 12 passes for 157 yards and three scores.

The Witt-Birn senior was the Co-Offensive Player of the Year in the Central Wisconsin Conference-Large Division. He also made the all-conference first team for his play at linebacker.

Marquardt capped his senior season with 1,563 rushing yards and 25 scores. The quarterback also threw for 491 yards and nine scores.

Marquardt was the Offensive Player of the Year in the Peninsula Conference, while making the second team on defense.

Kristof finished his senior year with 124 total tackles, with 22 going for losses. He also forced a pair of fumbles.

Kristof was the Defensive Player of the Year in the conference.

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HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Bonduel 61

Denmark 37

Bonduel cruised to a nonconference victory over Denmark on Nov. 17 in Denmark. The Bears led 35-13 at halftime and picked up their first win of the young season.

Ella Hischke and Hailey Zernicke each scored 14 points to power Bonduel to the win. Audrey Weier added 10 points. Hailee Thompson posted 11 steals, five offensive rebounds and four assists. Weier led the team with six boards and Hischke had four assists.

Bonduel finished the game with 22 offensive rebounds and 30 steals.

Shawano 53

Wausau East 37

Shawano toppled Wausau East in a nonconference matchup on Nov. 15 in Wausau.

The Hawks led by just four at halftime before pulling away.

Leah Nordin led Shawano with 23 points. Abby Bystol chipped in nine points.

Witt-Birn 74

Rosholt 35

Wittenberg-Birnamwood improved to 2-0 after routing Rosholt in a Central Wisconsin Conference crossover matchup on Nov. 17 in Rosholt. The

Chargers led 52-16 at halftime.

Reese Rogowski led Witt-Birn with 25 points, eight assists and four steals. She knocked down four of the team's eight 3-pointers. Rory Salvesen added 16 points, while Melaina Granquist had 15 points.

Jami Wendler pulled down seven rebounds for the Chargers.

Witt-Birn 61

Peshtigo 41

Wittenberg-Birnamwood eased past Peshtigo in a nonconference clash on Nov. 15 in Peshtigo.

Witt-Birn was led by Reese Rogowski and Rory Salvesen. Rogowski scored 20 points, while also tallying 10 rebounds, three blocks, three steals and three assists. Salvesen added 18 points, five rebounds and three steals.

Morgan Milanowski tallied eight points for the Chargers, while Allison Linke scored seven. Katherine Stewart grabbed nine rebounds, while Jami Wendler had six boards.

Sevastopol 51

Suring 30

Suring dropped a nonconference game to Sevastopol on Nov. 15 in Suring.

Christine Sleeter tallied a triple-double to lead Suring, posting 10 points, 12 rebounds and 10 blocks.

MacKenzie Bailey added seven points, five rebounds and four assists, while Kaylee Otradovec had six points.

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

Saginaw Valley State University

Shawano Community High School graduate Tori DePerry turned in another big game for the Saginaw Valley State women's basketball team despite the team losing to Ashland on Nov. 16.

DePerry started and played 30 minutes, leading the team with 21 points. She also tallied seven rebounds and three assists.

Bemidji State University

Shawano grad Brooke Theis started and played 17 minutes in the Bemidji State women's basketball team's win over Mayville State on Nov. 14.

Theis scored nine points, grabbed two rebounds and blocked one shot in her time on

the court.

Northern Michigan University

Wittenberg-Birnamwood graduate Abi Fraaza turned in an efficient game to help the Northern Michigan

women's basketball team top Minnesota-Crookston on Nov. 17.

Fraaza played 11 minutes and scored 11 points. She also had seven rebounds, a block and a steal.

Wisconsin Lutheran College

Bonduel grad Kara Troxel helped the Wisconsin Lutheran women's basketball team to a win over Carthage on Nov. 16.

Troxel played 18 minutes and scored five points. She also had three assists, a block, a steal and a rebound.

UW-Parkside

Pulaski graduate Sheridan Flauger has started in each of the UW-Parkside women's basketball team's first three games.

In a win over Missouri University of Science and Technology on Nov. 11, Flauger tallied four points, six rebounds, three assists and three steals in 30 minutes.

Flauger then posted six points, four rebounds, two assists and two steals across 25 minutes in a loss to Rockhurst on Nov. 12.

She totaled three points, two assists and a steal across 29 minutes in a loss to Minnesota-Duluth on Nov. 16.



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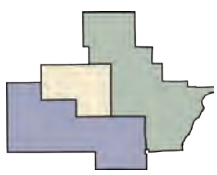
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GARDEN GROWTH RESULTS IN HONOR

Bonduel School District garden founder
gets Earthguard award for 2022

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The Grow With Us Garden might not be very green as winter approaches and the crops have been harvested, but the garden behind Bonduel Elementary School is entangled with more aspects of the school than founder Noreen Christianson could have realized.

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Garden grows into accolades for founder

Christianson gets state environmental award for work put into Grow With Us Garden

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The dream of having a school garden was something that Noreen Christianson had ever since she started with the Bonduel School District 25 years ago, and that dream finally became a reality in 2019.

Her goal was simply to teach students about where their food comes from, she said. That effort, however, has had far-reaching effects as Christianson was the recipient of the 2022 Earthguard Award from the Wisconsin Association for Environmental Education.

"There was a teacher that came in and broke the news to me, and I started crying," Christianson said. "I was just humbled. I had no idea that I was nominated."

Several teachers pushed for Christianson to get the award, noting that her work has included thousands of volunteer hours — including several summers teaching students about various fruits, vegetables and other growable crops. However, Christianson is the first one to say that others deserve much of the credit, including the students who regularly help with the garden, the administration that gave the project its blessing and the staff members who helped her to form a garden committee to plan what should go into it.

"I wanted this garden for our students for a long time," Christianson said. "I proceeded to do a lot of grant writing, and I went to several local meetings of organizations and told them about our vision."

The garden project seems like a perfect extension for what Christianson does, which is working as a cook for the district's schools. Christianson also has a degree in horticulture, and it's only the lack of a teaching license that keeps her from educating young minds on her own full time.

Between the grants and the donations, more than \$12,000 has been raised for the Grow With Us Garden, located behind Bonduel Elementary School.

"This does not cost the district anything," Christianson said. "This is just solely with donations, volunteer time and grant money. We will be self-sufficient forever."

Even though much of the education is going toward the younger students, the upperclassmen have



Noreen Christianson stands in the Grow With Us Garden behind Bonduel Elementary School, holding up the Earthguard award she received from the Wisconsin Association of Environmental Education earlier in November. Christianson was the driving force behind the garden project and has volunteered thousands of hours to make it a reality.

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made their mark on Grow With Us, as well, according to Christianson. The middle school students created metal flowers to decorate the garden through their welding class, while high school students in the technical education department built a garden shed, eight raised beds that are 32 square feet in size, picnic tables for the younger kids to sit on when they do their journaling and other projects.

High school agriculture students have also helped out with composting and fertilizing the garden beds, Christianson said. They also helped to set up the fencing so that deer and other animals could not easily get in and gobble all the students' hard work.

"Everybody at the schools feels like they're part of this project," Christianson said.

With the garden came a summer school program where students get to learn about growing things. Christianson said she has an average of 50 students taking classes.

"The summer school class is just

phenomenal," she said. "The kids have so much fun, and we do a lot of hands-on experiments, and we did some field trips and even a walking trip to three of the community members and get them aware that we have this green and growing space, too."

Christianson said she expected some positive response when she kicked off the garden project, but even she is overwhelmed at how much the students and staff have embraced it. She works in the kitchen during the day, and at 2 p.m. steps away to speak with students about gardening until school lets out an hour later. "The response has just been amazing," Christianson said. "There was a group of second graders that went out with me, and we dug potatoes. They said, 'This is better than a treasure hunt.'"

Teachers also utilize the garden when teaching math and science, according to Christianson, bringing real-life relevance to the lessons they teach.

"There's a lot of math that goes into planning our garden," she said.

Students who are caught up on school work get to come out and help tend to the garden. Christianson described it as a "reward" for being good students.

"They have a sense of teamwork, perseverance. They have to have patience, and they're discovering that, for them to plant that carrot seed and get a carrot in the fall, that's a long span of time," Christianson said. "They're learning where their food comes from. They're learning how to be a little more appreciative of their food."

That appreciation extends to when they come into the cafeteria for breakfast or lunch. Much of the produce harvested helps to offset the district's food costs as Christianson incorporates it into meals.

"We'll put up a sign that says: 'This is from your garden, and this is what you've grown,'" she said. "They are just asking, when can we come out again? A lot of the kids, they eat right out of the garden."

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Sam Timm based his painting of a pair of bufflehead ducks on a duck hunt on Wisconsin's Lake Puckaway. CONTRIBUTED



Judges named Sam Timm's painting of a pair of ring-necked pheasants as the winning entry in the state Department of Natural Resources' annual pheasant stamp design contest. CONTRIBUTED



Early-morning sightings of wild turkey at his rural Wautoma home and farm inspired artist Sam Timm's entry in the state Department of Natural Resources' turkey stamp design contest. CONTRIBUTED

Shawano-born artist sweeps stamp contests

Retired minister's work
has been featured on
many stamps

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

Sam Timm is used to winning awards for his art.

The retired minister, who was born in Shawano and now lives near Wautoma, has painted wildlife scenes for almost 50 years and his handiwork had been featured on several of Wisconsin's trout, salmon, turkey, pheasant and waterfowl stamps from 1985 to 2007.

Three of Timm's latest creations caught the eye of judges of the state Department of Natural Resources' annual turkey, pheasant and waterfowl stamp design contests. Hunters, conservationists and collectors purchase the stamps, which help fund habitat management and restoration around the state.

He placed first in all three contests, which the DNR holds each year to give artists an opportunity to submit entries to be featured on the next renditions of each stamp.

"I was quite shocked, actually," Timm said. "I didn't find out until several days after the contest. I thought I didn't even place because nobody had called. I thought, 'Well, there must have been some really good entries.'"

Artists submitted 34 works for this year's contests, which were judged Aug. 27 at the Wisconsin Waterfowl Expo in Oshkosh.

"Winning stamp contests was a way to get your name out," Timm said. "That's why I started enter-



Sam Timm stands next to a print of wood ducks in his rural Wautoma home. Timm's paintings recently placed first in the state Department of Natural Resources' wild turkey, pheasant and waterfowl stamp design contests. GREG SEUBERT

ing these stamp competitions that the state had. I was a youth pastor living in Green Bay. I entered some of those competitions and in 1984, I won the two trout stamp (contests) and was the first one in the state to win both of them, the inland trout and the Great Lakes salmon and trout."

After moving from Shawano, Timm grew up in the Madison and Mount Horeb areas.

"I've always loved wildlife," he said. "My dad was not a hunter, but my grandpa was a hunter and a trapper. He totally lived outdoors and was a very successful trapper. I was always enamored by the hides in his attic. That was the first place I went as a kid."

Timm attended North Central University in Minneapolis, Minnesota, which led to him picking up a paint brush for the first time.

"My first painting was in 1975 as a senior in college," he said. "I saw some art on the wall in one of the offices. It was your typical outdoor scene: two trees, a mountain and a stream."

"I looked at the painting and in 30 seconds, I decided I want to try that," he said. "I went to a Target store and bought a black, white and burnt sienna tube of paint. My first painting was pheasants. I didn't even take high school art, so I was self-taught. It sort of progressed from there."

Timm's winning inland trout and Great Lakes salmon and trout entries

were featured on stamps in 1985. He followed that up with the 1988 and 1996 waterfowl stamps; the 1989-90 and 2007 turkey stamps; the 1993 pheasant stamp; the 1994 and 2003 inland trout stamps; and the 2000 and 2006 Great Lakes salmon and trout stamps.

"I've made it a study of what it takes to win these competitions and produce some quality images," Timm said. "It's up to the judges. You have no control and in some years, it's very frustrating. I've placed second numerous times. You do your best, you have good entries and hope for the best."

Timm decided for the first time to enter all three of Wisconsin's bird contests this year.

"I've been so busy for a whole bunch of years and haven't entered," he said. "I've now been retired for two years. About a year ago, I said, 'I'm going to enter the duck stamp, turkey stamp and pheasant stamp (contests) and see if I can do any good.'"

Timm has painted hundreds of scenes over the years and most of them include wildlife.

"I go in and draw a lot of designs and I will show it to my daughter and wife," he said. "We will have our own judging competition. My wife Jan and daughter Stephanie both have artistic eyes. My wife's an interior decorator and my daughter has a very sharp eye for art."

Timm has no plans to quit painting.

"I'm not just some guy in the city trying to paint a duck, but I'm far from the top of the heap," he said. "There are many great artists out there. When I look at other artists' art, I continually realize how good I'm not."

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A dark-eyed slate-colored Junco is a common bird at people's feeders from fall through winter.

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Dark-eyed juncos herald in Wisconsin winter

The dark-eyed juncos seemingly arrived early this year. We are more used to seeing these birds against a backdrop of snow, not working our yet-green lawn dotted with the reds, yellows, and brown of fallen leaves searching for seeds. They are a welcome sight and a harbinger of winter to come.

According to the Cornell Lab All About Birds (AAB) website, there are 15 described races of the dark-eyed junco reflecting their regional variation. Our junco, the "slate-colored" junco which occurs in the eastern U.S., is one of the two widespread forms of the species; the other is the "Oregon" junco found across much of the western U.S.

The dark-eyed slate-colored junco is just that, mostly gray in coloring on the head, back and wings with a contrasting white belly and coal black eyes. The edges of their long tail feathers are white and easily seen when the bird takes flight. Their short, stout, light pink bill is made for seed eating. Winter's backdrop of white sets off the beauty of the bird's simple black and white



CATHY CARNES

patterning and their constant presence is good company.

Dark-eyed juncos frequently announce their arrival in our yard with a high short "chip" call repeated in rapid succession. The males, when moved to do so, according to AAB, also sing a musical trill seven to 23 notes in length and lasting up to a couple seconds.

Dark-eyed juncos are energetic sparrows, constantly on the move. Watch them and you will observe their hop-hop, peck-peck foraging behavior at work as they hunt for seeds. According to AAB, juncos prefer millet seeds but seem happy eating the sunflowers seeds we put out as well. They also eat weed and grass seeds such as buckwheat, sorrel, and lamb's quarters. During the breeding season, insects (beetles, ants, wasps, caterpillars, flies, etc.)

are included in their diet and fed to their young.

When you see one junco, you generally see more as they move about in large flocks sometimes with other birds; we often see them at our feeders with cardinals, finches and chickadees. We've noticed that some juncos are more aggressive when feeding, chasing off other birds. According to the AAB, this reflects a flock's hierarchy or pecking order where those arriving first to feed tend to rank higher than those arriving after them and are not shy in demonstrating their "I got here first," attitude.

AAB describes dark-eyed juncos as resident to medium distant migrants. Most migrate to our northern climes (Alaska and Canada) to breed, others breed in the northeast U.S., along the southern Great Lakes region (including northern Wisconsin) and in the western U.S. Their breeding habitat includes coniferous and mixed coniferous forests.

The birds are ground nesters laying three to six eggs per clutch and raising up to three broods of young

during the breeding season. Most of the birds spend winter in a greater variety of habitats including open woodlands, fields, roadsides, parks, and gardens across the U.S.

According to the North American Breeding Bird Survey reports, while dark-eyed junco populations have declined about 31% between 1966 and 2019, their global numbers are still high (over 200 million) and therefore of low conservation concern compared to other species of declining birds.

The dark-eyed slate-colored juncos are some of the most common birds visiting feeders fall through spring, bringing their energy and simple beauty to our everyday lives. Scuff through the fall leaves or the coming snows to fill your feeders and watch for the juncos, they will come.

Cathy Carnes is a retired biologist in Oconto who worked with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Green Bay Field Office and prior to that with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Branch in Buffalo, New York. As endangered species coordinator for the USFWS, she helped conserve and recover federally listed threatened and endangered species in Wisconsin.

Hunting more enjoyable when it's kept safe

Another historic Wisconsin gun-deer season is now about halfway through, and many lasting memories have been made afield as about 550,000 hunters pursue America's premier big game animal in the state with the most record-book bucks.

It doesn't matter if you harvest a wide-racked buck or a fat doe. What really matters is enjoying a safe hunt.



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Wisconsin's mandated hunter safety education program, combined with mandated blaze orange or blaze pink upper-body clothing during the firearms deer seasons, have dramatically reduced hunting accidents and fatalities. The last hunting fatality occurred in 2021.

Firearms safety is a huge part of the equation, and is a major lesson in every hunter safety class. Instructors stress TAB-K:

- Treat every firearm as if it were loaded.
- Always point the muzzle in a safety direction.
- Be certain of your target and what's beyond.
- Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.

If every hunter followed TAB-K, accidental shootings would disappear. Fortunately, they are already rare, and hunting remains one of the safest sports. In fact, hunting is statistically safer than golf, basketball, soccer and even walking, according to a study by Families Afield.

Hunters get injured or killed in two ways not officially classified as hunting accidents — falls from tree stands and heart attacks associated with dragging deer out of the woods.

As a hunter safety instructor in Waupaca, I've spent at least two recent Saturdays demonstrating the safe way to climb and descend a tree stand. Since I once ran into a hunter on public land whose climbing tree stand had fallen about 10 feet, stopping just short of the ground, I've never been a fan of climbers. Use a metal ladder stand well strapped to a tree or a permanent "pill box" type elevated stand that is checked annually for rotten wood and rusty anchors.

The most important piece of equipment for a tree stand hunter is a quality harness made for the person's



Sean Bradley, left, of Menasha, and his son, Alex, 16, share a special moment after Alex shot a doe during the 2021 gun deer season south of New London on Fox Valley Muzzle Loader Club property, using a muzzleloading rifle. The mandated use of blaze orange and blaze pink clothing for firearms deer hunters, as well as mandatory hunter education, have dramatically reduced the number of hunting accidents.

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weight. It's designed with a tether strap with multiple loops of stitching that slowly tear in the event of a fall, slowing the person's descent. Be sure to use a locking carabiner to attach the harness to a lifeline: A rope tied from above the stand to the ground. A sliding Prusik knot that links the lifeline to the harness allows the hunter to climb up or down while secure in the event of a fall.

Make sure to use three points of contact when climbing up or down. This means that two hands and one foot or two feet and one hand are in contact with the ladder at all times.

Always use a haul line to bring your unloaded firearm, bow, quiver of arrows, crossbow or other weapon up and down the stand. This is a separate rope used only for this task. Never climb a stand while carrying any of these items.

I avoid tree stands in favor of ground blinds. When I fall asleep while hunting, I can never fall more than a foot or so out of my chair. I've had deer within a few feet of my blind, so deer definitely get used to them.

One advantage of a tree stand is that the shot is going down and into the ground, reducing chances of a ricochet. It's usually easier to see a greater distance from a tree, too, but the comfort of a ground blind, with a rain-resistant roof and walls, sure beats an open tree stand on a rainy or snowy morning.

Many deer hunters only get some serious exercise a few weeks a year when pursuing deer. The long walk to and from our stands is one thing, but dragging out a 150-pound deer by ourselves is a sure recipe for stressing the heart. With a little common sense, you can avoid a heart attack.

Many hunters use ATVs or UTVs to not only make the trip to the stand a fun ride, but also makes dragging or hauling a deer out of the woods a snap. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources stresses ATV safety for hunters, encouraging that every rider wear a helmet and a seat belt, if so equipped (UTVs typically are and ATVs aren't). Long guns must be unloaded, bows can't have an arrow nocked, and crossbows can't be cocked and loaded on these vehicles.

Use your head when hauling deer. A plastic sled works great for dragging, even if there's no snow on the ground. A wheeled deer cart or lawn cart also work well. Get a buddy or two to help, especially if you are older or out of shape. Make frequent stops if no help is available.

Drinking alcohol while hunting or otherwise handling a firearm will increase your chances of an accident. It's also illegal to be impaired by alcohol or controlled substances while in possession of a firearm. It's a myth that alcohol warms the body; it actually has the opposite effect.

Be careful with your knife while gutting your deer. In the excitement of a successful hunt, it's easy to slip. A Wyoming knife is the best way to open a deer. This little tool has a protected razor blade that won't cut your hands or the animal's intestines and works almost like a zipper on the chest cavity.

Stay safe so you can enjoy our hunting legacy again next year.

For more information about safe hunting, go to <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/GoHunting>.

Is your house clean for Thanksgiving?

When I was a teenager, deep cleaning our farmhouse was an annual ritual. Every spring and fall, my mother would announce that it was time to “house-clean.” I would argue and complain. “Why must we do this again? We clean the house every Saturday.” Her terse response: “That is top-cleaning; this is house-cleaning.” Oh. Yeah. That’s why it took several Saturdays of hard work to get the house ready for relatives and guests who came at Easter time and then again from Thanksgiving to Three Kings Day (Epiphany) on Jan. 6.

OK. Houses today can get cluttered and messy and dirty, but nothing like farmhouses in what some people fondly and foolishly call the “good old days.” What people forget is that those were the days of wood- and coal-fired furnaces belching out heated air that coated plastered walls with a gray glaze. During the summer, cooking, baking and outdoor air coaxed through open windows by box fans added another layer of grime. It was a major challenge to get a house clean, especially when the leader of the pack (Mom) set very high standards.

Not one to break tradition, Mom gave us our marching orders. I fetched



KATHLEEN MARSH

stomach turn.

Using Sani-Flush for cleaning the toilet was a fearsome task. Sani-Flush came in crystals containing sodium bisulfate. When mixed with water, sodium bisulfate produces a highly corrosive acidic solution that dissolves iron, magnesium and calcium from the bowl. It can also badly burn human skin and was discontinued in 2013 due to environmental concerns, but it’s all we had back then. So cleaning the commode was exclusively Mom’s job. I didn’t complain about that.

While Mom attended to the toilet, my older sister, Marge, replaced the bag in the Kirby vacuum cleaner. My younger sister, Mary Beth, got out the Kirby attachments and threatened us with the “snake” (accessory tool

the rags, buckets, sponges, mops, dust cloths and enough cleaning agents to turn Lake Winnebago into a toxic dump. I especially hated the smell of Pine Sol, which to this day makes my

hose), giggling as she waved it around in our faces until Mom emerged from the bathroom and got us back to the business at hand.

Ready. Set. Go. Armed with our world-class cleaning arsenal, the four of us attacked one room at a time. Mom’s sole motivator was to let us fire up our 45 RPM record player. As we worked, we were either bickering about who had the hardest job or singing along to Buddy Holly, Elvis, Johnny Cash and, my personal favorite, Ricky Nelson.

I was the one who complained the most, so I had to do the ceiling. This meant wrenching my neck to wash overhead while dangling from a wooden stepladder while Mom took down, cleaned and replaced the ceiling light globes that contained a disgusting collection of dead bugs. My sisters were each assigned a wall, washing from bottom to top to prevent the cleaning water from dripping down and creating “tracks.” Mom did the surfaces they couldn’t reach.

We scoured doors, trim and baseboards. We flipped mattresses, got out the winter quilts and opened the floor registers so we would have a bit of heat in the upstairs bedrooms.

My younger sister polished the wood tables; my older sister vacuumed the upholstery. Mom and I took the throw rugs outside, shook them hard several times until all the dirt and dust that had been trapped in them rained down on us. When she was satisfied that they were as clean as they were going to get, we draped them over the porch railing to “air out.”

Right on cue, my sisters always managed to disappear while we were outside. You’d think I’d learn, but no. I whined so long and loud that I had to scrub and wax the linoleum floors on my hands and knees while Mom ironed and hung the freshly washed curtains.

At last we were ready for company which came in a steady stream. Unfortunately, this included boy cousins who would track in mud and snow, leave handprints on the walls and spill soda all over the furniture and rugs. It’s a good thing I had my Ricky Nelson records, or things might have gotten really ugly.

Kathleen Marsh is a lifelong educator, writer and community advocate. She has published eight books, four on the history of Townsend, where she and husband Jon are happily retired on the beautiful Townsend Flowage.

Bonduel, Gillett United Methodist churches get new pastor

Jeremiah Cottrell-Duebner was recently appointed to be the pastor of Bonduel Zion and Gillett Tabor United Methodist churches.

“It is truly my honor to serve not only one but two churches within the beautiful Shawano and Oconto counties of Wisconsin,” Cottrell-Duebner said. “I am a third-generation pastor in my family. My parents were and are still very active with my home church, Oneida UMC. My mother has been the pianist for Oneida for over 46 years, and she re-



JEREMIAH
COTTRELL-DUEBNER

from Seymour High School. He has

recently joined the staff at Bonduel Zion as their pianist. My father is a talented guitarist, and he is also the groundskeeper for Oneida UMC.”

Cottrell-Duebner was raised in Seymour, graduating

always lived in the area because family is everything to him. After attending UW-Green Bay, Cottrell-Duebner worked in retail management for 15 years.

Cottrell-Duebner currently resides in De Pere with his spouse of five years, Benjamin Duebner, who until recently was the finance treasurer at Oneida UMC.

Prior to being licensed, Cottrell-Duebner served as Oneida United Methodist Church’s staff parish relations committee chairman and

lay speaker.

“Having served in two different roles within the church for over seven years made me want to seek more in Christ’s name,” Cottrell-Duebner. “With the help of former pastors, family, and friends, I took my leap of faith into bigger waters, and I attended licensing school where I eventually became a licensed local pastor.”

Next spring, Cottrell-Duebner will continue his theological education by attending seminary school.

COLLEGE NOTES

Biola University

Anayo Kwazema was named to Biola University’s dean’s list for academic excellence.

Kwazema, of Gillett, was one of approximately 1,600 students who were named to the dean’s list in spring 2022. Biola students are placed on the dean’s list to honor those with a grade-point average of 3.6 or higher while enrolled in 12 or more credits and whose cumulative

GPA is at least 3.2.

University of Minnesota-Duluth

The University of Minnesota-Duluth has announced its dean’s list for spring semester 2022.

- Sobieski: Lauren Dixon
- Leopolis: Levi Schick

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

Palmer College of Chiropractic

Issabella Stueck, of Clintonville, has been named to the summer 2022 trimester dean’s list at Palmer College of Chiropractic’s Main Campus in Davenport, Iowa.

St. Norbert College

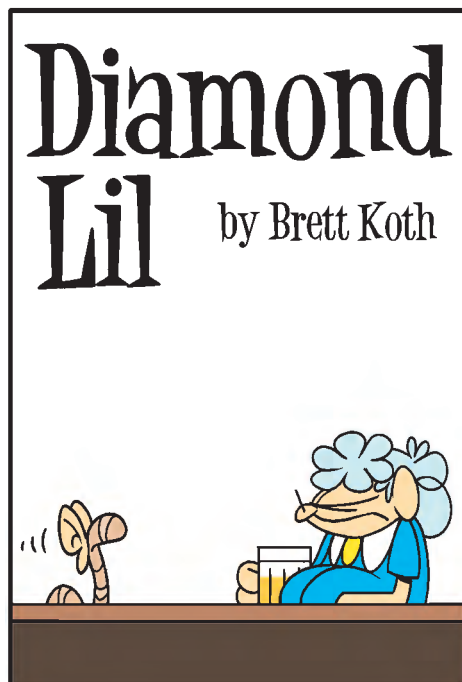
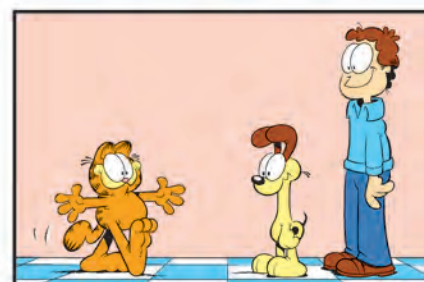
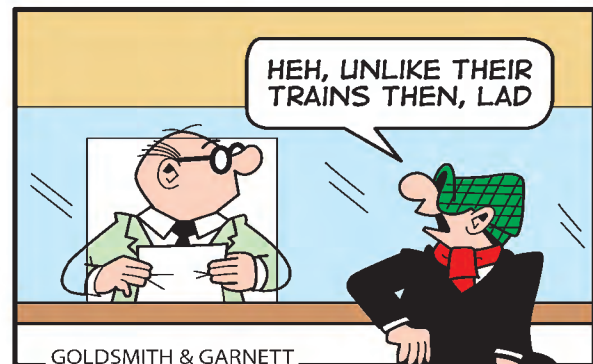
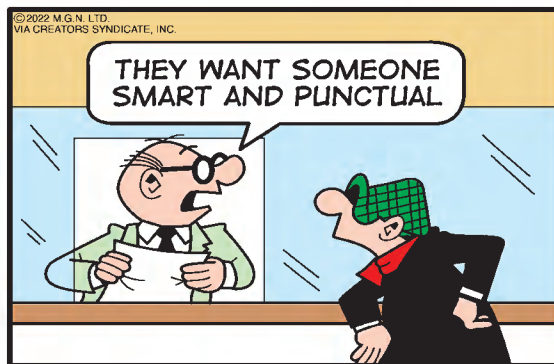
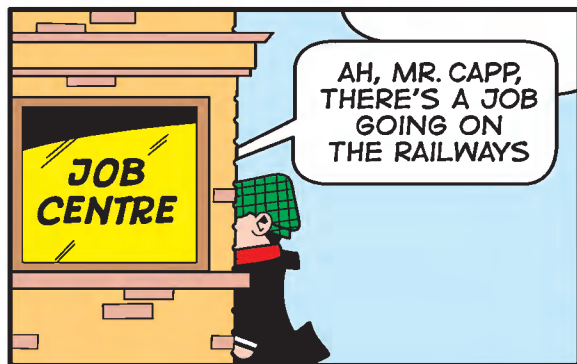
Andrea Waschbisch, a native of Oconto Falls, was recently initiated into the St. Norbert College Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, the National

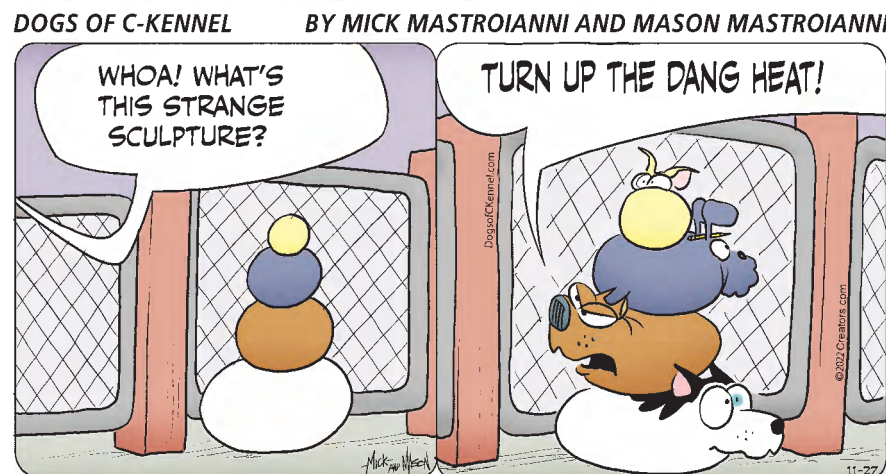
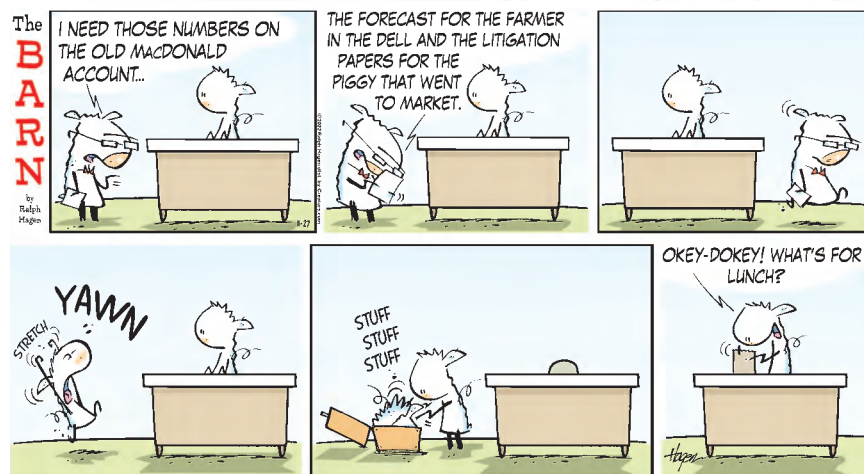
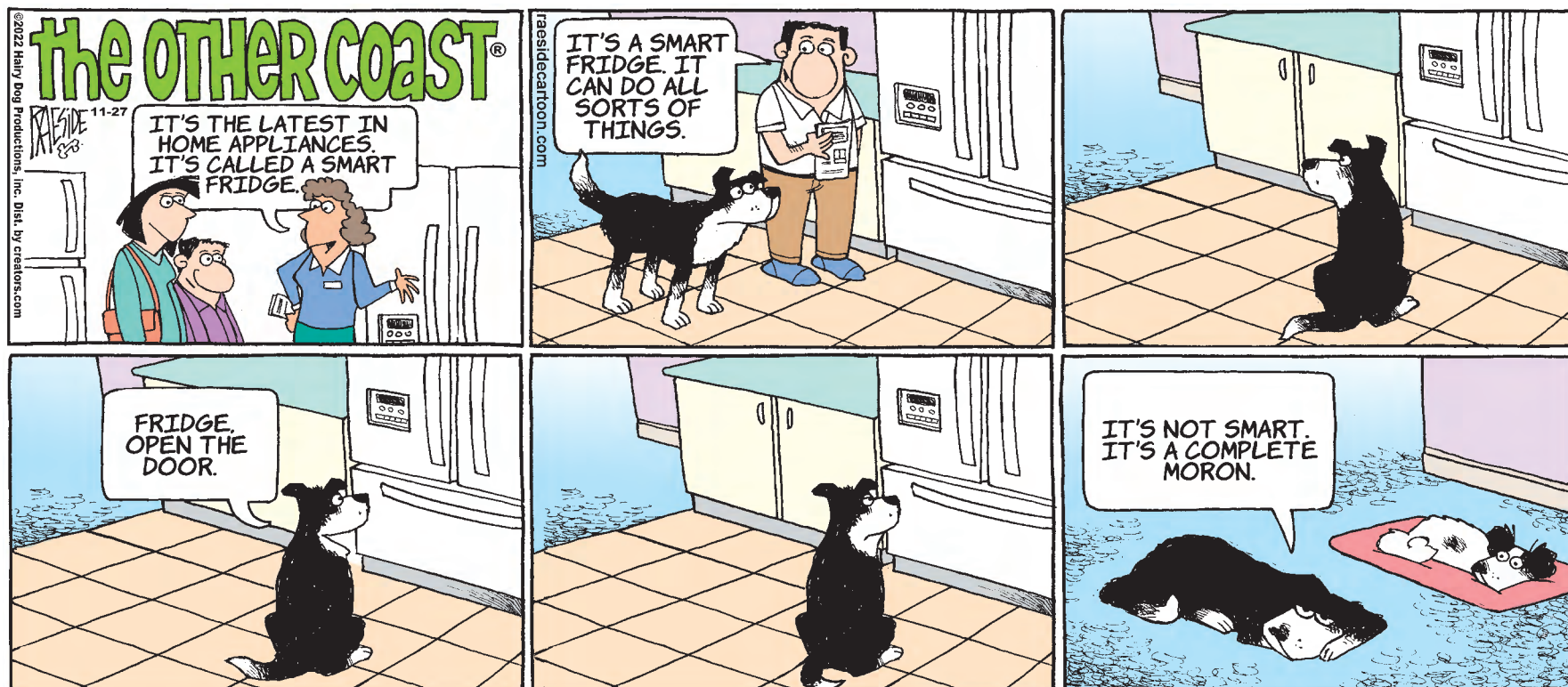
Leadership Honor Society. The society welcomed 235 new initiates from 11 universities during October 2022.

Students initiated into the society must be sophomores, juniors, seniors, or graduate/professional students in the top 35% of their class, demonstrate leadership experience in at least one of the five pillars, and embrace the ODK ideals. Fewer than 5% of students on a campus are invited to join each year.

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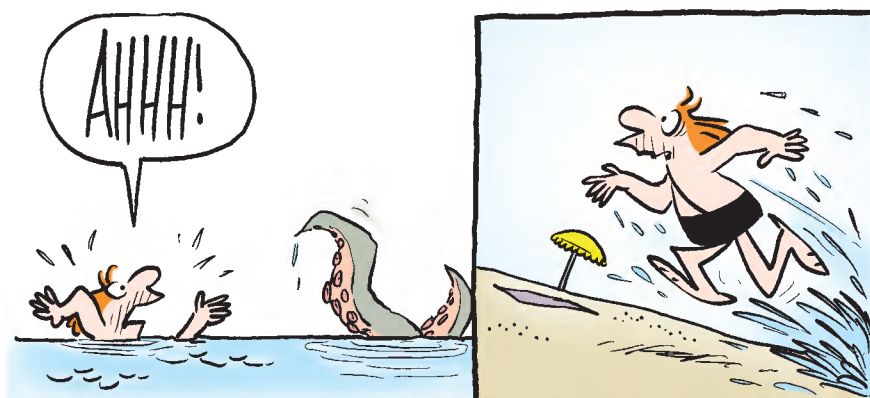
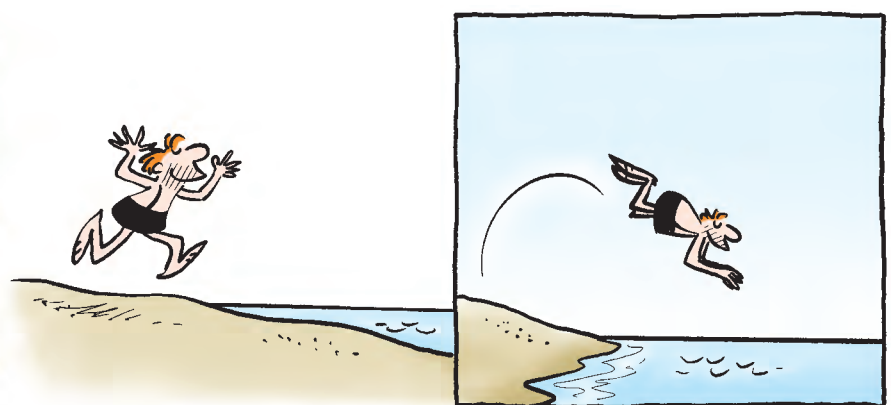
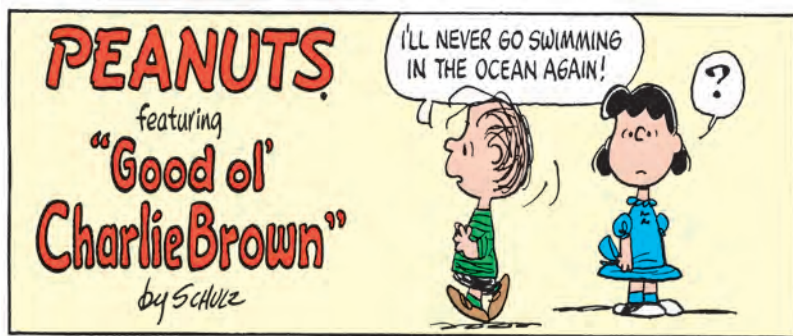


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A woodsy performance



Dressed like a lumberjack, Kathleen Marsh, Holt and Balcom Logging Camp Museum director, shared northern Oconto County's logging heritage as a story time guest reader on Oct. 10 at Lakes Country Public Library children's area. Her appearance was part of the library's special tribute to Northwoods logging heritage, planned after an announcement by Sen. Tammy Baldwin that she and Maine Sen. Susan Collins had introduced a bipartisan resolution recognizing Oct. 12 as National Loggers Day.

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HONOR ROLLS

SURING HIGH SCHOOL

First quarter HIGHEST HONORS

Seniors: Caleb DeKeyser, Ashtyn Edwards, Ethan Lally, Olivia Noack, Keegan Rattin, Macie Reed, Emilee Tachick, Hailey Thomson

Juniors: Samantha Seibert, Bailey Stuart, Hailey VanRens

Sophomores: Bunny Cramer

HIGH HONORS

Seniors: Mackenzie Bailey, McKenzie Chesterfield, Mason Ferrell, River Flynn, Jacob Granados, Kaylee Otradovec, Christine SleeterIsaiah Suring

Juniors: Birdee Cramer, Georgia Gerndt, Shylah Hisey, Hailey Huguet, Claire Pommerich, Lillie Taylor, Quinn Thomson, Trent Thomson, Carter Whisman

Sophomores: Autumn DeGrave, Morgan Dryja, Emma Kristof, Contessa Losurdo, Allison Napier, Michael Pecanas Jr., Emily Peterson, Chase Schindel, Ava School, MaShya Seefeldt

Freshmen: Ginger Gerndt, Karissa Hischke, Gwendalin Konop, HaileyBo Pecanas, Chloe Schroeder, Tia Schwartzkopf, Allyson Seibert, Morgan Suring

HONORS

Seniors: Moriah Baldwin, Maxwell Fisher-Yancy, Lily Hakes, Trinity Remic,

Charles Winkler

Juniors: Braden Denowski, Autumn Dryja, Gracelyn Fuchs, Rebecca Peeters, Joshua Reinke, Alyssa Schowalter, Madilynn Strege, Trent Van Den Elzen, Parker Zahn

Sophomores: Morgan Laabs, Kendra Rattin, Kaley Thompson

Freshmen: Parker Haak, Cassius Matelski, Garret Peters, Logan Schowalter

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL

First quarter HIGH HONOR ROLL

Eighth grade: Alivia Acker, Taylor Beversdorf, Fernanda Moz Cruz, Gabby Passehl

Seventh grade: Mason Fosheim, Teagan Harkey, Nya Huntington, Nolan Kleinschmidt, Grady Krone, Riley Krueger

Sixth grade: Ivy DuQuaine, Wyatt Ritchie, Addison Schwartz, Kadence White

HONOR ROLL

Eighth grade: Grady Bartz, Mallory Braun, Lukas Herzog, Sofia Koenig, Wyatt Schroeder, Gage Westphal, Cambren Zeuske

Seventh grade: Collin Dieck, Quin Harkey

Sixth grade: Rayna Beversdorf, Amelia DuChesne, Emmalee Herrmann, Jack Koenig, Mimikwaew Penfold, Brody Smith, Grayson Wood, Jaden Zittlow

Better Business Bureau, Amazon team up to deal with holiday scams

The Better Business Bureau is partnering with Amazon to drive an education campaign aimed at helping consumers spot impersonation scams during this holiday season (BBB.org/ImpersonationScams).

This scam tactic occurs when a scammer pretends to be a trustworthy organization or individual to steal a person's money or personal information. This co-branded campaign will run through the holiday season, when there is typically an increase in scam attempts with more people seeking to make purchases.

The campaign follows new research published by the BBB Institute for Marketplace Trust on Oct. 5. The new report, Start With Trust Online, the 2022 BBB Online Scams report, highlighted new scam tactics, particularly scams perpetrated online, including online purchase scams that impersonate the brands of well-known businesses.

"Fifty-four percent of survey respondents said the scammer claimed to be from a legitimate organization, according to our latest research," said Melissa Lanning Trumppower, executive director of the BBB Institute for Marketplace Trust. "Of those who said they were targeted by an impersonation scam, 50% said they were targeted by scammers pretending to be a trustworthy business. Our partnership with Amazon will help us reach more consumers with important information about how to spot and avoid losing money to these scams."

Data for the campaign and the BBB Institute research report were provided through BBB Scam Tracker, an online reporting and prevention tool that enables people to report and search scam reports. A new-and-improved version of BBB Scam Tracker will be launched in November in partnership with Amazon and Capital One.

"Amazon is committed to protecting consumers from impersonation scams and helping them protect themselves," said Kathy Sheehan, vice president and associate general counsel at Amazon. "We're grateful to partner with consumer advocates like the Better

Business Bureau to educate consumers."

BBB and Amazon recommend the following tips for shopping online:

- Stay calm. If you receive a suspicious phone call, resist the urge to act immediately, no matter how dramatic the story is or how threatening or intimidating the caller sounds.

- Don't reply directly. Instead, visit the company's website or app to use their customer service channel and verify the message or phone call you received.

- Go to the source or get help. When in doubt, call a friend, loved one, or your local BBB to ask for a second opinion. Regardless of what is said in the phone conversation, tell someone.

- Never feel pressured to give personal information (Social Security number, account numbers/passwords, license number, etc.) over the phone, especially if the call is unexpected. Scammers may try to use calls, texts, and emails to impersonate a company's customer service. If you are unsure, end the call/chat and reach out directly to the company's customer service phone number or website.

- Never pay over the phone, especially if the call was unsolicited. If you need to make a payment, go directly to the organization's website or app.

- Never allow remote access to your computer if somebody offers tech support. Shut down your computer immediately and seek support directly from your service provider.

- Search BBB Scam Tracker. If you're suspicious about the situation, search BBB Scam Tracker to see if anyone else has reported a similar situation. The new BBB Scam Tracker enables you to search by email, URL, phone number, and more. You can also report suspicious communications that mention Amazon directly to the company.

- Check that email address or URL more closely. Scammers use similar website addresses or emails to appear legitimate, but if you look closely, you may find one letter or number that is off.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Sacred Heart hosts 50 veterans at ceremony

Sacred Heart Catholic School welcomed nearly 50 veterans during its Veterans Day program Nov. 11.

The day started with a special breakfast prepared by food services manager Tanya Myerchin and her mother, Melea Norton, prior to the ceremony, which featured a packed gymnasium.

The ceremony began with the AmVets Post 10 posting the colors, followed by the singing of the National Anthem and the Pledge of Allegiance led by our School Choir. Each veteran stepped forward to introduce themselves and share their rank/post and then Lori Mathwich and Autumnne Gee handed a blessed cross and flag pin to each veteran.

Wisconsin National Guard Chief Warrant Officer Jed Meidam, school parent, gave a presentation. Gee then surprised Mathwich with a patriotic floral arrangement and recognition for her work on the Veterans Day program, 21 years of service in the U.S. Army, and her work at Sacred Heart.

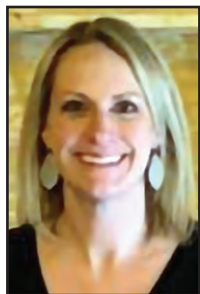
Deacon Jim Lonick shared a closing prayer and blessed the veterans, and then the AmVets held the 21-gun salute with "Taps," before retiring the colors. The veterans gathered around the gym so students and staff could pass out special gifts and cards they had made.

Bahrke program director for leadership group

The Leadership Oconto County Board of Directors recently announced the appointment of Ashley Bahrke to the position of program director.

Bahrke is a 2019 graduate of Leadership Oconto County and has been involved with the organization in various roles over the last four years.

"We are excited to have Ashley in this capacity as we move forward in growing the Leadership Oconto County program," said board president Greg Gauthier. "The board and I are looking forward to the energy and experience she brings to the role."



ASHLEY BAHRKE



Members of AmVets Post 10 join a packed gymnasium in saluting the American flag during Sacred Heart Catholic School's Veterans Day ceremony on Nov. 11.

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Leadership Oconto County is a 501(c)(3) organization with the mission of identifying and developing leaders who live or work in Oconto County. The program highlights issues, concerns, and needs throughout the County and creates an avenue for participants to embark on or expand their leadership roles in their communities.

To find out more about the program, visit www.leadershipoc.com or email leadershipocontocounty@gmail.com.

Gillett preps for its Christmas in the Park

Gillett is holding its annual Christmas in the Park on Dec. 3.

Activities will start at 10 a.m. with Santa's workshop filled with crafts and vendor goods through 2:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 101 W. Main St., Gillett. There will be bucket raffles.

Santa Claus is coming to the Expo Hall in Zippel Park, 150 N. McKenzie St., Gillett, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Each kid will receive a free goodie bag. There will also be photos with Santa for a minimal fee. Other kids activities include make-

and-take crafts, face painting, balloon animals, reindeer games, Little Seedings 4-H cake walk, cookies and hot chocolate.

Horse drawn sleigh and wagon rides through Zippel Park will be part of the festivities. Visitors will be able to view lighted Christmas displays by local families, businesses, and organizations at 5 p.m.

There will be caroling at the park at 4:45 p.m. and fireworks to finish off the day.

Food and refreshments will be available for purchase at both the park and the church.

For information, contact Betty Jane Behling at 920-376-1706 or email lilyyoda9@yahoo.com.

Entries open for invasive species poster contest

The 2023 Northwoods Invasive Species Poster Contest is in its 12th year and reaches school districts within 18 Northwoods counties, including Menominee, Oconto and Shawano.

Poster entries are due by 4 p.m. on April 26, 2023. Posters and poster entry forms may be mailed in or dropped off at one of 16 drop-off lo-

cations. A new brochure with complete instructions, drop-off locations and fillable entry forms, is located at <https://www.oclw.org/2023-northwoods-invasive-species-poster-contest.html>. For information, call 715-369-7835.

Community center to host cookie crawl, Santa

Gillett Public Library will host a holiday cookie crawl from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 10 at the Gillett Community Center, 204 E. Main St., Gillett.

The library is seeking donations of cookies for the event. Cookies can be brought to the center starting at 9 a.m. Bakers must bring an ingredient list with your cookies to alert anyone as to allergens such as nuts, eggs or dairy.

The Friends of the Library will have containers available for \$5. Any funds collected will be used to support the library's programs.

Santa is also scheduled to visit.

Around the Community is a roundup on local events, honors, awards and more. Organizations interested in sending news about what they're involved with can contact NEW Media at news@newmedia-wi.com. Items with a specific date like an event should be sent at least two weeks before it takes place.

Puzzles

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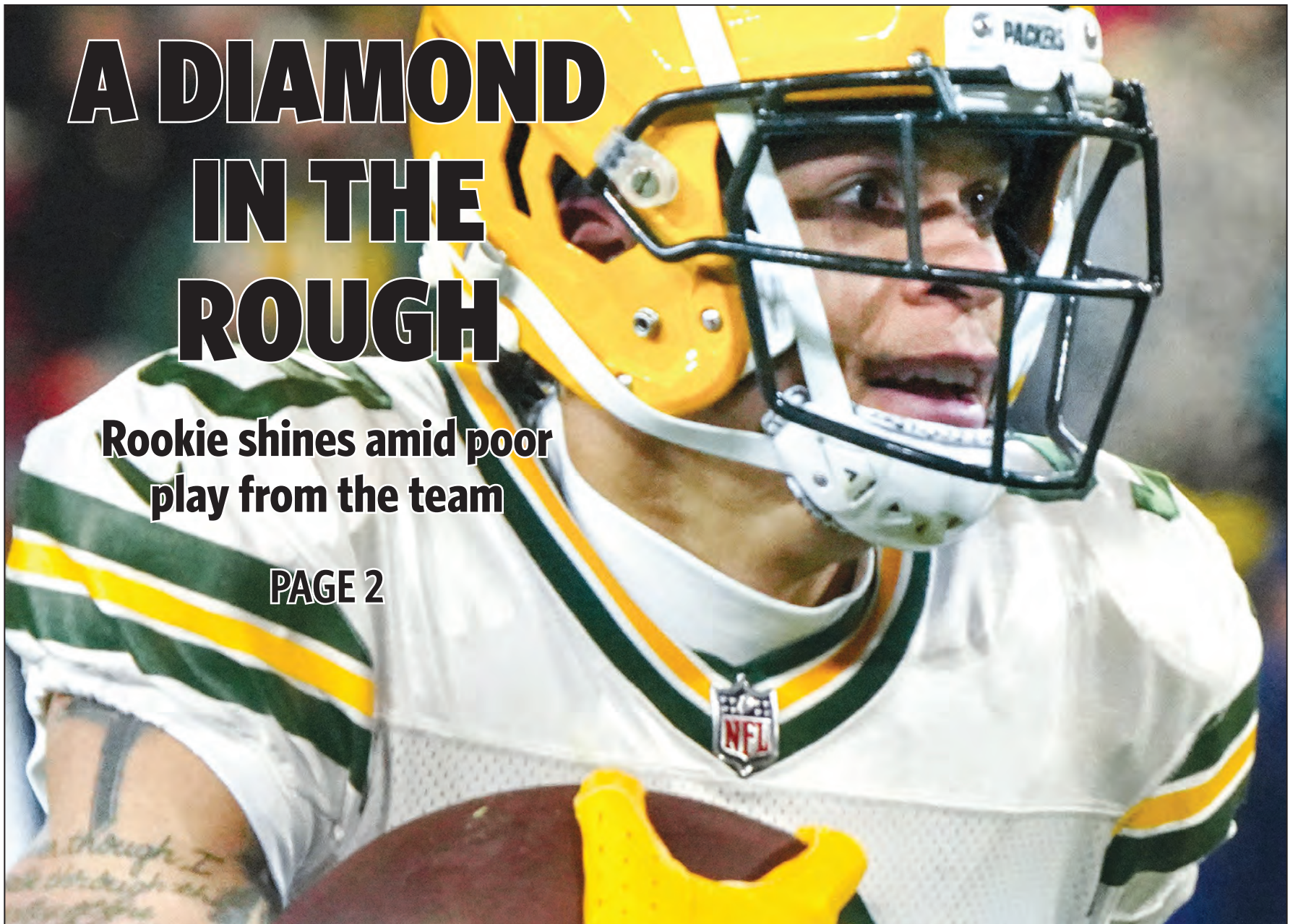


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Green Bay Packers receiver Christian Watson runs with the ball during a game against the Tennessee Titans on Nov. 17 in Green Bay.

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Watson the playmaker Pack's offense needs

North Dakota State product has 5 touchdown catches in last 2 games

By **LUKE REIMER**

Reporter

While the season is not going the way that the Green Bay Packers hoped, there have been bright spots that have appeared.

Rookie wide receiver Christian Watson has become one of those bright spots and a major part of the offense.

With the receiver problems that Green Bay has experienced in the offseason and during the regular season, seeing a receiver who looks confident is a sound sign for Packers fans.

After scoring five touchdowns in the past two games, Watson took the lead for most receiving touchdowns by a rookie wide receiver as of Nov. 17.

"I think we had all our playmakers, and he stepped up the last two weeks, the last two games, the last five days," said Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers on Watson. "The last few days, no drops. He caught everything today. Yes, we have to get him the ball more."

Watson has game-breaking speed that should only open up the middle of the field for Green Bay. It has come to the point where if Rodgers sees Watson with only a corner over him, it seems likely the quarterback will air it out and let Watson run under it.

That is part of the reason why Green Bay traded up to draft the North Dakota State product. Randall Cobb returning to the field also opens up Watson to continue to run go and post routes.

Cobb's rapport with Rodgers has been on display for almost a decade, forcing defenses to respect the middle. If the Packers can create a complimentary high-low route combination with Watson and Cobb, the team may look a little more like what fans are accustomed to seeing.

With Green Bay's inconsistency running the ball this year, Watson has shown that he can provide those much-needed sparks to keep the Packers in games.

Rookie receiving is something that the Packers haven't had in many years, and Watson has proven that he can be the guy in Green Bay.

Sitting at 4-7, the question surrounding the Packers is when do



Green Bay Packers receiver Christian Watson (9) celebrates with teammates during the game against the Tennessee Titans on Nov. 17 in Green Bay.

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you sit Rodgers and let Jordan Love get some much-needed QB experience?

While that does sound preferable, the Packers may not want to mess with the potential budding relationship and connection between Rodgers and Watson. If all else, Watson will probably never play with a quarterback better than Rodgers, so this is much-needed experience for the young wide receiver.

Even with the poor play and poor record, head coach Matt LaFleur is not totally ready to give up on the season in favor of younger players yet.

"You guys know how my mindset is: It's every day and it's one game, and that's the mentality," said LaFleur. "I have a hard time processing it any other way."

LaFleur's comments make it seem that he believes the Packers are still alive and can make a run toward the playoffs.

While that is technically true,

when does someone like Love get his opportunity? It also begs the question of when does Watson see more work?

Though he has caught five touchdowns in the last two games, those touchdowns have accounted for more than half of his receptions in those games.

The theme surrounding the Packers this year has been inconsistency with the offense and defense both putting together a good game on the same day. At times this season, the defense has looked like the strength of the team — Tampa Bay — and other games where it has looked as bad as it has in recent years — Tennessee.

While Watson figures to help bring some consistency to that offense, where does that come on the defensive side of the ball?

Rashan Gary is lost for the season, and Eric Stokes is on injured reserve. The Packers look like they need a "Christian Watson on defense," or someone to step up and

lead the defense.

"We're not in a very good position right now, that's for sure," said LaFleur. "We're going to get back to work and try to make some of these corrections because it's disappointing."

"Whether it's your coverage busting defensively, whether it's protection busts and/or any mistake in regards to the mental errors, that's extremely disappointing, especially where we are at in the season."

LaFleur is right. Eleven weeks into the season, the Packers are still making preseason mistakes — whether that's missing blocks, not communicating on defense or mismanaging the clock.

In a team with a lot of question marks, one thing is for certain — Watson is a dynamic playmaker who has proven that he can jumpstart a stagnant Green Bay offense.

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2	Mason Crosby	K	6-1	207	38	16	Colorado
6	Dallin Leavitt	S	5-10	195	28	4	Utah State
7	Quay Walker	LB	6-4	241	22	R	Georgia
9	Christian Watson	WR	6-5	208	23	R	North Dakota State
10	Jordan Love	QB	6-4	219	24	3	Utah State
11	Sammy Watkins	WR	6-1	211	29	9	Clemson
12	Aaron Rodgers	QB	6-2	225	38	18	California
13	Allen Lazard	WR	6-5	227	26	4	Iowa State
16	Pat O'Donnell	P	6-4	220	31	9	Miami
18	Randall Cobb	WR	5-10	195	32	12	Kentucky
20	Rudy Ford	S	6-0	200	28	6	Auburn
22	Shemar Jean-Charles	CB	5-10	184	24	2	Appalachian State
23	Jaire Alexander	CB	5-10	196	25	5	Louisville
24	Tariq Carpenter	S	6-3	230	23	R	Georgia Tech
25	Keisean Nixon	CB	5-10	200	25	4	South Carolina
26	Darnell Savage	S	5-11	198	25	4	Maryland
27	Patrick Taylor	RB	6-2	217	24	2	Memphis
28	AJ Dillon	RB	6-0	247	24	3	Boston College
29	Rasul Douglas	CB	6-2	209	27	6	West Virginia
31	Adrian Amos	S	6-0	214	29	8	Penn State
33	Aaron Jones	RB	5-9	208	27	6	Texas-El Paso
35	Corey Ballentine	CB	5-11	196	26	4	Washburn
44	Johnathan Abram	S	5-11	205	26	4	Mississippi State
45	Eric Wilson	LB	6-1	230	28	6	Cincinnati
50	Zach Tom	OL	6-4	304	23	R	Wake Forest
51	Krys Barnes	LB	6-2	229	24	3	UCLA
53	Jonathan Garvin	LB	6-4	257	23	3	Miami
55	Kingsley Enagbare	LB	6-4	258	22	R	South Carolina
56	Jack Coco	LS	6-2	248	24	R	Georgia Tech
58	Isaiah McDuffie	LB	6-1	227	23	2	Boston College
59	De'Vondre Campbell	LB	6-3	232	29	7	Minnesota
63	Rasheed Walker	T	6-6	324	22	R	Penn State
69	David Bakhtiari	T	6-4	310	31	10	Colorado
70	Royce Newman	T/G	6-5	310	25	2	Mississippi
71	Josh Myers	C/G	6-5	310	24	2	Ohio State
73	Yosh Nijman	T	6-7	314	26	3	Virginia Tech
74	Elgton Jenkins	G	6-5	311	26	4	Mississippi State
75	Sean Ryan	T/G	6-5	321	22	R	UCLA

76	Jon Runyan	G	6-4	307	25	3	Michigan
78	Luke Tenuta	T	6-8	314	23	R	Virginia Tech
81	Josiah Deguara	TE	6-2	238	25	3	Cincinnati
83	Samori Toure	WR	6-1	191	24	R	Nebraska
84	Tyler Davis	TE	6-4	252	25	3	Georgia Tech
85	Robert Tonyan	TE	6-5	240	28	5	Indiana State
87	Romeo Doubs	WR	6-2	204	22	R	Nevada
89	Marcedes Lewis	TE	6-6	267	38	17	UCLA
90	Jarran Reed	DL	6-3	307	29	7	Alabama
91	Preston Smith	LB	6-5	265	30	8	Mississippi State
93	T.J. Slaton	DL	6-4	330	25	2	Florida
94	Dean Lowry	DL	6-6	296	28	7	Northwestern
95	Devonte Wyatt	DL	6-3	304	24	R	Georgia
97	Kenny Clark	DL	6-3	314	27	7	UCLA
99	Jonathan Ford	DL	6-5	338	24	R	Miami

Reserve/Injured

21	Eric Stokes	CB	6-0	194	23	2	Georgia
40	Tipa Galeai	LB	6-5	229	25	2	Utah State
52	Rashan Gary	LB	6-5	277	24	4	Michigan
67	Jake Hanson	C	6-4	296	25	2	Oregon

Reserve/Non-Football Illness

72	Caleb Jones	T	6-9	370	23	R	Indiana
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Practice Squad

17	Ramiz Ahmed	K	5-11	193	27	1	Nevada
19	Danny Etling	QB	6-3	222	28	1	LSU
34	Micah Abernathy	S	6-0	195	25	1	Tennessee
38	Innis Gaines	S	6-1	202	24	1	TCU
39	Tyler Goodson	RB	5-9	197	22	R	Iowa
43	Kiondre Thomas	CB	6-0	186	24	1	Kansas State
48	DQ Thomas	LB	6-2	216	23	R	Middle Tennessee State
49	Josh Babicz	TE	6-6	255	23	R	North Dakota State
54	La'Darius Hamilton	LB	6-2	261	24	2	North Texas
57	Tim Ward	LB	6-6	255	25	3	Old Dominion
80	Dede Westbrook	WR	6-0	178	28	6	Oklahoma
82	Jeff Cotton	WR	6-2	206	25	1	Idaho
86	Travis Fulgham	WR	6-2	211	27	3	Old Dominion
88	Juwann Winfree	WR	6-1	210	26	3	Colorado
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1	Jalen Hurts	QB	6-1	223	24	3	Oklahoma
2	Darius Slay	CB	6-0	190	31	10	Mississippi State
3	Zach Pascal	WR	6-2	215	27	5	Old Dominion
4	Jake Elliott	K	5-9	167	27	6	Memphis
6	DeVonta Smith	WR	6-0	170	24	2	Alabama
7	Haason Reddick	LB	6-1	240	28	6	Temple
8	Aryn Siposs	P	6-2	212	29	2	Auburn
10	Gardner Minshew	QB	6-1	225	26	4	Washington State
11	A.J. Brown	WR	6-1	226	25	4	Mississippi
14	Kenneth Gainwell	RB	5-9	200	23	2	Memphis
16	Quez Watkins	WR	6-0	193	24	3	Southern Mississippi
17	Nakobe Dean	LB	5-11	231	21	R	Georgia
18	Britain Covey	WR	5-8	173	25	R	Utah
19	Ian Book	QB	6-0	206	24	2	Notre Dame
21	Andre Chachere	S	6-0	200	26	2	San Jose State
22	Marcus Epps	S	6-0	198	26	4	Wyoming
23	C.J. Gardner-Johnson	S	5-11	210	24	3	Florida
24	James Bradberry	CB	6-1	210	29	7	Samford
26	Miles Sanders	RB	5-11	211	25	4	Penn State
27	Zech McPhearson	CB	5-11	191	24	2	Texas Tech
28	Josh Jobe	CB	5-11	190	24	R	Alabama
32	Reed Blankenship	S	6-1	203	23	R	Middle Tennessee State
33	Josiah Scott	CB	5-9	185	23	3	Michigan State
34	Trey Sermon	RB	6-0	215	23	2	Ohio State
35	Boston Scott	RB	5-6	203	27	4	Louisiana Tech
42	K'Von Wallace	S	5-11	205	25	3	Clemson
43	Kyzir White	LB	6-2	234	26	5	West Virginia
45	Rick Lovato	LS	6-2	249	30	6	Old Dominion
48	Patrick Johnson	LB	6-2	248	24	2	Tulane
51	Cam Jurgens	C/G	6-3	303	23	R	Nebraska
54	Shaun Bradley	LB	6-1	240	25	3	Temple
55	Brandon Graham	DE	6-2	265	34	13	Michigan
56	Isaac Seumalo	G	6-4	303	29	7	Oregon State
57	T.J. Edwards	LB	6-1	242	26	4	Wisconsin
58	Kyron Johnson	LB	6-0	235	24	R	Kansas
61	Josh Sills	G	6-6	325	24	R	Oklahoma State
62	Jason Kelce	C	6-3	295	35	12	Cincinnati
63	Jack Driscoll	T/G	6-5	312	25	3	Auburn
65	Lane Johnson	T	6-6	325	32	10	Oklahoma
68	Jordan Mailata	T	6-8	365	25	5	None
69	Landon Dickerson	G	6-6	332	24	2	Alabama

72	Linval Joseph	DT	6-4	328	34	13	East Carolina
74	Ndamukong Suh	DT	6-4	307	35	13	Nebraska
77	Andre Dillard	T	6-5	315	27	4	Washington State
78	Sua Opete	G	6-4	305	26	3	Weber State
80	Tyree Jackson	TE	6-7	249	25	2	Buffalo
81	Grant Calcaterra	TE	6-4	240	23	R	SMU
89	Jack Stoll	TE	6-4	247	24	2	Nebraska
91	Fletcher Cox	DT	6-4	310	31	11	Mississippi State
93	Milton Williams	DT	6-3	290	23	2	Louisiana Tech
94	Josh Sweat	DE	6-5	265	25	5	Florida State
97	Javon Hargrave	DT	6-2	305	29	7	South Carolina State
98	Robert Quinn	DE	6-4	264	32	12	North Carolina

Reserve/Injured

29	Avonte Maddox	CB	5-9	184	26	5	Pittsburgh
46	Jaeden Graham	TE	6-4	250	27	4	Yale
59	Janarius Robinson	DE	6-5	260	24	2	Florida State
88	Dallas Goedert	TE	6-5	256	27	5	South Dakota State
90	Jordan Davis	DT	6-6	336	22	R	Georgia
95	Marlon Tuipulotu	DT	6-2	307	23	2	USC
96	Derek Barnett	DE	6-3	259	26	6	Tennessee

Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform

64	Brett Toth	T/G	6-6	304	26	4	Army
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Practice Squad

	Javelin Guidry	CB	5-9	191	24	3	Utah
	Fred Johnson	T	6-7	326	25	4	Florida
13	Auden Tate	WR	6-5	228	25	5	Florida State
30	Kennedy Brooks	RB	5-11	213	24	R	Oklahoma
31	Mario Goodrich	CB	6-0	186	22	R	Clemson
38	Marquise Blair	S	6-1	196	25	4	Utah
52	Davion Taylor	LB	6-1	230	24	3	Colorado
53	Christian Elliss	LB	6-3	233	23	1	Idaho
66	Matt Leo	DE	6-7	280	30	1	Iowa State
67	Cameron Tom	C	6-4	300	27	5	Southern Mississippi
73	Marvin Wilson	DT	6-4	303	24	1	Florida State
74	Roderick Johnson	T	6-6	300	26	5	Florida State
75	Tarron Jackson	DE	6-2	254	24	2	Coastal Carolina
76	Tyrese Robinson	G	6-3	324	23	R	Oklahoma
82	Devon Allen	WR	6-1	190	27	R	Oregon
83	Noah Togiai	TE	6-4	244	25	2	Oregon State
84	Greg Ward	WR	5-11	190	27	4	Houston

Practice Squad/Injured

	Jarrid Williams	T	6-6	325	25	R	Miami
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Sept. 25	at Tampa Bay	Win 14-12	
Oct. 2	vs. New England	Win 27-24 (OT)	
Oct. 9	vs. N.Y. Giants (London)	Loss 27-22	
Oct. 16	vs. N.Y. Jets	Loss 27-10	
Oct. 23	at Washington	Loss 23-21	
Oct. 30	at Buffalo	Loss 27-17	
Nov. 6	at Detroit	Loss 15-9	
Nov. 13	vs. Dallas	Win 31-28	
Nov. 17	vs. Tennessee	Loss 27-17	
Nov. 27	at Philadelphia	7:20 p.m. NBC	
Dec. 4	at Chicago	noon FOX	
Bye week			
Dec. 19	vs. L.A. Rams	7:15 p.m. ESPN	
Dec. 25	at Miami	noon FOX	
Jan. 1	vs. Minnesota	3:25 p.m. CBS	
Jan. 7/8	vs. Detroit	TBD TBD	

OFFENSE

WR

Romeo Doubs
Samori Toure

RB

Aaron Jones
A.J. Dillon

QB

Aaron Rodgers
Jordan Love

WR

Sammy Watkins

WR

Allen Lazard
Christian Watson

TE

Mercedes Lewis
Robert Tonyan

RT

Yosh Nijman
Rasheed Walker

RG

Jon Runyan
Royce Newman

C

Josh Myers
Zach Tom

LG

Elgton Jenkins
Sean Rhyan

LT

David Bakhtiari
Zach Tom

DEFENSE

CB

Rasul Douglas
Shemar Jean-Charles

DE

Dean Lowry
Devonte Wyatt

NT

Kenny Clark
T.J. Slaton

DE

Jarran Reed
Devonte Wyatt

CB

Jaire Alexander
Keisean Nixon

OLB

Preston Smith
Jonathan Garvin

ILB

De'Vondre Campbell
Isaiah McDuffie

ILB

Quay Walker
Krys Barnes

OLB

Kingsley Enagbare
Jonathan Garvin

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RT

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RG

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C

Jason Kelce
Cam Jurgens

LG

Landon Dickerson
Sua Opetia

LT

Jordan Mailata
Andre Dillard

DEFENSE

DE

Brandon Graham
Robert Quinn

DT

Fletcher Cox
Milton Williams

DT

Javon Hargrave
Linval Joseph

DE

Josh Sweat

CB

James Bradberry
Josh Jobe

CB

Darius Slay
Zech McPhearson

OLB

Haason Reddick
Patrick Johnson

MLB

T.J. Edwards
Nakobe Dean

OLB

Kyzir White
Shaun Bradley

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Marcus Epps
Reed Blankenship

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C.J. Gardner-Johnson
K'Von Wallace

SCHEDULE

Thursday's Games

Buffalo at Detroit, 11:30 a.m.
N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 3:30 p.m.
New England at Minnesota, 7:20 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Denver at Carolina, noon
Tampa Bay at Cleveland, noon
Baltimore at Jacksonville, noon
Houston at Miami, noon
Chicago at N.Y. Jets, noon
Cincinnati at Tennessee, noon
Atlanta at Washington, noon
L.A. Chargers at Arizona, 3:05 p.m.
Las Vegas at Seattle, 3:05 p.m.
L.A. Rams at Kansas City, 3:25 p.m.
New Orleans at San Francisco, 3:25 p.m.
Green Bay at Philadelphia, 7:20 p.m.

Monday's Games

Pittsburgh at Indianapolis, 7:15 p.m.

Next Thursday's Games

Buffalo at New England, 7:15 p.m.

PACK STATS

PASSING

Yards

Aaron Rodgers 2,542
Touchdowns

Aaron Rodgers 19

RUSHING

Yards

Aaron Jones 778
AJ Dillon 467

Touchdowns

Aaron Jones 2
AJ Dillon 1

RECEIVING

Catches

Robert Tonyan 41
Aaron Jones 40
Allen Lazard 38
Romeo Doubs 31
Randall Cobb 24

Yards

Allen Lazard 529
Robert Tonyan 342
Randall Cobb 330
Romeo Doubs 314

Aaron Jones 248

Touchdowns

Allen Lazard 5
Christian Watson 5
Aaron Jones 3

Romeo Doubs 3

DEFENSE

Total tackles

Quay Walker 82
De'Vondre Campbell 64
Adrian Amos 62
Rasul Douglas 51
Kenny Clark 41
Darnell Savage 41

Sacks

Rashan Gary 6
Preston Smith 5
Kenny Clark 3
Kingsley Enagbare 2

Interceptions

Jaire Alexander 3
Rasul Douglas 2
Rudy Ford 2
De'Vondre Campbell 1

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TELLING PACKERS STATISTICS

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

The movie “Hope Floats” has nothing to do with football. But with their victory over the Dallas Cowboys, the Green Bay Packers’ playoff hopes were afloat.

Then the Tennessee Titans came to town and produced the sequel.

“Hope Sunk.”

The Packers were booed off the field before halftime and again late in the fourth quarter before the frozen fans headed to the exits. Barring a miracle, the 27-17 loss to the Titans will have been the final torpedo shot into the underachieving Packers.

Headed into Sunday night’s game at the powerhouse Philadelphia Eagles, here are six individual statistical reasons why the Packers have been such underachievers.

Aaron Rodgers: Efficiency

During his MVP seasons of 2020 and 2021, Rodgers was around 69% completions, 4,200 yards, 43 touchdowns, five interceptions and 8 yards per attempt. This year, he’s at 64.6% completions, projections of 3,930 yards, 29 touchdowns and 11 interceptions, and 6.8 yards per attempt.

There are a myriad of reasons, starting with the obvious of the offseason trade of Davante Adams. Adams was a great player who got open most of the time. What a luxury. And what a security blanket to know that, whether it’s first-and-10 in the first quarter or third-and-8 in the fourth quarter, that the No. 1 read on any play would get open.

Rodgers has strong connections with Allen Lazard and Randall Cobb, but they’re not Adams. The most talented receivers on the roster are rookies Romeo Doubs and Christian Watson, but Doubs has missed most of the last three games with a high-ankle sprain and Watson missed so much time with a hamstring injury, concussion and feared concussion that he didn’t play more than 40 snaps in a game until his breakout performance in week 10 against Dallas.

Combined, the players with the connection aren’t super-talented, and the players who are talented don’t have the connection.

The interceptions number, while still quite good, is noteworthy. He hasn’t thrown more than eight interceptions since tossing 11 in 2010.

“If we play up to our potential, we can win our last six games. I’m confident in that,” Rodgers said after a shaky performance vs. the Titans. “Obviously, I’ve got to play up to my



Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers shovels the ball during the team’s game against the Tennessee Titans on Nov. 17 in Green Bay.

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potential. Tonight wasn’t it.”

Allen Lazard: Not No. 1

During training camp, Rodgers called Lazard a No. 1 receiver. It was a ludicrous statement at the time and ludicrous today. Lazard is a quality player and excellent role player. Every team would love to have someone like him. A No. 1 receiver, though? No way.

As a supporting player, Lazard was coming off three consecutive seasons in which he averaged about 36 receptions, 480 yards and five touchdowns. Lazard was never a focal point for defensive coordinators, but he is now.

The raw numbers are there with 38 receptions for 529 yards and five touchdowns. His 13.9-yard average is the best mark of his career. However, after catching 67.8% of his targets in 2021, 73.3% in 2020 and 68.6% in 2019, he’s at 58.5% this season. It’s harder to get open when you’re facing better cornerbacks.



Green Bay Packers defensive lineman Kenny Clark, center, tries to elude a block and bring down the ball carrier during the Tennessee Titans game Nov. 17 in Green Bay.

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AJ Dillon: Powerless

At about 245 pounds of bulging biceps and thick thighs, Dillon should be a nightmare for defenses. He is, in a way. He’s almost never brought down by just one defender. On the other

hand, he’s generally stopped by one defender before being taken down by a host of others.

According to Pro Football Focus, 32 running backs have at least 90 carries entering week 12. Dillon ranks 20th

with 117 carries but is just 26th with 17 missed tackles, 28th with eight carries of 10-plus yards, 19th with 2.93 yards per carry after contact and 30th in elusive rating, a metric that attempts to measure the impact of a runner independent of his blocking.

The Packers hoped Aaron Jones and Dillon could carry the load, literally, in the post-Davante Adams offense. Jones has been great, but Dillon has been a bit underwhelming.

Elgton Jenkins: Not at home

As a rookie left guard in 2019, Jenkins didn't allow a single sack. As a Pro Bowl left guard in 2020, he allowed one sack. Forced out to left tackle to replace David Bakhtiari in 2021, he allowed two sacks in eight games before suffering a torn ACL.

The Packers moved him to right tackle, their weakest spot on the line, with the belief that Jenkins' talent and proven versatility would be enough to overcome any lingering affects from the knee injury.

In nine games, he's allowed three sacks — two at right tackle and one since moving back to left guard. Jenkins is a high-quality player. He'll be much better once the knee injury is fully beyond him. But, headed into the stretch run, he has not been a dominant player.



Green Bay Packers outside linebacker Preston Smith (91) sacks Tennessee Titans quarterback Ryan Tannehill (17) during a Nov. 17 game in Green Bay.

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Kenny Clark: Not much pressure

Clark's a two-time Pro Bowler and one of the best three-down defensive tackles in the NFL. He's not Aaron Donald but he's right in that next tier, which he demonstrated at the start of

the season.

In the first three games, Clark recorded two sacks and five quarterback hits, according to the official NFL stats, and three quarterback hits and 13 pressures, according to PFF.

In the last eight games, Clark has only one sack and one quarterback hit (vs. Dallas), according to the league, and one sack, zero quarterback hits and 16 pressures, according to PFF.

He's on pace for 25 pressures, which would be the fewest of his career.

Eric Stokes: Year 2 disappointment

If not for one poor game at Minnesota last season, the first-round pick might have earned All-Rookie honors. Teams count on quantum leaps forward from players in their second season, so what would Stokes for an encore?

According to PFF, Stokes gave up a 51% catch rate, 6.1 yards per target and a 79.1 passer rating while missing 9.2% of his tackle attempts as a rookie.

This year, he allowed an 84% catch rate, 11 yards per target and a 125.8 passer rating while missing 16.1% of his tackle attempts before suffering a season-ending ankle surgery against Detroit.

With Stokes' slide and Rasul Douglas going from a 50.8% completion rate in 2021 to 71.8% in 2022 and Jaire Alexander going from 50.7% during his All-Pro season of 2020 to 58.7% in 2022, it's no wonder why the Packers' defense has been such a disappointment.

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 New England @ Minnesota Thurs., Nov. 24
 Denver @ Carolina
 Tampa Bay @ Cleveland
 Baltimore @ Jacksonville
 Houston @ Miami
 Chicago @ NY Jets
 Cincinnati @ Tennessee

Atlanta @ Washington
 LA Chargers @ Arizona
 Las Vegas @ Seattle
 New Orleans @ San Francisco
 LA Rams @ Kansas City
 Pittsburgh @ Indianapolis Mon. Nov. 29

Tie Breaker Game:
 Green Bay @ Philadelphia



This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
Dallas	NY Jets	Kansas City
New England	Tennessee	Indianapolis
Denver	Washington	
Tampa Bay	Arizona	
Baltimore	Seattle	

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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score : Green Bay 31 @ Philadelphia 34



This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
Dallas	NY Jets	Kansas City
Minnesota	Tennessee	Indianapolis
Carolina	Washington	
Tampa Bay	LA Chargers	
Baltimore	Seattle	

Tim Murphy
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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 13 @ Philadelphia 27



This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
NY Giants	NY Jets	Kansas City
Minnesota	Tennessee	Pittsburgh
Carolina	Washington	
Cleveland	LA Chargers	
Baltimore	Seattle	

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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 21 @ Philadelphia 35

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1	Sunday, September 11	at Minnesota Vikings	3:25 p.m.	FOX
2	Sunday, September 18	at Chicago Bears	1:20 p.m.	FOX
3	Sunday, September 25	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers	2:02 p.m.	FOX
4	Sunday, October 2	at New England Patriots	3:05 p.m.	FOX
5	Sunday, October 9	at New York Jets	1:30 a.m.	FOX
6	Monday, October 16	at Washington Commanders	10:00 p.m.	FOX
7	Sunday, October 23	at Dallas Cowboys	1:00 p.m.	FOX
8	Sunday, October 30	at Tennessee Titans	1:00 p.m.	FOX
9	Sunday, November 6	at Philadelphia Eagles	1:00 p.m.	FOX
10	Sunday, November 13	at Detroit Lions	1:00 p.m.	FOX
11	Sunday, November 20	at Los Angeles Rams	1:00 p.m.	FOX
12	Sunday, November 27	at Minnesota Vikings	1:00 p.m.	FOX
13	Sunday, December 4	at Chicago Bears	1:00 p.m.	FOX
14	Monday, December 11	BYE WEEK		
15	Sunday, December 18	at Miami Dolphins	1:00 p.m.	FOX
16	Sunday, December 25	at New York Jets	1:00 p.m.	FOX
17	Sunday, January 1	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers	1:00 p.m.	FOX
18	Sunday, January 8	at Detroit Lions	1:00 p.m.	FOX

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Weekly Standings

Weekly
Record

Overall
Record

22 Shell	7-7	91-59
Tower Clock Eye Center	6-8	91-59
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Charter Aarrowcast	5-9	89-61
Tim Murphy	6-8	89-61
Bill Huber.....	6-8	87-63

Weekly Standings

Weekly
Record

Overall
Record

Morgan Rode	8-6	87-63
Shawano Seasons Restaurant.....	9-5	87-63
Luke Reimer	7-7	84-66
Gene's Floor Coverings.....	8-6	83-67
Iverson's Piggly Wiggly	5-9	83-67
Senn Insurance	6-8	78-72



Robert Buss
Buss Automotive

This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
Dallas	NY Jets	Kansas City
Minnesota	Cincinnati	Indianapolis
Denver	Washington	
Tampa Bay	LA Chargers	
Baltimore	Las Vegas	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 28 @ Philadelphia 27



Shane Senn
Senn Insurance

This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
Dallas	NY Jets	Kansas City
Minnesota	Tennessee	Indianapolis
Carolina	Washington	
Tampa Bay	LA Chargers	
Baltimore	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 27 @ Philadelphia 30



Charter
Aarrowcast
Shawano

This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
NY Giants	NY Jets	Kansas City
Minnesota	Tennessee	Indianapolis
Denver	Atlanta	
Tampa Bay	LA Chargers	
Baltimore	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 17 @ Philadelphia 31



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This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
NY Giants	NY Jets	Kansas City
Minnesota	Tennessee	Indianapolis
Carolina	Washington	
Tampa Bay	LA Chargers	
Baltimore	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 24 @ Philadelphia 28



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Patty Lasher
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This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
Dallas	NY Jets	Kansas City
Minnesota	Cincinnati	Indianapolis
Denver	Washington	
Tampa Bay	LA Chargers	
Baltimore	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 21 @ Philadelphia 20



Gene Maas
Gene's Floor
Coverings

This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
NY Giants	NY Jets	Kansas City
Minnesota	Tennessee	Indianapolis
Denver	Washington	
Cleveland	LA Chargers	
Baltimore	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 21 @ Philadelphia 31



Bill Huber
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Media

This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	Kansas City
Dallas	N.Y. Jets	San Francisco
Minnesota	Cincinnati	Indianapolis
Denver	Washington	
Tampa Bay	LA Chargers	
Baltimore	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 20 @ Philadelphia 31



Brenda
22 Shell

This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
Dallas	NY Jets	Kansas City
Minnesota	Cincinnati	Pittsburgh
Carolina	Washington	
Tampa Bay	LA Chargers	
Baltimore	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 32 @ Philadelphia 28



Jim Wiegand
Tower Clock
Eye Center

This Week's Picks:

Buffalo	Miami	San Francisco
Dallas	NY Jets	Kansas City
Minnesota	Cincinnati	Pittsburgh
Denver	Washington	
Tampa Bay	Arizona	
Baltimore	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 17 @ Philadelphia 28

KEYS TO THE GAME

By **BILL HUBER**

Correspondent

The Green Bay Packers will travel to face the Philadelphia Eagles at 7:20 p.m. on Sunday at Lincoln Financial Field, Philadelphia. NBC will televise the game.

History

In a series that dates to 1933, the Packers lead 29-17 (28-15 regular season; 1-2 playoffs).

The Packers have won six of the last eight, including 30-16 on Dec. 6, 2020, at Lambeau Field. Aaron Jones put the icing on the cake with a 77-yard touchdown run.

The last meeting in Philadelphia came in 2016. That was game one of "Run the Table," with Green Bay winning 27-13.

Coaches

Green Bay — Matt LaFleur, fourth season. Philadelphia — Nick Sirianni, second season.

When the Eagles have the ball

The Eagles boast a well-rounded offense. Before their week 11 game, they ranked third with 27.3 points per game. They were sixth in rushing with 142.7 yards per game and second with 7.90 yards per passing attempt.

They were fourth on third down (47% conversions), second on fourth down (75%) and third in the red zone (72.7% touchdowns). They were also No. 1 with only seven turnovers.

With Eagles quarterback Jalen Hurts, Green Bay's defense will face a challenge on par with going against Buffalo's Josh Allen. Hurts should be right in the middle of the MVP conversation. He's having a fantastic season.

As a quarterback, he was third with a 106.5 passer rating and second with 8.37 yards per attempt. Plus, he'd added 354 rushing yards (3.8 average). Between passing (14) and rushing (seven), he'd accounted for 21 touchdowns.

Miles Sanders was 10th with 710 rushing yards. He was averaging a robust 4.97 yards per carry.

Aaron Rodgers could only wish he had a one-two receiver punch of A.J. Brown, who was acquired in a trade with the Titans, and DeVonta Smith, last year's first-round pick.

Brown is a big man and a big-play threat with 44 catches for 725 yards and six scores through 10 weeks. Smith had a team-high 46 catches, which he'd turned into 481 yards and three touchdowns.

The Eagles will be down one key cog with tight end Dallas Goedert on



Green Bay Packers tight end Robert Tonyan carries the ball during a game against the Tennessee Titans on Nov. 17 in Green Bay.

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injured reserve. He's third on the team with 43 receptions.

Green Bay's pass defense, which gave up 333 too-easy passing yards to Titans quarterback Ryan Tannehill, needs to cut out the mental mistakes that let receivers run free through the secondary.

"Yeah, that was certainly disappointing," LaFleur said. "I thought for the most part we did a pretty good job defending the run. Any time you hold Derrick (Henry) to under 100 yards and a little over 3 yards a carry, that was a pretty solid effort. It leaves you a little susceptible on the back end, where you've got to be good.

"The thing that's disappointing is just the busts, when you have guys that don't play their responsibility and you get guys running free. That happened on three of the big, explosive plays that they had."

The offensive line is excellent with left tackle Jordan Mailata, left guard Landon Dickerson, center Jason Kelce, right guard Isaac Seumalo and right tackle Lane Johnson.

Mailata, a former rugby player from Australia, is the weak link but the Packers have struggled to create pressure without Rashan Gary.

When the Packers have the ball

Heading into week 11, Philadelphia was eighth with 18.6 points allowed per game and third with 302.4 yards allowed per game.

The Eagles are superb against the pass, ranking second in yards per game (177.2) and yards per play (5) but vulnerable against the run, where it's 20th in yards per game (124.8) and 26th in yards per carry (4.74). It is a big-play unit, ranking first with 20 takeaways and fifth in sack percentage.

The defensive front is robust. At

the trade deadline, the Eagles acquired Robert Quinn from the Bears. He ranked second in the NFL in sacks last year. And last week, they added veteran defensive tackles Linval Joseph and Ndamukong Suh off the street. Throw in veteran Brandon Graham and that, incredibly, is the Eagles' No. 2 defensive line.

As for the starters, the tackles are Fletcher Cox and Javon Hargrave with Josh Sweat and Haason Reddick manning the edges. Reddick, a former standout in Carolina, had 6½ sacks and three forced fumbles.

Sweat has 3½ sacks and team-leading totals of 12 quarterback hits and eight tackles for losses. While the multi-time Pro Bowler Cox is the big name, Hargrave is the secret star with a team-high seven sacks.

The linebackers are former Wisconsin star T.J. Edwards, and Kyzir White. Edwards has blossomed into a really good pro after entering the league as an undrafted free agent in 2019. He had 86 tackles, two sacks, five tackles for losses and five passes defended through 10 weeks. White is second with 63 tackles.

Starting cornerbacks Darius Slay and James Bradberry are excellent. Josiah Scott mans the slot. C.J. Gardner-Johnson and Marcus Epps are the safeties. Slay has three interceptions and, according to Pro Football Focus, has allowed a 43.1% completion rate and 41.2 passer rating.

Bradberry is practically a carbon copy with three interceptions, 43.1% and a 41.2 rating. Gardner-Johnson had five interceptions in three seasons with the Saints but has six in his debut season with Philly.

Special teams

In Football Outsiders' rankings, Philadelphia ranked 24th and Green Bay is 30th.

Undrafted rookie receiver Britain Covey, one of the top returners in NCAA history while at Utah, handles kickoffs and punts. He's found the NFL to be more difficult than the Pac-12. He's averaging 6.5 yards per punt return and 20.6 yards per kickoff return.

Jake Elliott is the kicker. He's 6-of-8 on field goals this season. In his sixth season, he's 60.0% for his career from 50-plus yards.

Arryn Siposs is the punter. He's averaging 46.3 yards per punt with a net average of 41.8. Opponents are averaging only 6.7 yards per return.

For the Packers, veteran receiver/punt returner Dede Westbrook, who signed to the practice squad last week, could make his debut.

Packers drop to 4-7 after loss to Titans

Green Bay has now lost 6 of its last 7 games

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

A 333-yard and two touchdown performance from Ryan Tannehill put a quick end to the Green Bay Packers' momentum, as the Tennessee Titans took down the Packers 27-17 on Nov. 17 in Green Bay.

Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers finished the game with 227 passing yards and two touchdown passes. Rookie wide receiver Christian Watson was once again the benefactor of Rodgers' touchdown passes, scoring both of them.

Watson has now recorded five touchdowns in the past two games, accounting for 30 of Green Bay's last 48 points. Watson became the first rookie wide receiver for the Packers to record multiple touchdowns in back-to-back games since Max McGee in 1954.

The loss stops any momentum that Green Bay had from its emotional win against Dallas last week, as the Packers have now lost six of their past seven games.

It was obvious that Green Bay's gameplan was to stop Titans running back Derrick Henry — something that they did well, holding the All-Pro to 87 rushing yards on 28 attempts. Henry accounted for two total touchdowns, running one in and passing one on a jump-pass.

While Henry failed to top the 100-yard mark, Tennessee took control of the clock in the first half, as Green Bay totaled just 19 plays. One of Tennessee's drives lasted 19 plays for just over 10 minutes in the second quarter.

"Obviously, extremely disappointed right now," said Packers head coach Matt LaFleur. "To put on a performance like that, I just don't even know what to say. It was nothing like a few days ago, and that's why you're only as good as your last game."

Veteran wide receiver Randall Cobb found his way back into the lineup, returning from injury. Cobb led the team in receiving with 73 yards on six catches.

Allen Lazard added another 57 yards on five catches. In terms of rushing, the Packers only ran 19 times, with Aaron Jones accounting for 40



Green Bay Packers wide receiver Randall Cobb, right, runs with the ball during a loss to the Tennessee Titans on Nov. 17 in Green Bay.

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yards, A.J. Dillon accounting for 13 and Watson recording three.

"They stopped the run. They gloved us in the back end," said Rodgers.

After releasing wide receiver/punt returner Amari Rodgers the week prior, Keisean Nixon provided the best return of the season, returning a punt to the Tennessee 44-yard line late in the fourth quarter.

Down 10, the drive instantly stalled, as a Jones reception, a Jones rush and an incompletion intended for Lazard forced fourth down with 5:26 remaining. On fourth down, Rodgers' pass, intended for Lazard, was incomplete and the Titans took back over.

From there, Tennessee's drive lasted just 16 seconds as a Preston Smith sack forced the Titans to punt.

Following the punt, Green Bay put together a 10-play drive, with Rodgers throwing for 49 yards on the drive.

Faced with fourth-and-one from Tennessee's 44-yard line, Jones was stuffed by Titans linebacker David Long Jr., forcing Green Bay to turn the ball over on downs.

Tennessee opened the game strong, with Henry accounting for 18 total yards. The drive was capped off with Tannehill completing a 14-yard touchdown pass to backup running back Dontrell Hilliard.

Green Bay got on to the board late in the first quarter, as Rodgers hit Watson in the back of the end zone on a free play for 14 yards. Cobb provided the big play on the drive, taking a crossing route for 24 yards. The subsequent extra point was blocked.

Henry scored his first touchdown of the game on a 10-play drive from Tennessee that included a 9-yard reception from wide receiver Robert Woods on a third-and-seven.

Green Bay answered back on its

first drive on the second half on a Mason Crosby field goal to cut the lead to five. Scoring continued to pick up as Tennessee immediately marched down the field, culminating in Henry's touchdown pass to tight end Austin Hooper.

Green Bay's next score came on the next drive with a Watson 8-yard touchdown, followed by a Jones two-point conversion.

A 16-yard receiving touchdown from Hooper proved to be the dagger, as Tennessee's defense held Green Bay out of the end zone for the remainder of the game.

"They were obviously more physical and made a lot more plays than we made," said LaFleur. "There was no consistency in terms of being complimentary, offensively and defensively."

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Q&A WITH SAMORI TOURE

By **BILL HUBER**

Correspondent

Samori Toure started his collegiate career at Montana before transferring to Nebraska for his senior season. A seventh-round draft pick who was given the nickname Capt. Casual for his work habits, Toure didn't play the first six weeks of the regular season.

He made his NFL debut in week seven at Washington and caught a 37-yard touchdown pass against Buffalo in week eight.

Q: Where did the Capt. Casual nickname come from?

A: They felt like I wasn't giving the effort or the finish that I should, and I agree with that. You're supposed to burst for 15 (yards) every time you catch the ball, and there were a few times I didn't do that and (coach Matt) LaFleur would always say, 'You look real casual out there. You're never going to be able to reach your potential if you're not really just finishing and stop being casual. Be more intentional with everything.'

So, that's kind of how that nickname came about. You don't want to be known as that guy who's casual, so I guess my practice habits just started

AT A GLANCE

Position: Wide Receiver

Age: 24

Season: Rookie

College: Nebraska

to gradually get better.

Q: Did that bother you?

A: I wasn't mad, but I was just like, 'Dang, that's not what you want to be known for.' Like I said, you don't want one of the greatest quarterbacks thinking you're casual, so I'm like, 'All right, if that's what they think of me, I've got to change something.'

Q: Is that just your personality?

A: Yeah, I think that was a big part of it, just because I'm so laid back off the field. I kind of let my laid-back personality carry over to the field. Once I step on that field, I can't be laid back anymore. I can still be calm, cool and collected, but I've got to be intentional with everything.

Q: Was there a moment when you cranked it up?

A: I think '12' said something about it. He pulled me aside after practice and was basically saying, 'You could be really good; you've just got to finish everything. Be intentional with everything,' and he said, 'I think you

should be suiting up by midseason.' So, that was a moment where I was like, 'OK, I need to step it up.'

Q: That first career touchdown at Buffalo, did you keep the ball?

A: Yeah, I kept the ball. It's in my locker.

Q: Any plans for it?

A: Just take it home. Maybe eventually frame it. I don't know. I might ask him to sign it, but I don't know if I want to ask him.

Q: Coming out of high school, what did people miss that led you to Montana?

A: It was probably a mixture of things. I never really went to any camps until I was going into my senior year, so I kind of started behind the eight-ball. I was in Oregon, which isn't considered California or Texas when it comes to recruiting. So, people were watching my film saying, 'Who is he going against?'

And then the last thing would be my size. I was probably 160 soaking wet coming out of high school. So, it was a combination of all those things.

Q: So, is the NFL a dream at that point in your life? Not that Montana is a bad program, but it's not a football factory, either.

A: Coming out of high school, yeah, that's the dream, obviously, but you can't even really think about that unless you play college. So, my whole mindset was I want to be able to play DI and dominate the DI level and then see what comes after that.

Q: Does being overlooked, whether it was in college or not being invited to the Scouting Combine motivate you? Or what is your motivation?

A: I have a lot of different motivations. My loved ones, my mom is definitely my No. 1. Yeah, I definitely let that stuff drive me. I'm used to that. It's been like that my whole career.

Definitely being the fifth-to-last pick in the draft, not being invited to the Combine, it's just a little extra motivation.

Q: So, once you got to the NFL, did you have to prove to yourself that you belonged?

A: I knew that from Day 1. During the draft, after Nebraska, I was realistic with myself. I had people in my ear telling me that I was going in the fifth round to the seventh round. I knew I was going to be Day 3 but I knew I was better than that. It's about showing everybody else.

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Avenue of Lights draws shoppers to Oconto Falls every year

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Kids run between the displays right after the Avenue of Lights is lit up for the first time in 2021.

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There's Black Friday on the day after Thanksgiving and Cyber Monday after the weekend, not to mention Giving Tuesday. More and more, the Saturday of Thanksgiving weekend is being recognized as Small Business Saturday.

Small Business Saturday has become an important part of small businesses' busiest shopping season.

Historically, reported projected spending among U.S. consumers who shopped at independent retailers and restaurants on Small Business Saturday reached an estimated \$19.8 billion.

Locally, Shop Small Saturday is observed with in-store specials on the streets of Shawano Downtown from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 26.

Later in the day, visitors can enjoy Christmas music, hot chocolate and sweet treats while you stroll through the 100 decorated Christmas trees and visit with Santa and his reindeer during the Holiday Stroll from 3-5 p.m. at Franklin Park and the annual Tree Lighting at 5 p.m.

Activities at Franklin Park include:

- A Christmas stocking for each child, sponsored by Shawano Orthodontics.

- Hot chocolate and sweet treats available for purchase.

- Horse and wagon rides sponsored by Wolf River Dental.

- Christmas caroling with the St. Jakobi Church choir.

- Children's activities sponsored by saYPro, which will also be collecting toys for Toys for Tots during the event. Visitors are encouraged to bring an unwrapped toy to donate.

- Children's activities sponsored by Shawano Area Early Childhood Partnership.

- Roasting marshmallows and making s'mores with the Shawano Park and Recreation Department.

- A rock quest throughout the park.

- The Shawano Optimist Club will be providing free holiday goody bags for area youth and will also be collecting non-perishable food items to donate to SAFPARC.

- Story time with the Shawano County Library at 3, 3:30, 4 and 4:30 p.m.

- Christmas music by Terryoke's Mountain Top Entertainment, sponsored by U.S. Cellular.



The tree in the center of Franklin Park is covered in twinkling lights during the 2020 Holiday Stroll and Tree Lighting.

Avenue of Lights is a Christmas season tradition on Oconto Falls' Main Street



Santa and Mrs. Claus settle in after arriving with the Oconto Falls Fire Department and are surrounded by children with their 2021 Christmas lists at the ready.

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Santa and Mrs. Claus' arrival is part of the opening ceremony

The Oconto Falls' Avenue of Lights is guaranteed to make you merry. Add sparkle to the holiday season with a visit to the free, walk-through or drive-through light display in the heart of the city. Every year, Main Street and the East Side Beach are decked out with 100 decorated trees and a dozen Christmas displays.

"All of the lights and decorations help you get into the holiday spirit," said Erica Beaumier, chairperson of the Avenue of Lights.

Organized by the Oconto Falls Lioness Club, the Avenue of Lights involves the entire community. Oconto Falls' businesses, families and nonprofits decorate trees for the holiday light display. Families oftentimes decorate trees in memory of a loved one, making the Christmas exhibit more meaningful.

Visitors can walk along Main Street to look at each display individually or drive through the lighted corridor to get a sweeping view. Many Oconto Falls residents make it

a point to drive down the Avenue of Lights on their way home from work every night.

The Avenue of Lights is lit at a special ceremony on the first Saturday after Thanksgiving. The lighting ceremony begins with live entertainment at 6 p.m., followed by Santa Claus arriving on a fire truck at 6:30 p.m.

"Everyone loves seeing Santa," Beaumier said. "We have cookies and hot chocolate, and everyone gets to talk to Santa. We have a choir singing

Christmas carols, and live music isn't always something you hear."

The Avenue of Lights remains lit from 6-10 p.m. daily for the Christmas season, ending Jan. 1.

So, load everyone into the car, turn on the holiday tunes and head to Oconto Falls for the lighting ceremony or a trip down the Avenue. It's a holiday tradition the whole family will love.

"I hope it brings joy to the community," Beaumier said. "That's why we do it every year."



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Oconto Holtwood Campground, 400 Holtwood Way, Oconto, is open free of charge. Wonderland opens the day after Thanksgiving and remains open 5-11 p.m. daily until Jan. 1. Winter Wonderland has been a family tradition for generations of Oconto residents because it's something that everyone can enjoy, young and old alike.

"We try to get new displays every year to switch it up," Reed said. "It's free, and families can come and go as many times as they'd like."

Oconto-area businesses, nonprofits and families sponsor displays throughout the park, contributing to the display's community feel and holiday spirit.

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