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Shepherd's Watch hires principal for school

School targeting to open in fall

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

After hiring its principal, Shepherd's Watch Christian Academy is one step closer to being ready to open in Mattoon.

Gerald Schmidt was recently hired to lead the school. He comes into the position with 40 years of teaching experience through the ministry and in school. Entering his 41st year in teaching, Schmidt has been a principal for 33 years.

"I have a desire to 'Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it,'" said Schmidt, reciting Proverbs 22:6. "That has been my mindset and I can honestly say that I gave that a thought when I was sitting in a classroom in sixth grade. When we discussed that chapter, for whatever reason that stuck with me. I feel that the parents in Mattoon have that desire also."

Schmidt said that his duties as a principal of a start-up school may differ from regular day-to-day operations of an already established school.

"Because of the number of students, I may be teaching a classroom," said Schmidt. "Ideally, right now, in my mind I am think 30 students in the school. I would really like to have two full time teachers, one to possibly do 4K and kindergarten and then one to do grades one through four, then I as an administrator, would be able to help as an aide wherever needed."

A big part of Schmidt's education revolves around Jesus Christ. He said that if given the opportunity to fill in for aid in the school, he will continue to spread the word of Christ and

keep the word in his curriculum.

"There is a lot of behind-the-scenes that I will do to help our teachers bring Christ to the kids that sit in their classrooms," said Schmidt.

In regards to any personal goals that he wants to meet, Schmidt said his number one goal is to see the school be successful and see the students at the school share that success, while continuing to spread the word of Jesus Christ.

"It is all about Jesus — making sure that we are able to share Jesus with the kids and then the Holy Spirit takes over — I am just a sharer of the word," said Schmidt. "Ideally, you would like them to be perfect angels. I understand that today that is not always the case, but we pray that as life goes on, they become followers of Christ."

Schmidt added in order to keep that word spreading and in order for these kids to succeed that he needs to lead by example, something that he has been doing for the last 40 years.

"It is important to see that he takes care of us," said Schmidt. "There are things that the world would look at me and say you are crazy and why are you doing that. I say because that is what the lord has in-store for me right now. I have been through a number of hurdles in my life, but I am not going to sit back and expect people to serve me. I am here to serve others."

He said that Shepherd's Watch Christian Academy is still targeting Fall of 2023 to open its doors.

"We are moving forward with 4K through fourth grade," said Schmidt. "We have enrollment forms that can be

picked up on our webpage — <https://shepherdswatchcc.org>."

As they are moving forward, staff needs to be filled yet. Schmidt said that Shepherd's Watch is looking at a smaller staff, as he indicated two educators and an aide should suffice. When talking about tuition, 4K is \$950 with a \$50 book fee, while kindergarten through fourth grade is \$2,400 for the first child, \$2,200 for the second child and \$2,000 for every additional child. A \$150 book fee is added on top of that.

"There will be scholarships available to help students or families who will not be able to meet those numbers," said Schmidt.

In terms of curriculum for the school, Schmidt said that Shepherd's Watch Christian Academy will encompass all of the main subjects, but will have an emphasis on Jesus Christ intertwined.

"The twist will be that we bring Christ to the table whenever we can and keep the Christian aspect in our education," said Schmidt. "It is not something where we have a religion class or a bible study class and then pick up the math book. No, Christian morals are evident in everything that we do at the school."

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Gerald Schmidt, newly hired by Shepherd's Watch Christian Academy, has 33 years of experience as a principal.

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CORRECTIONS

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Dueling Pianos brings guests to their feet



Dueling Pianos performers Andy Schneider, left, and Dan Rafferty raise their drinks in the air as they get ready to perform another song during the WOWSPACE fundraiser on Feb. 10.

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The area in front of the stage becomes a dance floor as WOWSPACE guests leave their seats to get up and dance during the Dueling Pianos show on Feb. 10. Songs like ABBA's "Dancing Queen" and Kid Rock's "All Summer Long" were catalysts to get guests out of their seats.

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Claim of weapon at SCMS unfounded

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Shawano Community Middle School went into a secure hold Feb. 9 shortly after school started due to claims that a weapon was on campus.

That report turned out to be unfounded, according to Superinten-

dent Kurt Krizan.

Krizan said the report came in shortly before the campus could be secured at 8:15 a.m. He said that a concerned student approached SCMS principal William Traber about the matter, and that's when the school was secured.

"The Shawano Police Department was quickly notified, and it was determined that there was no threat," Krizan said. "At no time was anyone in danger during the secure hold, and proper procedures were followed."

Krizan sent out a letter later that morning via email to parents explain-

ing what had happened.

"I commend our principal, our administration, our staff and the Shawano Police Department for their quick response," Krizan said. "Everything was handled very quickly, making sure our students were safe at all times."

COURT NEWS

- Raeannon D. Hill, 25, Neopit, was charged Feb. 6 with one count of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of possession of THC, one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia and one misdemeanor count of bail jumping. Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge Katherine Sloma set a cash bond of \$250 and scheduled a final pre-trial for May 26.

- Jason J. DeRuyter, 40, Antigo, was charged Feb. 6 with one count of intimidating a victim of a domestic abuse crime and one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct. Sloma set a signature bond of \$2,500 and scheduled a status conference for March 8.

- Luann P. Calmes, 60, Gillett, was charged Feb. 6 with one count of operating while intoxicated (fourth offense), one count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a cash bond of \$1,500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Feb. 14.

- Mikah J. Musolff, 21, Green Bay, was charged Feb. 6 with four counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of operating while intoxicated (second offense) and one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Sloma set a cash bond of \$1,500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Feb. 16.

- Mae Mendoza, 40, Clintonville, was charged Feb. 6 with one count of possession of narcotic drugs. Sloma set a signature bond of \$2,500 and scheduled a status conference for March 14.

- Christine A. Hensel, 34, Taycheedah, pleaded no contest Feb. 7 to 11 counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer and one misdemeanor count of failing to aid or report a crime. Nine counts of bail jumping were dismissed, but read into the record. Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge William Kussel Jr. sentenced Hensel to one year in jail.

- James D. Soun, 39, Green Bay, pleaded no contest Feb. 8 to one count of possession of narcotic drugs, one count of possession of methamphetamine, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. One count of

misappropriating identification information was dismissed, but read into the record. Sloma sentenced Soun to 60 days in jail and three years of probation.

- Jakeup J. Henry, 21, Bowler, pleaded no contest Feb. 9 to one count of first degree sexual assault (sexual contact or sexual intercourse with a person under the age of 13). One count of bail jumping was dismissed, but read into the record. Sloma sentenced Henry to 16 years in prison and 10 years of extended supervision.

- Michael L. Juech, 21, Wausau, was charged Feb. 10 with one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer. Sloma set a cash bond of \$750 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Feb. 14.

- Lily E. Becker, 19, Schofield, was charged Feb. 10 with one count of possession of narcotic drugs, one count of possession of methamphetamine, one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked, one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia and ten misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Sloma set a cash bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Feb. 14.

- Daniel Thunder, 50, Gresham, was charged Feb. 10 with two counts of bail jumping. Sloma set a cash bond of \$500. This case will resume at a later date.

- Vernon J. Kohel, 48, Appleton, was charged Feb. 10 with one count of possession of methamphetamine. Sloma set a signature bond of \$1,500 and scheduled a status conference for April 4.

- Britnee L. Dodge, 37, Keshena, was charged Feb. 10 with one count of possession of methamphetamine, one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked, one misdemeanor count of tampering with/failing to install/violating a court ordered ignition interlock device and three misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Sloma set a cash bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Feb. 17.

- Royce E. LaRock, 21, Shawano, pleaded no contest Feb. 10 to one misdemeanor count of battery, one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct and six misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. One count of criminal damage to property (over \$2,500), one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct and ten misdemeanor counts of bail jumping were dismissed, but read into the record. Kussel sentenced LaRock to three years of probation.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Feb. 13

Deputies responded to 32 calls, including reckless driving on East Green Bay Street in Shawano; an assault on County Road Y in the Town of Belle Plaine; criminal damage on Cole Road in the Town of Navarino; a domestic disturbance on Church Road in the Town of Angelica; a domestic disturbance on West Crystal Drive in the Town of Washington; one crash.

Feb. 12

Deputies responded to 28 calls, including reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Maple Grove; criminal damage on County Road G in the Town of Seneca; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Belle Plaine; harassment on Birch Street in Tigerton; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland; reckless driving on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; four crashes.

Feb. 11

Deputies responded to 14 calls, including operating while intoxicated on Old Lake Lane in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Morris; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; reckless driving on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; one crash, involving a coyote.

Feb. 10

Deputies responded to 15 calls, including a disturbance on Cedar Street in Tigerton.

Feb. 9

Deputies responded to 34 calls, including reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Maple Grove; disorderly conduct on Main Street in Birnamwood; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg; harassment on state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; harassment on North Main Street in Shawano; bail jumping on North Main Street; two crashes, one involving deer.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Feb. 13

Officers responded to 23 calls, including a domestic disturbance on Richmond Court; child abuse on South

Sawyer Street; reckless driving on East Green Bay Street; shoplifting at Kwik Trip, 1241 E. Green Bay St.; an ATV problem on River Heights; a threat on County Road B.

Feb. 12

Officers responded to 17 calls, including reckless driving on North Main Street; operating while intoxicated on East Richmond Street; a hit-and-run at Pizza Hut, 816 E. Green Bay St.; reckless driving on South Washington Street; reckless driving on East Green Bay Street; a disturbance on South Maiden Lane.

Feb. 11

Officers responded to 14 calls, including reckless driving on North Main Street; operating while intoxicated on East Lieg Avenue; operating while intoxicated on East Richmond Street; operating while intoxicated at McDonald's, 1202 E. Green Bay St.; shoplifting at Dollar Tree, 172 Woodlawn Drive; an automobile theft on East Green Bay Street; operating while intoxicated on Prospect Circle; operating while intoxicated on North Sawyer Street.

Feb. 10

Officers responded to 26 calls, including shoplifting at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; reckless driving on North Main Street; criminal damage on South Evergreen Street; shoplifting at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; a fight in progress on South Smalley Street.

Feb. 9

Officers responded to 16 calls, including car property damage at Dearco Glass, Paint and Decorating, 1499 E. Green Bay St.; a threat on East Green Bay Street; reckless driving on South Lincoln Street; property theft at Lakeshore Lanes, 210 N. Airport Drive.

Feb. 8

Officers responded to 31 calls, including trespassing on East Maurer Street; trespassing on West Green Bay Street; shoplifting at Goodwill Industries, 300 Lakeland Road; property damage on East Green Bay Street; criminal damage on South Union Street; car property damage on East Fifth Street; a threat on South Washington Street; shoplifting at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; property damage on South Sawyer Street.

Village TID needs to be rezoned to bring in housing

Thillman estimates that housing could reach Wittenberg by late 2024

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Another step in bringing more housing to Wittenberg has passed, as the tax incremental district No. 1 recently had 15 acres subtracted from it in order to be rezoned.

"At the end of January, the Department of Revenue approved the subtraction of approximately 15 acres from the TID," said Peter Thillman, chief economic development officer for Shawano County Economic Progress Inc. "Now they can rezone it for multi-family housing."

Since the tax incremental district is industrial, the village needed to remove those acres in order to change zoning and use the land for housing.

According to Thillman, Mosinee-based S.C. Swiderski LLC is in the process of signing agreements to put housing units onto the land.

"If everything goes according to plan, they will have an agreement in place at some point this spring to hopefully close on the property this fall, break ground in the spring of 2024 and finish the project in 2025," said Thillman. "It will be opening in phases, so we would expect the first units

probably in the fall of 2024."

Thillman said S.C. Swiderski has 12 different models for housing units, but the company has not made any decisions yet on which models will be built.

"My understanding is that they will have one-, two- and three-bedroom models," said Thillman. "Swiderski's business model is everything but the electricity is included in your rent price."

Bringing housing into Wittenberg has been a priority for both the village and Shawano County recently. After running a housing study in Shawano County last year, Thillman concluded that Wittenberg needs more market-rate housing. In his report about the housing study that was given to the Wittenberg Village Board in June last year, Thillman noted that Wittenberg is not the only community in the county that has employees living outside of the community.

"Last year we did that housing study for the entire county with specific reports for Gresham, Tigerton, Wittenberg, Bonduel and Shawano — (multi-family housing) was one of the recommendations for Wittenberg," said Thillman. "The investment that they made in that study is paying dividends right away, because it gave S.C. Swiderski confidence to come into the market."

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OBITUARIES

Carol C. Shaffer

Carol Cora (Weber) (Briggs) Shaffer, nee Jahnke, 94, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Sunday, Feb. 5, 2023.

She was preceded in passing by her parents, Ernest and Caroline Jahnke; husband, Joseph Weber; husband, Glenn Briggs; son, Wayne Briggs; and granddaughter, Rachel Weber.

Carol is survived by her husband, Ed Shaffer; daughter-in-law, D'Anne Briggs; children, Gary (Deb) Weber, Jody (Michael) Loud, Gregg (Mona) Weber, Bob Briggs, Cindy (Tim) Johnson, Lori (Dave) Pelowski and Mark (Jean) Briggs; stepchildren, Bonnie (John) Strand, Linda Tuttle, Mark (Anne) Shaffer,



Wendy Mohs and Eric (Leslie) Shaffer; 47 grandchildren; 81 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and many other family members and friends.

Join us to celebrate Carol's life on Saturday, Feb. 25, 2023, at Gearhart Funeral Home, 11275 Foley Blvd. NW, Coon Rapids, Minnesota. Visitation from noon to 2 p.m. and service at 2 p.m. Private interment to follow at Morningside Memorial Gardens. Please consider wearing purple in honor of Carol.

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Sheppard sees Shawano grow in past decade

City administrator looks forward to seeing community grow and thrive in the future

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

(Editor's note: This is the first of two stories examining City Administrator Eddie Sheppard's time with the city of Shawano, what has been accomplished in the last decade and where Sheppard hopes the city will go in the future. The second part will be published next week.)

Ten years ago, Eddie Sheppard made the move to the city of Shawano with his family and started out as the public works director before becoming the city administrator. The community has seen quite a few changes since he first stepped onto Shawano soil.

Sheppard said in an interview with NEW Media that, after growing up in Fond du Lac, he saw the move to Shawano as a way to return to Wisconsin.

"I had worked down in Wichita, Kansas, for a city called Derby, where I had done a number of things," said Sheppard, who added that he started in the finance department before moving up to be assistant director of public works. "I had a good mix of knowledge on municipalities, and I was looking for an opportunity to come back. The Shawano opportunity seemed like a real opportunity for my skills but also a lot of growth potential, the way it was structured."

Sheppard noted that it was the vision of city leaders that made him want to be a part of Shawano's future. He said that many communities like Shawano were struggling after 2008 plunged the United States into a recession, with businesses shutting their doors and government officials trying to figure out how to dig themselves out of holes.

"They had this vision to try and be aggressive to revitalize," Sheppard said. "I thought that would be a nice challenge and a fun opportunity to help bring some value to the community."

Sheppard came on board as both the public works director and as an assistant city administrator, as the administrator at the time, Brian Knapp, was also doubling as the manager for Shawano Municipal Utilities. In 2018, Knapp returned to full-time duty at the utility, and Sheppard formally took the reins at City Hall.

In the decade since he came to



Eddie Sheppard has been a part of the city of Shawano, shown on the map at left, for 10 years, and the city administrator hopes to improve the community even more in the future.

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town, Sheppard said he is most proud of the partnerships formed that allowed new things to take place.

"We've had a hand in a lot of the economic development and bringing in new businesses, but it also takes those businesses wanting to be here," Sheppard said. "While our council has been very aggressive in providing incentives and trying to bring in businesses to town, you have to have those relationships in order to bring those businesses into your community."

The improvements and expansions to the city parks also represent to Sheppard a way to bring people to town. He noted that the referendum work that improved Smalley Park and brought Franklin Park into existence have helped to attract folks, whether it's for a weekend or for keeps.

"At the time, we were looking at that as economic development," Sheppard said. "What we were hearing from a lot of businesses was, when they were looking to relocate, their biggest challenge was finding

people. People want to live in a place where they have all the amenities, and we felt like our amenities were lacking at that point."

The creation of Franklin Park led to bringing in more entertainment to the community via the Thursdayz at Franklin program, and now the Naberhood Plaza adjacent to the park is expected to do even more, Sheppard said.

Even with improving the parks, the city still faced the challenge of turned empty and sometimes blighted buildings into vibrant storefronts again. Once the city formed the Redevelopment Authority, in Sheppard's view, things started to turn around in terms of enticing shopkeepers and industry.

"People didn't know the details of Shawano when they drove through (years ago)," he said. "They saw empty storefronts, and we had a unique property ownership challenge where a lot of those buildings were not available."

Sheppard said the city has also been able to turn things around with

its relationship with the Samanta Roy Institute of Science and Technology, which had blasted previous mayors and city officials and the treatment of their businesses.

"Being able to negotiate in good faith after probably not a great relationship for a lot of years has helped get those buildings available," Sheppard said. "When you drive downtown now, it's just a totally different feeling. I'm getting calls on a weekly basis looking for buildings downtown, and I think that's awesome."

Work in the downtown area is not complete for Sheppard, though. He hopes to turn the northern Main Street entryway into a hub and restore the 200 block, but he noted that downtown is lacking in restaurants.

"Downtown needs more places to eat," Sheppard said. "You can draw people downtown for events and stuff, but ultimately, people want to eat, and if they drive away from your downtown to go do that, you're running into challenges."

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Oconto Falls dance team makes history

Hip hop team brings home trophy, while pom team also made state

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Oconto Falls dance team made school history when its hip hop routine earned a fifth-place finish at the Wisconsin Association of Cheer/Pom Coaches Inc. state meet.

The fifth-place finish marked the first time the team has ever brought home a state trophy, doing so in Division 3. Oconto Falls' pom team also qualified for state in Division 5, but did not place in the top five, which is all the WACP announces.

The teams were coached by Katie Bohl and Danielle Dawson, who are in their first years.

"To those outside of the dance community, fifth place might not sound like that big of a deal. However, when you're looking at schools our size in the entire state, being among the top five of those teams is absolutely incredible," said Dawson. "For our team, we talked quite a bit about the fact we even made it to state was a huge win for us. Oconto Falls hadn't made a state appearance in these divisions in years, so we were just proud to be back.

"We had high hopes and set large goals for placing. After watching their performance, I felt it in my gut that these kids were going to pull it off — they were going to place. When it came time for awards, all the nerves set back in. Every team in our divisions was packed on the floor, sitting in their circles, all hoping to hear their names called. Our team sat in our circle, holding hands, waiting for the placements. Hearing 'Oconto Falls' through the speakers is a sound that will live in my head for years to come."

It was the first time since 2019 that the hip hop team made it to state, while the pom team was making its first state appearance since 2018.

Making up the teams were juniors Michaela Crandall, Matthew Ogan, Leah Vorpahl, Grayce Wilcox and Summer Stevens, sophomores Abby Budz, Neela Cherry, Isabella Heinke, Jess Wolford, Taylor Miller, Danica Mommaerts and Erin Jahnke and freshmen Natalie Rieth, Greta Collar, Eden Cole, Emily Fabry, Chloe Arneson, Brailyn Moureau and Madisyn Duncan.



The Oconto Falls hip hop team includes, from left, front row, Leah Vorpahl, Madisyn Duncan, Neela Cherry, Grayce Wilcox, Danica Mommaerts and Michaela Crandall; middle row, Emily Fabry, Chloe Arneson, Jessica Wolford, Abigail Budz and Brailyn Moureau; back row, coach Katie Bohl, Matthew Ogan, Taylor Miller, Natalie Rieth, Greta Collar, Isabella Heinke, Eden Cole and coach Danielle Dawson. Not pictured is Erin Jahnke.

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Oconto Falls coaches Katie Bohl, left and Danielle Dawson hold up the hip hop team's fifth-place state trophy.

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"It is absolutely amazing to be able to be the first team in Oconto Falls Dance Team history to bring home a state trophy," said Crandall. "The fact that we went to state and killed our routine and brought home a trophy is still crazy to me. Our trophy is in our display case at school and every time I walk by it I smile knowing that I was on a team that made history and we proved ourselves how good we are. To place fifth in the state is so surreal!"

To advance to state, the hip hop team took third at the regional competition at D.C. Everest High School on Jan. 28.

The pom team left the regional competition thinking it had missed state by just one spot, but got a call the

following day saying that it had made state as a wild card team. Oconto Falls outscored every team in the other regionals to earn that wild card.

Along with the top state-qualifying routines, Fabry and Heinke each made the All-State team.

"It was a ton of work preparing," said Heinke. "We had so many practices and performed so many times. All of the hours we put in was worth it though when we heard our names called on the state floor."

Dawson said that getting to state isn't something that just takes a couple weeks of work. She said that last February is when the music and uniforms were decided. Choreography began in the spring and the dancers learned routines in the summer.

"From there, these athletes have spent hours perfecting each and every movement, which angle their body should be facing, if their feet should be apart or together, any tiny detail to increase our synchronization. These dancers learned their pom routine in August and their hip hop routine early November. It is definitely a long process and takes extensive preparation," said Dawson.

"I don't think people generally realize the amount of time and effort it takes to be able to make this accomplishment," said Wilcox. "Our team spent months on end putting in hard hours to prepare and perfect our routines. Prior to state we performed many times, each time coming out a little stronger than we went in."

Although they prepared a long time for that moment, nothing truly

prepared them for the feeling they had when they were out there standing on the state floor, Wilcox said.

"It feels surreal, all of the time drilling arms and going over motions comes down to this moment," she said. "It was such an awesome feeling to hear our names get called on the floor, and know that all the hard work was worth it."

Dawson said she and coach Bohl made it a priority to make the team more visible this season. The team nearly tripled its performances from the previous year, including being part of pre-game experiences and parades, dancing at football and basketball games, partnering with the wrestling program and volunteering at the Out of the Darkness walk.

Dawson thanked the team's supporters, from feedback throughout the season to alumni that returned to give advice. She thanked the dancer's families and athletic and strength coaches and noted, "There are so many people involved in making this team's dream a reality."

The team's busy year has almost come to a close, with just a few performances left. The state routines have been retired though, but they can be watched on the team's YouTube page at www.youtube.com/@ocontofalls-dance3460.

"It still feels unreal. I'm so proud of everything this team did. I know that this program is going to go so far and that this is just the beginning," said Wolford.



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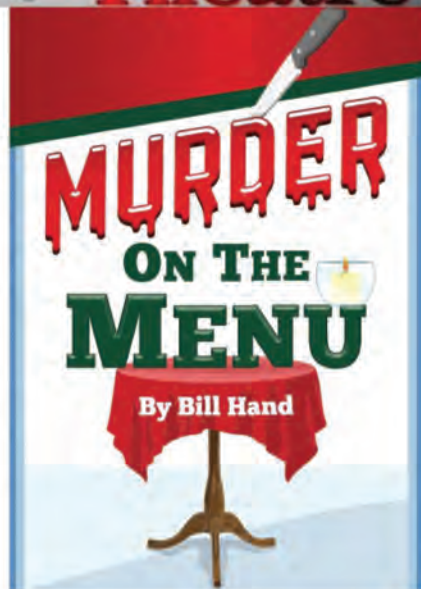


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ABC	Good Morning America (N) 			 Good Morning America (N)   Action 2 News: This Morning (N)	 Wildlife	 oh baby! (N) 	 Hearts of Wildlife	 Saving Pets oh baby!	 Sports Stars Homeowner	 Paid Prog. Our America	 Sports  Paid Program 	XFL Special (N) 	XFL Football Vegas Vipers at Arlington Renegades. Choctaw Stadium. (N)  (Live) 					 Paid Program  Inside Edition	ABC World News															
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CBS	 Mission CBS Sat	 Hope in the Wild (N)  (EI)	 CBS Sat  Lucky Dog	 Innovation Nation	 Mission Unstoppable (N) 	 Hope in the Wild (N)  (EI)	Lucky Dog "Lexi"  (EI)	Did I Mention Invention?	Home Court Ed Cooley	NCAA Bracket Preview	College Basketball Tennessee at Kentucky. Rupp Arena. (N)  (Live) 					PGA Tour Golf The Genesis Invitational, Third Round. (N)  (Live) 																		
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FOX	 Xplor. Planet  News	 Xploration Space	 Life 2.0  (EI) 	 Sci Q  (EI) 	 Paid Program  Life 2.0	 Paid Program  Sci Q  (EI)	Paid Program 	FOX College Hoops Tip-Off	College Basketball Seton Hall at Connecticut. Harry A. Gampel Pavilion. (N) 					FOX College Hoops Extra (N)	Women's College Basketball Connecticut at Villanova. Finneran Pavilion. (N)  (Live) 					College Basketball Villanova at Providence. Dunkin' Donuts Center. (N)  (Live) 			FOX College Hoops Extra (N)											
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NBC	 Today  (6:00)	 906 Outdoors	 Today's Homeowner	 Paid Program  Roots Less	Earth Odyssey With Dylan	Wild Child (N)  (DVS)	Harlem Globetrotters	One Team Sports	 WalkFit!  The Voyager	Premier League Soccer Newcastle United vs Liverpool. (N)  (Live) 					2023 FIS Alpine World Ski Championships (N Same-day Tape) 			Track and Field U.S. Indoor Championship. From Albuquerque, N.M. (N)  (Live) 			 MyPillow  Paid Program	NBC Nightly News												
WGBA																																		
WJFW																																		
PBS	 Kratts "Parrot Power"  (EI) 	 Curious George  (EI)  (DVS)	 Work It Out Wom-bats!  (DVS)	 Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood (DVS)	 Best of Sewing With Nancy 	 Quilting Arts  (EI) 	 Garden Smart  (EI) 	Classic Wood-working A hanging tool cabinet. 	Jacques Pépin: "A Warm Welcome" 	Steven Raichlen's Project Fire 	 Cook's Country  (EI) 	 America's Test Kitchen  (EI) 																						
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ABC		9 News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	9 Financially Speaking with Buska Re	NHL Hockey Washington Capitals vs Carolina Hurricanes. Carter-Finley Stadium. (N) (Live)						9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)		9 (:35) Weird Earth	9 (:05) The Song "Ne-Yo" (N) (C)	9 (:35) Storm of Suspicion (N)	
9 WAOW 2 WBAY		9 Action 2 News at Six (N)	9 Paid Prog.							9 Action 2 News at 10 (N)		9 (:35) Investigate TV		9 (:35) Opry (N Same-day Tape)	
CBS		9 Local 5 News at 6 (N) (C)	9 Discover Wisconsin (N) (C)	*** Star Trek Beyond (2016, Science Fiction) Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto, Karl Urban. Kirk and his crew face an alien threat on a hostile planet. (C)						9 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)		9 (:35) HS Sports Xtra (N)	9 (:05) Friends (C)	9 (:35) Friends	
5 WFRV 7 WSAW		9 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	9 Inside Edition Week-end (N) (C)							9 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)		9 (:35) Paid Program (C)	9 (:05) The Song "Ne-Yo" (N) (C)	9 (:35) Opry Clint Black and more take the stage.	
FOX		Back to School With Gus Johnson Gus Johnson returns to school. (N) (C)		College Basketball Michigan State at Michigan. Crisler Center. (N) (Live) (C)				9 The Big Bang Theory 10 Fox 11 News at Nine (N)		9 The Big Bang Theory (C) 11 Seinfeld (C)		Name That Tune "Bring the Funny" Andy Richter; Holly Robinson Peete. (C) (DVS)		9 S.W.A.T. "Albatross" (C) 11 Jeopardy! (C)	11 Wheel of Fortune "Big Money" (C)
NBC		26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) (C)	26 Paid Program 12 Wheel of Fortune "Big Money" (C)	America's Got Talent: All-Stars "Finals Preview: From the Judges' Desk" (C)				Saturday Night Live "Christopher Walken; Foo Fighters" From Feb. 22, 2003: Christopher Walken. (N) (C)		26 News 12 Newswatch 12 Saturday		(:29) Saturday Night Live (C)			
26 WGBA 12 WJFW															
PBS		The Carol Burnett Show Guest: Maggie Smith.		Father Brown "The Island of Dreams" Father Brown visits holiday camp. (C)		Sister Boniface Mysteries "Dem Bones" A gruesome discovery is made. (C)		Annika on Masterpiece Norse mythology comes to life.		Agatha Christie's Poirot "Dead Man's Folly" A girl playing a murder victim winds up murdered. (C)		Maigret "Night at the Crossroads" The murder of a Jewish diamond dealer. (C)			
20 WHRM 36 WLEF 68 WPNE															
32 WACY 46 WTPX		Family Feud (C)	Two/Half Men	Chicago Fire "Double Red" (C)		Chicago P.D. "Descent" (C)		Am Housewife	Am Housewife	The Simpsons		Family Guy (C)	Family Guy (C)	S.W.A.T. (C)	
CW		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		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	
14 WCWF 64 WYOW		14 The Big Bang Theory (C) 9 The Good Doctor (C)		14 The Big Bang Theory The gang is divided over a heated fight. (C)		Masters of Illusion "Blocks, Crystals, and Cocktails" (N) (C)		Masters of Illusion Naathan Phan; Bill Cook; Chris Funk. (C)		World's Funniest Animals Cameron Mathison; Mikalah Gordon.		World's Funniest Animals Derrex Brady; Mikalah Gordon. (C)		9 The Rookie (C) 9 *** Glory (1989, War) Matthew Broderick. (C)	

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ABC		America's Funniest Home Videos Cat catastrophes and dog disasters. (N)		American Idol "601 (Auditions)" (Season Premiere) New Orleans, Las Vegas and Nashville. (N)								The Company You Keep "Pilot" (Series Premiere) A night of passion leads to love. (N)		(DVS)		News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) Action 2 News at 10 (N)		News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) Action 2 News at 10 (N)		News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) Action 2 News at 10 (N)		News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) Action 2 News at 10 (N)	
9 WAOW 2 WBY																							
CBS		60 Minutes (N)		The Equalizer "He Ain't Heavy" Mel engages in a tense family reunion. (N)				East New York "Up in Smoke" Bentley returns to work. (N)				NCIS: Los Angeles "In the Name of Honor" Kensi and Fatima are kidnapped. (N)		(DVS)		Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)		Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)		Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)		Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	
5 WFRV 7 WSAW																							
FOX		The Masked Singer "Season 9 Premiere" Three celebrities perform.		The Simpsons Animated. Ned Flanders falls on hard times. (N)		(:31) The Great North "Enough Bed Adventure" (N)		Bob's Burgers Animated. A man visits the restaurant. (N)		Family Guy Animated. The guys try to help Mayor Wild West. (N)		Seinfeld "The Scofflaw" Hello! Jerry eschews hello kisses.		Seinfeld "The Kiss" Hello! Jerry eschews hello kisses.		The Goldbergs "Vacation" Fox 11 News at 10 (N)		The Goldbergs "Sharyl Attkisson" Fox 11 News at 10 (N)		The Goldbergs "Sharyl Attkisson" Fox 11 News at 10 (N)		The Goldbergs "Sharyl Attkisson" Fox 11 News at 10 (N)	
53 WZAW 11 WLUK																							
NBC		Magnum P.I. "Dream Lover" Higgins has a dream about Magnum.		Magnum P.I. "Close to Home" A ruthless criminal abducts Katsumoto.				Magnum P.I. "The Passenger" (Season Premiere) Magnum and Higgins make a decision. (N)				Magnum P.I. "The Breaking Point" Magnum and Higgins pose as lifeguards. (N)				26 News 12 NewsChannel 12 at 10pm		26 News 12 NewsChannel 12 at 10pm		26 News 12 NewsChannel 12 at 10pm		26 News 12 NewsChannel 12 at 10pm	
26 WGBA 12 WJFW																							
PBS		Escape to the Chateau "In the Attic" Attic studio; trip to Paris.		All Creatures Great and Small on Masterpiece "For Whom the Bell Tolls" Everyone faces decisions as war comes.				All Creatures Great and Small on Masterpiece "Merry Bloody Christmas" Siegfried must make a decision.				All Creatures Great and Small on Masterpiece "Merry Bloody Christmas" (Season Finale) Siegfried must make a decision. (N)		(DVS)		Antiques Roadshow "Cheekwood Estate & Gardens, Hour 1" An 1880 Cella Thaxter hand-painted vase.		Antiques Roadshow "Cheekwood Estate & Gardens, Hour 1" An 1880 Cella Thaxter hand-painted vase.		Antiques Roadshow "Cheekwood Estate & Gardens, Hour 1" An 1880 Cella Thaxter hand-painted vase.		Antiques Roadshow "Cheekwood Estate & Gardens, Hour 1" An 1880 Cella Thaxter hand-painted vase.	
20 WHRM 36 WLEF 38 WPNE																							
32 WACY		Two/Half Men		*** Glory (1989, War) Matthew Broderick, Denzel Washington, Morgan Freeman.								Mom				The Simpsons		Bob's Burgers		Bob's Burgers		S.W.A.T.	
48 WTPX		NCIS "The Tie That Binds"		NCIS "Willoughby" (DVS)				NCIS "Off the Grid" (DVS)				NCIS "Keep Going" (DVS)				NCIS A petty officer is murdered.		NCIS A petty officer is murdered.		NCIS "Pandora's Box, Part I"			
CW		The Big Bang Theory		The Big Bang Theory "The Line Substitution Solution" (DVS)		World's Funniest Animals Slinking sloths; stealing squirrels.		World's Funniest Animals Kennedy McMahon; AJ Gibson.		Whose Line Is It Anyway? Guest comic Gary Anthony Williams.		Whose Line Is It Anyway? "Jeff Davis 16" Guest comic Jeff Davis.		WOW - Women Liquidator		Chicago P.D. Suspects hold Olin-sky's wife hostage.		Truth of God		WOW - Women Of Wrestling (N)		Extra (N)	
14 WCWF 34 WYOW		The Good Doctor																				Moviefone TV	

WEEKDAYS					MORNING / AFTERNOON																	FEB. 20												
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ABC	Good Morning America				9 Live	2 25	The View		9 News	9 Drew	9 GMA3:	2 Paid	General Hospital		9 Tamron Hall 2 GMA3: What You Need to Know		Dr. Phil		9 News at 4PM 9 Action 2 News		2 Action	9 News	9 News	ABC										
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55 WZAW	11 News				11 Live with Kelly and Ryan		11 Fox 11 Living With Amy		Feud	Family Feud	11 Varied	11 Blast	11 The Jennifer Hudson Show	11 Barrymore	11 Barrymore	11 Peo. Court	11 Judy	11 Judy	11 Jdg Judy	11 Jdg Judy	11 News	Young												
11 WLUK									11 Rachael			11 Jdg Judy									Sheldon	Sheldon												
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34 WYOW											34 XTRA	34 Hollywood				34 Karamo	34 Bet Your Life	34 Wilkos	34 Ask	34 Bet	34 Judge													

TUESDAY				EVENING						FEB. 21			
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ABC	📺 News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	📺 Entertainment To-night (N) 📺 📺	📺 The Rookie “Exposed” The team must stop a militia. (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)		📺 The Rookie: Feds “For Love and Money” Simone connects with someone new. (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)		📺 Will Trent “Unable to Locate” Neo-Nazis are planning an attack. (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)		📺 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) 📺 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! 📺 📺		(:37) Nightline (N) 📺	
📺 WAOW 📺 WBAY	📺 Action 2 News at Six (N)												
CBS	📺 Local 5 News at 6:00 📺 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	📺 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 📺 📺 Inside Edition (N) 📺 📺	📺 FBI “Money for Nothing” A string of armed robberies. (N) 📺 📺		📺 FBI: International “Indefensible” A man is killed by a car bomb. (N) 📺 📺		📺 FBI: Most Wanted “Transaction” The team must find a kidnapped girl. (N) 📺 📺		📺 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 📺 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 📺 📺		(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden 📺 📺	
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FOX	📺 The Big Bang Theory 📺 📺 📺 Jeopardy! (N) 📺 📺	📺 The Big Bang Theory 📺 📺 Wheel of Fortune (N) 📺	9-1-1: Lone Star (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)		(:01) Accused (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)		📺 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 📺 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	📺 Seinfeld Kramer develops male undergarment. 📺 📺	📺 Seinfeld “The Implant” 📺 📺 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) 📺	📺 Last Man Standing 📺 📺 (:35) Seinfeld 📺	📺 Last Man Standing 📺 📺 (:07) The King of Queens 📺	📺 The Goldbergs 📺 📺 (:35) The King of Queens 📺	
📺 WZAW 📺 WLUK													
NBC	📺 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 📺 📺 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) 📺	📺 Family Feud 📺 Wheel of Fortune “Teen Week” (N)	📺 Night Court Abby sees an opportunity for justice. (N) 📺		📺 American Auto “Going Green” (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)		📺 La Brea “The Wedding” Ty and Paara’s union is celebrated. (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)		📺 La Brea “The Swarm” Eve and Gavin ally with James. (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)		📺 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 📺 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)		(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 📺 📺 (:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers 📺 📺
📺 WGBA 📺 WJFW													
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) 📺 📺		📺 Finding Your Roots With Henry Louis Gates, Jr. “And Still I Rise” Angela Y. Davis; Jeh Johnson. (N) 📺 📺		📺 Fight the Power: How Hip-Hop Changed the World “Culture Wars” The 1990s and hip-hop. (N) 📺 📺		📺 Fight the Power: How Hip-Hop Changed the World “Still Fighting” (Series Finale) Hip-hop becomes a cultural phenomenon. (N) 📺 📺		📺 American Experience “Ruthless: Monopoly’s Secret History” The story behind the game Monopoly. 📺 📺 (DVS)		📺 NOVA “Ancient Builders of the Amazon” Ancient civilizations in the Amazon. 📺 📺 (DVS)		
📺 WHRM 📺 WLEF 📺 WPNE													
📺 WACY 📺 WTPX	📺 Family Feud (N)	📺 Two/Half Men	📺 Dateline “Lauren’s Promise” 📺		📺 Chicago P.D. “Trust” 📺		📺 My News at 9	📺 NBC 26 Tonight	📺 Two/Half Men		📺 Am Housewife	📺 Am Housewife	📺 Mom 📺 📺
	📺 Chicago Fire 📺 📺		📺 Chicago Fire “Purgatory” 📺 📺		📺 Chicago Fire “Deathtrap” 📺		📺 Chicago Fire 📺 📺		📺 Chicago Fire “Babies and Fools”		📺 Chicago Fire “Take a Knee” 📺		
CW	📺 The Big Bang Theory 📺 📺 Divorce Court (N) 📺	📺 The Big Bang Theory 📺 📺 📺 Divorce Court 📺	📺 The Winchesters “You’ve Got a Friend” Carlos and Latika set out. (N) 📺 📺		📺 The Flash “Wednesday Ever After” Joe has a heart-to-heart with Cecile. 📺 📺		📺 Last Man Standing 📺 The Liquidator	📺 Seinfeld “The Implant” 📺 📺 Chicago P.D. “Trust” 📺	📺 The National Desk (N) (Live)	📺 The National Desk (N) (Live) 📺 black-ish “Inheritance” 📺	📺 Last Man Standing 📺	📺 black-ish 📺	📺 Young Sheldon 📺 📺 Family Guy 📺
📺 WCWF 📺 WYOW													

WEDNESDAY				EVENING								FEB. 22	
	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 To-night (N) 📺	📺 The Conners “Possums, Pregnancy and Patriarchy” (N) 📺	📺 The Goldbergs An old friend of Erica’s visits town. (N) 📺	📺 Abbott Elementary Gregory has a disagreement with Amber. (N)	📺 (:31) Not Dead Yet Nell’s friends set her up on some dates. (N) 📺	📺 A Million Little Things “In the Room” Rome awaits news about his father. (N) 📺 (DVS)		📺 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	📺 (:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! 📺 📺		📺 (:37) Nightline (N) 📺	
📺 WAOW 📺 WBAY	📺 Action 2 News at Six (N)								📺 Action 2 News at 10 (N)				
CBS	📺 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 📺	📺 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 📺	📺 The Price Is Right at Night Couples get a chance to win prizes. (N) 📺 📺			📺 Tough as Nails “This Is Not a Sprint, It’s a Marathon; Keep Battling ‘til the End” (Season Finale) A winner is crowned. (N) 📺 📺			📺 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	📺 (:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 📺 📺		📺 (:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden 📺 📺	
📺 WFRV 📺 WSAW	📺 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	📺 Inside Edition (N) 📺 📺							📺 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)				
FOX	📺 The Big Bang Theory 📺	📺 The Big Bang Theory 📺	📺 The Masked Singer (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)			📺 (:01) Special Forces: World’s Toughest Test (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)			📺 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)	📺 Seinfeld “The Jimmy” Jerry suspects dentist and hygienist. 📺	📺 Last Man Standing 📺	📺 The Goldbergs 📺	
📺 WZAW 📺 WLUK	📺 Jeopardy! (N) 📺	📺 Wheel of Fortune (N) 📺					📺 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		📺 Fox 11 News at 10 (N)	📺 (:07) The King of Queens 📺	📺 (:35) Seinfeld 📺	📺 (:35) The King of Queens 📺	
NBC	📺 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 📺	📺 Family Feud	📺 Chicago Med “On Days Like Today... Silver Linings Become Lifelines” Goodwin and Charles clash. (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)			📺 Chicago Fire “Run Like Hell” (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)			📺 Chicago P.D. “Trapped” A shooting triggers Burgess’ memories. (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)	📺 (:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 📺 📺		📺 (:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers 📺	
📺 WGBA 📺 WJFW	📺 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) 📺	📺 “Teen Week” (N)							📺 NBC26 News at 10pm (N)				
									📺 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)				
PBS	📺 PBS NewsHour (N) 📺 📺		📺 Dogs in the Wild, A Nature Miniseries “Defending Wild Dogs” (Series Finale) Ground-breaking discoveries. (N) 📺 📺			📺 Animal Super Senses Exploring the world of scent. 📺 (Part 3 of 3) 📺			📺 NOVA “New Eye on the Universe” How stars and galaxies were formed. (N) 📺 📺 (DVS)		📺 Finding Your Roots With Henry Louis Gates, Jr. “And Still I Rise” Angela Y. Davis; Jeh Johnson. 📺 📺		
📺 WHRM 📺 WLEF 📺 WPNE											📺 100 Years from Mississippi (2021, Documentary) Bryan Stevenson, Cameron McWhirter, Nobuko Miyamoto. The life of Mamie Lang Kirkland, a survivor of segregation. 📺 📺		
📺 WACY	📺 Family Feud (N)	📺 Two/Half Men	📺 Dateline “Voices for Vanessa” 📺			📺 Chicago P.D. “Outrage” 📺			📺 My News at 9	📺 NBC 26 Tonight	📺 Two/Half Men	📺 Am Housewife	
📺 WTPX	📺 Blue Bloods “Re-Do” 📺 📺		📺 Blue Bloods “After Hours” 📺			📺 Blue Bloods “Little Fish” 📺 📺			📺 Blue Bloods “Family Ties” 📺		📺 Blue Bloods “Hall of Mirrors” 📺	📺 Am Housewife	
CW	📺 The Big Bang Theory 📺	📺 The Big Bang Theory 📺	📺 The Flash “Rogues of War” The team recruits some unlikely allies. (N) 📺 📺			📺 Kung Fu “The Scepter” Nicky is forced to confront Bo. (N) 📺 📺			📺 Last Man Standing	📺 Seinfeld “The Handicap Spot”	📺 The National Desk (N) (Live)	📺 Last Man Standing 📺	
📺 WCWF 📺 WYOW	📺 Divorce Court (N) 📺	📺 Divorce Court 📺					📺 The Liquidator	📺 Chicago P.D. “Outrage”		📺 The National Desk (N) (Live)	📺 black-ish 📺 📺 (DVS)	📺 black-ish 📺	
											📺 black-ish 📺	📺 Family Guy 📺	

THURSDAY				EVENING								FEB. 23			
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 To-night (N) Ⓜ 📺		Station 19 “We Build Then We Break” (N) Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		Grey’s Anatomy “I’ll Follow the Sun” Nick confronts Meredith. (N) Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		(:01) The Company You Keep “Pilot” A night of passion leads to love. Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		Ⓜ News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) Ⓜ Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! Ⓜ 📺	(:37) Nightline (N) 📺		
WBAY															
CBS		Ⓜ Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 📺 Ⓜ (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	Ⓜ Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 📺 Ⓜ Inside Edition (N) Ⓜ 📺		Young Sheldon Sheldon becomes a dorm resident adviser.		(:31) Ghosts Thor attempts to get Flower’s attention. 📺	(:01) So Help Me Todd “The Devil You Know” Todd seeks help from an unlikely source. Ⓜ 📺		CSI: Vegas “In Harm’s Way” Grace disappears. Ⓜ 📺		Ⓜ Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) Ⓜ NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert Ⓜ 📺	(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden Ⓜ 📺	
WFRV															
WSAW															
FOX		Ⓜ The Big Bang Theory Ⓜ 📺 Ⓜ Jeopardy! (N) Ⓜ 📺	Ⓜ The Big Bang Theory 📺 Ⓜ Wheel of Fortune (N) 📺		Next Level Chef (N) Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		(:01) Animal Control (N) Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		Call Me Kat (N) Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		Ⓜ NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) Ⓜ Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	Ⓜ Seinfeld “The Doodle” Fleas force Jerry out of apartment. 📺	Ⓜ Seinfeld “The Junior Mint” Ⓜ Ⓜ Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	Ⓜ Last Man Standing Ⓜ Ⓜ (:07) The King of Queens Ⓜ	Ⓜ The Goldbergs Ⓜ Ⓜ (:35) The King of Queens Ⓜ
WZAW															
WLUK															
NBC		Ⓜ NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 📺 Ⓜ Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) 📺	Ⓜ Family Feud Ⓜ Wheel of Fortune “Teen Week” (N)		Law & Order “Fear and Loathing” (N) Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit “King of the Moon” A man with dementia confesses to murder. (N) Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		Law & Order: Organized Crime “The Wild and the Innocent” (N) Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		Ⓜ NBC26 News at 10pm (N) Ⓜ Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Ⓜ 📺		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers Ⓜ 📺	
WGBA															
WJFW															
PBS		PBS NewsHour (N) Ⓜ 📺		John McGivern’s Main Streets “Woodstock, Illinois” Ⓜ 📺		Wisconsin Foodie “Beloit’s Bushel and Peck’s/Janesville’s Lark Market”		Agatha Christie’s Poirot “The Labours of Hercules” Poirot’s pursuit of an art thief leads him to a snowbound hotel in the Swiss Alps. Ⓜ 📺		(:32) Bad Move “Big Deal” Steve brags about his country cottage.		Fight the Power: How Hip-Hop Changed the World “Culture Wars” The 1990s and hip-hop. Ⓜ 📺		Fight the Power: How Hip-Hop Changed the World “Still Fighting” (Series Finale) Hip-hop becomes a cultural phenomenon. Ⓜ 📺	
WHRM															
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WPNE															
WACY		Family Feud (N)		Two/Half Men		Dateline “A Promise to Helene” Ⓜ		Chicago P.D. “Ties That Bind” Ⓜ		My News at 9		NBC 26 Tonight			
WTPX		Chicago P.D. Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)				Chicago P.D. Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		Chicago P.D. “You Wish” Ⓜ		Chicago P.D. “Sanctuary” Ⓜ		Chicago P.D. Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)		Chicago P.D. “Seven Indictments”	
CW		Ⓜ The Big Bang Theory Ⓜ 📺 Ⓜ Divorce Court (N) Ⓜ 📺		Ⓜ The Big Bang Theory Ⓜ 📺 Ⓜ Divorce Court Ⓜ 📺		Walker “Best Laid Plans” Cassie questions who she can trust. (N) Ⓜ 📺		Walker Independence “How We Got Here” Gus’ letters to his wife reveal stories. (N) Ⓜ 📺		Ⓜ Last Man Standing Ⓜ The Liquidator		Ⓜ Seinfeld “The Junior Mint” Ⓜ Chicago P.D. “Ties That Bind”		Ⓜ The National Desk (N) (Live) Ⓜ black-ish Ⓜ 📺 (DVS)	Ⓜ The National Desk (N) (Live) Ⓜ black-ish Ⓜ Ⓜ Young Sheldon Ⓜ Ⓜ Family Guy Ⓜ
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WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, FEB. 17

NAVARINO: Light Up the Night Ski/
Snowshoe Hike, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Navarino
Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road.

OCOTO: Machickanee Players present "War of the Worlds," 7 p.m., Park Avenue Theatre, 408 Park Ave. \$17 general admission. themachickaneeplayers.org

SATURDAY, FEB. 18

SHAWANO: Wisconsin Interscholastic Fishing Association State Tournament, 7 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Shawano Lake. Weigh-in, raffle and WIFA awards 3-4:30 p.m., Shawano Lake County Park, W5785 Lake Drive.

SURING: Waters Edge Fish-O-Ree, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Waters Edge on Anderson Lake, 12058 State Highway 32. Fish prizes and raffles.

SHAWANO: Wolf River Builders Association 2023 Home Show, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Hillcrest Primary School, 1410 S. Waukechon St. wolfriverbuilders.org

SHAWANO: Zurko Indoor Flea Market,
9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Community Hall, 115 E.
Division St.

SHAWANO: Shawano Pathways Winter Hike, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Maple Hills Recreation Area, N4260 State Highway 22. Arrive 15-20 minutes before start time to register and get snowshoes on.

TOWNSEND: 47th annual Red Arrow Snowmobile ATV Club Family Snowfest, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Town Hall, 16564 Elm St. Music, food, beverages, raffle drawing at 5 p.m. Proceeds support trail maintenance.

RIVERVIEW: Turkey Bowling, noon to 4 p.m., Community Center, 15471 State Highway 32. Registration starts 11 a.m., food and beverages available for purchase. Proceeds benefit fire department.

OCONTO: Machickanee Players present "War of the Worlds," 6 p.m., Park Avenue Theatre, 408 Park Ave. \$17 general admission, \$30 to include dinner. themachickaneeplayers.org



Wolf River Lutheran High School is holding another fry bread taco sale from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Feb. 19.

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PULASKI: "Shrek the Musical," 7 p.m.
Pulaski High School, 1040 S. St. Augustine
St., Pulaski. \$8 admission. Tickets available
at pulaskihs.ludus.com.

SUNDAY, FEB. 19

SHAWANO: Wolf River Builders Association 2023 Home Show, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Hillcrest Primary School, 1410 S. Waukechon St. wolfriverbuilders.org

SHAWANO: Fry Bread Taco and Bake Sale, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wolf River Lutheran High School, W7467 River Bend Road. \$7 to include beverage and dessert.

OCONTO: Machickanee Players
present "War of the Worlds," 1:30 p.m.,
Park Avenue Theatre, 408 Park Ave. \$17
general admission, \$23 to include dessert.

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PULASKI: "Shrek the Musical," 2 p.m.
Pulaski High School, 1040 S. St. Augustine
St., Pulaski. \$8 admission. Tickets available
at pulaskihs.ludus.com.

MONDAY, FEB. 20

OCONTO: Machickanee Players auditions for "Exit Laughing," 6 p.m., Park Avenue Theatre, 408 Park Ave.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22

BONDUEL: Ash Wednesday service, 6 p.m., Zion United Methodist Church, 134 E. Green Bay St.

THURSDAY, FEB. 23

SHAWANO: Boat and Outdoor Sports Extravaganza, noon to 8 p.m., American Marine and Motorsports, 830 E. Green Bay

St. Local vendors, manufacturer reps, food concessions.

FRIDAY, FEB. 24

SHAWANO: Boat and Outdoor Sports Extravaganza, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., American Marine and Motorsports, 830 E. Green Bay St. Local vendors, manufacturer reps, food concessions.

SATURDAY, FEB. 25

GILLETT: Finnegan Lake Ice Fishing Derby, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Zippel Park. Fish registration until 3 p.m., cash prizes for each category. Live auction begins at 2:30 p.m., bucket raffles until 4 p.m.

SHIOCTON: Cerebral Palsy Benefit Sporting Clay Fundraiser, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., J and H Game Farm, W5810 J and H Road.

FRIDAY				EVENING							FEB. 24				
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30		
ABC 9 WAOW 2 WBAY	9 News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)		Entertainment To-night (N) 1 2	The Mandalorian "Chapter 1: The Mandalorian" A bounty hunter takes a tracking job. 1 2 (DVS)		20/20 1 2				9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) 9 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! 1 2		(:37) Nightline (N) 2		
	6 CBS 5 WFRV 7 WSAW		9 Local 5 News at 6:00 7 (:5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	9 African American Icons: Black History Inside	S.W.A.T. "Gut Punch" (N) 1 2		Fire Country "Bad Guy" Vince's judgment is compromised. 1 2		Fire Country "No Good Deed" A difficult rescue goes awry. 1 2		9 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 9 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)		(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 1 2	(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden 1 2	
	65 FOX 65 WZAW 11 WLUK		65 The Big Bang Theory 1 2 11 Jeopardy! (N) 1 2	65 The Big Bang Theory 2 11 Wheel of Fortune (N) 2	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) 1 (Live)		9 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		65 Seinfeld "The Fussilli Jerry" Jerry's romantic technique. 2		65 Seinfeld "The Smelly Car" 1 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)		65 Last Man Standing 1 11 (:35) Seinfeld 1	65 Last Man Standing 1 11 (:07) The King of Queens 1	65 The Goldbergs 1 11 (:35) The King of Queens 1
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW		12 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 2 12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) 2	26 Family Feud 12 Wheel of Fortune 12 "Teen Week" (N)	Lopez vs Lopez (N) 1 2 (DVS)	Young Rock Dwayne makes good on a promise. (N) 1	Dateline NBC (N) 1 2				12 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 1 2		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers 1 2		
PBS 20 WHRM 36 WLEF 38 WPNE		PBS NewsHour (N) 1 2		Washington Week (N) 1 2	Here and Now (N) 1 2	Maigret "Maigret in Montmartre" Maigret investigates the apparently random murders of a countess and a showgirl. 1 2		The Goes Wrong Show "A Trial to Watch" The company stages a courtroom drama.		(:01) Independent Lens "Mr. SOULI" Cultural significance of SOUL! 1 2		The Caverns Sessions "Gangstagrass" 1 2			
32 WACY 46 WTPX		Family Feud (N)	Two/Half Men	The Simpsons	NBA G League Basketball Wisconsin Herd at Texas Legends. (N) (Live)			My News at 9		Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	Mom 1 2		
46 WTPX		Hawaii Five-0 1 2		Hawaii Five-0 1 2	Hawaii Five-0 1 2			Hawaii Five-0 "E Ho'oko Kuleana"		Hawaii Five-0 1 2		Hawaii Five-0 1 2			
14 CW 34 WCWF 34 WYOW		The Big Bang Theory 1 2		Penn & Teller: Fool Us "Tic Tac Time Travel" Dustin Dean; Alan Hudson. 1 2	Whose Line Is It Anyway? Guests Brad Sherwood and Jeff Davis.		Whose Line Is It Anyway? Guest comic Brad Sherwood. 1 2		14 Seinfeld "The Smelly Car" 1 14 Chicago P.D. "Good Men" 1		14 The National Desk (N) (Live)		14 The National Desk (N) (Live) 14 black-ish "North Star" 1	14 Last Man Standing 1 14 black-ish 1	14 Young Sheldon 1 14 Family Guy 1

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St. Anthony School Fishing Derby lures them in



Kevin Leuck drops a fishing line into the water as he participates in the St. Anthony School Fishing Derby on the Oconto River, just off the shores of East Side Beach on Feb. 11. Leuck was just one of many who spent their Saturday trying to reel in the biggest fish, while also supporting St. Anthony School.

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Fish of various shapes and sizes signifying the biggest fish caught hang on the shores of the Oconto Falls East side beach during the Saint Anthonys Fishing Derby on Feb. 11. The annual fishing derby acts as a fundraiser for Saint Anthony School. Prizes are given out to each first place finisher in various categories.

LUKE REIMER | NEW MEDIA

Grant to replace Woodlawn Drive traffic signal

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Shawano Common Council approved a bargain deal Feb. 8 for replacing an aging traffic signal on Green Bay Street at Woodlawn Drive.

It will cost \$185,000 to modernize and replace the traffic signal, which has been controlling the flow of traffic in that area since the

1980s, but a Wisconsin Department of Transportation grant will cover 90% of the costs, leaving the city to only pay \$18,500. The funding will come out of savings the city has accrued from other capital improvement projects.

The signal is located at a busy intersection, which includes the entrance to McDonald's, as well as the Woodlawn Plaza, where Dunham's and other businesses are located.

The intersection is also located where a new Dunkin Donuts and Pizza Hut are expected to be built.

"We applied for this funding for traffic signals. It's similar to what we did a few years back for Waukechon Street," said Scott Kroening, public works director. "It's a good deal because 90% is paid by the feds and a 10% city match."

Kroening noted the project will completely replace the signal,

the wires beneath the surface and more. He said a camera system will be installed on the signals to indicate when traffic flows change and the lights need to be switched.

"It's kind of a sweet deal," Kroening said.

He added that the city is hoping to eventually replace all of the signals on Green Bay Street.

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Council approves \$50K for road microsurfacing

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Shawano Common Council signed off Feb. 8 on spending \$50,000 for microsurfacing some of the roads in the city in the hopes of extending their life.

After putting out a call for bids, the city received two. Fahrner Asphalt

Inc., had the low bid with \$50,830, while Struck and Irwin Paving Inc., submitted \$51,510 for its bid.

"This is just one of the tools we use to extend the life of the pavement," Scott Kroening, public works director, said to the council in his report. "The microsurfacing program is something we started about seven years ago. It's something similar to crack filling that

we've used to extend life."

Kroening estimated that the microsurfacing materials help to keep the pavement viable for an additional five to seven years beyond its normal life expectancy. He said that pavement usually lasts about 20 years, but he said the microsurfacing allows it to last longer, as the city has some roads where the

pavement is 30-35 years old.

"Microsurfacing is basically a very expensive seal coat," Kroening said. "It's a lot thicker. It actually has some sand or other type of grip that it sets down before they put this emulsifier that will allow an additional five to seven years for the pavement."

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BONDUEL

BONDUEL, WISCONSIN 54107

Regular Board Meeting7:00 PM Bonduel High School/Middle School Library Media Center
February 20, 2023**Agenda**

Call to Order— (Posting Notice: **February 16, 2023** the agenda for the meeting was sent to the Shawano Leader, WTCH radio, and the clerks of the municipalities within the District's boundaries. Copies were also posted on the bulletin boards in the District Office, Bonduel High School office, Bonduel Elementary School, the Bonduel State Bank, and the Village of Bonduel Office). Please visit our District website on the Fridays before Board meetings at www.bonduel.k12.wi.us for the most up to date agenda.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Appearances:

Approval to Deviate from the Order of the Items on the Agenda.

Approval of Minutes.

Approval to Pay Bills.

New Business—Action Items

Discussion.

Reports.

Meetings to Attend.

Adjourn to Closed Session.

Reconvene to Open Session.

Adjourn.

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BONDUEL

BONDUEL, WISCONSIN 54107

Regular Board Meeting7:00 PM Bonduel High School/Middle School Library Media Center
January 23rd, 2023**Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Board President Dennis Bergsbaken at 7:00 p.m. All Board members were in attendance. Also in attendance were administrators and staff.

The following motions were made, seconded, and carried to approve:

- To deviate from the Order of the Items on the Agenda, moving item 7 (Closed Session) to the beginning of the agenda.
 - To adjourn to closed session as authorized under Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(c)(e) for the purposes of considering or discussing issues pertaining to compensation of certified, noncertified and administrative staff.
 - For approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 9th, 2023.
 - For Voucher approval of checks numbered 109808 through 109886 for the period of 1/7/23 through 1/20/23 in the amount of \$511,679.62.
 - For Co-curricular voucher approval of check numbers 32129 through 32131 for the period of 1/6/23 through 1/19/23 in the amount of \$800.00.
 - To approve the resignation as presented.
 - To approve a new Middle School Softball Program on a one year pilot basis.
 - To eliminate the Virtual/Professional Development Day scheduled on May 10th, 2023, and to be replaced with a regular day of school.
 - To approve Open Enrollment Seats, Regular Education, as presented and as follows:
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| 4 Year Old Kindergarten: 15 | Third Grade: 2 | Eighth Grade: 0 |
| 5 Year Old Kindergarten: 0 | Fourth Grade: 6 | Ninth Grade: 5 |
| First Grade: 0 | Fifth Grade: 3 | Tenth Grade: 6 |
| Second Grade: 5 | Sixth Grade: 0 | Eleventh Grade: 0 |
| | Seventh Grade: 0 | Twelfth Grade: 0 |

- To approve Open Enrollment Seats, Special Education, as presented and as follows:
- Bonduel Elementary School Early Childhood Cross Categorical: 0
- Bonduel Elementary School Grades 1-5 Cross Categorical: 0
- Bonduel Middle School Grades 6-8 Cross Categorical: 0
- Bonduel High School Grades 9-12 Cross Categorical: 0
- Bonduel Middle/High School Cross Categorical: 0
- School District of Bonduel all grades Speech: 0
- To adjourn to Closed Session as authorized under Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(c)(e) for the purposes of considering or discussing issues pertaining to compensation of certified, noncertified and administrative staff.
- To adjourn to Open Session.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Board Clerk, Greg Borowski

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Work in general shall consist of the following work items:

Remove existing closet doors in each unit and replace with new smaller closet doors and an infill panel. Existing closet shelving to be replaced with new prefinished shelving.

Plans and specifications may be examined at the office of the Architect and the Shawano City Housing Authority and the following Plan Rooms and Builders Exchanges: Wausau Builders Exchange, and Fox Valley Builders Exchange.

Complete set of plans and specifications will be available February 10, 2023 and can be obtained from Architects Group Limited, 1825 South Webster Avenue, Suite 202, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301, and telephone: (920)432-1232 for a refundable deposit of \$25.00 and a non-refundable mailing fee of \$15.00. All plan deposit checks shall be made out to the Shawano City Housing Authority. Non-refundable mailing fee shall be made payable to Architects Group Limited. Plans and Specifications can be obtained electronically from Architects Group Limited at no charge.

Bid Form, Bid Bond, Form of Non-Collusive Affidavit, and Representations, Certifications and Other Statements of Bidders forms shall be furnished to each bidder in a bid envelope and shall be submitted with bid. Failure to do so may be cause for rejection of bid. Copies of the above mentioned forms are in the specification book. Contractors shall also provide with bid, letters regarding Minority Participation and Section 3 Participation as outlined in these documents. A bid bond of 5% is required to be submitted with the bids for bids over \$25,000 and the bonding company listed in Circular 570. See instructions to bidders for bond requirements.

Each Bidder shall comply completely with Instructions to Bidders, Supplementary Instructions to Bidders and General Conditions of the Contract for Construction. This shall include evidence of an Affirmative Action Program, including women and minorities. Follow Executive Order 11246.

Contractors shall comply with minimum salaries listed in the wage rates included in the specification.

The Shawano City Housing Authority reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or to waive any informality in the Bidding.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the Shawano City Housing Authority.

The requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 apply to this project and to the greatest extent feasible; contractors shall fulfill their obligation to utilize lower income residents as trainees and/or employees. See Supplementary Instructions to Bidders and General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, Article 40, regarding their responsibilities.

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BY: TODD BUETTNER

Breslin charged with fraud on Atrium facilities

While he and other owners were paid, employee paychecks bounced and residents weren't refunded

By **KEVIN MURPHY**
Correspondent

The CEO and his company, which operated four acute care facilities in Shawano and Oconto Falls, has been indicted in federal court in Madison on 12 counts of health care, wire and mail fraud involving millions of dollars.

On Feb. 1, a grand jury indicted Kevin Breslin, of Hoboken, New Jersey, and KBWB Operations, LLC, which did business as Atrium Post Acute Care of Shawano at Birch Hill, at Evergreen and at Maple Lane, as well as Atrium Post Acute Care of Oconto Falls.

In total, Atrium operated 24 skilled care nursing facilities and nine assisted living centers in Wisconsin and Michigan, licensed for 1,900 beds and employed 1,700 people.

According to the 35-page indictment, between January 2015 and September 2018, Atrium billed Medicare for more than \$189 million and received more than \$49 million and billed Medicaid for more than \$218 million and received \$93 million.

Breslin began Atrium in 2014 and was fired in 2018. When he was CEO, he received a \$1 million annual salary plus weekly guaranteed payments of approximately \$30,000 to \$40,000. Atrium's five other owners also received the guaranteed weekly payments totaling \$172,000 a week, in return for the funds they invested in



KEVIN BRESLIN

the company.

While the owners were paid, employee paychecks bounced, staff quit, vendors cut off services, funds held for patients or residents weren't refunded upon their

discharge or death, according to the indictment.

As CEO, Breslin oversaw staffing, finance, payroll and budgeting decisions.

The indictment alleged that Breslin and Atrium's scheme to defraud involved diverting the owners' guaranteed payments to finance construction of skilled nursing facilities in New Jersey. This diversion impacted the quality of patient care resulting in the shortage of clean diapers, bandages, cleaning supplies, medical and respiratory equipment.

Suppliers and vendors weren't paid resulting in services curtailed including: food, physical therapy, fire alarm monitoring, phone and internet services.

To receive the federal funds, Atrium certified that it would comply with all quality of patient quality of care standards including adequate staffing, supplies and services. However, they failed to do so and falsified statements to Medicare and Medicaid

program administrators indicating patient care standards were being met.

Instead, soiled bed linen wasn't changed, staff couldn't bathe patients as scheduled or meet additional minimum hygiene needs. Staff didn't respond to patient call buttons resulting in patient falls and forced incontinence.

Phone and internet service also was cut off which diverted some staff from patient care to fire watch duties. No phone, fax or internet meant prescription orders and medical records couldn't be obtained, and door alarms didn't work.

Staffing shortages also contributed to some patient care plans not being developed or followed. Staffing wasn't adequate to feed or even keep track of patients' locations.

Staff bought food at grocery stores to cover shortages but not the food planned for meal menus.

HVAC systems weren't maintained, resulting in air conditioning systems not working in summer months. Heating was adequate in some winter months resulting in consolidating patients in heated areas of the facilities.

Trash wasn't collected for periods of time resulting in unsanitary conditions.

Roofs and windows leaked resulting in mold forming in some buildings. Pails were placed in residents' rooms to collect the water. Broken

toilets and showers weren't fixed.

The indictment doesn't specify if these conditions occurred in all or at which Atrium locations.

The skilled nursing facilities in Wisconsin and Michigan were placed in receivership in September 2018 by an order in Wood County Circuit Court.

The indictment further alleged that the wire and mail fraud charges also related to funds Atrium withheld from employee paychecks to pay their health insurance premiums or contribute to their 401(k) retirement plans.

The health insurance plans were to be administered by a third party, and the retirement funds were to be held in trust by Atrium. Breslin managed the retirement trust funds.

However, those withheld funds were paid to health insurance administrators who stopped paying employee insurance claims in March 2018, leaving them to cover their own health care costs.

The employee retirement contributions also weren't deposited in their retirement accounts, despite their paychecks and W-2 tax forms indicating otherwise.

A call to Atrium's Birch Hill center for comment wasn't returned by deadline.

No court dates have been set in the case.

If convicted, Breslin faces a lengthy prison sentence and fines.

Internet safety, open enrollment, and congrats to Chuck Wendler

For this month's newsletter, I would like to get you up to speed on a few items that community residents should be aware of.

First, on Feb. 8, the school district held an internet safety awareness presentation for all high school students put on by the Shawano County Sheriff's Department. Deputy Thornborrow did a great job of communicating the reality of cyber risk and implications to the individual, their families and the communities they live in.

It is important that we continue to educate our students about the necessity to ensure identity safeguards, the risks associated with the failure to do so, and the value of practicing safe digital citizenship



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in all aspects of technology use. We will also be extending this presentation to middle school students.

I really think this is a topic that all parents and students can be more informed about.

The education received in this hour-and-a-half setting could make all the difference for someone in our local communities.

I also would like to extend a short reminder about Wisconsin's open enrollment process. Wisconsin's

public school open enrollment application period runs from Feb. 6 to April 28 for the 2023-24 school year, allowing parents an opportunity to send their children to any public school district in the state.

This is the only tuition-free opportunity for most parents to apply for their children to attend a public school in a school district other than the one in which they live. If you have any questions about this process or wish to know more about how the Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District is serving our students, please don't hesitate to call me at 715-253-2213.

And finally, I would like to acknowledge Chuck Wendler for his 20 years of service on the Witten-

berg-Birnamwood School Board. Recently, Chuck received a plaque from the Wisconsin School Board's Association for his commitment and service to our district.

It speaks volumes to know that the residents of our district continue to have faith and show support of the job Chuck does in advocating what is right and best for our students. As our school board president, Chuck has been the greatest advocate for our students and continues to always put their needs first and foremost as leader of our great district. Congratulations, Chuck, and thank you for all you do.

Garrett Rogowski is superintendent for the Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District.

BOOKS AND STUFF

Complicated mystery thriller is a real page-turner

"You Better Run" by Willow Rose was hard to put down. It is the 11th book in her Eva Rae Thomas series.

Years ago, FBI profiler Eva Rae's husband was killed on the job. Since then, she has struggled to balance her life with the needs of her children. Eva was in a relationship with detective/single dad Matt. When Eva Rae became pregnant, Matt moved out, baby Angel was born, and they share parenting duties. Also in the picture is Alexander Huxley, a journalist shadowing Eva Rae to write a book, who obviously has feelings for her.

As this story opens, Eva Rae's 16-year-old, Olivia, is trying to explain that she is non-binary and wants to be referred to as Ollie or they/them. The special moment is shattered when Eva Rae gets a call. She leaves feeling confused and guilty.

Susan Kellam returned from a weekend trip to find her lovely home a mess and someone who looks just like her 19-year-old daughter Meghan dead. But Meg is the one who found the dead girl, so who is she?

It doesn't take long for DNA to show that the dead girl is an identical twin to Meg, but Susan insists that Meg was her only child and can produce a birth certificate to prove it. Eva Rae can sense that Susan is hiding something frightening.

Susan has reason to be afraid and has received a note saying, "You better run." Hiding in a friend's beach house, she is attacked and stabbed several times. She manages to escape and get to a man who was a military nurse. He treats her wounds insisting she go to a hospital, but she refuses and hobbles into the night.

Her attacker finds her, but she



JAN JONES

Now we flash back almost 20 years to Raina and Tom. Raina loves Tom completely and tries to be understanding when he refuses to share much about his family and childhood. The only thing he has shared is the fact that he had a twin sister who was killed by their mother. They are both thrilled when she gives birth to twins.

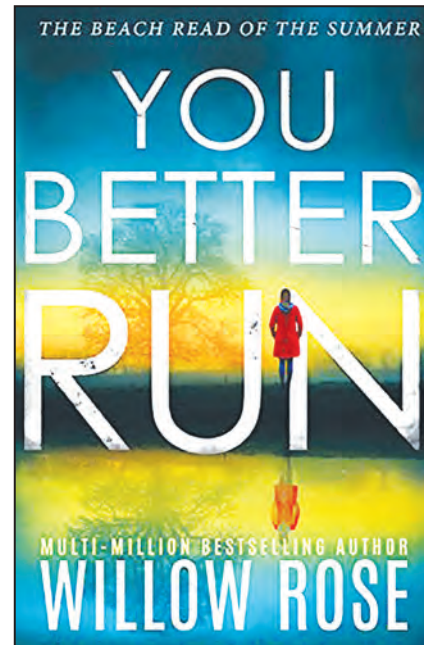
Dealing with the case, her family, Matt's jealousy and Alex's romantic

thwarts his plan by jumping into traffic. She wakes in the hospital with numerous injuries including broken legs. She knows her attacker will find her, and this time there will be no escape.

hints has Eva Rae stressed out. But one of her problems turns out to be the key to solving the case. After reading up on Ollie's gender issues, she finds the name of a doctor who studied nurture versus nature in twins. The man had been murdered only days ago.

The horrific truth gives Eva Rae a whole new perspective on nurture and nature.

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Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District

Official Minutes of the Board of Education

December 19, 2022

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 9 Board Members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approve the Minutes: (Schmidt-Stuart) moved to approve the minutes of the November 28, 2022 regular meeting with 1 correction being Olson did not attend the WASB Regional Meeting. Roll Call: 9 yes. Motion carried.

Communications & Delegations: In attendance along with Board Members were: Garrett Rogowski, Jill Resch, Cole Irish, Stuart Russ, Megan Marcks, Jill Meverden, Erin Tuskowski, Luke Reimer, Taylor Bergner, Nikki Steigerwald and Kara Muthig.

Public Comments: None

Board Concerns or Reports: Olson attended both Birnamwood concerts. He said they were very well attended, they were well run and organized.

Student Representative: Taylor Bergner, Student Senate Member, said they decorated a 21' Christmas tree that was donated by Matt and Sally Korbisch. A student welded the tree stand and the tree stood in the middle of the commons. The Student Senate took a trip to the Mall of America and the officers went to Botanical Gardens in Green Bay. They have plans for Christmas activities for the rest of the week.

Financial Report: (Magee-Pietz) made a motion to pay the following as of December 19, 2022: budgetary checks numbering 107644-107800 in the amount of \$156,673.19, payroll checks numbering 142532-142550 in the amount of \$29,942.79, direct deposit advices in the amount of \$439,262.98, ACH payments in the amount of \$476,799.50 and credit card payments in the amount of \$52,333.40. Superintendent Rogowski reported a cash on deposit as of November 30, 2022 of \$2,035,055.59 and LGIP Account balance as of November 30, 2022 of \$1,314.54. Roll call vote: 9 yes. Motion carried.

Approve Agenda: (Olson-Schmidt) moved to approve the agenda. Motion passes.

Administrative Reports:

-Cole Irish, Birnamwood Elementary and Middle School Principal, thanked the community for their support and participation in the Christmas concerts.

-Nick Firari, Wittenberg Elementary and Middle School Principal, said 79 students were rewarded with donuts for making the Middle School Honor Roll. He reported a STEM Shuttle came to buildings for 5th graders. Firari spoke highly of the Elementary concerts, and was thankful for support from the community.

-Stuart Russ, Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School Principal, said that the 1st trimester is finished and grades are posted on Skyward for families to view.

-Megan Marcks, Director of Pupil Services, attended a job fair. She said in January they have plans for the 8th graders to start getting ready for high school. There will be a transition night for parents too.

Jeff Miller, Director of Buildings and Grounds shared that the amount given for the giving tree was very large. They had 4 pickups full of donations. He stated right now they are looking at Fence quotes. Snow removal has started and the Nature Center water is working well.

Old Business:

(Meredith-Schmidt) moved to approve the 2023-2024 school year calendar as presented. This is contingent on the approval from DPI. Motion carried.

New Business:

(Pietz-Stewart) moved to approve the Start College Now applications from 4 students. These students will attend the NTC CNA course in Antigo if there is room. Motion carried.

(Stewart-Magee) moved to approve the petitions of 12 students who would like to graduate early. Motion carried.

Kara Muthig, School Psychologist, gave a Student Data presentation.

Addendum:

(Olson-Hanson) Moved to approve the resignation of Michelle Hafer, Birnamwood Elementary/Middle School Special Education Teacher.

Adjournment: (Stewart-Hanson) moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Resch

School Board Secretary

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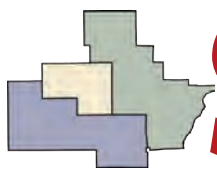
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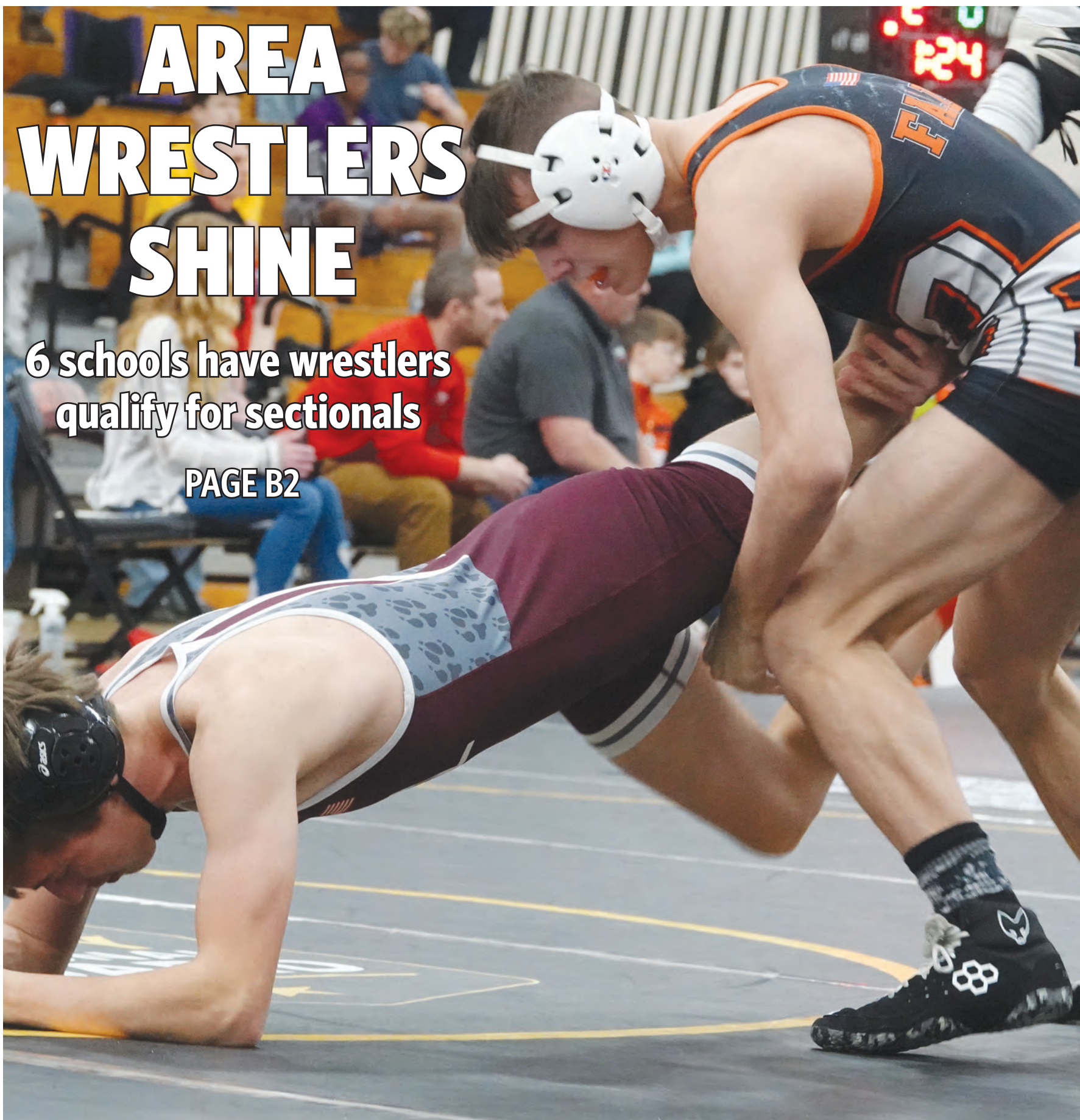
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AREA WRESTLERS SHINE

6 schools have wrestlers
qualify for sectionals

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Oconto Falls' Cole Bozile, right, works toward a pin during a match at the Division 2 Oconto Falls Super Regional on Feb. 11 in Oconto Falls.

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HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

47 wrestlers qualify for sectionals

Pulaski, Witt-Birn advance as teams

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Forty-seven area high school wrestlers earned big wins to place in the top four at regionals on Feb. 11 and earn spots at sectionals.

Pulaski and Wittenberg-Birnamwood placed second as teams at their regionals to qualify for team sectionals.

Division 1

Pulaski and Shawano each competed at the Green Bay West Regional in Green Bay.

Thirteen Pulaski wrestlers placed in the top four to advance as individuals. The team earned 248½ points to finish behind only Bay Port's 275½ points.

Shawano saw eight individual wrestlers place in the top four. The Hawks scored 155 points to take third place.

Ethan Eggert (120), Tristan Taylor (160), Trenton Gibbons (182) and Mason Wells (220) led Pulaski with first-place finishes.

Eggert finished 2-0, with a pin and a 4-0 decision win on the day. Taylor also was 2-0, with both wins by pin.

Gibbons pinned his first opponent before earning a 6-3 decision win in the first-place match. Wells pinned both of his opponents in the first period.

Broc Ambrosius (113), Colin Pratt (132), Griffin Vanlannen (145) and Chase Woosencraft (170) advanced after second-place finishes, with just one loss each on the day.

Conner Nooyen (126), Austin Rybicki (152) and Will Friedman (195) all placed third for Pulaski, while Jake Fredrickson (106) and Cole Gorecki (138) moved on after fourth-place finishes.

Shawano's Carsen Herm (152) and Caden Young (170) both finished 2-0 and won their weight classes. Herm got both wins by pin, while Young won by medical forfeit and major decision.

Drake Herm (138) placed second for the Hawks, finishing the day with a 3-1 mark.

Dane Hodkiewicz (106) and Wahkeenyah Waukau (220) turned in third-place finishes to advance. Kody Popelka (132), Drew Chelberg (160) and Brady Jones (285) all came in



Oconto Falls' Parker Peterson, top, wrestles during the Division 2 Oconto Falls Super Regional on Feb. 11 in Oconto Falls.

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fourth place.

The Pulaski and Shawano boys sectional qualifiers will be joined by their girl teammates at the Shawano Sectional on Feb. 18, with action beginning at 10 a.m. To advance to state, Division 1 boys need to place first or second, while girls must win their weight classes.

Division 2

Oconto Falls had five of its wrestlers place in the top four spots during the Oconto Falls Super Regional in Oconto Falls.

The Panthers accumulated 145 points to take fourth place. Freedom's 306½ points won the super regional, while Seymour also advanced to team sectionals after scoring 208 points. Peshtigo came in third with 162 points.

Three of Oconto Falls' sectional qualifiers came in first at the super regional.

Garrett Ganter (106) won his weight class with two pins. Hunter Bozile (126) won an 11-0 major decision, 1-0 decision and 5-1 decision to claim his class, while Cole Bozile had a pin and 16-1 and 17-0 technical falls to take first.

Parker Peterson (138) and Luke Trepanier (152) came in second to earn their sectional spots. Both wrestlers

had just one loss on the day.

The five Oconto Falls boys sectional qualifiers will be joined by their girl teammates at the Wrightstown Sectional on Feb. 18, with wrestling starting at 10 a.m. To qualify for state in Division 2, boys must place in the top three spots in their weight classes, while girls must place first.

Division 3

Witt-Birn, Bonduel, Lena, Suring/Gillett and Menominee Indian all competed in the Crivitz Super Regional in Crivitz.

Ten Witt-Birn individual wrestlers qualified for sectionals. Witt-Birn racked up 263 points as a team, only behind Coleman's 332 points.

The Chargers were led at the super regional by Ben Miller (106), Nathan Waupekenay (195) and David Gauderman (285), who all placed placed.

Miller went 2-0 with a pin and 9-0 major decision win, while Gauderman had pins in both his matches. Waupekenay went 3-0, with two pins and a 3-1 decision win in the first-place match.

Devin Wudtke (126), Braeden Groshok (182) and Dominic Weso (220) all moved on with second-place finishes after dropping just one match each.

Andres Sanchez (138), Nico Pelusi (145), Chase Kitsemble (152) and Bryson Schmid (170) are also moving on after third-place finishes.

Bonduel placed fourth as a team with 185½ points and had six wrestlers advance on.

Colin Fischer (145) and Tyson

Bogacz (182) placed first for Bonduel. Fischer's wins came by a pin, a 10-8 decision and a medical forfeit, while Bogacz earned two pins and a 12-3 major decision win.

Jaxon Bogacz (106) advanced on after a second-place finish.

Jose Lagunes (152), Donovan Vigue (160) and Parker Perry (170) will also wrestle at sectionals after fourth-place finishes.

Lena accumulated 119 points as a team to grab fifth place. Five individual wrestlers qualified for sectionals.

Dylan Comins (120), Luke Misco (132) and Sam Marquardt (138) all placed second to lead the Wildcats.

Sam Peterson (106) and Dylan Urbanek (220) will join that trio at sectionals after fourth-place finishes.

Suring/Gillett and Menominee Indian didn't have any boys wrestlers advance.

Suring/Gillett earned 31 points and took 10th place, while Menominee Indian was 11th with 16 points.

The Witt-Birn, Bonduel and Lena individual sectional qualifiers and any of those team's girls wrestlers, along with any girls wrestlers from Suring/Gillett or Menominee Indian will compete in the Bonduel Sectional, which will be held at Seymour High School on Feb. 18. Action begins at 10 a.m.

To qualify for state in Division 3, boys must place in the top three spots in their weight classes, while girls must place first.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Pulaski boys cruise to nonconference win

Red Raiders run away with win on special night

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Pulaski High School boys basketball team eased its way to an 81-63 nonconference win over Marinette on Feb. 10 in Pulaski.

It was already a special night in Pulaski as senior Derek Shaw was honored for recently going over the 1,000-point milestone in his high school career, while the 2013 state championship was recognized on its 10-year anniversary.

On the court, Pulaski ran away with the game, primarily thanks to turning Marinette mistakes into fastbreak points. When it wasn't a half-court game, the Red Raiders racked up points fast and furiously, and Marinette never challenged the lead for about the final 23 minutes of play.

"It was big. I wanted to do it all for them (2013 state title team)," said Shaw of the team being able to pick up a win. "They had a great run when they were in this gym. I just wanted to do it all for them and prove to them that we can win too."

"Special shoutout to Derek, he's my brother, been my brother for 18 years. It was super awesome to see him achieve that milestone in his career, not many people do that," said Pulaski's Gatlin Robaidek. "The state team coming back is super awesome, that was super exciting. I think the atmosphere at first was a little nerves and then after we realized that we needed to pick it up and step it up and I think we really put on a show for them and it was something they can be proud of."

Pulaski fell behind 9-2 in the early going, as Marinette hit three 3-pointers after an opening basket from Pulaski's Ethan Schmidt. The Red Raiders responded with an 8-0 run, with Shaw scoring twice, and Brady Wotruba and Dylan Dorn each adding one field goal.

The teams traded points over the next few minutes before Pulaski grabbed control late in the half. The hosts ended the half on a 20-7 run in the final five-plus minutes.

Pulaski did a lot of the scoring early in possessions, taking advantage of Marinette turnovers or misses.

"We just tried to lock in on defense because we gave up a few shots early in the game that we didn't want to give up," said Shaw, adding that help defense led to some steals and easy looks on offense.

At the break, Shaw already had scored 16 points, making seven shots. Dorn, Schultz and Wotruba also made multiple shots in the first 18 minutes.

After an extended halftime, when the state championship team being honored, it took a few minutes for Pulaski to get back into rhythm. When they did though, the Red Raiders were able to extend the lead out to 22, and then coasted to victory after that.

Much like the first half, the faster the pace of play, the more positive things turned out for Pulaski. The Red Raiders scored 13 points over a 2 minute, 34 second span to break things open.

"I think that we really just brought it together as a team and decided that we needed to pick it up from the first half and we just went out there and dominated," said Robaidek. "Defensively, we picked it up, talked a little more, gave a little more energy and that was pretty much ballgame."

Shaw and Robaidek each tallied 10 second-half points, while Wotruba had nine. Shaw led the team with 26 total points, while Wotruba had 13 and Robaidek 12. Every player that played for the Red Raiders scored at least four points.

Marinette 23 40 — 63

Pulaski 37 44 — 81

Pulaski (81): Derek Shaw 3-3 26, Colin Schultz 0-0 7, Brady Wotruba 0-0 13, Gatlin Robaidek 2-2 12, Ethan Schmidt 0-0 6, Brock Steinbrecher 0-0 4, Dylan Dorn 1-2 9, Dixon Holewinski 2-2 4.

Marinette (63): Sam Sommerfeldt 0-0 13, Chase MacGregor 4-4 9, Dominic Smerchek 2-3 9, Max Jacobson 2-2 6, Cale Ducane 0-0 9, Luke Noel 1-2 4, Landon Corwin-Young 0-0 3, Javon Brown 3-4 10.



Pulaski's Brady Wotruba, left, soars in for an uncontested layup during the team's nonconference win over Marinette on Feb. 10 in Pulaski.

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ATHLETE PROFILE: ISAIAH MOSS

Eagles' senior enjoying his best season yet

Menominee Indian High School senior Isaiah Moss had already compiled an impressive high school career coming into this season, but he saved the best for last and has turned in his best statistical season this winter.

Moss is averaging around 20 points per contest, marking the third straight season he'll finish in double figures for the Eagles.

He's also posted career highs in rebounds, assists, steals and blocks as a senior.

Moss had scored over 15 points in 16 of the team's 18 games through Feb. 7. He scored a season high 30 points against Crandon on Dec. 27.

Moss made the Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division second team as a junior and was an honorable mention as a sophomore.

Q: When did your interest in basketball begin?

A: My interest in basketball began as long as I could remember. I always pretended to play like my favorite player Kevin Durant on my hoop outside.

Q: What has basketball taught you over the years?

A: Over the years, basketball has taught me how to become a better leader, a better teammate and a friend off the court to my teammates and coaches. It ultimately taught me life lessons that will carry on with me in life. I give a huge thank you to my grandpa Gatie Waukau, because he always taught me to be the player I am today.

Q: What is your favorite thing to do out on the court, and why?

A: My favorite thing to do on the court is cheer my teammates on when they make a great play, or making a tough bucket and the crowd gets hyped up.

Q: You've been a part of the varsity team for the past few years now. Talk about what that



Menominee Indian's Isaiah Moss takes a free throw during the team's nonconference win over Oneida Nation on Jan. 9 in Keshena.

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journey has been like for you.

A: The journey has been a road of ups and down, coming in as a freshman to a senior now. Time sure does fly, and as I matured as player, I took my years as a student-athlete for granted. So now I take everything in and enjoy my time being an athlete.

Q: Do you have any individual goals you hope to accomplish by the end of this season, and what

will it take to achieve those?

A: An individual goal I hope to accomplish by the end of the season would be first team all-conference — it will take hard work and determination to achieve that goal.

Q: As the postseason nears, what does the team need to do well in order to earn some playoff wins?

A: I believe our team just need to

AT A GLANCE

Athlete: Isaiah Moss
Sport: Boys basketball
Position: Point guard
School: Menominee Indian High School
Year: Senior

score off opponents' mistakes, play off our own pace, know personnel and play with confidence as a team.

Q: As a senior, how do you try to lead the rest of the team?

A: As a senior leader, I try my best to encourage the younger guys and be vocal. I always set an example because I know they're watching.

Q: Before a game starts, do you or the team have any routines or rituals you go through?

A: Before games, we like to listen to music to keep our energy alive. We have quiet time to focus and lock in, then go over personnel.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Menominee Indian boys basketball team?

A: My favorite memory would be freshman year, playing with the groups of guys I grew up with in school and going undefeated that year. We always had competitive practices and laughs in the locker room.

Q: Favorite TV show, movie and musical artist?

A: TV show — "Basketball or Nothing" on Netflix. Movie — "Straight Outta Compton." Musical artist — Rod Wave.

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

A: I bring a speaker in the shower and sing.

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

A: I hope to accomplish playing college basketball, because that's always been one of my goals. I also want to get my business degree to come back and work for MISD.

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ATHLETE PROFILE: MADELINE CHRISTENSON

Pulaski senior one of top shooters in FRCC

The girls basketball season is soon coming to a close, meaning seniors have just a couple more chances to represent their respective high schools. Pulaski's Madeline Christenson is making her team proud and peaking at just the right time in her career.

In her senior season, Christenson is one of Pulaski's leading scorers. She also ranks in the top 15 in the Fox River Classic Conference in 3-point and free throw percentage.

Q: When did your interest in basketball begin?

A: My interest in basketball started ever since I was a little girl; I've always loved playing the sport. When I was little, I remember going to the high school games and saying to myself, "I want to do that."

Q: What is your favorite thing to do on the basketball court, and why?

A: My favorite thing to do on the basketball court is most definitely shooting the ball or just scoring in general. I also really love to create open shots and open looks for my teammates, whether that would be driving to the hoop or setting a screen.

Q: What has the game of basketball taught you over the years?

A: The game of basketball has taught me that hard work truly does pay off. Growing up, I wasn't the most talented. I faced some hardships where I didn't get the playing time I thought I deserved, or certain people were picked over me. So I worked for it. There were countless nights I remember just shooting in my driveway by myself, in the darkness, sometimes when it was freezing out, just to perfect my shot and get comfortable with it. Working hard and overcoming adversity are two extremely important things the game of basketball has taught me.

Q: Do you have any individual goals you hope to accomplish by the end of the season, and how do



Pulaski's Madeline Christenson follows through on a jumpshot during the team's nonconference game against New London on Nov. 21 in Pulaski.

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AT A GLANCE

Athlete: Madeline Christenson
Sport: Girls basketball
Position: Guard/forward
School: Pulaski High School
Year: Senior

you plan on achieving those goals?

A: I hopefully would like to receive a conference honor, whether it would be honorable mention or something. I think that would be pretty cool.

Q: As the season and your senior year wind down, talk about how you plan to try to enjoy the entire experience.

A: As the season winds down, I hope that we can get back at least half of our injured players and be able to play together one last time. I miss being able to play with Ella Wiese and Taylor Olson; we connect well together on the court and have been playing together for almost 11 years.

Just soaking up these last few games and giving it my all will help me enjoy the rest of the season.

Q: It's been a bit of a tough year for the team, but the playoffs can act like a new season for teams. What does your team need to do well in order to win some playoff games?

A: As a team, I think we just need to learn the game and work together to make plays within our offense. If the team buys into the offense and we play how we practice, hopefully the playoffs will be able to give us a fresh start and hopefully a regional plaque!

Q: As a senior, how do you try to lead the rest of your team?

A: As a senior, I think it's important to have multiple different roles especially when we have a group of team leaders between us senior captains. I think my role as a leader is to try and lighten the mood when things are going rough. Also, we've had many

hardships, and I think I've shown confidence through that which sets a positive example for the younger players on the team. Confidence, I think, is the most important part of the game. Without confidence, you will never make a shot. The mental game is way more important than the physical.

Q: Before a game starts, do you or the team have any routines or rituals you go through?

A: Before a game I don't have any hard-set routines or rituals, but after our team walk-through I stay after and get some shots up. Then, I normally go home and take a nap for two hours to prepare for the game.

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

A: When I was a freshman, during the playoffs we played Notre Dame at Kaukauna for the sectional first round. We were down by 15 in the first five minutes, then worked our way back and ended up beating Notre Dame. It was such a surreal experience and was an extremely exciting moment in my basketball career.

Q: Favorite movie, TV show and musical artist?

A: Movie — "The Proposal." TV show — "Criminal Minds" and "Gossip Girl." Musical artist — 21 Savage and Drake.

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

A: I have two dogs — a Morkie named Chester and a Cavapoo named Benji.

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

A: I hope to go to a four-year university. As of right now, I'm not planning on playing sports in college, but who knows? I could eventually walk on to a team. I'm hoping to major in pre-med, and then go to either PA school or become a nurse practitioner and specialize in dermatology.



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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Chargers cruise past Eagles in CWC-East clash

Witt-Birn trio
combines for 62
points in win

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School girls basketball team proved to be too much to handle for Menominee Indian, and the Chargers went on to win 78-38 in a Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division matchup on Feb. 7 in Keshena.

Witt-Birn's big three of Reese Rogowski, Rory Salvesen and Melaina Granquist combined for 62 points, and the Chargers ran away with the game.

Witt-Birn jumped out to an early 14-3 lead, with several players getting into the act with buckets, and Rogowski and Salvesen each hitting 3-pointers. During that time, Menominee Indian's leading scorer Mariah Fish was called for two fouls.

Fish re-entered the game with 12:38 to play in the opening half, but Witt-Birn continued to roll, with a bucket from Granquist and another Salvesen triple, making it 19-5.

Fish sparked Menominee Indian with a basket. After a free throw from Menominee Indian's Kaysha Wilber, Granquist hit a shot. The Eagles came back with a 3-pointer from Ayanna Smith.

Salvesen hit a free throw before Fish and Smith hit triples to make it 22-17.

After a Witt-Birn timeout, the Chargers regained control and started pulling away. The visitors ended the first half on a 19-6 run and outscored the hosts 54-21 the rest of the game.

"We talked about closing the gaps because they were getting through our help defense and getting to the basket and we kept fouling," said Rogowski of the talk during the timeout. "So we worked on just moving our feet and keeping them out of the lane."

"We started to play defense tighter and switch on screens and start showing more on the 3s so they didn't get 3s up," said Granquist.

Rogowski ended up leading the Chargers in scoring with 23 points, including three 3-point makes. She turned in a big second half, with several steals that she turned into layups.



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Reese Rogowski, right, defends as Menominee Indian's Kaysha Wilber flips the ball back to a teammate during a CWC-East matchup on Feb. 7 in Keshena.

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Rogowski scored 10 of the team's first 18 points in the second half, as Witt-Birn pulled even further ahead and eased its way to victory.

"A lot of times we let up in the second half, because we get tired and stuff like that, but we just kept driving and hitting our shots and doing the things we needed to do to keep scoring," said Rogowski.

"I would say we had more energy (in the second half), like started matching the energy they had and being more aggressive on steals and rebounds," said Granquist.

Salvesen ended up with 19 points in the contest and led the team in field goals (9), steals (6) and assists (3).

Granquist ended up with a double-

double, posting 18 points and 11 boards to go along with four steals. Eight of her rebounds came on the offensive end of the floor.

Faith Resch chipped in eight points and grabbed six rebounds for Witt-Birn. Allison Linke tallied five boards and three steals.

Fish still ended up leading Menominee Indian in scoring despite the early foul trouble. She knocked down four 3-pointers and five of the team's 11 field goals to record 14 points.

"Our team, we don't really have much of a bench, it's been a struggle all season to push through when we only have six full varsity girls the whole time — we have to bring up the JV girls," said Fish. "Honestly,

I think we just run out of gas and energy at the end of the games and it's hard for us to push through sometimes."

Urijah Reeves and Smith each contributed six points for the Eagles, with both players hitting two triples.

Witt-Birn 43 35 — 78

Menominee Indian 23 15 — 38

Witt-Birn (78): Brieleigh Ladika 0-0 2, Reese Rogowski 4-4 23, Allison Linke 0-0 2, Rory Salvesen 1-4 21, Jami Wendler 1-2 4, Faith Resch 0-0 8, Melaina Granquist 6-7 18.

Menominee Indian (38): Lena Waukau 2-2 2, Urijah Reeves 0-0 6, Kaysha Wilber 3-4 3, Mariah Fish 0-2 14, Ashlee Corn 3-6 5, Emma Komanekin 0-0 2, Ayanna Smith 0-0 6.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Seniors help Gillett girls to nonconference win

Tigers pull away down the stretch

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Gillett Secondary School girls basketball team got strong second-half play out of a couple seniors during the team's 54-46 victory over Menominee, Michigan, on Feb. 6 in Gillett.

After a back-and-forth first half, Menominee pulled ahead with a 7-0 run at the start of the second half.

Gillett senior Cheyenne Krueger started the home team's comeback effort with a 3-pointer. She hit another triple a couple minutes later before fellow senior Carleigh Kaczmarek hit a 3-pointer of her own.

After free throws from Lily Hansen and Cilena Guns gave Gillett a 36-35 advantage, Kaczmarek hit another shot to cap an 11-0 run.

Kaczmarek later answered a Menominee 3-pointer with a triple of her own. After another 3-ball from the visitors tied it, Krueger

went on a personal 6-0 run — with four points coming on free throws — to push Gillett ahead 47-41.

Menominee got back within two before two free throws from Guns and another from Kaczmarek.

The visitors hit a free throw with 45.1 seconds left to make it a four-point game, but Gillett was able to break their press. Kaczmarek found Guns for a layup with about 25 seconds to play.

The Tigers drew a charge on the ensuing possession before Kaczmarek sealed the win with a late field goal.

Kaczmarek finished with 27 points in the contest, including seven 3-point makes. She carried the Tigers in the opening half, with four triples and 13 points.

Krueger tallied 15 points for the game, with six coming in the first half. Guns added seven points.

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Gillett's Cheyenne Krueger, left, follows through on a free throw as the Gillett crowd cheers the team on during a nonconference win over Menominee, Michigan, on Feb. 6 in Gillett. MORGAN RODE | NEW MEDIA

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL



Bowler's Emmitt Kietlinski, center, takes a late free throw as the team's fans look on in the team's conference game against Northland Lutheran on Feb. 9 in Bowler.

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Bowler's comeback thwarted by last-second triple

Panthers drop CWC-North home game

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Bowler High School boys basketball team saw its furious late rally turned away after Northland Lutheran hit a late 3-pointer in a Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division contest on Feb. 9 in Bowler.

Bowler's desperation heave at the buzzer was off the mark, allowing Northland Lutheran to escape with a 55-53 win.

The Panthers trailed for most of the game and were behind 50-40 with just under five minutes to play.

Free throws from Emmitt Kietlinski and a basket from Beau Brunner got Bowler within six with over two minutes to play. After two missed free throws from the visitors, Brunner knocked down a 3-pointer to make it 50-47.

Northland Lutheran missed two more free throws and was later assessed a technical foul after a charging call. Kietlinski made the two technical free throws with 1:07 to play to make it a one-point game.

Bowler missed the front end of a one-and-one opportunity, but Northland Lutheran missed two more free throws on the other end.

Bowler missed on its next drive down the court, but Kietlinski came up with the loose ball and converted a



Bowler's Marcus Malone, left, follows through on a 3-pointer during the team's conference game against Northland Lutheran on Feb. 9 in Bowler.

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shot while being fouled. He wasn't able to convert the free throw, but made up for it with a pair of free throws with 12.8 seconds left after Northland Lutheran had made a shot on its end.

After a Bowler timeout, Northland Lutheran drove the ball down the court and into the lane before kicking the ball out to the perimeter for the game-winning 3-pointer. Brunner got up the final-second heave, but it was off the mark.

While it was a game Bowler hoped to win to strengthen its chances of a conference title, the comeback effort alone is something the Panthers hope

to use going forward.

"We got in that big slump early and that really hurt us, but I was honestly very happy with our effort," said Kietlinski, who scored 20 points. "I think it's the best we've played in a really long time and I was very happy with our effort and I thought we played really well even though we fell a little short tonight."

"We slowly came back and ate at 'em you could say," said Brunner, who finished with 17 points. "We just kept pounding on the boards and putting up shots and some would fall and some wouldn't but we came back."

Just to be able to take the lead late in the contest seemed like a far-fetched idea for most of the contest.

Bowler scored first in the game, but Northland Lutheran scored the next 15 points. The Panthers had some early close misses at the basket and a handful of turnovers, while the visitors were able to drive and get most of their points right at the rim.

Kietlinski finally got the hosts going with a couple baskets about halfway through the opening half. He had seven points, while Tristan Thiex had eight in the opening half to help the team only trail by nine, 29-20, at halftime.

The teams traded baskets for the early portion of the second half.

Brunner heated up about halfway through the half and got the hosts within four after a steal and layup and 3-point make.

Over the next three-plus minutes, Bowler was outscored 7-1 to create the 10-point deficit, 50-40. During that stretch, both Marcus Malone and Thiex fouled out, leaving Bowler's seven-player rotation with just the five guys on the court.

Northland Lutheran 29 26 — 55

Bowler 20 33 — 53

Northland Lutheran (55): Alex Emmerich 0-0 6, Jack Hahn 0-0 2, Mitchell Kracht 2-4 6, Karsten Zahrt 7-17 17, Andrew Oblender 1-3 5, Andrew Wiechmann 1-4 14, Joe Oblender 0-1 5.

Bowler (53): Marcus Malone 1-3 3, Emmitt Kietlinski 8-11 20, Beau Brunner 0-2 17, Tristan Thiex 0-0 10, Brady Strassburg 0-10, Damian Terrio 1-1 3.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Girls teams learn postseason seeds, first opponents

Bonduel, Witt-Birn and Lena all get No. 3 seeds

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Area girls high school basketball teams learned their postseason fates on Feb. 12 when the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association revealed playoff brackets in all five divisions.

Shawano and Pulaski are both in the Division 2 field, earning No. 5 and No. 10 seeds, respectively.

Shawano will play at No. 4 Mosinee in a regional semifinal on Feb. 24, with the winner battling No. 1 New London, No. 8 Rhinelander or No. 9 Medford for a regional title on Feb. 25.

Pulaski will open the postseason at No. 7 Ashwaubenon in a regional quarterfinal on Feb. 21. The winner will play at No. 2 Fox Valley Lutheran in a regional semifinal on Feb. 24.

Oconto Falls is the only area team in Division 3, picking up a No. 7 seed.

The Panthers will host No. 10 Little Chute in a regional quarterfinal on Feb. 21, with the winner advancing to take on No. 2 Wrightstown in a regional semifinal on Feb. 24.

Wittenberg-Biramwood, Bonduel and Menominee Indian are all part of Division 4 brackets.

Bonduel earned a No. 3 seed and bye into the regional semifinals. The Bears will host either No. 6 Shiocton or No. 11 Roncalli in that semifinal game on Feb. 24.

Witt-Birn is in a similar situation after also receiving a No. 3 seed. The Chargers will host either No. 6 Stratford or No. 11 Weyauwega-Fremont in



Suring's Birdee Cramer, left, looks for an open teammate as Lena's Chaela Rabas defends her during a conference game on Dec. 5 in Suring. Lena earned a No. 3 seed for the postseason, while Suring is a No. 7 seed.

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a regional semifinal on Feb. 24.

Menominee Indian is a No. 7 seed and will host No. 10 Kewaunee in a regional quarterfinal on Feb. 21. The winner will get No. 2 Coleman in a regional semifinal on Feb. 24.

The rest of the area teams reside in Division 5.

Gresham and Tigerton are in the same regional pod and received No. 10 and No. 15 seeds, respectively.

Gresham will head to No. 7 Newman Catholic for a regional quarterfinal on Feb. 21. Tigerton will take on No. 2 Edgar that same night.

If Gresham and Tigerton were to win those quarterfinal games, they would meet in a regional semifinal on Feb. 24.

Lena, Suring, Bowler and Gillett are in another D5 pod together.

Lena earned a No. 3 seed and will open the postseason hosting No. 14 St. Thomas Aquinas Academy on Feb. 21. The winner would take on either No. 6 Florence or No. 11 Elcho in a semifinal matchup on Feb. 24.

Suring is a No. 7 seed and will host No. 10 Bowler in a quarterfinal game on Feb. 21. The winning team will take

on No. 2 Sevastopol in a semifinal clash on Feb. 24.

Gillett earned the No. 8 seed in the bracket and will host No. 9 Wausaukee to open the postseason on Feb. 21. Should Gillett win, it would head to No. 1 Wabeno/Laona for a regional semifinal on Feb. 24.

Marion received a No. 15 seed in another Division 5 pod. The Mustangs will take on No. 2 Oakfield in a regional quarterfinal on Feb. 21, with the winner facing No. 7 Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah or No. 10 Heritage Christian in the next round on Feb. 24.

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COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Ripon College

Gillett Secondary School graduate Angela Mosconi turned in a fourth-place finish in the women's 5,000-meter run while representing the Ripon track and field team at the Dick Hendricks Invite on Feb. 11. Mosconi completed the race in 20 minutes, 4.09 seconds.



ANGELA MOSCONI

St. Cloud State University

Pulaski grad Jasmine Litt played in both of the St. Cloud State women's basketball team's games last week.

Litt tallied two points across nine minutes in the team's loss to Minot State on Feb. 10.

She also scored two points across five minutes in a win over Mary on Feb. 11.

Wisconsin Lutheran College

Bonduel graduate Kara Troxel helped the Wisconsin Lutheran



KARA TROXEL

College women's basketball team to a pair of wins last week.

Troxel recorded 14 points, four rebounds, one assist and one steal across 20 minutes in the team's lopsided win over

Alverno on Feb. 8.

She then tallied six points, two boards, one steal and one assist across 19 minutes in a victory over Illinois Tech on Feb. 11.

Pulaski grad Trevor Stiede turned in two strong performances for the WLC men's basketball team last week.

Stiede totaled 11 points, one steal, one assist and one rebound across 22 minutes in the team's loss to St. Norbert on Feb. 7.

He contributed eight points, three steals, four boards and two assists across 20 minutes and a win over Illinois Tech on Feb. 11.

Pulaski grad Connor Heezen and the WLC men's tennis team got the spring portion of its season underway.

Heezen and No. 3 doubles part-

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ner Josh Hennen earned the team's lone win in a dual against Cornell on Feb. 4. Heezen and No. 3 partner Matt Bass fell against Northwestern (Iowa) on Feb. 4, while Heezen also fell in No. 6 singles action.

Heezen and Hennen fell in a No. 3 doubles match against UW-Stevens Point on Feb. 10.

St. Norbert College

Lena graduate Kennedy Marquardt turned in several strong finishes while running for the St. Norbert women's track and field team at the Dick Hendricks Invite on Feb. 11.

Marquardt placed fourth in the 200 dash (27.19) and was seventh in the 60 dash (8.32).

She was also on the third-place finishing 4x400 relay team (4:12.66).

UW-Parkside

Pulaski grad Sheridan Flauger scored 18 points across 34 minutes to help the UW-Parkside women's basketball team to a win over Purdue Northwest on Feb. 11.

Flauger made eight field goals, including two 3-pointers, to tally her points. She also posted four steals, three assists and two rebounds.



SHERIDAN FLAUGER

UW-Eau Claire

Oconto Falls graduate Autumn Canavera and Gillett graduate Ryan Wagner each competed in the mile while running for the UW-Eau Claire women's track and field team at the UW-Stout Quad on Feb. 10.

Canavera placed ninth in 5:23.56, while Wagner took 21st in 5:44.82.

UW-Milwaukee

Shawano grad Isabel Roloff ran in two events for the UW-Milwaukee women's track and field team at the GVSU Big Meet on Feb. 10.

Roloff took 15th in the 200 (26.07) and 16th in the 60 (7.8).

Bemidji State University

Shawano graduate Brooke Theis and Pulaski graduate Isabel Majewski each played double digit minutes in both of the Bemidji State



BROOKE THEIS

three rebounds in 11 minutes.

Majewski totaled three points and one assist across 23 minutes against MSU-Moorhead on Feb. 11, while Theis had two points, two boards, a block and a steal in 11 minutes.

UW-Platteville

Pulaski grads Kayla Lipsey and Eian Ziemer each competed in multiple events for the UW-Platteville track and field teams at the UW-Platteville Invitational on Feb. 11.

Lipsey took 10th in the women's 60 (8.37), 12th in the high jump (1.3 meters) and 16th in the shot put (7.3 meters).

Ziemer claimed 18th in the men's 200 (24.86) and 29th in the 60 (7.68).

Saginaw Valley State University

Shawano graduate Tori DePerry and the Saginaw Valley State women's basketball team went 2-0 in games last week.

DePerry recorded 13 points, seven rebounds, one assists, one steal and one block across 34 minutes against Lake Superior State on Feb. 9.

She then had 21 points, eight boards, two assists and two steals across 38 minutes against Ferris State on Feb. 11.

UW-Stevens Point

Pulaski grad Lindsey Jossie, Oconto Falls grad Joe Adams and Menominee Indian grad Guadalupe Corn all competed at the Midwest Elite Invitational on Feb. 11 for the UW-Stevens Point track and field teams.

Corn placed fourth in the women's shot put (12.99 meters) and 26th in the weight throw (13.35 meters). Jossie claimed 22nd in the long jump (4.63 meters) and was



JOE ADAMS

women's basketball team's games last week.

In a loss to Northern State on Feb. 10, Majewski tallied three points, two steals and an assist across 18 minutes, while Theis grabbed

24th in the 60 hurdles (14.61).

Adams ran in the men's 3,000, placing 18th in 9:26.36.

Oconto Falls grad Graeson Pankratz wrestled for UWSP at the WIAC Championships on Feb. 11.

Pankratz wrestled at 141 pounds, finishing 0-2 on the day.

Northern Michigan University

Witt-Birn graduate Abi Fraaza and the Northern Michigan women's basketball team finished 1-1 in its games last week.

Fraaza contributed eight points, four rebounds and three assists across 17 minutes in a win

over Davenport on Feb. 9.

She then had six points and three boards against Grand Valley State on Feb. 11.

St. Mary's University of Minnesota

Shawano grad Peyton Buerman earned singles and doubles wins while competing for the St. Mary's University women's tennis team in a dual win over Dubuque on Feb. 11.

She and No. 3 doubles partner Ella Boomgaarden earned a forfeit win. Buerman won 6-0, 6-0 in her No. 4 singles match.

Dubuque University

Pulaski graduate Aaron Hawpetoss competed in two events for the Dubuque men's track and field team during the UW-Platteville Invitational on Feb. 11.

Hawpetoss placed 15th in the shot put (10.91 meters) and 18th in the weight throw (11.86 meters).

St. Martin's University

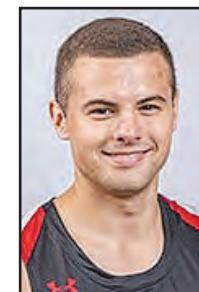
Gresham grad Christian Haffner helped the St. Martin's men's basketball team to two wins last week.

Haffner recorded 13 points, one assist and one rebound across 25 minutes against Seattle Pacific on Feb. 9.

He had eight points, four boards, one steal and one assist across 19 minutes against Montana State Billings on Feb. 11.



ABI FRAAZA



CHRISTIAN HAFFNER

Area teams excited for state ice fishing championship

High school tourney happening on Shawano Lake

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Shawano Lake figures to be packed on Feb. 18, as Shawano is set to host the 2023 Wisconsin Interscholastic Fishing Association State Ice Fishing Championship.

Approximately 70 schools from across the state will participate in the event, with Oconto Falls, Gillett, Shawano, Bonduel and Pulaski representing this area. With the event kicking off at 7 a.m. and ending at 2:30 p.m., each team will consist of a maximum of 12 fishermen per school. From there, team members can split into two groups, with a coach each.

Gillett head coach Michele DeBauch is one of the new head coaches in the tournament this year, as Gillett recently picked up an ice fishing program.

"Since we live so close to where the state tournament is held, we found out that we need very little capital to start a club," said DeBauch. "We held

our first meeting in November where 22 students signed up to be a part of the team. There is a lot of excitement around starting the team and competing with other schools."

DeBauch and Gillett are not the only newcomers to the state championship though, as the hosts of the event are also appearing at their first state championship.

"Everyone is super excited, because it is our first time," said Shawano head coach Jamie Kriewaldt. "We have everything from experienced fisherman all the way down to novice fishermen and women. We have been doing a lot of fundraising this year to build our fund as a club. We have some very excited players and coaches."

Kriewaldt said that excitement is brought to the next level, though, as those fishing for Shawano for the first time will be able to do so close to home.

"The fact that it is our first time and to be able to fish on our own waters and to be able to take the lead on some of those things with helping organize the event — I think it has been great," said Kriewaldt. "I think it also offers some opportunities for students who

didn't think about doing something like this in the past to get a taste of what it feels like."

In Shawano's first state championship, Kriewaldt said that the team is looking forward to the experience with an eye on climbing the leaderboard.

"I definitely think that they are in it to win it," said Kriewaldt. "They are serious about this. As a team, I think we would like to at least be able to finish in the top 10. But if we go higher than that, more power to us."

Much like Gillett and Shawano, Oconto Falls will be fishing its first state championship as well.

"I think overall they are pretty excited," said Oconto Falls head coach Tim Allen. "This will be our third tournament (this year). The first one we did fairly well, but the last one we didn't do very well at all."

Using past results as an indicator, Allen set a goal of being in the middle of the pack or higher for the team in the championship this year.

"The main goal for us is for everyone to have fun," said Allen. "That has kind of been the neatest thing about this: They fish with their friends, and we let them pair up with who they

want and try to keep a coach by. With a little luck, maybe we can have some success and finish in the top 10."

Finishing toward the top of the leaderboard is a goal shared not only by Shawano and Oconto Falls, but DeBauch and the Gillett team as well.

"We look forward to placing in the top 10 teams at the state tournament next weekend," said DeBauch.

For Bonduel, the experience level is a little different as this will be the high school team's third trip to the state ice fishing championship. Bonduel head coach Travis Schindel said that over the three years, the fishermen have become more experienced and more competitive.

"A lot of the times when they go fishing, it is more of a leisurely thing," Schindel said. "But when we are out there that day, it is high stakes and it is go time."

While Bonduel's team goals for the state tournament include finishing as high atop the leaderboard as they can, Schindel said his goal is for his students to find an enjoyable lifelong hobby.

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HIGH SCHOOL SWIM

No area swimmers qualify for state

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

No boys swimmers from Pulaski or Shawano were able to qualify for state during sectional competitions on Feb. 11.

Pulaski swam in the Division 1 Neenah Sectional, accumulating 100 points to place 11th. Shawano earned 104 points and took ninth at the Division 2 Ashwaubenon Sectional.

Pulaski's 200-yard freestyle relay team of Jace Olson, Charlie Duffrin, Carter Grasse and Patrick Lara earned a seventh-place finish in 1 minute, 37.68 seconds. The same four formed the eighth-place finishing 400 freestyle relay (3:37.56).

Individually, Lara claimed fifth

in the 500 freestyle (5:17.47) and ninth in the 200 freestyle (1:58.15). Olson grabbed seventh in the 100 freestyle (52.92) and 11th in the 50 freestyle (23.85).

Duffrin earned 13th in the 100 butterfly (1:02.2) and 22nd in the 50 freestyle (25.31), while Grasse was 12th in the 100 freestyle (54.96) and 19th in the 50 freestyle (24.91).

Caleb Weis placed 20th in the 200 freestyle (2:09.62), while teammates Oliver Larsen and Thomas Glinski were right behind him with times of 2:11.66 and 2:16.5, respectively. In their second individual events, Larsen was 19th in the 100 backstroke (1:09.64), Weis was 13th in the 500 freestyle (5:49.68) and

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Glinski claimed 20th in the 100 freestyle (59.79).

William Gosse took 22nd in the 100 freestyle (1:03.75) and 29th in the 50 freestyle (27.72) for Pulaski. Oscar Delmarcelle and Kael Pierquet placed 31st and 32nd in the 50 freestyle, with times of 27.91 and 29.29, respectively.

Shawano's 400 freestyle relay team of Braden Barkley, Baelyan Putz, Daniel Bergmann and Ben Langlois teamed up for a fifth-place finish in 3:54.01. They earned

a seventh-place finish in the 200 freestyle relay (1:43.1).

Individually, Langlois took seventh in the 200 freestyle (2:04.21) and eighth in the 100 butterfly (1:00.28).

Bergmann finished 14th in the 50 freestyle with a time of 26 seconds, while Barkley grabbed 15th in 26.11 and Jon Jumonville was 19th in 28.33. Bergmann also earned 10th in the 100 butterfly (1:06.97). Barkley was 10th in the 100 freestyle (59.45) and Jumonville was 13th in the same event in 1:04.91.

Brady Hannes was Shawano's other competitor, taking 15th in the 100 freestyle (1:07.95) and 13th in the 100 backstroke (1:19.74).

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Chet and Emil's Thursday Early Birds

Team	W	L
Rightway Propane	42 1/2	21 1/2
Schairer Farms	35	29
M and J Harvesting	26	38
Stadler Farms	24 1/2	39 1/2

High team scratch games: Rightway Propane 662, Schairer Farms 629, M and J Harvesting 536.

High individual scratch games: Susan Zeinert 213, Barbara Praslowicz 213, Kim Zeller 190, Samantha Stadler 189, Darcy Hille 189.

High team scratch series: Rightway Propane 1,759, Schairer Farms 1,707, M and J Harvesting 1,483.

High individual scratch series: Susan Zeinert 571, Samantha Stadler 488, Patricia Stadler 486, Darcy Hille 479.

Chet and Emil's Wednesday Business

Team	W	L
CWAA	14	7
Kropf's Meat	13	8
Kessen Auto Body	12	9
Karcz Lending	11	10

Chet and Emil's	10 1/2	10 1/2
S and M Tool	8 1/2	12 1/2
Rew Motors		8
TLC Auto Body	7	14

High team scratch games: S and M Tool 1,095, Karcz Lending 1,026, Kropf's Meat 951.

High individual scratch games: Austin Rekow 239, Tyler Krull 236, Dave Schmidt 234.

High team scratch series: S and M Tool 3,192, Karcz Lending 2,964, Kropf's Meat 2,788.

High individual scratch series: Jeremy Praslowicz 772, Brandon Trzebiatowski 648, Rhett Matz 612, Stephan Miller 612.

Lakeshore Masters — Lakeshore Lanes

Team	W	L
Dearco Distributors	13	3
Northern Advantage	12	4
Brother's	10	6
Bamboo	10	6
Golfside	9	7
Launching Pad	8	8
Lakeshore Lanes	8	8
Farmall Fanatics	7	9
Full Service Tents	6	10

Rosie's Railway	6	10
Pin Pricks	4	12
Shawano Auto Sales	3	13

High team scratch games: Northern Advantage 739, Bamboo 715, Golfside 700.

High individual scratch games: Cody Lindal 279, Don Pedersen 268, Jeff Arndt 266, Ed Brusky 265, Dave Hackbarth 265, Brad Weisnicht 258, Bryant Rankin 256, Steve Lichtensteger 249, Scott Pederson 247, Tony Wyrobeck 246.

High team scratch series: Golfside 1,949, Northern Advantage 1,942, Launching Pad 1,928.

High individual scratch series: Ed Brusky 765, Don Pedersen 740, Brad Weisnicht 731, Bryant Rankin 710, Jeff Arndt 698, Brian Schultz 692, Dave Hackbarth 667, Todd Schertz 664, Tony Wyrobeck 645, Scott Pederson 642.

Chet and Emil's Monday Women's League

Team	W	L
Cady Home	15	13
Star Campsite	15	13
Banner Banks	14	14
Chet and Emil's	12	16

High team handicap games: Star Campsite 755,

Banner Banks 732, Chet and Emil's 706.

High individual scratch games: Kim Zeller 258, Tracy Anderson 199, Jen Duranceau 189, Julie Stewart 179, Barbara Praslowicz 160, Jan Jones 158.

High team handicap series: Banner Banks 2,095, Star Campsite 2,086, Chet and Emil's 1,999.

High individual scratch series: Kim Zeller 581, Tracy Anderson 568, Barbara Praslowicz 459, Julie Stewart 453, Courtney Tryba 419.

Chet and Emil's Tuesday Commercial

Team	W	L
Kautza Excavating	15	6
Chet and Emil's	15	6
Clark Construction	14	7
White Insurance	11	10
Schmidt Schulta	7	14

High team scratch games: Chet and Emil's 1,070, Clark Construction 1,007, Kautza Excavating 949.

High individual scratch games: Jeremy Praslowicz 290, Brian Rew 276, Tim Lemke 269.

High team scratch series: Chet and Emil's 3,053, Clark Construction 2,925, Kautza Excavating 2,771.

High individual scratch series: Tim Lemke 755, Jeremy Praslowicz 715, Brian Rew 713.



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PRO FOOTBALL

Wisconsin's Joe Thomas earns Hall of Fame nod

Former Wisconsin offensive lineman Joe Thomas was named to the Pro Football Hall of Fame, as announced during the NFL Honors on Feb. 9 in Phoenix.

Thomas, who will be enshrined into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in early August, is the seventh offensive tackle to become a first-ballot hall of famer, and first since Walter Jones (Seattle) in 2014.

Thomas, a Brookfield native, was drafted No. 3 overall by the Cleveland Browns in 2007, and went on to set an NFL record by playing 10,363 consecutive snaps and earning 10 consecutive Pro Bowl selections to begin his career. Thomas allowed just 30 sacks over 6,680 pass-block snaps, which equals one sack allowed in 0.004% of total pass plays, according to Pro Football Focus.

He earned eight All-Pro selections over his 11-year career with the Browns and was named to the NFL's 2010s All-Decade Team.

During his collegiate career with the Badgers, Thomas started at left tackle in 2004-06, earning first-team All-America honors during his junior and senior seasons. In 2006, Thomas was awarded the Outland Trophy, presented to the nation's best interior lineman, becoming the first Badger to win the award.

With Thomas as a starter, Wisconsin compiled a 31-7 record over three seasons and boasted a pair of 1,000-yard tailbacks behind the Thomas-led offensive front. Thomas became the Badgers' highest-ever selection in the NFL's common-draft era, setting the standard for an offensive line unit that has totaled six first-round NFL draft selections since 2000.

In 2017, Thomas was honored as part of Wisconsin Athletics' Camp Randall 100, an exclusive list celebrating individuals who shaped the history of Camp Randall Stadium. He was inducted into the UW Athletic Hall of Fame in 2019.

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HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS



Menominee Indian's Mariah Fish takes a free throw during the team's game against Wittenberg-Birnamwood on Feb. 7 in Keshena.

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By NEW MEDIA STAFF

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Menominee Indian 59

Wey-Fre 54

Menominee Indian's Mariah Fish reached the 1,000-point milestone for her high school career during the team's Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division win over Weyauwega-Fremont on Feb. 10 in Keshena.

Fish finished with 14 points, while also tallying three assists.

Kaysha Wilber led Menominee Indian with 16 points, eight rebounds and three assists, while Ayanna Smith had three 3-point makes and 10 points. Emma Komanekin chipped in nine points.

Ashlee Corn totaled eight rebounds and four assists for the Eagles.

Bonduel 69

Manawa 27

Bonduel rolled past Manawa in a CWC-East matchup on Feb. 10 in Bonduel. The Bears led 40-9 at halftime.

Hailey Zernicke totaled 15 points for Bonduel, while Tatum Sporisky had 10 points.

Audrey Weier pulled down seven rebounds for Bonduel. Hailee Thompson tallied five steals, while Ella Hischke dished out six assists.

Lena 45

Gresham 34

Lena knocked off Gresham in a nonconference game on Feb. 10 in Gresham.

Whitney Potter scored 15 points to pace Lena offensively. Eva Brooks tallied 11 points, while Alabama Lambert had six.

Chloe Bohl and Maddie Haffner scored nine points each for Gresham. Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes added eight points.

Witt-Birn 55

Amherst 47

Wittenberg-Birnamwood defeated Amherst in a CWC-East clash on Feb. 10 in Wittenberg.

Rory Salvesen recorded 16 points for Witt-Birn, while Reese Rogowski had 14 points and three assists.

Faith Resch tallied 12 points and three steals for the Chargers. Melaina Granquist added nine points and eight boards.

Faith Christian 44

Tigerton 42 (OT)

Tigerton dropped a nonconference game to Faith Christian Academy.

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my in overtime on Feb. 10 in Wausau.

Abby Swartz posted 24 points, 15 rebounds and six steals for Tigerton.

Lillian Welch chipped in eight points for the Tigers.

Niagara 56

Suring 42

Suring fell to Niagara in an M&O contest on Feb. 9 in Niagara.

Christine Sleeter led Suring in scoring with 12 points. Mackenzie Bailey added 11 points, while Emma Kristof had nine.

Gresham 51

Tigerton 22

Gresham earned a CWC-North win over Tigerton on Feb. 7 in Gresham.

Maddie Haffner hit six 3-pointers and scored 20 points for Gresham. Five of the triples came in the opening half.

Janay Pecore-Kirkland added eight points for Gresham, while Josie Cerveney had six.

Abby Swartz led Tigerton with 10 points, while Lillian Welch had six.

Bonduel 70

Weyauwega-Fremont 22

Bonduel dominated Weyauwega-Fremont in a CWC-East matchup on Feb. 7 in Bonduel. The Bears led 43-11 by halftime.

Ella Hischke totaled 20 points and four assists for Bonduel.

Hailey Zernicke contributed 15 points and eight rebounds for the Bears, while Kendra Troxel had 10 points and five steals.

Macy Niles hit three 3-pointers to score nine points for Bonduel, while Hailee Thompson pulled down eight boards.

Shawano 68

Green Bay East 27

Shawano rolled to a Bay win over Green Bay East on Feb. 7 in Shawano.

Leah Nordin led Shawano with 24 points, while Abby Bystol had 15.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Bonduel 71

Edgar 38

Bonduel dominated Edgar in a nonconference matchup on Feb. 11 in Bonduel.

Colin Margelofsky knocked down six 3-pointers and scored 20 points to pace Bonduel. Noah Weier hit three triples and scored 13 points, while also tallying 11 re

bounds and eight assists.

Ryan Westrich posted 11 points for the Bears, while Race Anvelink had 10 and Cade Johnson six.

Gillett 67

Niagara 49

Gillett topped Niagara in a Marinette & Oconto Conference matchup on Feb. 10 in Niagara.

Austin VandeCorput tallied 16 points for Gillett, while Jesse DeBauch added 15.

Ben Matczak and Brandon DeBauch each chipped in 10 points to the Tigers' balanced attack. Aydin Franti totaled nine points.

Tigerton 30

WVL 25

Tigerton earned a low-scoring CWC-North win over Wisconsin Valley Lutheran on Feb. 9 in Tigerton.

Sam Anheuser and Ryder Graham each scored eight points for Tigerton. Graham also had nine rebounds and four assists, while Anheuser had three steals.

Asher Michaelis posted seven points, eight rebounds and three steals for the Tigers. Colby Wanta finished with five steals, while Joey Zimdars dished out three assists.

Bonduel 62

Manawa 51

Bonduel knocked off Manawa in a CWC-East clash on Feb. 9 in Manawa.

Colin Margelofsky hit five 3-pointers and led Bonduel with 18 points. Ryan Westrich added 17 points.

Noah Weier tallied 10 points for the Bears, while Cade Johnson had nine.

Oneida Nation 59

Lena 43

Lena came up short in an M&O game against Oneida Nation on Feb. 9 in Lena.

Reed Hosking scored 16 points to pace Lena offensively.

Caleb Schlosser added 10 points, while Anthony Seefeldt and Logan Graef chipped in six points each.

Clintonville 73

Oconto Falls 32

Oconto Falls dropped a North Eastern Conference game to Clintonville on Feb. 9 in Clintonville.

Caden Birr led Oconto Falls with 12 points.

Gillett 74

Coleman 62

Gillett dominated the first half and went on to pick up a big M&O win over Coleman on Feb. 7 in Coleman. The Tigers led 44-26 at halftime.



Witt-Birn's Allison Linke, front, and Melaina Granquist lock in on defense during a conference game against Menominee Indian on Feb. 7 in Keshena.

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Jesse DeBauch and Austin VandeCorput led Gillett all night, scoring 23 and 20 points, respectively. DeBauch hit four 3-pointers, while VandeCorput tallied 15 first-half points.

Ben Matczak chipped in 12 points for the Tigers. Aydin Franti recorded nine points.

Bonduel 75

Iola-Scandinavia 44

Bonduel outscored Iola-Scandinavia 45-19 in the second half to run away with the CWC-East battle on Feb. 7 in Iola.

Noah Weier hit three 3-pointers and scored 19 points for Bonduel. Ryan Westrich and Cade Johnson tal-

lied 12 points each.

Colin Margelofsky contributed 11 points for the Bears. Owen Springborn tallied eight points, while Brodie Hartmann had six.

Bonduel hit 12 3-pointers in its 25 total field goals. The Bears were whistled for just nine fouls.

Shawano 64

New London 53

Shawano earned a Bay Conference road win over New London on Feb. 7 in New London.

Logan Sipple and Michael Metcalf-Grassman each scored 19 points to power Shawano.

Shawano's Brandon Reed tallied 12

points, while Jacob Landon had nine.

Assumption 53

Tigerton 34

Tigerton was outscored 25-12 in the second half of a nonconference game against Assumption on Feb. 7 in Tigerton.

Ryder Graham recorded 19 points for Tigerton.

Asher Michaelis tallied six points, six rebounds and six assists, while Maverick Maas had six points and four steals. Colby Wanta dished out six assists.

Bonduel 60

Peshtigo 52

Bonduel ended the game on a 22-5 run to take down Peshtigo in a nonconference clash on Feb. 6 in Peshtigo.

Ryan Westrich hit 11 shots and led Bonduel with 22 points. Noah Weier knocked down four 3-pointers and scored 20 points.

Charlie Tauchen chipped in eight points for the Bears, while Cade Johnson had seven.

Gillett 70

Wausaukee 44

Gillett eased to an M&O win over Wausaukee on Feb. 6 in Wausaukee.

Austin VandeCorput recorded 18 points to lead a balanced Gillett offensive attack. Aydin Franti tallied 13 points for the Tigers.

Jesse DeBauch and Ben Matczak each contributed 12 points for Gillett, with Matczak hitting three 3-pointers. Brandon DeBauch chipped in eight points.

Little Chute 55

Witt-Birn 31

Wittenberg-Birnamwood fell to Little Chute in a nonconference matchup on Feb. 6 in Wittenberg.

Michael Miller tallied nine points to lead Witt-Birn, while Oliver Fraaza added eight points.

BOYS HOCKEY

Rhineland 4

Antigo 3

Antigo fell in the Great Northern Conference Tournament third-place game against Rhineland on Feb. 11 in Medford.

Witt-Birn's Owen Dickman scored two goals and assisted on Antigo's other score.

Pacelli 11

Antigo 7

Antigo dropped a high-scoring nonconference matchup to Pacelli on Feb. 9 in Stevens Point.

Witt-Birn's Owen Dickman turned in another big game for Antigo, tallying one goal and four assists.



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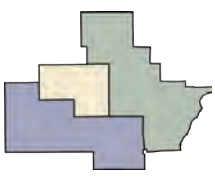
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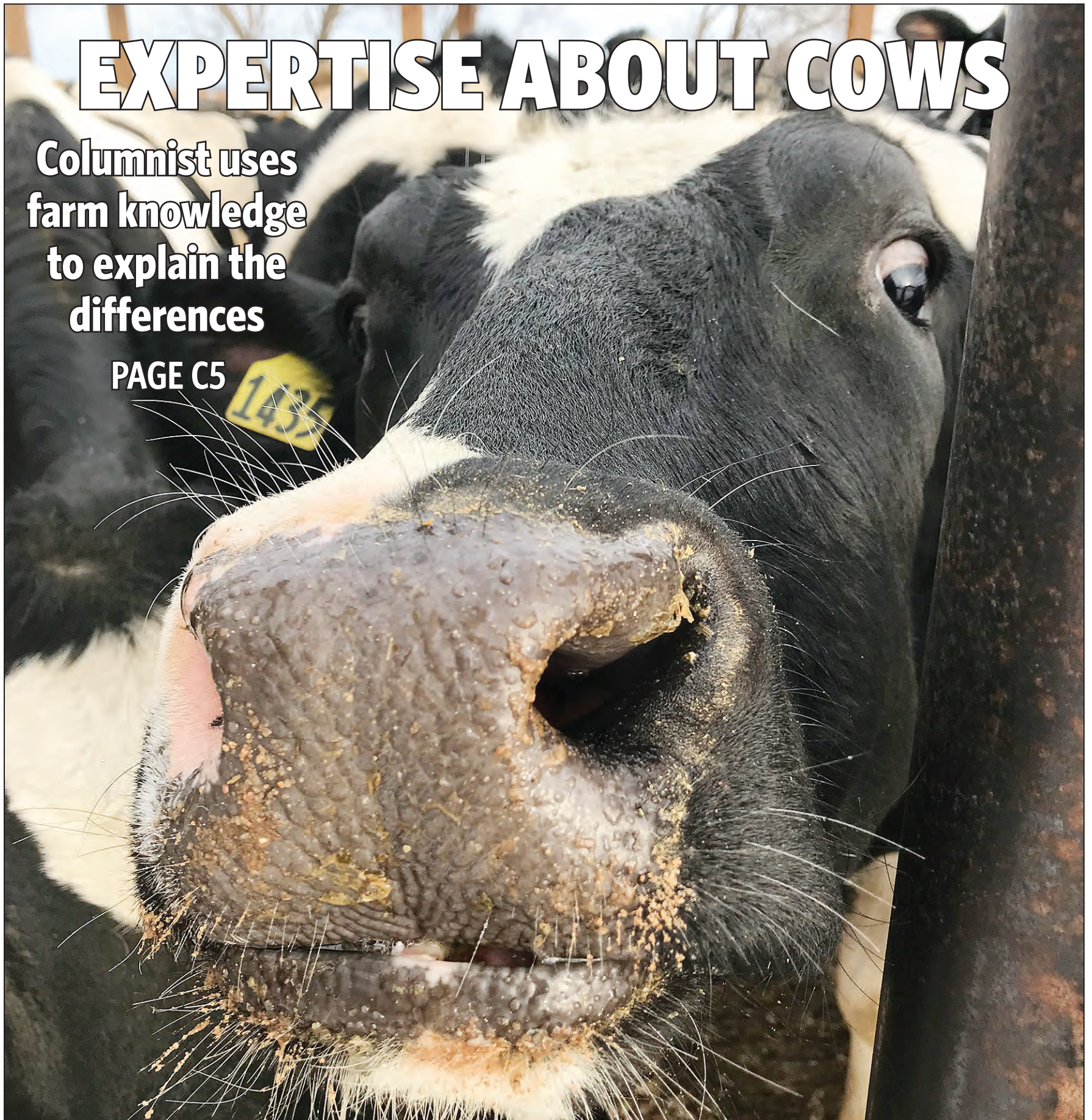
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farm knowledge
to explain the
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Boutique to help clothing need in Wittenberg

Store will host grand opening on Feb. 25

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

For those in the Wittenberg community looking for custom goods, look no further than Express Boutique and Accessories.

The new boutique, located at 503 S. Webb St., will provide custom-made clothing and accessories for men, women and children. The grand opening is set for 10 a.m. Feb. 25.

"Originally, I started my boutique just online in 2020 during COVID," said owner Kay Koehler, of Wausau. "Then when Empowered Boutique opened, I was a vendor." She noted that she did very well selling some of her custom creations out of Empowered Boutique at 505 S. Webb St. — a fact that did not go unnoticed by boutique owner Tonya Benbo. "We then just decided to kind of team up together."

Koehler said she is excited to occupy the adjacent storefront and that she thinks her items complement Benbo's merchandise.

"I did well on my vendor side, and because I do the custom items and she does regular clothing, it kind of provides a variety of items for everybody," said Koehler.

According to Koehler, children's clothes are a big priority for her, as customers' needs are not currently being met.

"There is nowhere to shop anymore for kids' stuff, so that is kind of why I originally started doing the online thing," said Koehler. "There is nowhere to shop anymore in Wausau for children's clothes. I have little ones, so that is kind of why I brought the children's line in. So I think that that will be a good aspect to this, too."

In addition to children's clothing, Koehler's store also features custom-made tumblers, cups, key chains and night lights, along with custom-made T-shirts, hoodies and sweatshirts — which she makes personally, start to finish. On top of all of that, Koehler will also showcase items made by her daughter, Kynslei, including her own tie blankets and tie-dye purses.

Koehler said that she initially was not going to open a store and continue to sell her items online, but support from friends helped her to make that jump. She added that nothing new is being added to the boutique from her online store.



The grand opening for Express Boutique and Accessories, 503 S. Webb St., will take place Feb. 25. Guests will be invited to shop from stands and displays of custom-made products. Owner Kay Koehler said she started the business online during the pandemic, and her friends encouraged her to expand to a storefront.

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Express Boutique and Accessories sits at 503 S. Webb St. in Wittenberg. The store aims to provide the community with custom-made goods, including children's clothing — something that owner Kay Koehler said has been missing from the area.

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"I post everything. It'll come in store, and I will custom-make for customers that see it," said Koehler. "People are welcome to come here and purchase it as well."

Throughout her three years selling items, Koehler has called this a fun experience and wants to continue those feelings with the storefront.

"This last year was probably my

best year, but I just started doing the craft shows," said Koehler. "Obviously, everybody does the tumblers, but I just bring something different. I do the liquor toppers. I just started doing the coach purses. I have a ton of different cups that you don't see at vending shows."

For her custom-order items, Koehler said that she only makes one

copy or one piece, to avoid having too many unwanted sizes.

"That way, they can custom-make in any color and any size," said Koehler. "I do all of my stuff from start to finish, so I don't buy it already made. I have a light in my basement that acts as sunlight, so in the winter I can start shirts down there and finish them outside."

In terms of expanding her store to have a physical space, Koehler said that she is hoping that this will attract more attention and customers to Express Boutique and Accessories.

"I hope that more people will come in here and actually look at the stuff so that they can physically see it, versus it being online," said Koehler. "That is why I will continue to do the vending shows — just because that way people can always see all of it."

When guests arrive to Express Boutique and Accessories on Feb. 25, they can expect to see a filled-up boutique, along with other welcoming events.

"For the grand opening, we are going to be doing raffle baskets, snacks and drinks, so it will be kind of fun," said Koehler. "I will be taking custom orders. This is just to show what is going to be happening — just kind of like an intro to what I am doing."

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FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

A lesson about cows for 'town friends'

In bewilderment, I stopped, fork in mid-air and looked across the booth at my friend. She was wide-eyed innocent, asking a question that I thought everyone who had breath in their body instinctively knew.

"What's the difference between a cow and a heifer?"

To be fair, none of my childhood friends had grown up on a farm, instead raised in the very urban town of Marion. To this day I don't know how I got involved with a group of girls whose three out of five mothers



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were teachers, one mom and dad owned a laundromat, one dad was the owner of an auto body shop, one was a car salesman, one was an insurance agent. All of them lived "in town." I was the only farm kid in the group.

We've all been friends since kindergarten, which means we've known each other for more than 60 years. The knowledge of that bangs around inside of my head like a ping-pong ball. That day at the restaurant, four of us were gathered, sitting for close to three hours giggling until our stomachs protested, reminiscing about years past. The subject of cows arose.

Later, as I recalled our talk, I remembered these same friends were over to visit one day (those many years ago) and they wanted to "see some cows." So we all marched out to the barn and gathered inside where I had stepped into a stall and squirted a stream of milk toward a cat with one pull on a cow's teat.

My friends squealed.

"What does it taste like? Can you squirt some in my mouth?"

Extremely uncomfortable, I looked around for my dad — like what on earth would he say if he caught me "milking" a cow in the middle of the afternoon? But of course, I wanted to accommodate my friend, so I did it. Missed her mouth by a mile. Later, we all went into the house and drank some cooled fresh milk from our refrigerator — a bit easier to access.

One of our friends had a cabin up north, which was a new experience



Heifers chow down for lunch on a cold winter's day on the Reminger family farm in Leopoldis.

KAY REMINGER

for this little farm girl. Her mother, who was organized to the hilt, had all of us do "KP," translated "Kitchen Patrol," which meant we took turns cleaning the kitchen after eating. It was a riot. It's always more fun when it's not your own house. My introduction to creamy chocolate milk was on one of those trips. I thought I had died and went to heaven. We never had chocolate milk at home.

So getting back to the lesson at hand: A heifer is a young female cow that has yet to be milked. A milking cow is a female who has given birth to her first calf and, hence, produces milk. Once bred, gestation is nine months, just like a human baby.

Approximately two months before freshening (giving birth), the mother-to-be cow is dried off from giving milk. One of the ways this process of "drying up" is encouraged by

taking her grain portion away for a couple of day's prior, decreasing milk production. Some farmers use a dry treating procedure which involves administering penicillin directly inside the teat. The ultimate object is always to keep the cow from any udder infections.

Once they're dry-treated, milking stops until they freshen. (This fact is for a cow, remember, because a pregnant first-calf heifer has not yet been milked.) Detailed records are a must for keeping track of their progress. Before breeding a heifer for the first time, she should ideally reach 700 to 800 pounds, and/or the age of one year and three months so that in another nine months she'll be close to two years old before giving birth to her first calf. A heifer needs to be mature before breeding to be sure she can birth a healthy calf.



The differences between cows and heifers became an interesting topic of conversation for columnist Kay Reminger and her friends.

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Presently on our farm, we house 61 bred cows, which are dry, so they are not being milked. Included in that total are first-calf heifers. On a weekly basis, those that are close to their due dates are trailered back to the main farm and others take their place. The cows are transients, here for only about a month and a half. The calves are born and kept at the main farm and when they're about nine months old and weaned off milk, they get trailered over here to our farm and housed in our heifer barn.

When we first sold our dairy cows, our barn was empty. The great void of it depressed me, occupied only by a few remaining cats and in time, an influx of nasty spiders spinning uninterrupted webs. I realize I rather like animals in the barn; they bring life.

Around Holsteins from the time I could toddle on two legs and then having the foresight to marry a farmer, the affection and appreciation of all of these bovine continues, from calves to heifers to cows.

Now my "town friends" know the difference.

("Let the wise hear and increase in learning and the one who understands obtain guidance." Proverbs 1:5)

Kay Reminger was born and raised on a dairy farm, and she married her high school sweetheart, who happened to farm for a living in Leopoldis. Writing for quite a few years, she remains focused on the blessings of living the ups and downs of rural life from a farm wife's perspective.

Parenting God's blessings today and always

God's blessings come in many ways and forms. One of God's blessings are children. Although at times it may not seem like children are God's blessings, especially when they are misbehaving, they truly are a blessing.

Why do I believe children are God's blessings? In the Bible, it states in Psalm 127, verse 3: "Children are a gift from the Lord, they are a reward from him," and in Proverbs 17, verse 6: "Children's children are a crown to the aged, and parents are the pride of their children."

My parents had no siblings, and I, too, was an only child. I viewed my childhood years as very lonely and isolated. I had very little to no friends, and I had to learn socializing skills through observation of others. I grew up not knowing what it was like to have a sibling or to understand what a bond with a sibling would be like.

Observing other families with brothers and sisters, fighting and arguing, help me make a decision not to give birth to any children. Oh, but that was not in God's plan for me. After being married four years, I had the sudden urge to have a child. I said my biological clock went off, but the truth is it was God's time to bless me with a child.

I gave birth to my first son in 1985 and, being an only child, I did not want just one child, so in 1987, God blessed me with a second son. Children, as we all know, do not come with a complete owner's manual. However, there is a guide that was provided a long time ago. It is called the Bible, God's guide for life.

The Bible states in Proverbs 22, verse 6: "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it," and in Ephesians 6, verse 4: "Fathers do not provoke your children to anger by the way you treat them. Rather bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord."

If only I had read the Bible more and followed this guide, life may



ABOVE LEFT: Hope Austin is one of Kathryn Hennes' four grandchildren.

KATHRYN HENNES

ABOVE: Breanna Ingraham, left, and Lucas Austin are two of Kathryn Hennes' grandchildren.

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LEFT: Tony Austin is the eldest son of Kathryn Hennes, who originally did not envision having children but soon realized they would become a blessing.

KATHRYN HENNES

became adults and married and had my grandchildren. I didn't want any grandchildren but in God's plan, he chose to bless me with four grandchildren. My older son adopted his son and loves him as if he was his biological son. My younger son has two biological children and a step-daughter he loves as his own.

Why do I believe children are God's blessings? I have seen and felt the innocence and unconditional love of newborn children. We are all God's children and have his unconditional love for always. Today, this thought of a child to be a blessing from God is rarely thought or believed.

Sadly, children are sometimes thought of as possessions, assets, liabilities or just commodities, not as humans or God's blessings. As parents and grandparents, we have the responsibility to raise our children

not according to the rules of society, but according to the guidelines set for us thousands of years ago in the Bible.

We are all human beings and fall short of perfect parenting. It is a process and learning experience. We cannot change the past, but we can learn from it and follow our guide and believe it. Grandparents have the opportunity, if allowed by the parents, to encourage the children to follow the guide given to us by God. We can all make a difference in the world and our children's lives for the good. Just believe in the guide for God's blessings.

Bless you.

Kathryn Hennes is a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother and lifelong Wisconsinite. Her passion for writing started in high school. She writes inspiring and motivational stories on her many life experiences.

Celebration of Giving back for 12th year

Foundation seeks nominees in five different categories of volunteerism

Outstanding volunteers are again being recognized and honored for their work through Shawano's Celebration of Giving, presented by the Shawano Area Community Foundation (SACF) and NEW Media.

This will be the 12th year the Celebration of Giving recognizes the spirit of volunteerism in Shawano County.

Area residents are asked to nominate individuals and/or groups who have demonstrated outstanding volunteer service to the community.

Five of the nominees will be selected by a committee to receive \$1,000 to donate to an area nonprofit of his or her choice.

"The \$1,000 donation is only one facet of the Celebration of Giving," said Raquel Strayer, SACF board chairwoman. "As Willie Nelson once said, 'When I started counting my blessings, my whole life turned around.' Ask any volunteer and they will tell you how helping others is a blessing that fills the heart. We are lucky to have a strong network of volunteers who are the unsung heroes behind the scenes in our community. Every day, volunteers make a difference in the life of someone."

Nominations must be made no later than March 1. Nominees must reside in Shawano County. Nominations are being accepted in five categories:

- **Health Care Volunteer Award:** Recognizes an individual for his or her commitment to improving health and well-being of others through volunteerism. Award sponsor: ThedaCare Physicians

- **Youth Volunteer Award:** Recognizes an area high school student who has embraced and demonstrated the spirit of volunteering and giving back to the community. Award sponsors: Shawano Optimist Club and Shawano Rotary

- **Bill Mielke Volunteer Educator Award:** Recognizes an individual or group for their dedication and passion for education, whose impact can be documented in a measurable way. Award sponsor: Mielke Family Foundation

- **Wittenberg Community Service Award:** Recognizes a group or individ-

ual in the Wittenberg area that exhibits dedication and enthusiasm through diversified volunteer work. The work performed has positive impact by improving the quality of life and meeting the needs of the community. Award sponsor: Nueske's Applewood Smoked Meats

- **Shawano Community Service Award:** Recognizes an individual who exhibits dedication and enthusiasm through diversified volunteer work. The work performed has positive impact by improving the quality of life and meeting the needs of the community. Award sponsor: An anonymous fund holder within SACF.

To nominate an individual or group, submit the online nomination form at www.cffoxvalley.org/Shawano. Information is available at 715-280-1110 or shawano@cffoxvalley.org.

Health department keeps counties' pulse

For better or for worse, like many health departments, the Shawano-Menominee Counties Health Department (SMCHD) has been in the public eye, especially with the recent COVID-19 pandemic. This was a time where every local and tribal health department, as well as the state of Wisconsin, found ourselves challenged with managing and mitigating a widespread emergency response.

It was also a time where many people re-evaluated their lives and what is important for them. In general, many counties throughout Wisconsin found themselves with a larger than normal early retirement and turnover rate within the health departments. For our community, SMCHD went through its own challenges with leadership turnover. These changes made it imperative to build and/or rebuild relationships that may not have happened otherwise.

Throughout these changes, there were times of fear, frustration, sadness and confusion; however, day by day, decision by decision, everyone at SMCHD worked together toward the best outcome available. Ultimately, it was with the support of the gov-



TERRI HARMALA

erning bodies, the partnerships with health care providers, and the collaboration within our communities that our residents were able to endure this tumultuous time.

The relationships with local healthcare providers have helped SMCHD to support the Wisconsin Communicable Disease Reporting requirements. It is the health department's responsibility to control the incidence and spread of communicable (reportable) diseases within our state.

COVID-19 is only one of over 95 communicable diseases that we need to be ready to follow-up on; to investigate, collaborate, and educate our community members about. The diseases and conditions that we track and follow up on are considered to have significant public health impact, and any confirmed or suspected cases must be reported promptly, such as hepatitis A, measles, or active tuberculosis, which require urgent

follow up within 24 hours of notice.

Other reportable conditions require follow-up within 72 hours of notice, which include hepatitis B, C and D, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), latent tuberculosis, or Lyme disease.

Other ways SMCHD supports our community is through the Community Health Improvement Plan. This resulted from the Community Health Assessment of 2019. While the Wisconsin state statutes require the health department to complete a CHA every three to five years, this process is most effective and produces change when community representatives and other key partners are actively engaged. These efforts have opened up conversations with representatives from various departments and service providers to work together.

Through this process, local action teams were created to address the three top voted priorities: Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD), Chronic Disease with a Nutritional Lens, and Mental Health. Each team is aware and are respectful to include as many areas of representation throughout our communities as possible. Sustainability is always a challenge and

our communities are doing it.

One example of collaboration in an action team is in the AOD Action Team. This team's members include representatives from both Shawano and Menominee counties. Representatives include Human Services, United Way, law enforcement, Shawano County Drug Court coordinator, Menominee Tribal Clinic, Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal, Ho-Chunk Tribal, Shawano Ambulance, area healthcare clinics, rural health, and others. These relationships have been sustained since October 2021.

Our partnerships continue to grow. These are just a few examples of what SMCHD is involved in to support and be a part of our communities. There is always an option to learn more and get involved. If people in the community want to know more about SMCHD, please visit our website: www.co.shawano.wi.us/departments/public-health/general-information. If you are interested in getting involved with any of these initiatives, please contact us to learn more at 715-526-4808.

Terri Harmala is the health officer/director for Shawano-Menominee Counties Health Department.

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TERRI HARMALA, director for Shawano-Menominee Counties Health Department

National Garden Bureau celebrating orchids

Orchids are among the most versatile and varied of all flowering house plants, and to celebrate their spectacular beauty and grace, the National Garden Bureau has proclaimed 2023 as the Year of the Orchid. Each year, this organization awards one houseplant as its plant of the year. This year, the entire family of orchids takes the honor.

Orchids are prized flowering plants and come in such a wide variety of shapes, sizes, colors and forms, that it is virtually impossible to collect them all. There are orchids that will grow in just about every light condition, making them a great choice for any room in your



ROB ZIMMER

home.

While in the past, some orchids have gotten a reputation as being difficult to grow and touchy, many of the modern hybrids — especially Phalaenopsis — are actually among the easiest house plants to grow and cultivate at home.

There are many varieties of orchids, such as many dendrobiums, that are highly fragrant, almost intoxicating. With scents like chocolate, sugary sweet or slightly spicy, the fragrance of orchids is a welcome addition to the home, especially during the winter season.

Orchids need far less care than many realize. In fact, some orchids can be virtually ignored for long periods, in many cases. Many of the traditional



It's the Year of the Orchid in 2023, according to the National Garden Bureau — a time to celebrate these wonderful flowering house plants.

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foliage plants we find in garden centers and greenhouses are actually more difficult to grow than many of our common orchids.

Most orchids are grown in a loose mix of charcoal, bark and moss. This is unlike most house plants that are grown in potting soil. Orchids normal-

ly will not grow in a potting soil mix. They must be grown in a special moss, bark and charcoal mix. This is one common mistake that people growing orchids make. They try to repot or transplant into potting soil.

Orchids are often sold in plastic liners that are mesh or covered with small holes. This allows air into the growth mixture and allows the aerial roots, which feed the plant, to grow outward. Since orchids are not growing in a solid soil mix, these roots capture moisture and nutrients from the air, feeding the plants. This is how orchids grow in the wild, in the crotches of tree branches and in moss beds.

When it comes to watering, a simple rule of thumb is to lift the liner from its decorative pot, and run under the faucet for a few moments and let the water drain out completely before returning it to the pot. Do this once a week. Many orchid growers prefer to use water that has been sitting out overnight, reaching a tepid, room temperature.

One fad or gimmick watering method that most orchid growers warn against is the ice cube method. In recent years, "ice cube orchids" have been quite popular, encouraging grow-

ers to simply water by placing an ice cube on the plant once a week. This is not recommended, according to most orchid growers. Ice cubes can damage the plants and roots. These are tropical plants, after all.

Orchids may bloom for long periods of times, sometimes months on end. They are well worth their low cost and minimal care. Once a blooming has ended, allow the orchid to rest until the flowering stem turns completely dried and brown. At that point, the stem can be snipped off and the orchid can be repotted in fresh mixture and upsized into a larger pot, if necessary. The new pot should be only slightly larger than the current one. Planting an orchid in a pot that is too large will result in its simply rotting away. Orchids love to be extremely tight in their liners and containers.

Fertilizing of orchids can be done with every watering, or at certain times of the year. Follow the directions on the orchid fertilizer that you choose. There are liquid fertilizers, as well as dissolvable granules that can be mixed with water.

Celebrate the variety of orchids this year by purchasing and growing a selection at home.



Many modern orchids are easy to grow at home in just about any room.

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COLLEGE NOTES

UW-Green Bay

The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay has made public the names of undergraduate students receiving semester honors for fall 2022 semester academic achievement.

Birnamwood: Annaliese Gagnon, semester honors; Elizabeth Rustick, semester highest honors; Deakyn Suess, semester high honors; Brooke Thiex, semester high honors

Bowler: Skye Breitrick, semester highest honors; Madison Klemann, semester honors

Eland: Jordana Schmidt, semester high honors

Wittenberg: Faith Cummings, semester honors; Justin Keeney, semester honors; Alex Ladika, semester high honors; Madison Schwalbach, semester highest honors

Bonduel: Colton Anderson, semester highest honors; Holly Broder, semester highest honors; Mandi McClone, semester highest honors; Aubrey Rausch, semester highest honors; Hannah Schmidt, semester highest honors

Cecil: Ashley Britton, semester honors; Naomi Conery, semester high honors; Raquel Riemer, semester highest honors

Gresham: Aiyanah King, semester high honors

Krakow: Emily Reinhard, semester highest honors

Shawano: Noah Anton, semester honors; William Beaumier, semester high honors; Grace Beyer, semester highest honors; Barix Black, semester honors; Andon Chelberg, semester high honors; Connor Chelberg, semester high honors; Grace Chelberg, semester highest honors; Will Chelberg, semester high honors; Camilla Doherty, semester high honors; McKenzie Dove, semester highest honors; James Harris, semester highest honors; Cheyenne Hein, semester honors; Emily Heling, semester highest honors; Ava Kostreva, semester highest honors; Sarah Mente, semester highest honors; Jess Nead, semester

ter honors; Caden Nelson, semester honors; Dakota Pyawasay, semester honors; Abby Rusch, semester high honors; Lydia Williams, semester high honors

Tigerton: Ava Retzlaff, semester high honors

Abrams: Mallory Allen, semester highest honors; Mara Allen, semester highest honors; Danielle Compton, semester highest honors; Abby Holtger Shallow, semester high honors; Jes Manske, semester highest honors; Jackson Molitor, semester honors; Garrett VerVelde, semester highest honors

Gillett: Joslyn Sexton, semester high honors; Max Zeitler, semester high honors

Lakewood: Aidan Lowery, semester honors

Lena: Brance Bethke, semester honors; Alayna Peterson, semester highest honors; Chloie Potter, semester high honors; Haley Schwantes, semester highest honors; Zach Schwantes, semester high honors; Lillian Sellen, semester highest honors

Little Suamico: Karinne Brochu, semester highest honors; Greg Gotthardt, semester honors; Dawson Malke, semester high honors; Chantelle Marotz, semester highest honors; Ethan Schultz, semester high honors; Kailey VanLanen, semester highest honors; Brayden Wirts, semester honors

Oconto: Christopher Beekman, semester highest honors; Cora Behnke, semester highest honors; Brea Bostedt, semester honors; Kyle Charniak, semester honors; Breanna Duncan, semester highest honors; Adam Gordon, semester honors; Desirae Hurning, semester highest honors; Joshua Maynard, semester highest honors; Michael Niemyjski, semester honors; Caleb Pierucki, semester high honors; Jenessa Schneider, semester honors; Tionna Wayka, semester honors

Oconto Falls: Ali Brown, semester

ter highest honors; Robyn Kamke, semester honors; Grace Krueger, semester high honors; Megan LaFleur, semester high honors; Evan Roberts, semester high honors; Josiah Schoen, semester high honors; Taylor Schuster, semester high honors; Samantha Strickland, semester honors; Maddy Vandeveld, semester honors

Sobieski: Chelsey Gilson, semester honors; Will Hanson, semester high honors; Griffin Kornowski, semester honors; Charity Meier, semester highest honors; Paiton Piper, semester honors; Olivia Williquette, semester highest honors

Suring: Grace Fischer, semester highest honors; Sierrah Johnson, semester honors; Cherilyn Whiting, semester high honors

Students who earn a 4.0 grade-point average, which represents all "A" grades, receive highest honors. High honors go to students earning 3.99 to 3.75 grade-point averages. Honors are given to students earning 3.74 to 3.5 grade-point averages. All were full-time students in the fall/winter term, earning 12 or more credits of graded coursework. This list includes students attending all four UW-Green Bay campuses (Green Bay, Marinette, Manitowoc, Sheboygan).

UW-Milwaukee

The following local students have been named to the dean's list at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee for the fall 2022 semester.

Shawano: Brock Dickelman, Elijah Etten, Isabel Roloff, Mitchell Soto, Dashawn Williams

Abrams: Samantha Coron

Gillett: Camryn Long

Little Suamico: Rena Carlton

Mountain: Anna Wood

Sobieski: Olivia Crocker, Connor Weber

UW-River Falls

The following local residents were among 351 students receiving

degrees from the University of Wisconsin-River Falls following commencement in December 2022:

Mattoon: Chastidy Hayek, Bachelor of Science in early childhood, summa cum laude

Tilleda: Noah Bestul, Bachelor of Science in agricultural education

Michigan State University

Ian L. Lewis, of Shawano, was among 221 graduates who received degrees from the Michigan State University College of Law during its spring commencement ceremony held May 13, 2022. Lewis earned a Juris Doctorate from the College of Law. He also earned a Master of Public Administration from Northern Michigan University at its spring commencement held April 30, 2022, where he was awarded Outstanding Global Studies Graduate in the College of Arts and Sciences political science department.

Northern Michigan University

Northern Michigan University has announced the dean's list for the fall 2022 semester.

The following students qualified with a grade-point average of 4.0.

Gillett: Macy Franti

Oconto Falls: McKenzie Jackson

Pound: Faith King

Sobieski: Claire Kintop

The following students qualified with a grade-point average of 3.5-3.99.

Abrams: Morgan Helmle

Pulaski: Ashley Collar, Hannah

VanEnkevort

Shawano: Dylan Mastrodonato

Sobieski: Josh LaVallie

Anderson University

Rylie Anderson, of Shawano, was named to the dean's list at Anderson University for the fall semester 2022.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must maintain a 3.5 grade-point average or higher for the semester.

MARRIAGES

OCONTO COUNTY

Travis Martin Winter and Mariah Renee Van Ark, of the Town of Pensaukee, Jan. 24, 2023.

Virgil Franklin Max Mayo and Polly Bernadette Schuster, both of Oconto Falls, Jan. 20, 2023.

Scott Michael Christiansen and Kristine Lea Grandaw, both of Porterfield, Feb. 17, 2023.

Dylan Troy Krueger and Abbie Mae

Ermis, both of the Town of Underhill, Feb. 6, 2023.

Bradley Joseph Weber and Brittany Rose Gunville, both of the Town of Little Suamico, Feb. 7, 2023

Charles John Fetterly and Jodi Mae Anderson, both of the Town of Maple Valley, Feb. 11, 2023.

SHAWANO COUNTY

Cody Jacob Church, of the Town of Bartelme, and Paris Paige Logging, of An-

tigo, Jan. 17, 2023.

Lucas Christopher Downs and Kara Lynn Pyatskowitz, both of Shawano, Jan. 14, 2023.

Daniel Richard Lohff, of Wausau, and Allyson Marie Daines, of La Crosse, Jan. 7, 2023.

Brett Lee Mathew and Erin Kelly Welcing, both of Bonduel, Jan. 14, 2023.

Eugene Robert Mueller Jr. and Sarah Theresa Koszarek, both of Shawano, Jan. 20, 2023.

John George Sackcheck and Stephanie Leona Williams, both of Shawano, Feb. 2, 2023.

Johnathan Daniel Sass, of Antigo, and Brianna Kathleen Piotraschke, of Bear Creek, Feb. 18, 2023.

Manoj Thakur and Sonita Kumari Thakur, both of Bowler, Feb. 3, 2023.

Joseph John Tursky and Michele Elizabeth Johnson, both of Shawano, Jan. 28, 2023.

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New funding challenge for Lakewood library

After completing a match for \$10,000 and \$20,000 anonymous donations last year, Lakes Country Public Library received a new one in the new year — this time for \$15,000.

“Support for the building/expansion project in 2022 was absolutely amazing,” said Library Director Katie Essermann. “We had nearly 200 individual contributors last year, with amounts ranging from \$5 to \$20,000. January 2023 continued the pace with donations coming in both by check and online. We want everyone to know that we appreciate every single one.”

Building committee co-chairman Tom Thielke also expressed his gratitude for the overwhelming financial support for the project and challenged the community to push the effort over the finish line.

“Coupled with federal grants intended as much-needed investments in Northern Oconto County, we are at 80% of our \$1.5 million goal. However, fund raisers have told us that the last 20% will be the hardest to raise,” he said. “In that regard, we are still applying for grants and requesting support from those who have not yet taken the opportunity to donate.”

Want to be a part of this legacy endeavor? Send a check to LCPL Building Fund, 15325 State Highway 32, Lakewood, WI 54138, or use the donation button at www.lakescountrypubliclibrary.org.

School spaghetti supper returns to in-person

Lena School is returning to an in-person spaghetti supper after two years of having to make it a drive-through event.

This year's spaghetti supper will be held 4:30-7:30 p.m. March 9 in the Lena School cafeteria, 304 E. Main St., Lena. The annual event is sponsored by school staff to raise money for scholarships. This event marks the 40th year for the supper and the scholarships.

The meal includes all-you-can-eat spaghetti, bread, coleslaw, pickles, vegetables and delicious desserts, as well as milk and coffee.

Advance tickets, which must be purchased by March 8, are \$8, \$7 for seniors 60 and over, and \$5 for children ages 5-12. Prices go up \$1 at the door. Tickets are now available in the school offices. Checks are payable to Lena Public Schools.

Tom Young Educational Scholarship available

Capital Credit Union is now accepting applications for its Tom Young Educational Scholarship.

This year, the credit union will award \$2,500 to 10 upcoming high school graduates who are members of Capital CU and pursuing higher education in fall 2023. Applicants are evaluated using a rating system that emphasizes academic success, community service, and volunteering.

The scholarship is named after Capital Credit Union's former president and chief executive officer. As current president and CEO, Laurie Butz is excited to continue the tradition and further invest in Capital CU's young members.

“Youth are the future of our communities and Capital Credit Union is proud to invest in their continued education and potential in the name of our former CEO, Tom Young, who retired in 2021 after 32 years with the credit union,” Butz said.

The application period is now open thru March 3. All high school seniors who are members of Capital Credit Union with plans to pursue higher education and a minimum grade-point average of at least 2.5 are encouraged to apply. For information and to apply, visit <https://www.capitalcu.com/scholarships>.

Bonduel resident now part of Angus association

Phoenix Seubert, of Bonduel, is a new member of the American Angus Association, according to Mark McCully, chief executive officer of the national breed organization headquartered in St. Joseph, Missouri.

The American Angus Association, with more than 22,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef breed association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on more than 19 million registered Angus.

Next gunless poultry shoot at Firelite Lounge

The next American Legion Post 44 gunless poultry shoot begins at 1 p.m. Feb. 18 at Firelite Lounge, 15329 State Highway 32, Lakewood.

The post will be raffling off packages of meat, poultry, sausages, bacon, beverages and items donated by local businesses. There will also be 50/50 raffles.



That takes the cake

Amiyah Heatley, left, and Claire Dudek, center, two eighth grade students at Sacred Heart Catholic School, prepare a cake that was part of an art class bake-off competition as fellow student Bryton Van Gheem looks on. Each team of two had to make their entire cake from scratch and were given only two hours to decorate with a theme of their favorite memory from their time at Sacred Heart.

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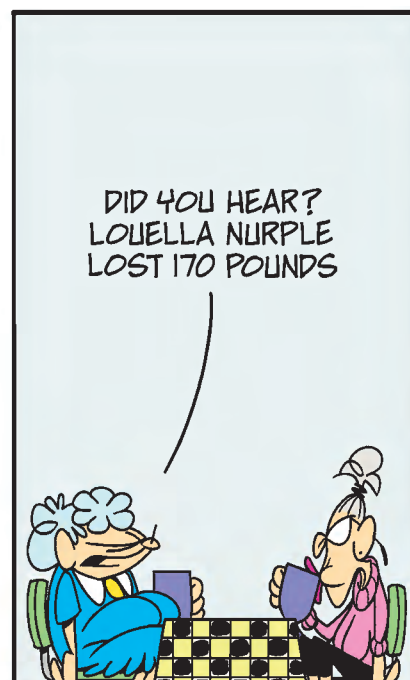
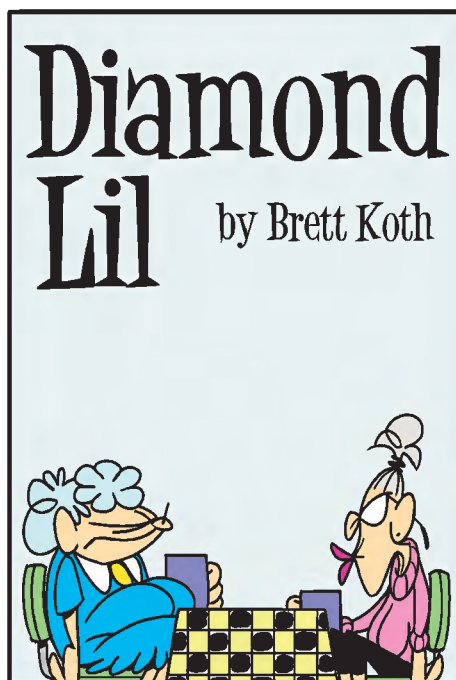
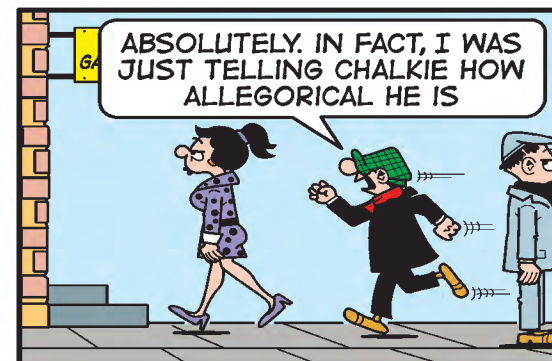
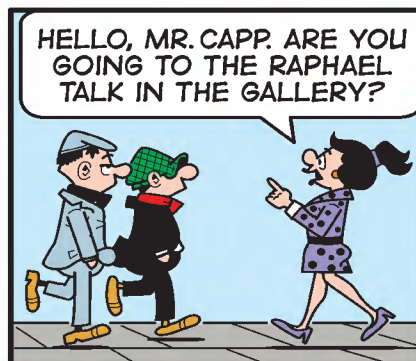
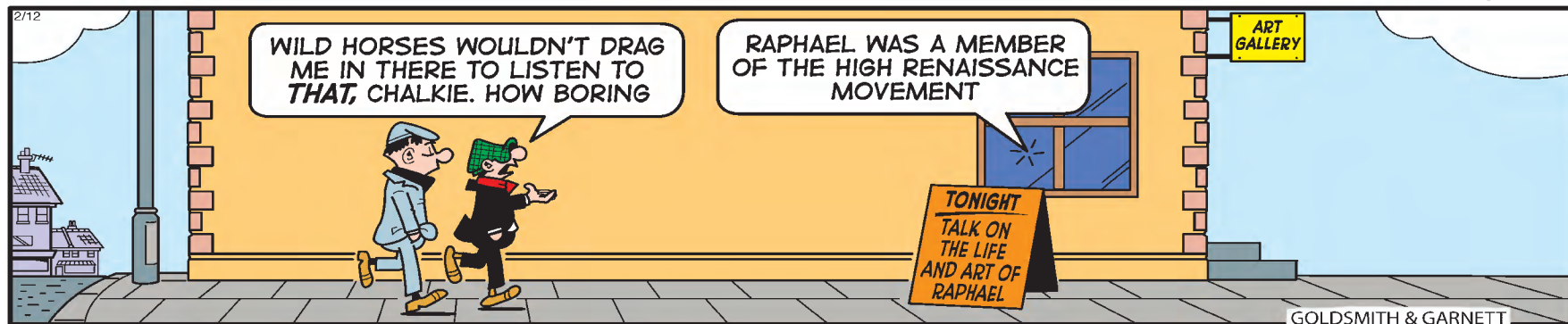
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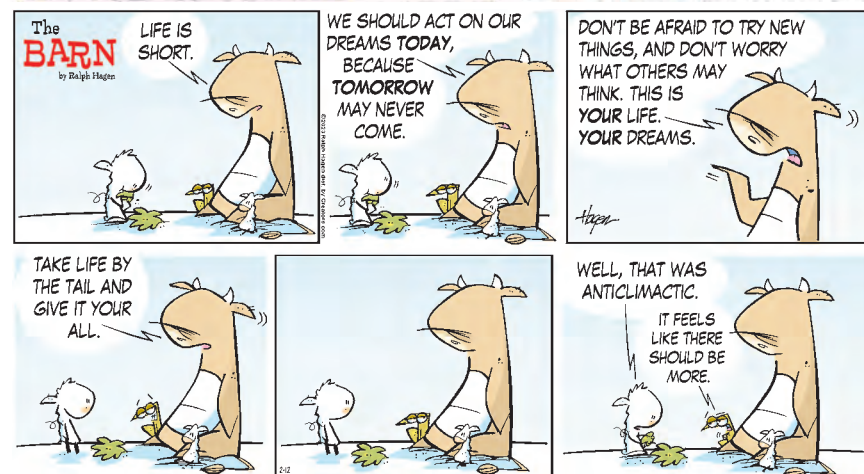
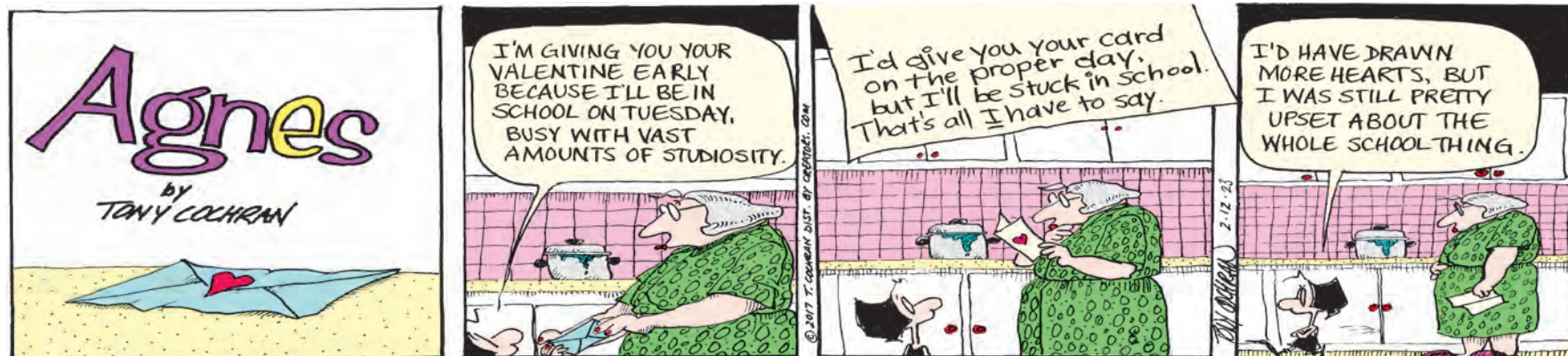
Eighth grade student Bryton VanGheem, standing with parents Lindsay and Josh VanGheem, took first place once again in the Sacred Heart Catholic School Geography Bee on Feb. 1. Bryton has the opportunity to participate in the State Geography Bee coming up soon in Madison. Seventh grade student Cora Pieper finished in second place.

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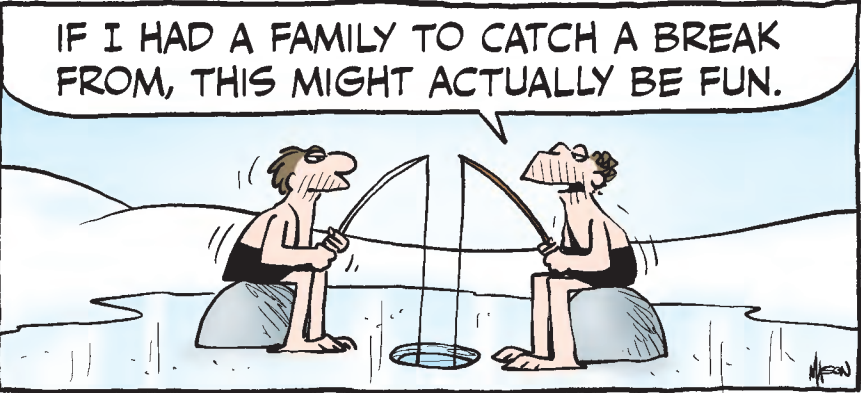
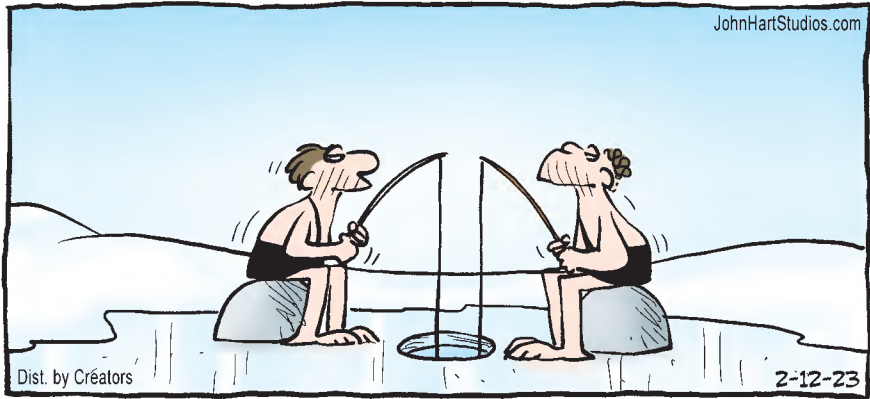
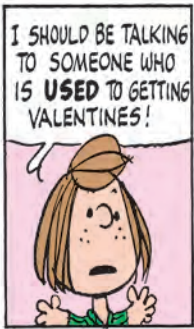
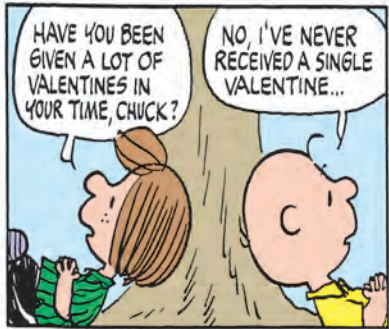
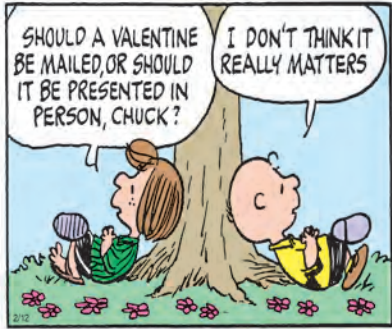
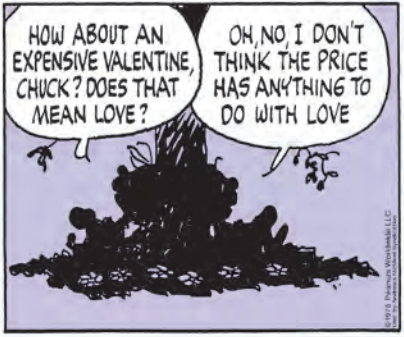
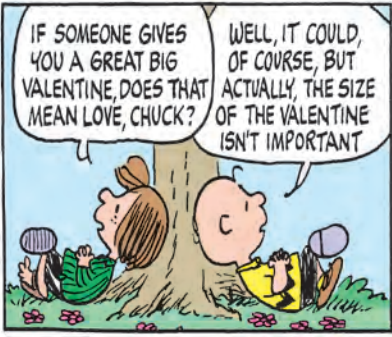
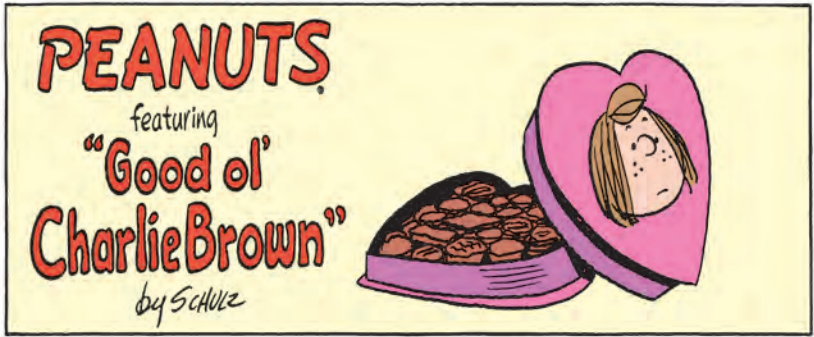


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Highlights of a busy FFA school year

Trip to national convention, food drives, visit from state officer among activities

Among highlights of the Oconto Falls FFA Chapter's 2022-23 school year:

Each year, the chapter raises funds through its holiday fundraiser. This sale features MinnTex Citrus, Springside Cheese, Meat-ski's Meats, Pete's Mustard, and Big D's Honey. Our members are thankful for everyone's continued support and we hope you enjoyed these tasty foods during the holiday season.

FFA is honored to assist in the Veterans Day ceremony at Oconto Falls High School. We serve as ushers for the ceremony, welcoming and holding doors open veterans and their families as they arrive before the ceremony.

Each year, the Wisconsin FFA State Officer Team members visit each chapter to present to our students about an array of topics. We scheduled our visit on a day that featured our monthly FFA meeting. Brooke Casey, a state FFA vice president, from the New London chapter provided team building activities, interpersonal skills activities, team work scenarios, and taught us all how to line dance.

The 92nd Annual National FFA Convention and Expo was held in Indianapolis at the convention center and Lucas Oil Stadium. This year, Brent Wolf, a senior at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls majoring in dairy science, earned his American FFA Degree, the highest degree of membership in the FFA organization.

To receive the degree, he had to have earned the Wisconsin State FFA Degree, earned a minimum of \$10,000 and invested at least \$7,500 in his supervised agricultural experience program, and volunteered at least 50 hours in a minimum of three community service projects.

Oconto Falls FFA members from Washington Middle School and Oconto Falls High School attended Wisconsin FFA's Foundations in Reaching Excellence (FIRE) Conference at Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton. They learned

about the basic information that every FFA member should know about the organization and explore opportunities that await them.

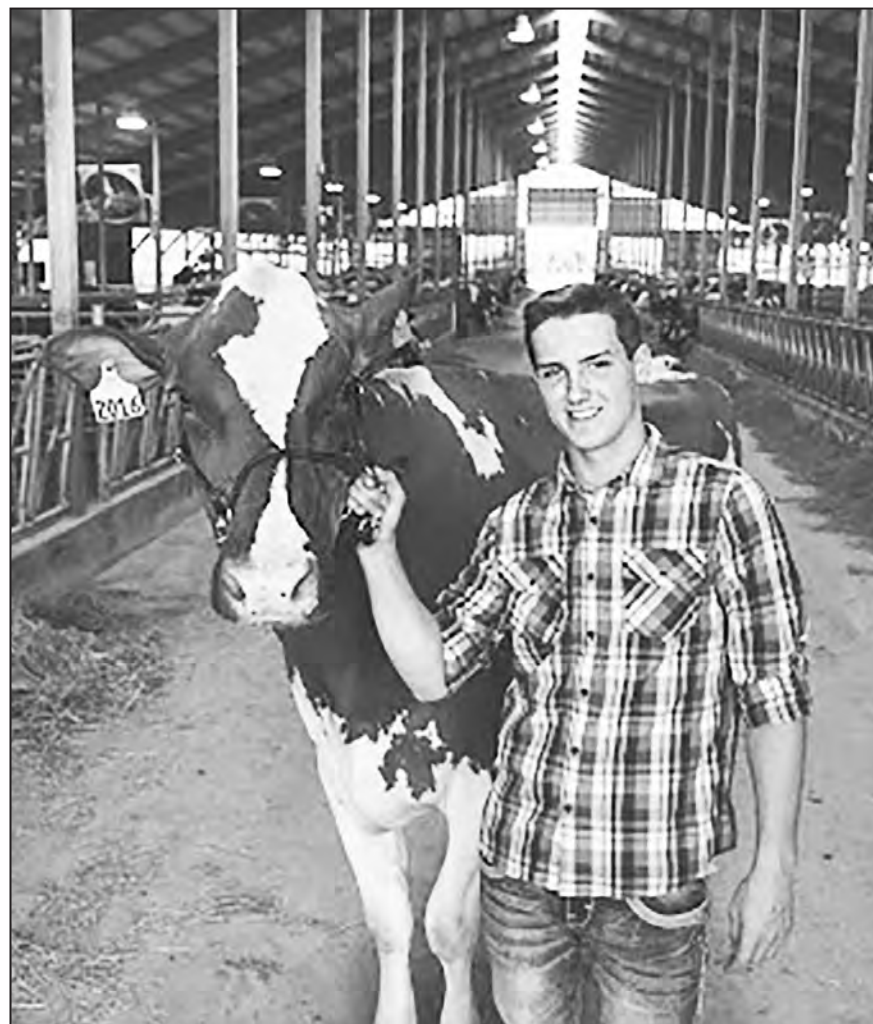
In the end, a Spirit Award is given to the FFA chapter that participates and engages proactively and respectively; Oconto Falls FFA won that award, and it is proudly displayed at Washington Middle School in Mariah Markhardt's classroom.

During the first full week of December, the WMS Student Council and WMS FFA worked together to plan and conduct our second annual food drive. Items donated were donated to the Kingdom Come Food Pantry. Over the week, members of the two clubs worked together to collect, sort, and count the items that were donated. In total, students of WMS donated 733 total items to the drive. Thank you to all of those who participated.

On Jan. 27, the Oconto Falls FFA Chapter held a food drive for the Kingdom Come Food Pantry. FFA vice president of building communities Amber Haines coordinated the project. The food drive had a successful and positive turnout. The Oconto Falls FFA Chapter is excited to plan more opportunities like this to benefit our community.

The alumni chapter accepted the donation of a John Deere Model A tractor last spring. Alumni member Miguel Kesler suggested the tractor could be restored by FFA members to gain practical experience and offered use of his home shop for the project.

Other alumni members joining Kesler in assisting FFA members on the project include Bryan Maring, Phil and Aaron Konitzer, Al Stranz, Mike Burdosh, Dave Baeten, and Amber Larson. Oconto Falls High School ag educator and FFA advisor Walter Taylor is coordinating the project. Between nine and 15 FFA members have been involved. Students, assisted by Alumni members, completely disassembled and are reassembling the tractor, after which it will be painted.



Oconto Falls FFA alumnus Brent Wolf is the latest local chapter member to earn the American FFA Degree, the highest degree of membership in the FFA organization. Wolf is now a senior at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

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FFA participates year-round in activities, competitions

The Bonduel FFA has had another eventful year. The Bonduel FFA officers meet during the summer to plan the year's activities, and try to improve and add events for the year.

Some of the highlights of the past year are:

- Attending the State FFA Convention and hosting a chapter information booth
- Participating in the Northeast Wisconsin Dairy Distribution Drive sponsored by the Lena FFA Chapter
- Attending the National FFA Convention and accepting a 2-Star National Chapter award
- Hosting two blood drives at the high school
- Attending leadership training at the Fall Leadership Workshop and the Impact and Mission Leadership

Training at Chula Vista in Wisconsin Dells

- Holding special events at school during the chicken and gravy lunch days. The chicken in the chicken and gravy are raised by the ag department twice during the school year.
- Participating in the District Leadership Development Events and placing first in creed speaking and middle school FFA Quiz Bowl
- Participating in the proficiency award program sponsored by the FFA
- Assisting the Bonduel FFA Alumni with the Bonduel Community Easter Egg Hunt

The Bonduel FFA continues to be active in the school and community and would like to thank all those people and organizations who help us in our events.



Sitting in the stands from Bonduel at the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis are, from left, Cassidy Baumann, Rose Sievert, Colette Deveau, Josh Zak, Emma Inman, Olivia Giese, Phoenix Seubert and Kendall Wilcox.

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Hailey Zernicke and Ella Hischke of the Bonduel FFA greet donors to one of two blood drives the chapter hosted at the high school this year.

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Bonduel FFA representatives to the Fall Leadership Conference were, standing from left, Addison Raymakers, Thomas Vanderzanden, Morgan Staszak, and Tucker Hischke; sitting, Paige Wolf and Emma Inman.

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Membership in FFA explodes

This year has been flying by with how busy our FFA chapter has been. We started the year off with running the concession stand at every home football game. We will continue this tradition next year, so be sure to come out and support our team and the FFA and get one of the best burgers in town.

We have had chapter meetings every month and our membership has exploded this year with currently 167 members; we should be over 200 by the start of the third trimester. Our students work hard to recruit new members and show students how agriculture relates to everyone's life and through FFA the opportunities are endless.

Our first major event was driving your tractor to school in the middle of October. We had 24 tractors show the agriculture pride and drive their favorite tractor to school. This is one of our favorite events, because it allows students to show off their roots that run deep in agriculture no matter where they live now. We always accompany that event with our adopt a highway. We cleaned up from State Highway 29 to Highway 29 all the way down County Road Q in Wittenberg. We take great pride in our community and want to help out anyway that we can.

At the end of October, we also had the opportunity again to attend the national convention in Indianapolis. We toured many facilities on the way down, with stops this year at Kuhn North America in Broadhead, the University of Illinois, Hunter Honey Farm and Not Just Popcorn. Students were able to interact with students from all across the United States and see the impact they are making on a larger level.

We also ran our fruit sale this year, and it went really well. This is our biggest fundraiser and allows us to do all the fun events throughout the year. We will be continuing this event next year, so keep your eyes open for members out and about. Along with our fruit sale, we also buy fruit as a chapter to donate to the food pantry in Wittenberg. This year, we were able to donate roughly 300 pounds of fresh produce back to our wonderful community.



The Wittenberg-Birnamwood FFA chapter officers — Vivian Resch, Madisyn Sippl, Adrianna Quade, Matthew Nousen, John Hoffman, Ava Medo, and Charlie Nowinski — take a picture with the Kuhn cow after enjoying a tour through Kuhn North America in Broadhead, during the FFA National Convention road trip.

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In December, we also run a giving tree for our community. Our members go out and gather household items to donate to the giving tree project, including toothpaste, toothbrushes, soaps, Band-Aids, deodorant, laundry soap, etc. As a chapter, this year we were able to give roughly 200 items back to the community.

To go along with everything we have going on we also attend leadership development events all year long. The entire officer team was in Bowler early this year for the District Leadership Development event, where students learn how to excel at their officer position and also how to be better leaders for their chapter.

Four amazing members — John Hoffman, Matthew Nousen, Ava Medo, and Madisyn Sippl — have moved on to the sectional leadership event, which will take place in New London. We also had the opportunity to send two students to the Halftime conference in Stevens Point. The training at this event is more intense and has a focus on building better leaders for better chapters.

Lastly our Ag Building is running at full capacity this year as we are

currently housing seven pigs and 11 piglets. The pigs consist of four gilts, two barrows and one sow.

The gilts are females that have not had piglets yet, and will be bred here at school by the students. They will then go back to Jake's Pig Palace, where we got them from, and farrow out in the spring. The two barrows, or castrated males, will be finished out here at school, and processed at Pond Hill in April.

We will be hosting a meat raffle in May. The sow, which is owned by advisor Matthew Christian and his wife, has called the building home the year. The first week of February, she farrowed and had 11 healthy piglets right here in the ag building. It is a once in a lifetime experience for a lot of our students to see her go from being in heat all the way to giving birth right here at school.

Our year is not finished yet, as we have plenty of events yet this year. We have many contests that we will be participating in, a sledging trip, bonfire, Adventures in Dairyland, farmer appreciation day, another drive your tractor to school day, and many more. It has been a busy year, but we wouldn't have it any other way.



The forestry management class was taught chainsaw safety and took to the woods to safely practice their skills. from left, John Hoffman, Matthew Nousen, Adrian Mevarden, and Saul Hanke

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FFA is all about community service

Every year, Tigerton FFA Chapter teaches its members that there are many FFA opportunities to get involved in and to serve our community. This year was no different.

The Wisconsin FFA Convention was held in Madison in June with the chapter represented by Jessica Burayi, Gabe Dahlstrom, Zeke Griepentrog, Rae Ann Strehlow, and advisor Lori Rowe.

Molly Brehm was in her last year of Wisconsin FFA Honors Chorus and applied to be a part of the National FFA Chorus. She performed at the Wisconsin State Fair with the Wisconsin FFA Honors Chorus in August.

Several members exhibited projects at the Shawano County Fair, along with a club booth and planter. Gavin Laatsch drove the FFA/FFA Alumni float, from which we threw cheese during the Tigerton Lumberjack and the Caroline Colorama parades.

On Sept. 12, we held a pizza kick-off meeting to recruit new FFA members, with six new members joining that night. To raise money toward their National FFA Convention trip, six FFA members sold about 100 fall garden mums in late September.

In October, Jessica Burayi, Bella and Gabe Dahlstrom, Michaela Gleason, Rae Strehlow, Samantha Suehring, and Ms. Rowe attended the 95th National FFA Convention and Career Expo in Indianapolis. They attended leadership workshops, convention sessions, going to the World's Toughest Rodeo, agricultural tours including Kuhn USA, Uof I-ACES Plant Science, Hunter's Honey Farm and Not Just Popcorn, as well as checking out the many exhibitors at the FFA Career Expo. After Convention, we started our FFA Fruit and Nut fundraiser with delivery before Christmas.

On Halloween night, we sponsored a "Dare to Care" food drive for the Tigerton Food Pantry and collected three boxes of nonperishable food items and personal hygiene products.

In mid-November, most of the agriculture classes assembled and packed 150 Nueske's meat boxes for the Tigerton FFA alumni and supporters fundraiser.

In December, the food science class baked a variety of cookies and homemade fudge for their baking lab, selling a few additional cookie plates. The horticulture class made evergreen wreaths as a class project. Some of the extras were sold and all



Tigerton FFA officers and members who attended the 95th National FFA Convention this year were, from left, Jessica Burayi, secretary, Michaela Gleason, president; Gabe Dahlstrom, treasurer; Samantha Suehring, vice president; Rae Ann Strehlow, reporter; and Bella Dahlstrom, committee chair. CONTRIBUTED

the money will be used to fund ag department projects. We assembled and delivered 25 Operation Christmas Cheer Project bags in December to elderly and community members needing some extra Christmas cheer.

During the month of January, the chapter sponsored and assisted the Birnamwood Vet Clinic with its annual rabies vaccination clinic on Jan. 28 where 70-plus cats and dogs were vaccinated. The chapter collected four large boxes of pet supplies for the Happily Ever After Animal Sanctuary in Marion and \$80 cash for the animal sanctuary and the Shawano County K-9 dog program.

Upcoming events planned for the chapter include celebrating FFA Week in February; several high school FFA members are interested in attending the FFA EDGE and Connect Conferences in Stevens Point on March 23-24; in March and/or April, we will teach the district fourth graders about Wisconsin agriculture through the Adventures in Dairyland program.

Looking forward to our annual plant sale and growing plants in the school greenhouse for the fourth growing season. Thank you for the community support in making this dream a reality. On May 7 we will celebrate the accomplishments of our chapter and hope to host a petting zoo at our elementary school with an Agriculture Awareness Day before the school year ends.



Tigerton FFA food science students Izzy Zychowicz, Rae Ann Strehlow, Nora Papiernik, and Caleb Dahlstrom assemble Operation Christmas Cheer goodie bags during class. CONTRIBUTED

SURING

Suring FFA has served community since 1947

The Suring FFA chapter has been very busy with its program of activities to promote student leadership, strengthening agriculture and building communities.

In May, our chapter hosted an Ag Education Day that included a petting zoo and various ag education related stations for pre-K to fifth grade.

In June, our chapter and other FFA chapters participated in the Neighborhood Dairy Distribution service project, which provided numerous dairy products to community members. Also in June, we participated in the Breakfast on the Farm ag education activities, that included a petting zoo and many ag education booths. We also helped the Breed Sportsman assemble bicycles for their annual Fourth of July celebration.

In July, the newly installed officers went to Chute Pond for our officer retreat. Officers discussed new ideas for the following year and upcoming events. They also participated in leadership activities to transition into the new roles.

Seven Suring FFA members attended the FFA State Convention held in Madison and had the opportunity to tour Milk Source in Kimberly and Big Cat Rescue in Rock Springs. Throughout the summer, numerous members participated in many livestock shows and the Oconto County Fair.

The Suring Labor Day Celebration provided many opportunities for service, fundraising and fun! Members helped with concessions during tractor pull, cleaned up car parts during the demo derby, sold wristbands at the gate for tractor pull and demo derby and sold 50/50



Suring FFA officers for 2022-2023 are, from left, Georgia Gerndt, secretary; Birdee Cramer, sentinel; Hailey Thomson, parliamentarian; Mackenzie Bailey, reporter; Macie Reed, vice president; Tessa Losurdo, treasurer; and Ethan Lally, president.

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tickets. We also created and decorated a float for the Suring Labor Day parade.

Our annual Haunted Forest took place in October. Over 60 members participated in the fun of scaring, concessions or group leading. We also held a food drive for the Suring School Food Pantry. We continued our Pumpkin Carving/Decorating Contest for our entire student body. We had over 30 participants.

In November, we sent eight members to the National FFA Convention, held in Indianapolis. Lots of tours, member bonding and fun. In December, the chapter has a large fruit sale that many community members generously support. We had another successful sale.

The Suring FFA and Ag Education

program has a long history at Suring Public School. The FFA chapter was chartered in 1947. The school currently has 80 members, and their

advisor is Mary E. Smith. The many programs and activities of Suring FFA would not be possible without the help of our Suring FFA Alumni.



Seventh and eighth grade Suring FFA students attending FIRE conference last October meet past Wisconsin State FFA President Ben Styer. From left, Abigail McCourt, Abbie Moericke, Skylar Bristol, Styer, Hannah Ponton, Alexa Nicola and Randi Tachick.

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Ros Kramer, Chaela Rabas and Grace Seefeldt of Lena FFA show their beef animals at the Oconto County Youth Fair. CONTRIBUTED

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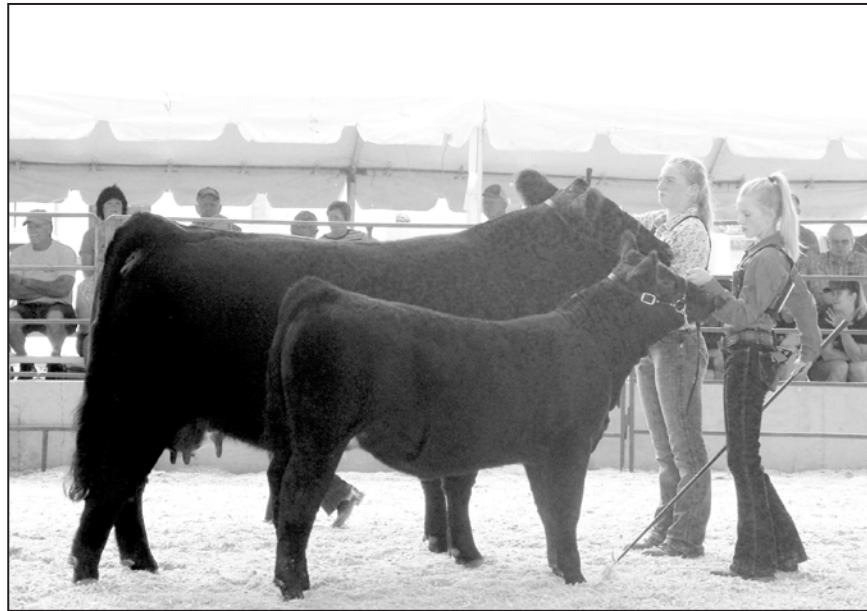
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LENA

Officers plan for exciting FFA Week

The 2022-2023 Lena FFA officer team consists of Presidents Mason Sobeck and Grace Seefeldt; Vice Presidents Anthony Seefeldt, Mackenzie Vorpahl, Chaela Rabas and Logan Graef; Secretary Reed Hosking, Sentinel Abbygale Garrikan, Reporter KC Miller, Treasurer Breanna Koslowsky, Parliamentarian Ben Sobeck, Junior Advisor Sam Marquardt, Historian Nadia Shallow and Advisor Roberta Windus.

The Lena FFA has been very busy throughout the year. Members attended the state and national FFA conventions, judged dairy cattle and dairy foods at the World Dairy Expo, and volunteered at the WPS farm show in the information booths and in the education area of Oconto County Breakfast on the Farm. For fun the members attend regular meetings where we have game nights, movie nights, cook-outs and fun activities. As a group



Chaela and Adrena Rabas show a cow/calf pair at the Oconto County Youth Fair.

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we attend various events such as Disney on Ice, Monster Trucks, a

Green Bay Gamblers game, etc.

The Lena FFA Alumni and FFA

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The Lena FFA would also like to thank Seed Concepts, Zoetis Industry Support Program with Valley Vet Clinic SC for their generous donation. Mark your calendars on March 25 from 9 a.m. until noon, when Lena FFA, along with Valley Vet, will be hosting a vaccination clinic for dogs and cats in the Lena High School Agriculture Room.

The Lena FFA officers have planned a very exciting FFA week. The officers will be promoting dress-up days, money wars with donations being donated to the Liam Britzke as he courageously fights membranoproliferative glomerular nephritis (MPGN- type 1), our annual Ag Olympics, coloring contest and sponsoring a FFA emblem hunt and daily FFA trivia.

GILLETT

FFA year is filled with activities

The Gillett FFA works to get all of the members involved in our events. One of our favorite events to do is Ag Day, when we bring our elementary school students down to the high school, and teach them about the different aspects of FFA and agricultural learning.

Some of the activities we had last year for Ag Day include a fishing activity, a honey station, a planting station, a station with different types of large animals and small animals, a leadership station, and we also had tractors there that the kids could go in and sit on. This event is an all-day event for our high school students; also during this event each of the elementary school students go to each station for 5-10 minutes and learn from our members.

Some other events we do are FFA Week, a week of FFA-themed events that ends with a big school-

wide assembly on Friday; a middle school lock-in, where the middle school students come after school and stay until 9 p.m. and play games and enjoy time for fun; December fun night, where anyone can come and we make blankets for the Oconto Falls hospital and do a gift exchange; and drive-your-tractor-to-school day, where students can drive their tractor to the school.

Also, in October, we painted pumpkins to bring awareness to breast cancer, and anyone could come and paint a pumpkin. One more thing we do is PALs, where third grade students come to the high school and learn about what FFA is and what we do as FFA officers and members.

All in all, the Gillett FFA likes to get our elementary, middle, and high school students involved in what we work on and do for the community.



Members of the Gillett FFA include, sitting from left, Laney DeBauch, Cheyenne Krueger, and Megan Wagner; standing from left, advisor Michelle DeBauch, Erica Swille, Brody Kohls, Virgil Herzog, Dylan Nelson, Cole Shaal, Bradin Bjelland, and Madyson Van Allen.

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Lena chapter members attending the FFA National Convention include Ben Sobeck, Chaela Rabas, Lily Ann Greetan, Nadia Shallow, Savana Vandenheuvel, America Thomas, Dylan Comins, Abbygale Garrigan, Grace Seefeldt, Nolan Garrigan, KC Miller, and Bryce Kittridge.

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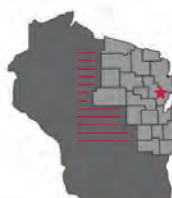
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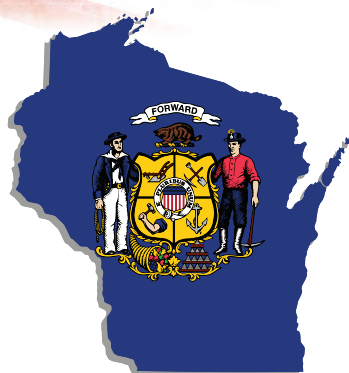
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SHAWANO

Busy year includes trips to Madison, Indianapolis

The Shawano FFA Chapter continues to have a calendar each year full of activities for members to get involved in. This year, the Shawano FFA officer team is led by president Bryceon Krueger, vice president Brianna Luebeck, secretary Anna Majeski, treasurer Brynn Hannes, reporter Kendra Strebel and sentinel Hannah Yeager.

The chapter kicked off the 2022-2023 year with members attending the State FFA Convention which was held June 13-16 in Madison. Ameila Rademacher, Kendra Strebel, Hannah Yeager, Madison Weinig, Brynn Hannes, Bryce Marohl, Bryceon Krueger, Dane Adams, and Levi Wendorff attended. Amelia participated in the State FFA Honors

Band and Dane Adams received a fourth place gold for his agriculture processing proficiency.

The following members were also recognized at the convention for receiving the Wisconsin State FFA Degree: Dane Adams, Kloie Boyles, Nicole te Plate, Morgan Weinig, and Matti Koehler.

Other activities in June included a dairy presentation at the Shawano Country Library and helping with the Shawano Country Brunch on the Farm.

July started with an exciting trip for six of our members. Maddie Krueger, Anna Majeski, Madisyn Weinig, Kendra Strebel, Hannah Yeager and Brynn Hannes attended the Washington Leadership Con-

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ference in Washington, D.C.

This conference allowed our members to further develop their leadership skills and learn about many monuments and the history of the U.S. Chapter members were also excited to see one of our previous members of our FFA chapter and state FFA reporter Lydia Williams as she served as one of the facilitators for the conference. July concluded with our monthly meeting and members enjoying a round of mini golf at Shawano Mini Golf.

August began with our annual officer retreat. This year we traveled up to Merrill, where the officers planned the program of activities for the chapter and worked on team-building activities. The officer team also produced our theme for the year, "Get Hooked on Shawano FFA."

The following Sunday, the officer's team members along with their parents and our advisors, Melissa Goers and Steven Stomberg, attended a noon luncheon at Luigi's restaurant. This meeting was to go over the calendar of events and officer expectations. It also gave the parents time to meet each other and learn how they can support the officer team.

The Shawano FFA was lucky again to participate in the dairy distribution day drive-thru held at Shawano Community High School. FFA members passed out 200 cooler bags of dairy products to our community members. This was made possible by Maple Valley Mutual Insurance Co.

August concluded with the preparation for the Shawano County Fair. The officer team prepared their information booth with the "Get Hooked on Shawano FFA" theme and received a blue ribbon. Sunday members helped with the Peewee Dairy Showmanship. In addition, many members participated in the fair by showing in many events and exhibiting their fair projects.

September started off the school year and the drive to get members involved in our chapter activities. Our first official meeting of the year was held, and a committee was set up to work on the homecoming float. Many members assisted and participated in the parade highlighting our chapter theme for the year.

September concluded with our Fall Leadership Conference. This event was held at New London High School, the host school for our section eight state FFA officer, Brooke Casey. Those attending learned about officer position roles and ways to get students involved in future FFA activities.

October kicked off with Shawano Octoberfest. This annual event held



Shawano FFA members attending the Washington Leadership Conference include: Brynn Hannes, Madisyn Weinig, Anna Majeski, Lydia Williams (Former member and WLC facilitator), Hanna Yeager, Maddie Krueger, and Kendra Strebel

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downtown Shawano draws many people into our community. Our members brought in many pets for a petting zoo and had games for little kids to enjoy. The following week, the annual FFA Steak Fry and Membership Drive took place. Each member who signed up for the FFA received a complimentary steak dinner.

The very next day FFA members attended the World Dairy Expo. This year we had a dairy products team consisting of Kendra Strebel, Brynn Hannes, and Pierceon Krueger. The dairy products team coached by Andrea Race placed 19th out of 69 teams.

The National FFA Convention was held Oct. 26-29 in Indianapolis. Ten students from Shawano traveled to the convention enjoying tours at Ball Seed Company, Heritage Alpaca Farms, Exotic Feline Rescue Center, and the World's Toughest Rodeo. Students also enjoyed sessions at the convention and the career expo. Those members who attended were

Piper Novitski, Hannah Yeager, Brianna Luebeck, Colin Miesbauer, Kendra Strebel, Bryce Marohl, Maddie Krueger, Brynn Hannes, Madisyn Weinig, and Hadley Rettke.

November and December had members preparing for the holiday season. FFA members worked with the fifth grade students at Olga Brenner to make Christmas ornaments for our tree at the high school, in addition, gave a presentation on the production of Christmas trees in the U.S. The chapter continued with the tradition of putting up a Christmas tree in the commons and decorating it.

The Shawano FFA would like to thank the Duchac Family Tree Farm for donating a tree to the school again this year. Santa made a guest appearance at Franklin Park where the FFA elves passed out milk and cookies to kids as they made their final wish for Christmas with Santa.

As the new year started, FFA members were preparing for their

LDE (Leadership Development Events) competition that was held at Bowler High School. The parliamentary procedure team consisted of Anna Majeski, Brynn Hannes, Kendra Strebel, Maddie Krueger, Madisyn Weinig, and Brianna Luebeck. Anna Majeski also competed in the employability skills competition, Hannah Yeager competed in the prepared speaking contest, and Colin Miesbauer recited the FFA Creed. Both Hannah and Colin will advance on to the sectional competition at the end of March at New London High School.

FFA week activities for this year at SCHS include dress-up days, donuts and coffee for the faculty and staff, donuts for FFA members, ice cream for the entire student body, and Ag Olympics.

A few other items being planned include the Shawano FFA Alumni Wild Game Feed, Drive Your Tractor to School Day, Fun for Kids' Sake, Safety Day, and the petting zoo.

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