

IT'S NOT JUST A DOG DISH, IT'S AN EXPLORATION

Tech ed teacher Waylon Resch, left, discusses how to cut out the parts for a metal dog dish platform with Alexa Chaney. Chaney is one of the "employees" of WB Manufacturing, as Resch describes them. "I call my students employees. They are to show up for work on time every day and get used to the 'work' feeling. I feel this will make them better employees in the long run." Chaney also designed and executed the logo for WB Manufacturing. Find out more, page 2. DAVID WILHELMS | NEW MEDIA

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The Green Bay Packers once again fell short in the championship game and lost the chance to go to the Super Bowl.

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'Employees' check out careers in tech ed course

Exploration enhanced with equipment bought with referendum funds



Waylon Resch, teacher at Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School, explains a technique that can be applied in one of the two new metal lathes to Dalton Resch, a senior. The younger Resch said added he wished they'd had the new equipment, including the lathes, when he was a freshman. "I've definitely experienced more pathways with the new equipment."

By **DAVID WILHELMS**
Reporter

"Employees" have definite requirements in their WB Manufacturing positions in Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School's technical education courses.

"Yes, I call my students 'employees.' They are to show up on time every day and get used to the 'work' feeling. I feel this will make them better employees in the long run," said Waylon Resch, instructor for the technical education courses.

Resch's students can follow two career pathways — manufacturing/engineering and automotive.

Resch's classes have been enhanced with equipment made possible with the approximately \$17.5 million from the district's 2018 referendum. For example, if a student is following the high school automotive skills pathway, Resch said he or she can now learn how to operate safely and properly the same car lift used at Northcentral Technical College, a pre-requisite for the technical college's program, Resch pointed out.

Students have been turning out a variety of projects on the new laser engraving machine with wood carvings of favorite cars and girlfriends the most popular subjects. Resch added insulated mugs and water bottles are also produced on the laser engraver.

Dalton Resch, a senior, said he's found using the laser engraving to convert photos into wood carvings has been really satisfying but he hasn't tried anything original yet. He is not closely related to his instructor.

He added he wished they'd had the new equipment, including two metal lathes, when he was a freshman.

"I've definitely experienced more pathways with the new equipment," Dalton Resch said

Although Dalton Resch likes welding, it gives him a headache and so he's now thinking of training for the plumbing or electrical trades. "This has definitely showed me where I want to be the work force. It's definitely given me a lot of options."

Waylon Resch said that's exactly the kind of outcome that he wants for his students.

"They come to a point where they can make decisions" about their future," he said. "I want them to experiment with everything we have to offer."

Waylon Resch draws on his own job odyssey for his teaching philosophy. He recalled that had he not experienced all of the details of becoming a laser technician, one of his early ambitions, like chemistry, he may have made a poor career choice.

As it was, it was only in his third year of a sheet metal apprenticeship that he discovered he had a passion for helping other students.

"I got quite a bit of satisfaction from helping people get their projects done," Waylon Resch said.

Students have yet to explore a "pick-and-place" robot, Waylon Resch said, "but that's huge. A lot of companies are adding robotics."

J&D Tube Benders in Schofield, a frequent field trip destination for the classes, is a good example where prospective employees need to know

how to run robotic equipment, he added.

Also just in the starting blocks is a vinyl cutter and two three-dimension printers in terms of fully understanding and applying their capabilities.

Junior Alexa Chaney displayed a Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School logo with the Charger mascot along with a U.S. Army logo she fashioned using the school's plasma cutter. She was also the designer of this class' WB Manufacturing logo.

She enjoys anything that takes a long thought process to design it but "sat there for two days trying to come up with something unique" for the class "company" logo. She finally settled on a stylized coronavirus wearing a mask.

Waylon Resch said the logo will be attached to class projects and students will see their projects around town, taking pride in the accomplishment.

"There are projects that some of them do alone and other projects where they have to work as a team to get the project done, using each other's strengths," he said, citing as an example a trailer now nearing completion.

Chaney said she really enjoys working with metal and plasma cutting and she'd pursue an advanced course of study "if I can find a degree proper for it. I just haven't found it yet."

The high school junior finds she's enjoying the new equipment because "everything comes out better. It's more precise with the new equipment."

Another addition from referendum funds is 12 workstations for learning small engines and their repair, Resch said. That learning area is also enhanced by the donation of 24 small engines from The Kohler Company, Waylon Resch said.



Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School junior Alexa Chaney designed this year's WB Manufacturing logo. She enjoys anything that takes a long thought process to design. She finally settled on a stylized coronavirus wearing a mask.

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Dalton Resch, a senior at Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School, said his tech ed classes helped him make decisions about his future. "This has definitely showed me where I want to be the work force. It's definitely given me a lot of options."

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Bowler elementary students show off their hats

ABOVE: Showing off their head gear in the second-grade reading group in Joe Ferrero's class are, clockwise from the cheesehead, Nicholas Merckes, Cole Parker, substitute teacher Marissa Vele, Jackson Inman and Jaiden Hartleben.

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LEFT: First-grader Raya Rosenow sports a jaunty camouflage baseball cap Jan. 15 when she participated in the Bowler Elementary School's hat day.

CONTRIBUTED

COURT NEWS

Recent proceedings in Shawano-Menominee County District Court include:

- Kirk R. Standstraight, 38, Ringle, was charged Jan. 11 with possession of THC with a repeater modifier and a party to a crime modifier; four counts of misdemeanor bail jumping all with repeater modifiers and resisting/obstructing an officer with a repeater modifier. A cash bond of \$2,000 was set and an initial appearance will resume Feb. 3.

- Chad D. Klaus, 46, Suamico, was charged Jan. 11 with operating while intoxicated, second offense and second degree recklessly endangering safety. A cash bond of \$2,000 was signed and posted and an initial appearance will resume Jan. 25.

- Robert S. Powless, 35, Shawano, was charged Jan. 11 with a felon in possession of a firearm. A \$500 cash bond was set and an initial appearance will resume Jan. 27.

- A summons was issued for Aaron C. Miller, 32, Bowler, on Jan. 12 on charges of knowingly violating a domestic abuse order/injunction, domestic abuse, 10 counts of misdemeanor bail jumping and two counts of felony bail jumping. An initial appearance was set for Feb. 1.

- Adrian Orozco, 28, Green Bay, was charged Jan. 13 with possession of methamphetamine with a repeater modifier and a party to a crime modifier; possession of narcotic drugs with a repeater modifier and a party to a crime modifier and possession of drug paraphernalia with a repeater modifier and a party to a crime modifier. A cash bond of \$1,000 was set and an initial appearance will resume Jan. 26.

- Roseann Garcia, 25, Green Bay, was charged Jan. 13 with possession of methamphetamine with a party to a crime modifier; possession of narcotic drugs with party to a crime modifier and possession of drug paraphernalia with a party to a crime modifier. A signature bond of \$3,000 was signed and an initial appearance will resume Jan. 26.

- William V. Hanchett, 34, Shawano, was charged Jan. 14 with a felon in possession of a firearm with a repeater modifier and possession of THC with a repeater modifier. A cash bond of \$500 was set and a preliminary hearing was scheduled for Feb. 2.

- Riley M. Mohawk, 21, Bowler, was charged Jan. 15 with taking and driving a vehicle without the owner's consent; misappropriating identification to avoid a penalty; resisting/obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct. A cash bond of \$5,000 was set and a preliminary hearing was set for Jan. 25.

- Collin J. Benner, 27, Appleton, was found guilty Jan. 15 of two counts of possession of THC and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia. He was ordered to provide a DNA sample and pay fines and costs of \$2,030.

- Noelia L.G. Ramirez-Gilsoul, 21, Oneida, was found guilty Jan. 14 of resisting/obstructing an officer and sentenced to 30

days in jail; operating while intoxicated, fifth or sixth offense and sent to state prison for 18 months and parole for four years, have an ignition interlock installed for 36 months and operating while revoked and sentenced to 30 days in jail. All sentences will be served concurrently. A charge of misappropriating identification information to avoid a penalty was dismissed but read into the record. She was ordered to pay fines and costs of \$3,246.

- Tony C.A. Hughes, 35, Shawano, was found guilty Jan. 12 of battery with a domestic abuse repeater modifier and domestic abuse modifier. An 18-month prison term was imposed and stayed, he was sentenced to 90 days in jail with Huber Law privileges, and he will be on probation for two years. A count of strangulation/suffocation was dismissed but read into the record. Hughes was found guilty of resisting/obstructing an officer and ordered to spend nine months in jail with Huber Law privileges. The jail terms will be served concurrently. He was also ordered to pay \$731.20 in fines and assessments.

- Joleen M. Hawpetoss, 42, Shawano, was charged Jan. 18 with possession of THC, second offense. She signed a \$1,000 signature bond. No further court action was listed.

- Robert R. Umland, 28, Shawano, was charged Jan. 19 with operating while revoked, two counts of misdemeanor bail jumping and possession of methamphetamine. He posted a cash bond of \$500 and an initial appearance will resume Feb. 2.

- James R. Cackovic, 22, Irma, was charged Jan. 19 with possession of drug paraphernalia and two counts of felony bail jumping. He signed a cash bond of \$500 and an initial appearance will resume Feb. 9.

- Allen Ortiz Corporan, 50, Shawano, was charged Jan. 20 with attempted first degree intentional homicide with a domestic abuse modifier; burglary while armed with a dangerous weapon with a domestic abuse modifier; false imprisonment with use of a dangerous weapon and domestic abuse modifiers; knowingly violating a domestic abuse order; aggravated battery with intent to do great bodily harm with use of a dangerous weapon and domestic abuse modifiers; three counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, two with domestic abuse modifiers; criminal damage to property with a domestic abuse modifier and battery or threat to a judge, prosecutor or law enforcement officer. A cash bond of \$500,000 was set and an initial appearance will resume March 29.

- Joseph S. Sazama, 58, Mattoon, was charged Jan. 20 with operating while revoked and three counts of felony bail jumping. He signed a cash bond of \$500 and a preliminary hearing was set for Feb. 23.

Sazama was also charged Jan. 25 with operating while revoked and four counts of felony bail jumping. A cash bond of \$750 was set and an additional \$1,000 signature

bond imposed. No further court action was listed after the Jan. 25 initial appearance.

- Jerry L. Waukau, 39, Keshena, was charged Jan. 20 with operating while revoked and three counts of felony bail jumping. A cash bond of \$500 was set and an initial appearance will resume Jan. 27.

- Stephen M. McCluskey, 30, Shawano, was charged Jan. 22 with five counts of possession of child pornography. A cash bond of \$40,000 was set and a preliminary hearing scheduled for Feb. 11.

- Susan E. Piekosz, 55, Birnamwood, was charged Jan. 25 with possession of THC and two counts of felony bail jumping. A cash bond of \$300 was signed and an additional \$1,000 signature bond imposed. An initial appearance will resume Feb. 23.

- Samuel L. French, 28, Milwaukee, was charged Jan. 25 with possession of methamphetamine with party to a crime and repeater modifiers; possession of drug paraphernalia with party to a crime and repeater modifiers; possession of THC, second offense, with party to a crime and repeater modifiers and possession of an illegally obtained prescription with party to a crime and repeater modifiers. A \$3,000 cash bond was set and an initial appearance will resume Feb. 2.

- Trista R. Paul, 24, Birnamwood, was charged Jan. 25 with possession of methamphetamine with party to a crime and repeater modifiers; possession of drug paraphernalia with party to a crime and repeater modifiers; possession of THC with party to a crime and repeater modifiers and possession of an illegally obtained prescription with party to a crime and repeater modifiers. A \$500 cash bond was set and an initial appearance will resume Feb. 2.

- Angel M. Deverney, 23, Crandon, was charged Jan. 25 with possession of THC and three counts of felony bail jumping. A cash bond of \$750 was set. No further court action was listed.

- Kaylean J. Frechette, 23, Shawano, was charged Jan. 25 with battery by prisoners and disorderly conduct. A \$1,000 cash bond was set and an initial appearance will resume Feb. 17.

- Bert F. Roehl, 58, Eland, was charged Jan. 25 with receiving or concealing stolen property valued under \$2,500, six counts of felony bail jumping and three counts of misdemeanor bail jumping. An initial appearance was scheduled for Feb. 12.

- Rosa L. Madosh, 51, Keshena, was found guilty of misdemeanor bail jumping Jan. 22. A one-year jail sentence was imposed and stayed and probation imposed for two years. She was also ordered to serve 120 days in jail with Huber Law privileges and may be served consecutively with a Brown County conviction. The penalties involve a 2017 incident.

- Shua Y. Vang, 35, Shawano, was ordered Jan. 20 to spend one year on probation concurrently on charges of operating while revoked and possession of amphetamine/LSD/psilocybin. A charge

of possession of an illegally obtained prescription was dismissed but read into the record. He was ordered to provide a DNA sample. Cash bonds of \$500 were applied to fines and assessments with a balance due of \$240.65.

- On Jan. 20, Anyssa C.M. Ellwart, 18, Green Bay, was found guilty of two counts of threats to injure or accuse another person of a crime with party to a crime modifiers and sentenced to three years of probation, three months in jail, an additional three months of jail time imposed and stayed with Huber Law privileges and may be served in Brown County. Two additional counts of threats to injure or accuse another person of a crime with party to a crime modifiers were dismissed but read into the record. Two counts of misdemeanor bail jumping charge were dismissed but read into the record. The penalties were imposed for an October 2019 incident. She was ordered to pay fines and court assessments of \$1,594.50.

- Jeffrey A. Rohn, 40, Appleton, was found guilty of felony bail jumping Jan. 20 and was given a 90-day jail term with work release privileges and credit for 27 days served. Two additional counts of felony bail jumping were dismissed but read into the record. He was ordered to undergo counseling, provide a DNA sample and pay \$583.10 in fines and court assessments.

- Robert G. Wallace, 31, Shawano, was sentenced to two years of probation after he was found guilty of possession of methamphetamine with a repeater modifier Jan. 21. A charge of resisting/obstructing an officer was dismissed but read into the record. He was ordered to undergo counseling, provide a DNA sample and pay \$858.75 in fines and court assessments.

- Frank W. Thomas, 44, Shawano, was found guilty of operating with a Prohibited Blood Alcohol Content (PAC), fourth offense, on Jan. 20. A sentence of 210 days in jail was imposed and stayed with 150 days already served. He will also spend three years on probation for the conviction. He was also found guilty of operating while revoked and ordered to spend 15 days in jail with Huber Law privileges and served concurrently. His driver's license was suspended for 90 days. On a charge of resisting/failing to stop, Thomas was sentenced to 30 days in jail with Huber Law privileges. A count of operating while intoxicated, fourth offense, was dismissed. A count of disorderly conduct was dismissed but read into the record.

- Robert M. Roche, 58, Wittenberg, was sentenced to three years in prison, three years of extended supervision, 36 month driver's license revocation and an ignition interlock required for 36 months for a Jan. 14 conviction of operating with PAC, seventh, eighth or ninth offense. A count of operating while intoxicated, seventh offense, was dismissed. A count of operating while revoked was dismissed but read into the record. He was ordered to undergo counseling, provide a DNA sample and pay fines and assessments of \$2,452.

OPINION

Is this the country the founders envisioned?

Thomas Jefferson sat down at his desk, his heart beating in his chest as he dipped his quill into the ink. His hand shook as he moved it, pausing above the paper. He suddenly found himself frozen, the weight of what he was about to write had sunk in. He was drafting the very document that would give the country he had seen rise from nothing, its independence from England. The next words he would write would become the foundation of everything that countly would represent, all of the values it would hold, and what the people of that country would stand for.

His head filled with visions of people celebrating, living in freedom, with opportunities abounding. He finally put the quill to the paper and wrote, “A Declaration of the Representation of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.”

While nobody knows exactly how this moment looked, I am sure it was filled with hope. After many years of living without representation, a long war, and many men killed, the idea of forming a new country with more freedom, representation, and rights than any other country in the world, must have been exciting.

Benjamin Franklin once said,



SOPHIE LALLY

“Freedom is not a gift bestowed upon us by other men, but a right that belongs to us by the laws of God and nature.” This firm belief that freedom is a basic right has been

shown in the importance that is put on the freedom of speech, freedom of the press, the right to bear arms, and freedom of religion.

On Nov. 11, 1620, the Mayflower arrived in America. This ship was full of people who had been willing to endure not only years of oppression for their religion, but also two months of sickness, storms, and dangerous conditions on the water. That arrival in America marked a new beginning for these people, one where they could speak openly about the God they believed in without being criticized, persecuted, or even killed. This freedom was so important to young America that it was put in the very first amendment of The Constitution.

In America today, we are still allowed to practice any religion, however, we are not allowed to always

openly speak about that religion in our schools, and places of work. This is not the execution of the First Amendment as the Founding Fathers had once intended.

James Otis once said, “Taxation without representation, is tyranny.” After living for years without representation in the government of the country that ruled them, the Founding Fathers knew that in their country, everyone needed to have a voice. These men wanted a country in which it was OK to publicly share your opinion on issues that matter to you and have those opinions and values represented by the elected men and women of your county, district, or state. This aspect of the Founding Fathers’ vision is how our government functions to this day.

Many men and women have continually chosen to sacrifice their time, energy, and even lives for the country that we live in. The freedoms that the Founding Fathers wanted for the new Americans weren’t just given to our country. Soldiers had to battle through harsh weather, diseases, and death that seemed to never end, simply for the right to create their own country.

After fighting so long and hard for the freedoms Americans now enjoy,

the Founding Fathers would have assumed that Americans today would be appreciative and thankful for this gift. However, many have become so used to these freedoms that they take them for granted, ignoring the work and sacrifice of those who did and are still fighting to keep it that way.

Many young Americans have grown up with so much freedom, comfort and security that they are unable to understand what it would be like to live in a country without those freedoms. This is not the appreciation the Founding Fathers would have expected from a country founded on freedom.

As Americans, take this opportunity to pause and appreciate the things that you take for granted. Spend time with your family, thank a soldier or a veteran, respect those who protect your freedoms, and be kind. These simple acts can guarantee that no matter what others are doing, you can help ensure that the country we are living in represents the country the Founding Fathers once hoped to create.

Sophie Lally is a senior at Suring High School. This essay won the state Voice of Democracy contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW

Remote access to meetings not ideal for public

As a local government reporter, I watch a lot of public meetings — from city councils and county boards, to criminal intake hearings and public listening sessions, to basically everything in between.

It has not been a walk in the park.

Many meetings have cut out mid-livestream, with those in the meeting carrying on anyway, essentially operating behind closed doors for several minutes or longer.

Other meetings are hard to understand because of the cluster of screens, voices or background noise coming from unmuted mics. Often it’s unclear who cast which vote on an item.

Some meetings have mistakenly been posted under an incorrect streaming link, and one meeting required me to download a new program that crashed my computer several times.

I recently wanted to tune in to an



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important meeting, but could not find the streaming information anywhere, even though the agenda told me the meeting was open to the public through Zoom.

I emailed someone for the login information and was discouraged from attending. “It’s usually a long meeting,” they wrote. (Eventually, they gave me the info and I joined and watched the very long meeting — which is my right.)

Early on in the pandemic, the Wisconsin Department of Justice laid out guidance for making sure virtual meetings comply with the state’s Open Meetings Law. It calls for providing alternatives to those without internet access or who are hearing-impaired,

and it encourages officials not to speak over each other and to identify themselves each time they speak.

There are some public bodies that do a phenomenal job, taking roll-call votes for every action item, or streaming meetings live to platforms like YouTube or Facebook that store the videos for later viewing, but there’s still much more that can and should be done.

Public bodies should use free platforms to livestream meetings that don’t require a download or account creation for those who simply want to watch and not participate. They should provide closed-captioning when possible, or include an American Sign Language interpreter on the livestream — a practice that should continue after we return to in-person meetings.

An IT hotline should be created, so members of the public can call when a meeting livestream cuts out or isn’t

working, or if they have issues logging on. It could be as simple as listing the number or email of a staff member who will be handling the meeting.

Before speaking, meeting participants should say their names, and make sure they speak loudly and clearly.

Now there is light at the end of the tunnel, and we may be returning to the boardroom or council chambers soon. This whole practice of livestreaming also has its perks — it gives officials and members of the public an alternative to attending in-person when they’re unable. We should use it as a tool even after the pandemic.

While livestreaming meetings is the norm, we need to do a better job of making sure no one slips through the cracks.

Your Right to Know is a monthly column distributed by the Wisconsin Freedom of Information Council. Olivia Herken covers local government for the La Crosse Tribune.

Cellcom offering \$750 scholarships to graduating high school students

The online application for Cellcom scholarships is now open.

Cellcom will award 16 \$750 scholarships to graduating high school seniors across its service area this year.

Recipients will be selected on the basis of academic record, potential to succeed, leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, work experience and an essay on community involvement.

Financial need is not considered. Applicants must reside within a county in Wisconsin or Michigan where Cellcom operates and be planning to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an

accredited two- or four-year college, university or technical school.

Applications are due March 15, and only online applications will be accepted. Interested students can visit www.cellcom.com/events.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Jan. 25

Deputies responded to 43 calls, including a criminal damage complaint on County Road N in the Town of Almon; two drug complaints at the county jail, 405 N. Main St. in Shawano; a trespassing complaint on Lily Road in the Town of Birnamwood; a juvenile runaway complaint on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving complaints on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott and two on state Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland; a harassment complaint on U.S. Highway 45 in Tigerton; a fraud complaint on Sandy Drive in the Town of Washington; four crashes, one involving deer.

Jan. 24

Deputies responded to 37 calls, including an arrest for bail jumping at Boarders Inn, W7393 River Bend Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; a burglary attempt on Green Bay Street in Bonduel; a property

theft complaint on Stark Road in the Town of Wescott; a drug complaint at the Ho-Chunk Casino, N7198 U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Wittenberg; found property at the Ho-Chunk Casino, N7198 U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Wittenberg; a reckless driving complaint on state Highway 29 in the Town of Morris; eight crashes.

Jan. 23

Deputies responded to 36 calls, including a reckless driving complaint on County Road J in the Town of Fairbanks; recovered property on Leopolis Road in the Town of Herman; operating without a license complaints on Maplewood Road in the Town of Birnamwood and County Road A in the Town of Richmond; a harassment complaint on state Highway 156 in the Town of Maple Grove; seven crashes, three involving deer.

Jan. 22

Deputies responded to 38 calls, including a threatening complaint on Hemlock Street in Eland; a property theft complaint at Luigi's Pizza, 607 S. Main St.

in Shawano; a reckless driving complaint on state Highway 29 in the Town of Belle Plaine; four crashes, all involving deer.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jan. 25

Officers responded to 21 calls, including a domestic disturbance in the 400 block of East Zingler Avenue; a death investigation in the 1400 block of East Elizabeth Street; a punctured tire complaint at The Store, 404 E. Green Bay St.; a non-injury crash in the 500 block of South Main Street; a property theft complaint in the 200 block of South Washington Street; a found Quest card brought to the police station, 125 S. Sawyer St.; a reckless driving complaint on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; operating without a license at Main and Third streets.

Jan. 24

Officers responded to 14 calls, including a noise complaint in the 1000 block of South River Street; citing a 29-year-old woman for operating while intoxicated at Franklin and Eagle streets; a non-injury

crash in the 300 block of East Randall Street; a controlled substance problem at an undisclosed location.

Jan. 23

Officers responded to 23 calls, including a missing phone at Green Bay Street and Woodlawn Drive; a controlled substance problem at an undisclosed location; a hit-and-run on Main Street.

Jan. 22

Officers responded to 37 calls, including an operating while intoxicated call at Andrews and Green Bay streets; a controlled substance problem at an undisclosed location; a money theft complaint in the 800 block of West Picnic Street; crashes at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St., and Taco Bell, 1266 E. Green Bay St.; a call on stolen medications in the 700 block of South Lincoln Street; a threatening complaint in the 800 block of East Richmond Street; a stolen phone complaint in the 600 block of East Lieg Avenue; a hit-and-run at Dollar Tree, 172 Woodlawn Drive.

OBITUARIES

James Thunes passed away on Jan. 16, 2021, in the COVID-19 unit of Luther Manor in Wauwatosa.

Due to COVID-19, a private funeral for family will be held later in the year. In lieu of flowers, you may make a donation to your favorite charity.

Jim was born March 5, 1930, to Jens and Caroline (nee Burger) Thunes. He graduated from Menominee High School and served in the Army during the Korean War. Jim married his high school sweetheart



Menominee, Michigan. He also played clarinet and accordion in a local dance band. He later moved to Green Bay, where he worked for 30 years at Paper Converting Machine Company.

Marilyn Anita Waltonen on Dec. 27, 1950, and they had three children. Jim worked as a draftsman at Signal Electric Manufacturing Co. and Prescott Company in

James Thunes

He and Marilyn retired to Legend Lake in Keshena, where he enjoyed fishing, working on the house and feeding the birds, squirrels and chipmunks. They later moved to Luther Manor in Wauwatosa, where they enjoyed many walks around the complex together until Marilyn's death in 2013. After her death, Jim continued taking his daily walks and visiting residents. He was a member of Abiding Word Lutheran Church in Wauwatosa.

Jim is survived by his children, Kerry (Wayne) Binnington, Jerry

(Joyce) Thunes and James (Kathy) Thunes; grandchildren, Jamie Binnington, Arron (Nicole) Thunes, James Thunes, Celesta (Ryan) Milanowski, David (Emily) Thunes and Michael Thunes; great-grandchildren Caden and baby Thunes, Emberly and Kaisley Milanowski.

He was preceded in death by his parents and beloved wife.

Our whole family thanks the staff and caregivers at Luther Manor and Hospice for all of the great care they provided to Mom and Dad over the years.

Stella J. Dunahee

Stella Joyce Dunahee (nee Jeske) passed on to her reward on Dec. 25, 2020.

Stella was born Aug. 20, 1944, at home in Cecil to Gilbert and Lelia Jeske. Upon graduation from Oconto Falls High School in 1962, she started her certified professional secretary career as a clerk-typist with the FBI in Washington D.C. After a year with the bureau, she attended Madison Business College and upon graduation in 1964 continued her secretarial

career with the University of Wisconsin Horticulture Department in Madison.

She married Stanley Dunahee in 1968 and worked for the Center for Advanced Study of Organizational Science at UW-Extension Milwaukee, and UWM Physical Plant, Milwaukee. Upon the birth of her sons Kenneth and Steven took a hiatus of seven years after which she worked for the city of Muskego parks and recreation and for the local landfill

committees as secretary.

Stella is survived by her husband, Stanley Dunahee; son, Kenneth Dunahee, and his wife, Sonja Stanich; son, Steven Dunahee; granddaughter Samantha Dunahee; grandson Malcolm Dunahee; siblings and their spouses, Leroy and Edith Jeske, Russell and Betty Jeske, Orphie and Loren Hamilton, Arnie and Susie Jeske, and Tom and Jean Jeske; brother-in-law and his wife, Lynn and Kathy Dunahee; sister-in-law Virginia Gully;

nieces, nephews, extended family and many dear friends.

Stella was preceded in death by her father and mother, Gilbert and Leila Jeske; and siblings Billy and Sally Jeske, who died in infancy.

Private services were held.

Stella was a regular blood donor. In lieu of flowers, please consider becoming a blood donor, or if you are unable to donate blood, please consider giving to Versiti or the American Red Cross.

OBITUARIES

Barbara Faye Schmidt, 90, of Shawano, passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2021. Barbara was born in Shawano on Oct. 21, 1930, to the late Walter and Winifred (Shultz) Prickett. Barbara lived in Shawano County most of her life and was raised by her grandparents, Osborn and Ida Shultz. On Feb. 19, 1952, Barbara was united in marriage to Robert Schmidt in Gulfport, Mississippi, where Robert was serving in the United States Air Force.

Upon Robert's honorable discharge, Barbara and her husband returned to Cecil, where they became partners in the Cecil-Green Valley Toll Company. In 1969, Robert and Barbara purchased the company and renamed it the Lakeshore Telephone Company, where Barbara served as vice president until her retirement in 1989.



Barb loved to sing and sang her way through grade school and high school, civic meetings, club meetings and church events. Music filled her life and was an important part of who she was. She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Shawano where she was a member of the choir and held the position of director, as well as serving as chairperson of the worship committee.

She also held many positions in organizations in the Shawano community, including serving as president of United Way, president of the chamber, county board supervisor, vice president of

Barbara Faye Schmidt

Economic Development Group of Shawano County, co-founder and board member of the Shawano Area Community Foundation, board of directors of the National Telephone Co-op Association and board of directors at M&I Bank.

In 1987, Barbara was named Businesswoman of the Year, and in 2007, the Shawano Chamber of Commerce named her Citizen of the Year.

First and foremost, she loved her family. Her husband, family and friends were the dearest treasures of her life, and she will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Barbara is survived by her husband, Robert; children, Jeff Schmidt, Judy (Robert) Costello, Julie Schmidt and Jason (Debi) Schmidt; step-granddaughters, Emily (fiancé Geoff Nevala) Piantek and Hannah

(Greg) Leifel; grandchildren, Chad (Katie Lloyd) Schmidt and Chad's daughter, Macy, and Amanda (Joe) Derenne and their children, Brady and Bailey; half-siblings, Tom (Mary) Prickett, Jeff (Mary) Prickett, Roger (Karen) Prickett, Sandy (Tim) Homp and Lana Prickett; and half-sister-in-law, Geraldine Prickett. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Walter "Bud" (Lorraine) Shultz; half-brother, Douglas Prickett; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Enid and Hamp Pulis; and her grandparents.

Private family services will be held at a later date. Memorials can be directed to Shawano Area Matthew 25 in Shawano.

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James A. "Jim" Winter, 81, of Shawano, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2021, at his home surrounded by his family. Jim was born Aug. 8, 1939, to the late Curt and Hildegard (Schoenick) Winter in Shawano. Jim graduated from Shawano High School, then enlisted and proudly served in the United States Army. Jim lived and worked in the Shawano area all of his life. On Dec. 21, 1974, Jim was united in marriage to Myrna Grignon at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Keshena.



Green Bay Packers and the Milwaukee Brewers with his family.

Jim is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Myrna; one daughter, Ruth (Andy) Winter; and his cat, Sabrina, aka Peanut. He is survived by

Jim enjoyed deer hunting, fishing, gardening, especially flowers, spending time at the lake lot and sitting on his front deck at home. He loved watching the

his siblings, Richard (Maureen) Winter, Nancy Martin, Mary Wastel and Michael (Paula) Winter. He is further survived by brothers-in-law, Robert Grignon and David (Donna) Grignon; one sister-in-law, Mary Grignon; and many nieces and nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Curt and Hildegard Winter; his sisters, Betty DeCoster and Jeanne Speering; brother, Roger Winter; one daughter, Jenny Winter; father- and mother-in-law, Raymond and Josephine Grignon Sr.; brothers-in-law, Robert Martin, Duane Speering, Gary Wastel, Cecil Grignon,

Raymond Grignon Jr. and Wilfred Grignon; and sisters-in-law, Mabel Winter and Jeanette Grignon.

A memorial service for Jim was held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, 2021, at Swedberg Funeral Home in Shawano with the Rev. Nonito Barra officiating. Military rites were conducted by the Veterans of the Menominee Nation.

Myrna and Ruth would like to extend a special thank you to the Heartland Home Health Care and Hospice team, especially to Jim's nurse, Tina.

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James A. 'Jim' Winter

Jeffrey A. Youngs

Jeffrey A. "Jeff" Youngs, 62, of Oconto Falls, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 16, 2021, at his home with his loving family by his side.

Jeffrey was born July 19, 1958, in Green Bay, a son of the late Courtland Youngs and Carol (Peterson) McVane. He attended school in Pulaski, graduating with the Class of 1976. Following school, Jeff became a painter by trade and owned his own business. He had a passion for the outdoors and loved fishing, especially during the summer on Lac Vieux Desert. He also loved hunting and trapping. He had a green thumb and a passion for



include his daughter, Sarah (Josh) Youngs of Green Bay, and their children Austin (Natalie), Shane and Tyler; and his son, Jerod (Brook) Youngs of Oconto, and their children, Braxton, Scarlett and Autumn; his great-granddaughter, Adelle; his

gardening and working on his hobby farm. Jeff will be greatly missed as he had a great sense of humor and was always the life of the party.

Survivors

loving fiancée and soul mate, Donna Schell, and her son, Trevor; and his siblings, Mark Youngs of Texas and Kathy VanDeYacht of Pulaski.

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, a celebration of Jeff's life will be held Saturday, June 26, 2021, at his home for his family and friends. Details will follow when available. Memorials will be greatly appreciated to the Bellin Cancer Team-Green Bay or Bellin Health Oconto.

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

The family would like to thank the Bellin Cancer Team in Green Bay, especially Dr. DeVilla and her staff for all the loving care Jeff received while undergoing his treatment for cancer. Also, Bellin Health Oconto Hospital, especially Dr. Russell and the emergency room nursing staff, and Dr. Heyka and the medical unit nursing staff. Your kindness will always be remembered.



Patricia A. Carlsen

Patricia A. Carlsen, 78, of the Town of Larrabee, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2021, at ThedaCare Regional Medical Center-Appleton.

The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory in Clintonville is assisting with the arrangements.

Delores M. Schroeder

Delores M. Schroeder, 85, of Clintonville, passed away Saturday, Jan. 23, 2021, at Aster Assisted Living in Clintonville.

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

Bill would impact when schools close in pandemic

School administrators concerned about impact on local control

By **LEE PULASKI**

City Editor

Schools closed to in-person instruction have been a fact of life over much of the last 10 months, but a state Senate bill could make it harder for local districts to do so if there are health issues.

Sen. Eric Wimberger, R-Green Bay, said he introduced Senate Bill 6 Jan. 19 because he says parents are not happy with virtual learning and some families cannot work from home and monitor their children during the day.

Under the bill, school districts would have to get supermajority votes, at least two-thirds, from their boards every two weeks to close school buildings to in-person instruction, and they would have to provide full-time face-to-face instruction starting no more than 15 days after the state completed Phase 1B of the COVID-19 vaccinations, which includes teachers.

Joe Dawidziak, superintendent for the Bonduel School District, thinks

Wimberger's bill hampers individual districts from handling their own affairs. Although Bonduel's closing this school year was for a shorter period than some of its neighbors, it was something the district did based on data from local and county numbers — not the state's status as a whole.

"I'm not a huge fan of state government making local decisions for school districts," Dawidziak said. "It's probably not going to impact us too much going forward, but I do think there's a danger depending on the makeup of (school) boards. Our board is fantastic, but I'm not a big fan at the state level trying to force decisions that should be made on a local level."

In Bonduel's case, the board put the decision of closing and reopening in the hands of Dawidziak and other administrators. Senate Bill 6 would take that authority away with the requirement of a supermajority board vote.

"We actually passed a policy that, in essence, we could move forward with whatever the decision would be without board approval," Dawidziak said.

For Kelley Strike, superintendent for the Tigerton School District, her concern is more with timing. While



KELLEY STRIKE



JOE DAWIDZIAK

she believes her school board would be in tandem with any decision she makes about closing the schools, she noted that it is not easy to gather a quorum of board members in a quick fashion.

"I understand where that's coming from, but with the timeliness of needing to make decisions, you can't always wait for a board meeting," Strike said. "Even to call a special meeting

takes time, and in a case such as this, you can suddenly have a number of staff or students who become ill, and you need to take immediate action."

Strike noted that the board approved a policy on closing during the pandemic crafted by administrators, staff and the community. Senate Bill 6 would not impact that policy aside from the requirement of a board vote, but she believes that it might be possible for her to pull the trigger and then gather the board to ratify such a decision.

"I use that plan to make determinations or decisions, and I feel that works well," Strike said. "I've gathered input from others, and that gives me a guide and discretion."

Menominee Indian School District has had one of the stricter closures in the area, keeping on a virtual learning model for the entire first semester. The district plans to reopen to students on Feb. 1 in a phased approach. Keshena



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Primary School will have students in class for four days a week, while Menominee Indian Middle School will split its student population into two groups and have the groups meet two days a week in person and three days a week with virtual instruction. Menominee Indian High School will remain virtual for the time being.

The decision to stay closed

for the first semester was in tandem with the tribe's COVID-19 restrictions, which had businesses closed for periods of time. Senate Bill 6 would no longer allow that, which is a cause of concern for Menominee Indian's Superintendent Wendell Waukau.

"My first reaction to that is our schools need to be safe, and I think all schools want our kids back, but we want to do it safely," Waukau said. "I don't know if that bill addressed it from a safety standpoint."

Waukau noted that the tribe was able to help a little with Wi-Fi connectivity in isolated areas but he feels the education bill should provide funding and assistance for rural areas where internet infrastructure is non-existent.

"I think this needs to be a local decision because not all communities are the same. Some have more resources than others," Waukau said.

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ATHLETE PROFILE: LADIA BLOCK

Tigerton senior helping team on recent surge

The Tigerton High School girls basketball team put together a four-game winning streak between Jan. 14-22. Senior Ladia Block filled up the stat sheet during those four contests.

In a win over Bowler on Jan. 14, Block recorded seven points, six rebounds, six steals and five assists. She tallied four points, five rebounds, two steals and three assists in a 42-9 win over Marion on Jan. 15.

Tigerton topped Tomahawk 44-33 on Jan. 19, with Block recording five points, nine rebounds, three steals and three assists. In the team's most recent win over Bowler on Jan. 22, Block had 13 points, eight rebounds and five steals.

Q: When did your interest in basketball begin?

A: In seventh grade. I needed something to do over winter and realized how fun it is.

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

A: Bus rides after a game. Win or lose, we would blast music and sing our hearts out.

Q: What has basketball taught you over the years?

A: Basketball taught me to not get angry when I make a mistake because there's always another chance to do better.

Q: Your team has been able to earn more wins on the court over the past couple weeks. What's led to the recent success?

A: Everyone on the team is back, and because we have worked together for so many years, we have a rhythm.

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

A: Staying positive and going into every game with the intentions to do our best.

ONLINE

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

AT A GLANCE

ATHLETE: Ladia Block

SPORT: Girls basketball

POSITION: Guard

SCHOOL: Tigerton High School

YEAR: Senior

Q: As the season winds down and postseason nears, what are you and your team hoping to accomplish?

A: I would like to finish this season off with winning sectionals.

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

A: I put the purple medical wrap on as a headband. I haven't played a game without it in three years.

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

A: When I made my first 3-pointer against Menominee Indian (as a freshman).

Q: Favorite TV show, movie and musical artist?

A: TV show — "New Girl." Movie — "American Sniper." Musical artist — Alan Jackson.

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

A: Not many people know that I love snakes.

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

A: Life will beat you to your knees and will hold you there if you let it. Keep moving.

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

A: Travel a little and experience life.



Tigerton's Ladia Block looks for an open teammate during a Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division game against Bowler on Jan. 14 in Tigerton.

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Wittenberg-Birnamwood wraps up regular season with 1-2 record at quad

Gauderman,
Potrykus, Worzalla
finish 3-0 on night

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School wrestling team participated in its final tuneup before the postseason, posting a 1-2 record at a quad meet Jan. 21 in Bonduel.

The Chargers started the night with a loss to Crandon, losing on a tiebreaker.

Witt-Birn bounced back with a convincing 39-12 victory over Two Rivers but dropped a close Central Wisconsin Conference dual against Bonduel (36-30) to end the night.

"We were missing a few starters tonight. And we had a couple kids gas out at the end, so we're just going to have to keep working on the conditioning," said Witt-Birn coach Duane Potrykus on how his team fared on the night. "We lost a couple other close matches."

Against Crandon, David Gauderman picked up Witt-Birn's first win of the night, winning by pin in the first period at the 285-pound weight class.

"Some matches you know you're just going to win, and those were those kind of matches," said Gauderman of his two pins. "Sometimes it's hard to move the heavyweights, but it felt fairly easy. (I) probably need to work on getting in better positions for next week's regionals."

After three Witt-Birn forfeits put Crandon up 24-6, Pierson Potrykus and Austin Worzalla earned back-to-back pins at 126 and 132 pounds, respectively, to help the Chargers close the gap.

After Crandon claimed the next weight class to go back up 12, Witt-Birn's Bryce Zoromski was handed a forfeit win at 145 pounds.

Witt-Birn 2020 state qualifier Wyatt Esker then won by a first-period pin at 152 pounds to tie the match before Chase Kitsemble earned a forfeit win at 160 pounds.

Crandon claimed the 170 class by



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Bryce Zoromski finishes off a win by pin during the team's dual win over Two Rivers at a Jan. 21 quad meet in Bonduel.

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pin to tie the match at 36. The tiebreaker was determined by the amount of forfeits each team had; Crandon only forfeited twice, while Witt-Birn forfeited three weight classes.

In the win over Two Rivers, Gauderman (285), Zoromski (145) and Wyatt Esker (152) led the Chargers with wins by pin. Gauderman earned his pin in the first period again, while Zoromski and Esker got their pins in the second period.

Potrykus (126) won a 12-6 decision for Witt-Birn. Worzalla (132), Dakotah Olson (138) and Gavin Esker (182) earned forfeit wins.

In its showdown with Bonduel, Witt-Birn won the first two weight classes by forfeit. Gauderman and Andrew Egging picked up wins at 220 and 285 pounds, respectively.

Bonduel earned the next win at 120 pounds by forfeit before Potrykus picked up his third win of the night, pinning his opponent in just 42 seconds.

Potrykus said his takedowns were the strongest part of his 3-0 night on the mat. "Things to improve on are my endurance throughout the match and being able to push the pace for six minutes," he said.

Worzalla then won by forfeit at 132 pounds to push the score to 24-6 in favor of the Chargers.

Witt-Birn came up short in the

next four weight classes, allowing Bonduel to tie the match and then take the lead after a forfeit at 170 pounds.

Gavin Esker received a forfeit win at 182 pounds to tie the match, but Bonduel emerged victorious in the dual after picking up a forfeit win at 195 pounds.



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Wyatt Esker, top, works toward a pin during the team's dual win over Two Rivers at a Jan. 21 quad meet in Bonduel.

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Witt-Birn will now gear up for the postseason. The Chargers are scheduled to compete in the Division 3 Three Lakes/Phelps Regional on Jan. 30. The top two finishers in each weight class will advance to the Valders Sectional on Feb. 6.

"There is still a lot of room for improvement with the season coming to an end," said Zoromski. "One more week until regionals begins, and we are going to be working harder than ever to get in the tippy top shape that we need to be in."

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COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

Winona State

Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School graduate and current women's track and field athlete for Winona State Maddy Pietz competed in three events at the Craig Hougén Triangular on Jan. 23 in Bemidji, Minnesota.

Pietz placed second in the 60-meter dash prelims with a time of 7.9 seconds before tying for third in the finals (7.93).

Pietz was also on the Winona State 4x400 relay team that placed fourth in 4:19.97. She also competed in the long jump, but didn't post a distance after fouls on her three attempts.

Winona State finished second as a team with 96.5 points, behind St. Cloud State (102) and ahead of

Bemidji State (75.5).

Oakland City

Bowler High graduate Reanne Kietlinski started in three games for the Oakland City University (Indiana) women's basketball team over the past week.

In an 81-56 win over Alice Lloyd College (Kentucky) on Jan. 23, Kietlinski played 15 minutes. She accumulated four points, four assists and two blocks.

In a 92-38 win over Campbellsville University-Harrodsburg (Kentucky), Kietlinski totaled four points and two steals across 18 minutes.

In a 91-70 setback to Asbury University (Kentucky) on Jan. 19, the Bowler grad tallied 14 points, three assists and five rebounds in 26 minutes of action.

RECREATION SCOREBOARD

BOWLING

Resch Lanes — Thursday Men's League

Team	W	L
Resch Lanes	64	41
Cherek Transport	61	44
Legacy Seed Pro	60	45
Melody Mill	59	46
Gutt'er Done	56	49
Gullivers	52	53
RJ Auto Repair	43	62
Legacy Seed	25	80

High team scratch games (top 3): Resch Lanes 1,154, Legacy Seed Pro 1,064, Melody Mill 997.

High individual scratch games (top 7): Caleb Zblewski 278, Jason Resch 257, Joe Onesti 255, Josh Johnson 252, Doug Koeller 247, Allard Mevarden 246, Greg Wolff 245.

High team scratch series (top 3): Resch Lanes 3,152, Legacy Seed Pro 3,066, Melody Mill 2,813.

High individual scratch series (top 7): Jason Resch 726, Joe Onesti 712, Ron Onesti 676, Allard Mevarden 662, Caleb Zblewski 659, Greg Wolff 658, Doug Koeller 644.

Resch Lanes — Monday Ladies Handicap

Team	W	L
Lisa's Lakeside	32	25
Gulliver's Landing	31 1/2	25 1/2
Resch Lanes	30 1/2	26 1/2
Tavern Front	27	30
Strike-a-pose	22	35
Kropf's Meats	19	38

High team handicap games (top 3): Gulliver's Landing 914, Lisa's Lakeside 823, Kropf's Meats 809.

High individual handicap games (top 7): Heather

Schultz 247, Sue Zeinert 246, Tara Milanowski 241, Lynn Brown 236, Jenny Schrank 234, Sue Thiex 228, Shirley Petersen 224, Cassandra Eckes 224.

High team handicap series (top 3): Gulliver's Landing 2,512, Lisa's Lakeside 2,422, Kropf's Meats 2,369.

High individual handicap series (top 7): Heather Schultz 674, Jenny Schrank 655, Sue Thiex 653, Tara Milanowski 652, Sue Zeinert 630, Jean Kriehn 616, Brenda Rondeau 612.

Resch Lanes — Wednesday Night Handicap

Team	W	L
Liberty Potatoes	76	64
Slammers	66	74
Resch Lanes (1)	64 1/2	75 1/2
Mama's Place	64	76
Tavern Front	64	76
Hanke's Sentry Foods	60	80
Resch Lanes (2)	59 1/2	80 1/2
Kemmer Electronics	50	90

High team handicap games (top 3): Mama's Place 1,277, Hanke's Sentry Foods 1,259, Kemmer Electronics 1,252.

High individual handicap games (top 7): Blaine Paszek 303, Jason Hanson 291, Randall Skaggs 289, Jordan Wanta 286, Zach Ostrowski 282, Dylan Resch 281, Brian Mattmiller 279.

High team handicap series (top 3): Mama's Place 3,638, Hanke's Sentry Foods 3,587, Liberty Potatoes 3,566.

High individual handicap series (top 7): Tom Berg 768, Jason Hanson 765, Taylor Arndt 758, Paul Bahr 754, Danny Schrank 752, Jordan Wanta 747, Jamie Deruchowski 742.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING
Village of Wittenberg, Wisconsin
February 2, 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that there will be a Public Information Meeting held at the Wittenberg Village Hall located at 208 W. Vinal Street, Wittenberg, Wisconsin, at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 2021.

The purpose of the meeting is to inform the public about sidewalk projects proposed to be constructed by the Village in 2021. Sidewalk is proposed on the east side of North Genesee Street from just north of East Grand Avenue to Taco Johns (just south of Highway 29 ramps). Sidewalk is also proposed on the south side of East Grand Avenue from North Meisner Street to South Mission Street.

Information regarding the sidewalk projects will be discussed, and preliminary plans will be available for viewing at the Public Information Meeting.

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Invitation to Bid
Village of Eland, Shawano County

The Village of Eland, Shawano County is accepting sealed bids for construction of a new concession and grandstand at the Eland Ballpark, located on the corner of 4th Street and Wheeler Avenue.

Project is for the construction of a 15.5' x 54' x 22' bi-level concession and grandstand unit to be built on a new reinforced concrete slab. Exterior will consist of 29-gauge steel siding and roofing panels, two insulated steel doors, three rolling aluminum service counter covers and two double pane vinyl clad windows. Inside details will include wooden staircase to press box, laminated countertops, electrical and plumbing hook-ups.

In order to bid, there will be a mandatory meeting held at 4:30 pm on Wednesday February 3, 2021 at the Eland Ballpark to review and receive all project specifications. Complete understanding of the project is a must prior to starting, as no add-on's, additions or changes will be accepted.

Bids will be accepted until 7:00 pm on Monday March 1, 2021 at the Eland Village Hall. Bids can be mailed to the Village of Eland P.O. Box 65 Eland, WI 54427. All bids shall be sealed and marked "Ballpark Project". For further information, please contact Trustee Shane Larson at 715.881.0445. Approved bidder will need to submit a certificate of liability to the Clerk before beginning project. The Village of Eland reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Marnie Osterbrink, Clerk
Village of Eland

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COLLEGE NOTES

Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

The dean's list includes 465 undergraduate students who earned a grade point average of 3.6 or better on a 4.0 scale.

Logan Hanus, Wittenberg, has been named to the fall 2020 dean's list.

UW-Stout

The dean's list for the fall 2020 semester, formerly known as the Chancellor's Award, is presented to students who have a grade point average of 3.5 or above.

Wittenberg: Torri Eckert, sophomore, BFA entertainment design; Matthew Kapitz, junior, BS technology education Marilla Von Haden, junior, BS apparel design and development

Ripon College

To qualify for the dean's list, students must achieve a 3.4 grade point average or higher and complete at least 12 credits.

Lauren Bahr, Wittenberg, was named to the dean's list for the fall semester.

UW-Green Bay

To receive highest honors for the fall 2020 semester, students must be full-time and must earn a 4.0 GPA, or straight A's. high honors go to students earning 3.75 to 3.99 GPAs. Honors are given to students earning 3.5 to 3.74 GPAs. The list includes students attending all four UW-Green Bay campuses (Green Bay, Marinette, Manitowoc, Sheboygan).

- Aniwa: Kristi Hohensee, honors

- Birnamwood: Cassie Andraschko, high honors; Elizabeth Rustick, high honors; Brooke Thiex, high honors

- Bowler: Brooke Breitrack, high honors; Jada Waters, high honors

- Eland: Marissa Groshek, honors; Griffin Magee, high honors

- Hatley: Tanner Dallman, honors; Kylie Linke, highest honors

- Tigerton: Emily Moderson, highest honors; Nathaen Wanta, high honors

- Wittenberg: Eloise Williamson, honors

UW-Madison

To be eligible for the dean's list, students must complete a minimum of 12 credits in that semester. Each university school or college sets its own GPA requirements for students to be eligible to receive the distinction.

- Aniwa: Jurnee Beilke, College of Engineering, dean's honor list

- Birnamwood: Tyler Schroepfer, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, dean's list

- Eland: Alex Nelson, College of Engineering, dean's honor list; Michael Nelson, College of Engineering, dean's honor list; Stetson Potrykus, School of Pharmacy, honor roll

- Hatley: Logan Balliett, College of Engineering, dean's honor list; Nathan Jacobson, College of Engineering, dean's honor list; Chloe King, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, dean's list

- Tigerton: Anna Watters, College of Letters and Science, dean's list

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#3023
January 15, 22, 29, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 21CV3A
Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing
In the Matter of the Name Change of:
LeLand Ray Schulz
Notice is Given:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: LeLand Ray Schult
To: LeLand Ray Komosa
Birth Certificate: LeLand Ray Komosa
It is Ordered:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin:
Judge's Name: Judge Sloma
Place: 311 N Main St Branch 1
Shawano, WI 54166
Date: February 23, 2021
Time: 1:15 PM
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#3024
January 15, 22, 29, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 21CV3B
Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing
In the Matter of the Name Change of:
Donald Lee Schulz
By (Petitioner) Samantha Marie Komosa
Notice is Given:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

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To: Donald Lee Donald Lee Komosa
Birth Certificate: Donald Lee Komosa
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#3025
January 15, 22, 29, 2021
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 21CV3C
Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing
In the Matter of the Name Change of:
Niccie Yvonne Schulz
By (Petitioner) Samantha Marie Komosa
Notice is Given:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Niccie Yvonne Schulz
To: Niccie Yvonne Komosa
Birth Certificate: Niccie Yvonne Komosa
It is Ordered:
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2020 Readers Poll

Deadline: January 31, 2021

BALLOT #1

Best Goods:

☐ Flower Shop _____

☐ Grocery Store _____

☐ Hardware Store _____

☐ Tile/Flooring _____

Best Services:

☐ A/C & Heating _____

☐ Bank _____

☐ Child Care _____

☐ Chiropractor _____

☐ Credit Union _____

☐ Dentist _____

☐ Insurance Agency _____

☐ Optometrist _____

☐ Pharmacy _____

☐ Real Estate _____

☐ Tax Service _____

☐ Veterinarian _____

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2020 Readers Poll

Deadline: January 31, 2021

BALLOT #2

Best Thing To Do:

- ☐ Bowling Alley _____
- ☐ Casino _____
- ☐ Happy Hour _____
- ☐ Live Music _____
- ☐ Meat Market _____
- ☐ Night Spot _____

Best Outdoor Activities:

- ☐ Bait/Tackle Shop _____
- ☐ Golf Course _____
- ☐ Lawn/Garden _____

Best Vehicle Services:

- ☐ Auto Body Repair _____
- ☐ Auto Parts Supply Store _____
- ☐ Car Dealer _____
- ☐ Vehicle Service Center _____
- ☐ Tire Store _____

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Wittenberg-Biramwood School District Official Minutes of the Board of Education

December 21, 2020

Meeting called to order by President Chuck Wendler, Pursuant to WI STATS. 1984 (1). Superintendent Rogowski verified that this meeting was posted and published as required by law.

Roll Call of the Board: All nine Board Members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approve the Minutes: (Pestka - Olson) moved to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2020 regular meeting as circulated. Motion carried.

Delegations & Communications: In attendance along with Board members were; Garrett Rogowski, Joy Harleben, Randy Berndt, Megan Marcks, Vicky Haas, John Rudeen, Nikki Steigenwald, Amber Danielecki, Kevin Brunnett, Kate Joltz, Janet Olson, Meagan Gieske, Jenny Steirke, Becky and Becky Wendel

Public Comments: New staff members were in attendance and they introduced themselves to the Board.

Board Concerns or Reports: The Board again wanted to thank the staff for staying strong and keeping our kids with face to face instruction.

Financial Report: (Magee - Stewart) Motion to pay the following as of December 21, 2020: Budgetary checks numbering 100105-100304 in the amount of \$175,843.52; payroll checks numbering 142009-142034 in the amount of \$348,816.72; direct deposit advices in the amount of \$363,696.66; ACH payments in the amount of \$269,092.61 and credit card payments in the amount of \$22,402.05 I make a motion to approve all journal entries made for the month of November. Roll call vote: 9 yes Motion carried.

Superintendent Rogowski reported a cash on deposit as of November 30, 2020 of \$1,403,448.40 and LOP

Account balance as of November 30, 2020 of \$954.37

Approve the Agenda: (Pietz - Pestka) moved to approve the agenda moving items D & E to the January Agenda and adding item J Update on Covid Protocols. One closed item on non-union support staff negotiations. Motion carried.

Administrative Reports:

Megan Marcks, Pupil Services Director stated that they are working accommodation for statewide testing that will be submitted in January. The Counselor team has been working towards 8th grade planning and scheduling to prepare for 21-22 school year. Our Early Childhood Program will be split in 2 group. A Mon/Wed group and a Tue/Thur group. The High School Education class has been working on making Christmas projects and then selling them.

Randy Berndt, Biramwood Elem/MS Principal stated that it has been a very challenging month in terms of staffing but the flexibility of our staff and willingness to help is very impressive. Randy also shared what some of the classes are working on and important dates coming up.

Vicky Haas, Wittenberg Elem/MS Principal stated that the month of December is a little different this year with no concerts or Santa's Workshop but the staff are engaging students in fun activities, making gifts and dress up days. The Nature Center at the School Forest is being used more for explorer days in place of field trips that would normally take place. Looking forward to the new year and being able to use the Aquatic Center for classes.

John Rudeen, Aquatic Center Director stated that the pool is continuing to deal with maintenance issues. Hoping to get these resolved soon.

Garrett Rogowski, Superintendent shared some videos that he would like to put on the District website of the new construction.

New Business A: Our 2019-2020 Audit results were shared by Amber from CIA.

New Business B: The New Policy Revisions were shared with the Board and will be up for approval in January.

New Business C: (Stewart - Magee) moved to approve the purchase of playground equipment from Lee Recreation, LLC in the amount of \$68,405.00 each for the two elementary schools. Motion Carried with Pietz as a nay.

New Business D and E were moved to the January Agenda

New Business F: (T. Wendler - Olson) moved to approve the retirement of Darlene Block, Food Service Worker at Wittenberg Elementary. Motion carried. The Board would like to thank Darlene for her service to the District

New Business G: (Pestka - Stewart) moved to approve the resignations of Schuyler Davids, Teacher Assistant at Biramwood and Jennifer Hedrick, Food Service Worker at Biramwood. Jennifer was with the District for two years. The Board would like to thank them for their service to the District.

New Business H: (Magee - T. Wendler) moved to approve the resignations of Bernard Holby as JV2 Basketball Coach and Wendly Landowski as Cheerleading Coach. Motion carried. The Board would like to thank them for the extra time they took to work with our students.

New Business I: (Olson - Pietz) moved to approve the hire of Brendan Resch as JV2 Boys Basketball Coach and Joe Ladika as Middle School Softball Coach. Motion carried.

New Business J: There was much discussion on the Covid Practices and close contacts both in the school setting and in the athletic setting.

Adjournment: (Stewart-Pestka) moved to adjourn 8:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Joy A Harleben
School Board Secretary

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2020 Readers Poll

Deadline: January 31, 2021

BALLOT #3

Food/Dining:

- ☐ Bar _____
- ☐ Breakfast _____
- ☐ Burger _____
- ☐ Coffee House _____
- ☐ Dessert _____
- ☐ Dinner _____
- ☐ Family Restaurant _____
- ☐ Fish Fry _____
- ☐ Lunch _____
- ☐ Pizza _____
- ☐ Sandwich _____

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Library route delivers danger, romance

“The Giver of Stars” by JoJo Moyes was quite a book.



JAN JONES

Alice has been raised as a well-bred Englishwoman but she never fit in. When she meets handsome Bennett Van Cleve, she quickly fell in love. Her parents are delighted that Bennett's father owns a coal mine in Kentucky. Soon they are engaged and sailing to America. Alice imagines a life in the city but nothing goes as she hoped. They live in the Van Cleve home in the small town of Baileyville, Kentucky with Bennett's domineering father.

Alice is mortified when nothing happens in their marriage bed. She tries to talk about the situation with Bennett but he adamantly refuses. He also refuses to stand up for her in public or at home when his father berates her. Soon Alice is desperately unhappy and looking for any way to escape the stifling house.

She seizes her chance when they attend a meeting to establish a “WPA Packhorse Library.” Mrs. Brady tells them that libraries all over the nation have donated books, Margery O'Hare will head the project and Fred Guisler has supplied the building so all they need is individuals to ride the routes.

Mrs. Brady says her daughter Izzy will ride and Beth Pinker volunteers. (Both girls have their own painful issues to deal with.) Then to Bennett's chagrin, Alice boldly offers to ride. According to Mr. Van Cleve, Marg O'Hare comes from a family of no-good moonshiners and not worth a thing. It infuriates him to have his daughter-in-law spending time with her. But Alice finds her to be a good teacher, interesting, well-read and utterly refreshing.

Soon Alice and the others are riding long hours into the Kentucky hills delivering books to remote cabins. In only a few months, the library is a huge success and Alice finally feels she has real friends. Soon they are joined by the well-trained Sophia. She takes charge of keeping the library organized.

The fact that she's Black doesn't bother any of the riders or the ever-present Fred. In hopes of saving her marriage, Alice reads a special book that the library has been sharing with area women. Her efforts are a disaster

AT A GLANCE:

BOOK: “The Giver of Stars”

AUTHOR: JoJo Moyes

PUBLISHER: Pamela Dorman Books

PUBLISHED: 2019

PAGES: 400

and things at home get worse. One evening, Mr. Van Cleve is on a rant but Alice knows how he treats the miners and bullies or bribes to avoid the law and she refuses to back down. That argument leads to a terrible beating.

Alice leaves, vowing never to return. When heavy rains wash away homes and breaches one of the mines slurry ponds sending tons of poisonous water into the valley, the riders raise the alarm and save several people. Newly pregnant Marg nearly dies saving Sophia and her brother. When it is over, Marg confronts Van Cleve and he vows revenge.

The world implodes when the body of a man Marg's family had a blood-feud with is found on the mountainside. He died of a skull fracture and a library book is found with him.

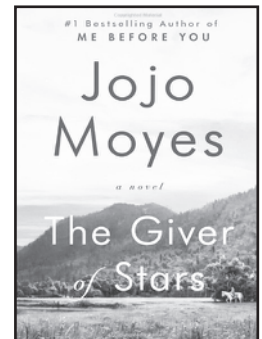
Thanks to Mr. Van Cleve, Marg is arrested and gives birth in the filthy jail. Few know that McCutchen was planning to shoot Marge when she hit him with the book and took off.

She never knew he'd hit his head and died. She's prepared to be convicted when the riders convince the dead man's daughter to testify. She says that her father must have fallen while trying to return a library book.

With no one to dispute her testimony, the judge frees Marg. When Alice confesses that her marriage was never consummated, Fred shows her how to get out of it. They marry and soon Bennett marries his former girlfriend. Alice is happy for him but wonders what she did wrong until she finds out the Patty came in to borrow that special little book.

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