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Jodi Mallak, president of the Tigerton Area Historical Society, studies the variety of apple pies available at the annual Applefest, held Sept. 23 at the Community Park in Tigerton. The historical society has about 15 active members but would always welcome more. Call Mallak at 715-571-8000 if interested.

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# Sidewalk project beginning pushed back

## Village clerk expresses frustration over requirements DOT placing on grant funds

By **LEE PULASKI**  
City Editor

New sidewalk segments for Wittenberg are definitely on hold until at least 2025, officials confirmed Sept. 19 during a village board meeting.

Village Clerk Traci Matsche told the board there is no way the village will be able to begin work in July 2024 on creating new sidewalks due to the hoops that the state is making local government officials jump through. The village received a grant in 2022 from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Alternative Transportation Program that will pay for 80% of the cost to install seven new sidewalks, estimated to cost around \$920,000.

"With the DOT, there are specific steps that you need to take, and each step has to be approved by them before you move on," Matsche said. "First, it was environmental, which was sent in April, and it still has not been approved. At this rate, there's no way to get the design phase approved

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TRACI MATSCHE, Wittenberg village clerk

in time to even do bidding for a July start."

Matsche noted that, even with the delay, the state funding will be available if the work begins in 2025. The only caveat is the work has to begin by 2026 and be completed by 2029, she said.

"This is ridiculous," Matsche said. "It's like pulling teeth to get them to respond, much less approve anything."

She added that it might be possible to get bidding for the projects done in 2024, but it would likely be too late in the year for work to begin.

DOT is also changing requirements for determining easements with the project. Matsche said that she and Mary Jo Miller with Marten-

son and Eisele had gone out and conducted measurements themselves for a previous project, but DOT requires that the easement work be contracted out.

"That's more expense on us that we didn't know about," Matsche said.

She added that engineering costs are expected to go up, at village expense, because of all the changes that DOT is requiring Wittenberg to make.

"We'll get the project done, but it's going to cost us a little bit more on our part of it, and we don't know exactly when we'll be starting," Matsche said. "We don't get it. They're treating us like some big city project. We're just a tiny little burg, and it's just a sidewalk project, for God's sake."

New segments of sidewalk for the village include the following:

- North Genesee Street from north of Grand Avenue to East Wood Avenue, east side.
- East Grand Avenue from North Meisner Street to South Mission Street, south side.
- South Webb Street from School Street to Washington Park, north side.
- East Vinal Street from South Mill Street to Pond Park, south side.
- Pond Park from South Mill Street to East Vinal Street.
- South Ellms Street from north of Walnut Street to Reed Street, east side.
- West Reed Street from Homme Home to South Mill Street, south side, and along South Mill Street to Park Pond, west side.

Matsche expressed her frustration with how slow the process has been.

"We're never going to get a DOT grant again," Matsche said. "This has been a pain in the butt."

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# Low ropes course opening in school forest

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood School Forest has a new addition, ready to challenge participants of all ages.

The low ropes and challenge course was constructed this spring and summer, and consists of 11 elements of varying difficulty. The district has been working with Abee Inc. for the majority of the construction, training and certification. In addition, the tech ed classes at Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School helped and built the wooden platforms.

The grand opening of the course will take place from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Oct. 19 at Hi-Wood School Forest, W18891 Partridge Lane,

Birnamwood. Residents can take a tour, check it out, and sign up for a 30-minute session to get on the ropes course. See the district Facebook page to sign up in advance, or sign up in person at the open house.

The low ropes course is part of the outdoor opportunities already offered at the school forest. Currently, students attending Wittenberg and Birnamwood in kindergarten through fifth grade visit the school forest monthly for explorer days while students in grades 6-8 visit about four times per school year.

The idea for the low ropes course came about when a local organization, the Wisconsin Deer-

hunters Inc, Witt-Birn Chapter, approached the school district about a donation to the school forest. Officials asked teachers and staff what they would like to see added to the nature center programming, and it was agreed upon to build a low ropes and challenge course.

This addition is expected to enhance the programs for the upper elementary, middle and high school students. As they grow older, the school district wanted to continue that idea of team building and problem solving while exploring the school forest.

In addition to the Wisconsin Deerhunters Inc. Witt-Birn Chapter, other donors to the low ropes

course are the Wittenberg-Birnamwood Booster Club, Wittenberg-Birnamwood Retired Teachers, Birnamwood Parent-Teacher Organization, Wittenberg Parent-Teacher Organization, Darling-Gunderson American Legion Post 341 and the Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative.

Over the summer, 13 staff members participated in the three-day facilitator training led by Dan Miller from Abee. During this training, staff learned how to safely use the equipment and elements while guiding participants of all ages through activities and challenges.

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# WBSD student enrollment rises for 3rd year

## Open enrollment data shows more students coming into the rural district than going out

By **LEE PULASKI**  
City Editor

Preliminary numbers from the state show that Wittenberg-Birnhamwood School District's student population is going up at a time when rural school districts are seeing a decline.

Superintendent Garrett Rogowski told the Wittenberg-Birnhamwood School Board on Sept. 25 the total enrollment across all grades was 1,166, nine more students than the 2022-23 school year. Wittenberg Elementary-Middle School and Wittenberg-Birnhamwood High School saw enrollment increases of 22 and seven, respectively. Birnamwood Elementary-Middle School saw a reduction of 20 students on its rolls.

WEMS is seeing higher student counts than BEMS, for the most part, with 44 students in Wittenberg's 4-year-old kindergarten and 26 in Birnamwood's, and 52 students in the 5-year-old kindergarten for Wittenberg versus 36 for Birnamwood. The only point where the student count gap closes and flips is in fourth grade, where Birnamwood has 40 students in the grade while Wittenberg has 39.

The school district is also on the positive end of the open enrollment count, another anomaly among rural school districts. According to the preliminary numbers, there are 160 students coming into the school district from outside the area, but only 128 living in the district but attending schools in other communities.

The counts were done Sept. 15 as part of the annual third Friday count the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction requires each year to determine how much aid a school district receives for its classroom instruction, school programs and more. With a full-time student counting for at least \$11,000 in state aid, every student can count when it comes to keeping the lights on and the schools moving forward.

Rogowski believes the student enrollment will continue to rise as things grow within Wittenberg itself. S.C. Swiderski is working with the Village of Wittenberg on a housing development with con-

struction of the first building expected to break ground next spring. Any new tenants with families could potentially boost the number of students in the schools.

"We do project that our enrollment will continue to increase from families moving in," Rogowski said. "That'll be good for us."

Rogowski said it's a good sign that student counts are trending positively for all grade levels. He noted it has been something that Witt-Birn has seen in the last three years.

"We're really seeing it in open enrollment, primarily through the K-8 levels, and then a little bit at the high school, but we've really been able to adequately accommodate those, too, so that's been good for us," Rogowski said. "As long as we can keep doing that without impacting programming, it makes a difference."

Even with Witt-Birn's smaller size, the school district offers a lot of programs that attract families to the west end of Shawano County, according to Rogowski, who cited as examples the arts and co-curricular activities.

"That's been at K-8 and the high school, so that's been attractive to our neighbors," Rogowski said. "Additionally, we've gained some support from a lot of families that are moving back now, and we're seeing our graduates stay and our graduates come back if they leave us. I think that's something in rural Wisconsin that you're not always experiencing."

One demerit that Rogowski said works against the school district is the lack of child care facilities and programs in the area.

"We have some community members that do a great job, but not having a larger scale child care offering does affect us, and those families have said, 'We're going to go to Weston or Wausau because they have what I need for child care while I'm at work,'" he said. "That's something that we're looking into."

Final student counts will be certified in October, just in time for the school board to approve the 2023-24 budget on Oct. 23.



**Ava Medo, a member of the Wittenberg-Birnhamwood High School Student Senate, gives a report on school activities Sept. 25 to the Wittenberg-Birnhamwood School Board in the WBHS library. Medo is one of the high school's 337 students, which is up seven students from last year, and one of the 1,166 students in the entire district, which saw a nine-student hike from last year.** LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

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# Wittenberg board looks to curb F-bombs

## Pro-Trump front yard flag with profanity causes strife

By **LEE PULASKI**  
City Editor

Wittenberg residents who desire to plant an F-bomb next to their flower garden or let profane words on a sign decorate their yards might run afoul of village officials if plans for an ordinance come to fruition.

Wittenberg Village Board members discussed the need for an ordinance addressing cuss words and profanity that is visible from the outside during its Sept. 19 meeting, with many of them calling out a campaign sign by a property owner that said: "Donald Trump. (Expletive deleted) your feelings."

Board President Bill Switalla said he contacted Sen. Robert Cowles' office to see if there was already a law on the books that addressed what could and could not be on signs or any types of displays on public or private property.

"We're not against the political sign. We're against the profanity," Switalla said. "They tell me it's free speech. It was some young girl arguing with me, and finally I just said: 'Would you give Sen. Cowles the message?'"

Village Clerk Traci Matsche claimed similar matters with political signs have gone through the judicial system, but the sign owners won because the signs were considered free speech.

Switalla noted that, even though he doesn't partake, smoking cigarettes is legal, but it can't be allowed in buildings and in a limited capacity in outside locations. There's also regulations dictating when someone has to cut their grass.

"But I can't tell you not to put a profanity on a sign?" Switalla said.

Board member Paul Yeager suggested an ordinance that prohibited profanity on anything that's outside, whether the displays are political or not.

"This says political signs, but what about non-political signs?" Yeager said. "Go through the exercise to say nothing for the rest."

Switalla liked the idea, but it



**This flag in a yard near Wittenberg Public Library set off a discussion Sept. 19 with the Wittenberg Village Board about having a policy where profanity could not be visible on any displays outside, including flags, window decorations and more.**

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would need to be something the village board as a whole supported.

"I've gotten a lot of calls over that one sign, and I'm not just saying that," Switalla said.

The display in question is the

second in which profanity was displayed, but board members were concerned that, as the federal election season revs up, more signs boasting foul language could become common sights along village

streets.

Yeager said he was baffled how there can be neighborhood covenants with restrictions, but nothing on the books about restricting what words can be on signs.

"You can't have trash in your yard, but why can't we call a sign with profanity trash?" Yeager said.

Switalla expressed concern about how the village would look if more signs like the Trump one started popping up.

"I don't care what you say, but why do you have to use profanity?" Switalla said. "It makes our town look terrible."

Board member Theresa Gatz said there were many reasons such signs were bad, citing a news story sent to her that read, in part: "Such signs are problematic on several accounts. First, they are in full view from all, from children walking by on their way to school to motorists passing by to out-of-towners who seem to think, 'What kind of community is this?' Secondly, while the right to free speech allows such vulgarity to be displayed, what about the public's right to enjoy their town without seeing terms that, for good reason, are not allowed in schools, public settings, churches, etc.?"

Gatz noted that four-letter words could be extended to sports rivalries, when a Packers fan puts up a sign that says: "Bleep the Vikings."

"By leaving them up, you prove that a four-letter word is the largest in your vocabulary," Gatz said as she continued reading the news story. "The decent thing to do is take them down."

Matsche said the village rules address profanity, but it's incredibly vague, so she said she would craft something specific for the village board to vote on at a later date. However, she questioned what the village would do if a resident was violating the law.

"What are we going to do? Send them a letter with the ordinance attached?" Matsche said.

Yeager noted that whenever someone breaks a law, they're cited and/or arrested.

"They would have to fight it, with an attorney," Yeager said. "Do you guys want it or not? I thought we wanted this."

# Tigerton Applefest brings community together

By **KEVIN PASSON**  
Editor-in-chief

Apple pie was the order of the day, and there was no shortage of the all-American tradition at Tigerton's annual Applefest on Sept. 23.

"We had 178 pies today," said organizer Cindy Mueller.

The apples for the pies are locally sourced and, like most of the other ingredients, were donated. Some ingredients were purchased with donations, most notably from Thrivent, Mueller said.

The pies were judged by a panel of local dignitaries, with no knowledge of who baked which pie.

In the traditional category, Mueller was the winner, with Sharon Thiel taking second and Brennan Jacobi third.

Mueller also won the apple pie variation division with her apple raspberry pie. An apple blueberry pie by Joyce Wudstrack took second, while Claire Dobberstein's apple pear strudel was third.

The Applefest was first held in 2010 and is held every year on the fourth Saturday in September, except for in 2020.

Once all the ingredients are on hand, volunteers cut the apples and make the pies (each with a home-made crust) at the Legion Hall and Village Hall.

"It builds community and friendships," Mueller said. "Everyone helps out, and we all enjoy each other's company."



**Alan Hanke, left, and Chelsi Majerus chat while working the booth at Tigerton's Applefest on Sept. 23. Hanke Family Farm in Wittenberg offers maple syrup, maple candy, garden fresh vegetables and apples galore.**

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Along with the pies, Applefest includes other food, non-alcoholic drinks, live music, crafts, vendors and a petting zoo.

"It's a great family event," Mueller said.

Proceeds from the event benefit the Tigerton Main Street program. Mueller said usually around \$1,000 is raised from the event.

The weekend also featured an open house at the Tigerton Food Pan-

try, a street dance, a grand opening at Blazer's Bar and Grill, a Lions Club steak fry, a couple of family and class reunions plus a wedding.

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**The Polish Cowboys entertained at Tigerton's Applefest on Sept. 23. Band members are son John Uttech, left, father Carl Uttech, right, and friend Kevin Krueger, back. The Uttechs are from Merrill, and Krueger is from Pulaski.**

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**Josephine Carlson, left, sits with Caitlin Witter of The Greener Pasture in Tigerton and Oskar, one of the stars of the petting zoo at Applefest on Sept. 23. The Greener Pasture is a farm sanctuary dedicated to providing a safe place to live for more than 70 animals.**

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## OBITUARIES

Alice Mae Godin (Sell), 91, passed peacefully at St. Elizabeth Hospital on July 2, 2023, after a life well-lived. Alice was born at home in Wittenberg to Frank and Gertrude (Brounacker) Sell.

Alice was a tomboy who spent her childhood outside riding bikes and playing jacks, marbles, baseball and football. In 1950, Alice graduated from Wittenberg High School, where she completed her entire education. Alice lettered in basketball, softball and bowling in high school. She often reminisced that the high school boys sports coach recognized her talents and often told her "Sell, I wish you were a boy!" so she could have been the star player on one of his boys varsity teams. Alice was extremely competitive and proud of her natural athletic ability.

In 1952, Alice married her high school sweetheart, Bill Godin, and together they had three children —



Gregg, David and Mary. The couple lived in Appleton for over 64 years, where both of her children attended grade school and married their spouses. Alice was a devout Catholic, strong in her faith, and said many rosaries for the health of family and friends and the protection of deployed family members.

Alice was an incredibly devoted and loving mother and grandmother. She kept a candy drawer stocked with full-size treats for family to enjoy, and she was also known to brighten her grandchildren's spirits when they were sick by purchasing them popsicles, coloring books and markers. She encouraged her children and grandchildren in all their endeavors and was adamant that they would graduate from college. Alice was very proud that all of her children and grandchildren were college graduates and considered it to be one of her greatest accomplishments.

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Church in Appleton for over 64 years, where both of her children attended grade school and married their spouses. Alice was a devout Catholic, strong in her faith, and said many rosaries for the health of family and friends and the protection of deployed family members.

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Alice is survived by her son, David

(Lisa) Godin, Lady Lakes, Florida; her daughter, Mary (Dave) Anderson, Greenville; grandchildren, Derreck (Julie) Godin, Joseph (Marieke) Godin, Sarah (Tyler) Bialk and Nicholas (Ciara) Anderson; and nine great-grandchildren. She is further survived by in-laws, James (DeAnna) Godin, Sandy Linke and Bonnie Godin; and nieces, nephews and friends.

She is predeceased by her precious, infant son, Gregg; parents; brother, Ed (Alta) Sell; sisters, Arlene Sloat and Verna (Edwin Miller, Don Engebos) Engebos; and in-laws, Mona (Jim) Schaar, Shirley (Marv) Moder-son, Robert Godin and Don Linke.

The funeral liturgy for Alice took place on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, at St. Mary Catholic Church, 312 S. State St., Appleton. Alice was placed in a niche at St. Mary Cemetery, Appleton.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to St. Jude Children's Hospital in Alice's name.

John Armstrong, of Mosinee, formerly of Eland, passed away on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2023, at Aspirus Wausau Hospital surrounded by his family.

John, the son of Bernard and Margaret Meverden, was born in West Allis and graduated from Wittenberg High School.

On Oct. 12, 1963, he married the love of his life, Mary McGrath, who survives. They were just one month short of their 60th anniversary.



John retired from Union Pacific Railroad after 30 years of service. He enjoyed deer hunting with his children, an occasional trip to the casino, an occasional cocktail, wintering in

Alabama with Mary and was an avid

Green Bay Packers fan.

John is survived by his loving wife, Mary; his four children, Amy, Johnny (Sandy) Armstrong, Tammy (fiancé Wayne Bamke) and Molly (Josh) Oswald; four grandchildren, Shanelle and Ryan Stanke, and "the little ones" Sage and Trevor Blum; and a whole lot of grand fur babies. He is furthered survived by his sister, Susan (Joe) Groshak; and his sister-in-law, RoseMary McGrath.

Private family services will be held.

In lieu of flowers, memorials/gifts may be donated to your local humane society in John's memory.

The family would like to express a heartfelt thank you to the staff at Aspirus Wausau Hospital, especially the ICU for the loving care and support for John and his family during his illness.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.petersonkraemer.com](http://www.petersonkraemer.com).

### Beverly J. Probst

Beverly J. Probst, 81, of Chippewa Falls, died Friday, Aug. 11, 2023, at Dove Healthcare Nursing Home in Bloomer.

Beverly was born Aug. 18, 1941, in Shawano, the daughter of Carl and LaRyne (Malliet) Zeeman.

She served honorably in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and served in the Navy Reserves from 1979-91. She worked as a cook in a restaurant for many years.

Beverly was a member of Zion Lutheran Church.

Beverly is survived by one daughter, Dawn Lisko, of Altoona; one brother, Randy Zeeman, of Oshkosh; three sisters, Caroline Van-Westenberg, of Shawano, Cindy (Don) Wood, of Colorado, and Leanna Zee-



man, of Shawano; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Beverly was preceded in death by her husband, Peter; one son, Scott Probst; her parents; and one brother, David

Zeeman.

Inurnment will be in the Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Spooner at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 2.

Horan Funeral Home in Chippewa Falls is in charge of arrangements.

Family and friends may express condolences online at [www.horanfuneralhome.com](http://www.horanfuneralhome.com).

### Wayne R. Olson

Wayne R. Olson, 79, formerly of Embarrass, passed away Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023, in Wausau.

Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory, Clintonville.

### Thomas R. Gerhard

Thomas R. Gerhard, 68, formerly of Shawano, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2023.

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# Raid doesn't extinguish journalistic spirit

Another National Newspaper Week has rolled around, and with it the tradition of editors and publishers all across this great nation leaving dents in their keyboards as they furiously type columns and editorials espousing the benefits of newspapers and why they're still relevant in a world where social media and blogs grab people's attention with articles and segments that are incomplete, incorrect and occasionally incoherent.

I'll let those other folks break out the saccharine and lay on the charm. I, on the other hand, wonder how much longer we can remain a free society when those who are tasked with enforcing the laws are so ignorant of said laws. I'm talking about the First Amendment, which provides freedom of, among other things, the press. I'm also talking about federal and state laws that protect the media from government intrusion.

For the most part, the media and law enforcement get along, and even if they're not buddies downing some beers at the neighborhood bar, they're still operating without resorting to gestapo tactics.

Then there's Marion County, Kansas, a quiet area with a population well below those of either Shawano or Oconto counties where the police chief decided to take his beef with the local newspaper, the Marion County Record, to the next level by raiding the newspaper's offices and the publisher's home on Aug. 11, claiming that the newspaper impersonated a business owner or lied about the reasons why public records were needed on said business owner. The alleged crimes were the unlawful use of a computer and identity theft, with the identity charge being a felony.

Gideon Cody, the police chief, was actually being investigated by the Record after the newspaper was tipped off that he had left the police department in Kansas City under suspicious circumstances and was facing discipline and demotion. Nothing was published in the Record about the suspicions on Cody, but this was the guy who led the charge to confiscate the paper's computers, servers, cellphones and other files.

Despite the seizing of the equipment, the Record found a way to



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City Editor

get a paper out the next week, and the county attorney announced five days after the raid that the warrant was being withdrawn and the equipment was all being returned. However, by then, media outlets across the country had been alerted to the drama unfolding in sleepy little Marion, and they united to throw their support behind the Record.

Because it could easily have happened to them, too.

The Record is an impressive success story with 4,000 print and digital subscribers, which is quite the feat when you consider the county only has about 12,000 people. A Washington Post story noted that the Record received more than 4,300 new requests for subscriptions after the raid, which is clear

evidence that the newspaper was doing its job.

The raid might have actually emboldened the Record to do its job even better, as the reporter who hesitated to publish the information on Cody's previous law enforcement post decided to put it in the public eye and letting folks decide for themselves.

By law, police officers have to serve journalists with a subpoena when investigating a crime, and then it's up to the reporter whether or not to turn over materials. State laws shield journalists from being compelled to identify their sources or turn over unpublished material to law enforcement. Instead of doing it the right way, Cody seized the equipment in a fashion that would probably prompt applause from Vladimir Putin and Kim Jong Un.

The raid in small-town America is a clarion call to every one of us tasked with informing our communities about the activities that our elected officials. Much like the folks interviewed after school shootings who cry, "We never thought it could happen here!" this has made everyone with a notepad and

camera aware that all it takes is one corrupt individual with a badge to pierce the supposedly bulletproof laws that keep us safe.

I've been fortunate to work with law enforcement that realizes we both have jobs to do and that my prodding into certain affairs when needed isn't a threat to their jobs. However, it doesn't mean that the next police chief or sheriff that rolls into town wouldn't try to raid my office or home to find out how much information I had about questionable hijinks. It's not stopping me from doing my job, though.

National Newspapers Week is Oct. 1-7. We provide the fun photos of festivals and the charming tales of folks who have achieved great things, but we also serve as the watchdogs of government officials, a necessary thing to keep American communities like ours from becoming places where freedom is abolished. That cannot change, because once that part of the First Amendment crumbles, the other pieces aren't far behind.

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Families, child care services deserve help

### To the editor:

Parents and child care workers are a child's first teachers. Positive early experiences at home, child care and school are proven to prevent costly social and health and educational problems down the road for our next generation of citizens. Can we please all agree that preschool children need to have positive experiences from parents and child care centers?

Unfortunately, like many other states over several years, Wisconsin has experienced an approximate 70% loss of its child care programs — from 8,000 to 2,500. The remaining child care centers have stayed afloat during and beyond the pandemic years with the help of the federal Child Care Counts program. This has helped keep costs lower and paying workers a competitive wage. But federal funding for the program expires early 2024. Adding insult to injury, Wisconsin's majority Republican-controlled state Legislature has opted to defund the program by 50% starting this June. Why?

The bottom line reality? Wisconsin's businesses across the state are struggling to fully staff up, while at

the same time, far too many parents are unable to return to work because they cannot find child care or afford the high cost.

To specifically address child care availability and affordability, as well as broader workforce development issues, Gov. Tony Evers called for a state legislature special session on Sept. 20 to "finish your work on the 2023-25 biennial budget, and pass a comprehensive plan to address our state's chronic workforce challenges." He also stated, "Despite the benefit of the largest surplus in the state's history, Republicans rejected much of my workforce plan, all without providing any real justification, any kind of substantive debate or any meaningful alternative of their own."

It may be likely that the Republican-controlled legislature will replay their tactic of gaveling in and immediately gaveling out of the special session, thus ending any discussion about the worsening child care issue.

Other states are coming up with innovative and aggressive solutions to this problem to stay competitive. Is it too much to ask that our state legislature work with Gov. Evers to do the same?

Children and their families are our future. Let's help them. Please call your state legislators and ask them to

work together with Gov. Evers to find a solution that supports child care programs and working families in Wisconsin.

**Shirley Hinze, Shawano**

## Dual sports precedent can be found at Suring High

### To the editor:

Dual sports started in Suring with golf and track in 2000. Dual sports stayed in effect until spring 2023. In my son Trent Van Den Elzen's freshman year, he chose wrestling because he is highly skilled at the sport. At the end of the 2020-21 season, Gillett let the wrestling program go to Suring.

With both sports being at Suring now, I spoke to the school board about allowing dual sports to resume again after a five-year pause. I actually thought that Trent would be the first student to participate in dual sports. Boy, was I mistaken, because there were at least 12 before him from 2000 to 2017.

There has been some discussion of this being a pilot program. If this was a pilot program, what were the guidelines for evaluation? How long was the pilot to run? While competing in his first year of dual sports in wrestling, Trent was able to take first in three tournaments with one of

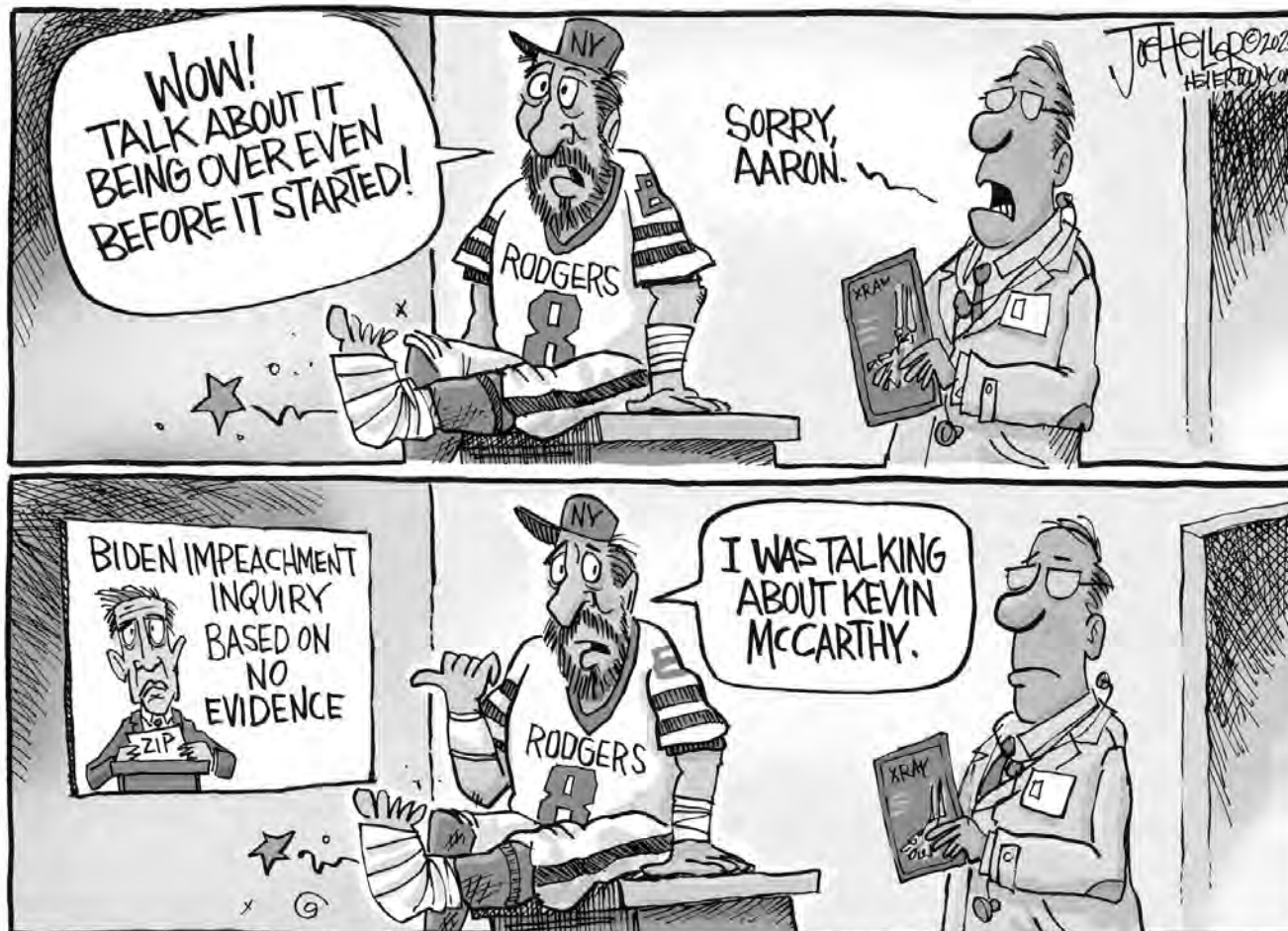
them being regionals, which qualified him for sectionals. In basketball, he played both junior varsity and varsity. By every measure, his first year was a complete success for the school, his teams and for Trent. These are memories that will last a lifetime.

After this award winning season, the Suring School Board voted to end dual sports in spring 2023. The questions I have had from the beginning is what changed, and who is it hurting to allow Trent to finish his career? State rankings, Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association, the Marinette and Oconto conference, alumni, teammates, coaches, parents and Trent know he can do it for a third year.

Again, I'm calling on the Suring School Board to take the recommendation of the WIAA and install a grandfather clause for Trent to finish his senior year as a dual sport athlete with Suring. Anyone that has ever been around knows of Trent's commitment.

You may talk about giving children opportunities all you want, but to strip a child of a free opportunity to finish what he has started going into his senior year is definitely cruel. We only enjoy high school once, and remember, it is for the children.

**Mike Van Den Elzen, Suring**



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# Artists congregate for beautiful displays

Annual Miles of Art to bring out woodworkers, painters and more for fun fall event

By LEE PULASKI  
City Editor

The first full weekend in October will provide plenty for art lovers to see and do as Miles of Art hits numerous locations across Shawano County.

The big site is the Alexian Brothers Novitiate, W9711 Butternut Road, Gresham, which is in the process of being restored. Megan Dorsch, chairwoman for the Miles of Art board, noted that many people are eager to see the work that is being done to restore a building that has a lot of culture and history attached to it.

"I think the Novitiate is a really nice draw for people," Dorsch said. "Not only is it a big group of artists and a lot of things to look at, but everyone wants to see the Novitiate. They're doing a lot of work on the building. The new owners have been working really hard to restore and refurbish the site."

There will also be a number of what Dorsch calls "satellite spaces," additional locations where artists will work on projects and showcase what they've already done. In Gresham, there's the Aschenbrener Bronze Studio at W10181 Cherry Road. The Menominee will show off its tribal artists and other creative types at the Menominee Logging Museum, W3426 County Road VV. Shawano has two sites where artists will play — Off the Wall Studio and Gallery, 122 S. Main St., and Pubanz Art Studio, N6725 Balsam Row Road.

"There are between 20 and 30 artists scattered around those places, with many of those artists at the Novitiate site," Dorsch said.

Among the artists are painters like Judy Pubanz and Shanti Bennett, illustrators like Dorsch, and a couple of new painters from the Green Bay area. Woodworkers will also be represented by Len Pubanz, and Darrell O'Katchikum will show off his artistic ostrich eggs with carvings of animals etched into them. Nancy Miller Korth, a Gresham artist, will showcase her pottery during Miles of Art.

A new fabric artist will join the lineup, Susan Shenek, who Dorsch said produces amazing prints



Miles of Art is an opportunity to see an array of artists from Shawano and Menominee counties, including, from left, Darrell O'Katchikum, Cynthia Weisflock, Len Pubanz, Shanti Bennett, Judi Raddant, Fred Laedtke, Jim Luenberger, Kathy Fonger, Ann Marcks, Judy Pubanz, Nancy Miller Korth and David Aschenbrener.

CONTRIBUTED

## AT A GLANCE

**WHAT:** Miles of Art

**WHEN:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 7

**WHERE:** Novitiate, W9711 Butternut Road, Gresham; Aschenbrener Bronze Studio, W10181 Cherry Road, Gresham; Menominee Logging Museum, W3426 County Road VV, Keshena; Pubanz Art Studio, N6725 Balsam Row Road, Shawano; Off the Wall Art Gallery, 122 S. Main St., Shawano

**INFORMATION:** Megan Dorsch, 715-853-1513 or shawanomilessofar@gmail.com.

and dyed colors. Dorsch said beadwork is among some of the potential art on display.

"There'll be jewelry. There will be fabric. There'll be wood crafts," Dorsch said. "There will be lots of traditional paints and painters. We've got a lot of variety."

Besides the artists, Miles of Art will also have musicians performing at the Novitiate throughout

the day on Oct. 7. Shawano musician Joel Kroenke will perform from 10 a.m. to noon, and Dorsch said it is a sure bet that he'll have a harmonica. That performance will be followed by Dick Sarnwick and his bagpipes at noon. Poor Boys Remedy will perform at 2 p.m.

Miles of Art has been part of northeastern Wisconsin's landscape for over a decade, and despite setbacks from the pandemic, Dorsch said it continues to provide a source of pride in community artists, especially in Shawano and Menominee counties.

"I think it's a nice time of year to be outside," Dorsch said. "You're not outside when you're at the studios, but it gives you some time to drive around the county and things, see the leaves starting to turn. It also gives you a chance to see local artists that you don't necessarily see everywhere. A lot of these people don't have Facebook pages, don't necessarily have websites, so this is really a good opportunity to see fine art. It's not just a craft show. It's an art show."

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# Improve shooting vision with exercise, training

You depend on your eyesight for dozens of things every day, but for shooting, vision is crucial. In a self-defense shooting, better vision could be life-saving.

Many of us wear eyeglasses, perhaps even bifocals or trifocals. Those of us over 60 may feel our vision isn't good enough for accurate shooting, whether for hunting, competition or self-defense. Mike "Ox" Ochsner argues that not only can aging eyes get the job done, but they can be improved with proper exercise and training.

Ochsner, author of "Real World Gunfight Training," was one of many expert speakers Sept. 10 as part of the three-day United States Concealed Carry Association Concealed Carry Expo in Milwaukee. The USCCA, based in West Bend, offers insurance plans and training for armed citizens.

As a shooting instructor for my own concealed carry students and an educator at Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources hunter safety classes, I sought out Ox's class to both learn and improve my teaching. I was rewarded with a wealth of information on vision and how it relates to shooting.

In hunter safety and concealed carry classes, we teach the importance of determining your master eye — the eye that dominates over the other one. Usually this is done by creating a small circle by forming a circle with the fingers of both hands outstretched in front of you,



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Columnist

then closing one eye at a time to see which one is directly looking at the target. Over many decades of doing this, I've encountered a few students who are unable to figure out which eye is dominant, and thought it was because they didn't listen to the instructions. Apparently I was wrong.

Ochsner, during his "See Quicker, Shoot Quicker" seminar, said there are actually four types of eye dominance: left, right, cyclopean (11%) and shared/mixed or unstable (20%). This last group is a hybrid and can change. Information on cyclopean dominance can be found at <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7141094>.

For those who are right-handed and right-eye dominant, shooting a handgun with both eyes open is easy. Just point the handgun from the right side of the body, focus on the front sight, line up the sight in the rear sight, center the front sight on the target and squeeze the trigger. For those like me who are right-handed but left-eye dominant, it's easy to just bring the handgun

across the body to the left side, line up the front sight with the left eye and repeat the other steps needed to hit the target.

If you hunt with a scoped rifle, eye dominance isn't crucial, since you will likely close your non-scoped eye anyway. I was 34 years old when I discovered I was left-eye dominant and by that time I had acquired quite a few right-handed rifles and shotguns, so I sure wasn't going to learn to shoot left-handed.

Handgun shooters should always shoot with both eyes open for many reasons. If you are defending yourself in your home, closing one eye could block your view of one or more attackers. Ochsner says your reaction time will be 20-30% faster with both eyes open.

Closing or squinting one eye increases eye fatigue and in a high-stress situation; it is much harder to close just one eye.

Older eyes can be dry and literally out of shape because they are not exercising enough. The eyes are not getting as much glucose, he explained. Easily trainable "fast visual shifts" that can be done even when stopped at a stoplight can quickly improve vision, improve balance and reaction time, reduce flinching and even reduce brain fog and vertigo, according to Ox.

He's had success training more than 2,500 students in his techniques, which are explained in his book "Real World Gunfight

## ONLINE

To listen to a podcast interview of Ochsner, go to <https://www.robincuspodcast.com/shot-show-interview-with-mike-ox-ochsner-007>

A more detailed podcast covers some of his methods at <https://ccwsafe.com/resources/ccw-safe-podcast-episode-109-mike-ochsner>

To see Ochsner's book, which includes many details on his shooter training go to <https://realworldgunfighttraining.com>.

Training." In about two weeks of training, students can expect to be able to read clearly two font sizes smaller. The improvements also translate to safer driving.

His techniques may even improve ADHD and other attention issues, he noted.

One technique he demonstrated in class was a long-advocated method called palming. We closed our eyes and placed our palms on both eyes, holding light pressure for about a minute while also taking deep breaths. This calms the sympathetic nervous system and, after an initial blur, improves vision, he said. Ox used to use this when working on a SWAT team just before an entry breach to improve focus.

Ochsner's techniques often bring about improved shooter training more quickly and efficiently, according to many of his students and experts in the field.

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# Hoffmaster picks up bill for Oconto field trips

An Oshkosh-based company, Hoffmaster Group, Inc., has pledged \$3,000 in funding to assist in covering the expenses associated with Oconto schools' educational field trips during the upcoming 2023-24 school year.

This company has a deep-rooted dedication to creating a positive influence in the communities it serves and has opted to extend its support to local schools by offering financial support for educational field trips, according to an Oconto Unified School District press release. This grant is set to promote academic

achievement and enhance the educational experiences of students within the district.

By collaborating with the district, Hoffmaster aims to empower students with unique learning opportunities that extend beyond the classroom, promoting a well-rounded educational experience.

"As part of our desire to support families within our communities, Hoffmaster is proud to partner with our local school districts to fund educational field trips," said Jenny Terreau, Hoffmaster vice president for finance. "Ensuring all children

have the opportunity to participate in meaningful experiences outside of the classroom ties back to Hoffmaster's core values, and we're excited to play a part in the fun and learning of their school year."

Hoffmaster will provide each of the three schools with a \$1,000 grant earmarked for supporting field trips, regardless of grade level, but pointed at the greatest need determined by the individual school. These enriching excursions will be thoughtfully integrated with the curriculum, ensuring that each outing serves as a valuable extension of classroom

learning, according to the press release.

"We are deeply grateful to Hoffmaster Group, Inc. for their dedication to our community and their investment in the future of our students. These field trips will provide invaluable learning opportunities outside of the classroom, fostering academic growth and personal development," said Emily Miller, OUSD superintendent. "Such partnerships exemplify the power of collaboration between local businesses and our schools, ultimately enriching the educational experiences of our students."



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## SAVVY SENIOR

# Consider getting these 3 vaccines this fall

**Dear Savvy Senior:**

Which vaccines are recommended for Medicare seniors this flu season?

**Just Turned 65**

**Dear Just Turned:**

There are actually three different types of vaccines seniors should consider getting this fall to protect against a repeat of last winter's "triple-demic" of respiratory illnesses, which included flu, RSV and coronavirus. Here's a rundown of the different vaccines the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is recommending and how they are covered by Medicare.

For people age 65 and older, there are three flu vaccines (you only need one) that the CDC recommends over traditional flu shots.

These FDA-approved vaccines provide extra protection beyond what a standard flu shot does, which is important for older adults who have weaker immune defenses and have a greater risk of developing dangerous flu complications compared with younger, healthy adults. The three senior-specific options include the:



**Jim Miller**  
Columnist

- Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent vaccine, which contains four times the amount of antigen as a regular flu shot does, creating a stronger immune response for better protection.

- Flud Quadrivalent vaccine, which contains an added ingredient called adjuvant MF59 that also helps create a stronger immune response.

- FluBlok Quadrivalent vaccine, is a recombinant protein (egg-free) flu vaccine that contains three times the amount of antigen as compared with a regular flu shot.

There isn't enough evidence yet to indicate whether one of these three vaccines provides superior protection over the other two for seniors.

As for side effects, you should

know that the Fluzone High-Dose and Flud vaccines can cause more of the mild side effects that can occur with a standard-dose flu shot, like pain or tenderness where you got the shot, muscle aches, headache or fatigue. The side effects of FluBlok tend to be a little less frequent.

All flu vaccines are covered 100% by Medicare Part B as long as your doctor, health clinic or pharmacy agrees not to charge you more than Medicare pays.

Anyone age 60 and older, especially if you have any heart or lung conditions, diabetes, kidney or liver disorders that make you vulnerable to the respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) should consider getting one of the new FDA approved RSV vaccines (either Arexvy or Abrysvo).

These vaccines, recommended by the CDC, will help protect older and immunocompromised adults from respiratory illness, which is responsible for 6,000 to 10,000 deaths and at least 60,000 hospitalizations each year in seniors 65 and older.

The new RSV vaccines are covered

by Medicare (Part D) prescription drug plans.

If you haven't had a COVID-19 booster shot lately, you should consider getting one this fall. Even though the public health emergency has ended and the number of cases has gone way down, it has been surging in recent months causing an increase in hospitalizations, especially among the elderly.

The updated COVID vaccine targets the XBB omicron subvariants that are some of the most dominate coronavirus variants circulating in the U.S. It will also provide protection against the EG.5 variant (Eris), which is closely related to the XBB.

Most health officials agree that it's safe to receive the flu and COVID-19 booster at the same time. Because the RSV vaccines are new this year, many doctors are recommending a two-week window between an RSV shot and the flu and/or the COVID-19 shots.

You can find all three vaccines at most pharmacies, medical clinics and health departments, or you can do a search at [www.vaccines.gov](http://www.vaccines.gov).



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# Speaker series to focus on Peshtigo Fire

The Oconto County Historical Society will present its monthly speaker series program at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 5 in the meeting room of the Beyer Home and Carriage Museum, 915 Park Ave., Oconto.

The October program will be on the Peshtigo Fire.

The Peshtigo Fire was a large forest fire on Oct. 8, 1871, in northeast-

ern Wisconsin, including much of the southern half of the Door Peninsula and adjacent parts of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. The largest community in the affected area was Peshtigo, which had a population of approximately 1,700 residents.

The fire burned about 1.2 million acres and is the deadliest wildfire in recorded history, with the number of

deaths estimated between 1,500 and 2,500. Although the exact number of deaths is debated, mass graves, both those already exhumed and those still being discovered in Peshtigo and the surrounding areas, show that the death toll was much greater.

The program will be presented by Karen Vincent Humiston, a genealogist and family historian. Karen has

researched the stories of hundreds of families involved in the Peshtigo Fire, on both sides of the bay. Her presentation will focus on several families and individuals — their lives leading up to the disaster and their experiences in it. The program will include lots of visual elements.

The program is free with light refreshments served.

# Zombie Shoot, more spooky fun to be had in Abrams

Commando Paintball in Abrams is rolling out its ninth season of spooky fun on Friday and Saturday nights in October.

The Zombie Shoot, Glow-in-the-Dark Gellyball, Haunted Trail and other scary events promise a bone-chilling experience this Halloween season.

The main attraction is the Zombie Shoot, a one-of-a-kind Halloween adventure. Zombie hunters ride a school bus, appropriately named “Zombus,” through the 32-acre paintball site, shooting paintballs at zombies roam-

ing the land.

Randall Wolff, who took ownership of Commando Paintball in March, said he’s excited to welcome thrill-seekers to the Zombie Shoot this fall.

“We’re the only interactive haunt in Northeast Wisconsin. There’s no other place where you can ride a bus and shoot paintballs at zombies,” he said.

A second scary encounter is the Haunted Trail through the Wicked Woods. The trail starts at the haunted mansion and winds through the

woods and a maze. Additionally, adventurers can play glow-in-the-dark gellyball — shooting soft, gel balls at their friends on one of Commando Paintball’s 11 paintball fields.

Guests can also sit around the bonfire or test their skill at axe throwing, rock wall climbing or mechanical bull riding on the Zombull. Mischief and Magic will be on site for face painting, henna art and balloon animals, and disc jockey Shawn Rock will play music and take requests. Soda, beer and malt beverages will be available for purchase, and Bay Area Burger

Company will be selling food.

In 2022, 4,200 thrill-seekers visited Commando Paintball for the immersive haunted adventure, which requires a crew of 70-90 workers each Friday and Saturday night.

“We want to be sure we can put on a good show,” Wolff said.

Anyone interested in becoming a trail hunter or zombie can call 920-826-5554.

The Zombie Shoot begins at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday in October. Commando Paintball is located at 2055 W. Frontier Road, Little Suamico.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### FRIDAY, SEPT. 29

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

**BONDUEL:** Farmtoberfest, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Porter’s Patch, W4314 State Highway 156. Pumpkin patch, taco food truck. \$10.48 admission includes corn maze, craft shed, obstacle course, petting zoo, hayrides, games and family activities. Weekends through Oct. 29.

**CAROLINE:** 35th Annual Trail Ride, Caroline Lions Colorama, W12721 Buss Road. Check in, food and one-hour trail ride available, Tracy Byrd concert 7 p.m., Doors open 5:30 p.m. Details at carolinelionscolorama.com.

**SHAWANO:** Shawano Paddlers Moonlight Paddle, 6:30 p.m., Washington Lake. Entirely weather dependent. Lights and/or reflective gear required to participate. Visit Facebook @shawanopaddlers and review safety precautions prior to joining; register by Sept. 22 at 715-853-6625 or shawanopaddlers@gmail.com.

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 30

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

**SHAWANO:** Make Tracks on the Mountain Bay Trail, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Hike or bike with four start areas in Bowler, Lyndhurst,

Shawano and Bonduel. Register through 11 a.m., rest stations close at 2 p.m. Information at shawanopathways.org.

**SPRUCE:** WiscoBid Card and Hobby Show, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Blue Spruce, 8096 County Road A.

**CAROLINE:** 35th Annual Trail Ride, 9 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., Caroline Lions Colorama, W12721 Buss Road. Legion Auxiliary craft sale 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Trail ride 10 a.m. to noon, food and food vendors, horse-drawn wagon rides, bean bag toss tournament 12:30 p.m., Feast with Frontier Friends 6 p.m., Dance 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. with the Brady Luke Band \$5 admission. Details at carolinelionscolorama.com.

**WITTENBERG:** Community Technology Center open house, 9-11 a.m., Northcentral Technical College Wittenberg Campus, 402 N. Genessee St., Suite 3. Learn more about NTC’s community resources and enter to win an iPad.

**BIRNAMWOOD:** Schairer’s Autumn Acres, 194 Western Ave. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Corn maze, pumpkin patch, wagon rides, petting zoo, live music and special features. Every weekend through Oct. 31.

**BONDUEL:** Farmtoberfest, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Porter’s Patch, W4314 State Highway 156. Pumpkin patch, taco food truck. \$10.48 admission includes corn maze, craft shed, obstacle course, petting zoo, hayrides, games and family activities.

Weekends through Oct. 29.

**WITTENBERG:** Annual Fall Art Show, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. Free admission.

**BIRNAMWOOD:** Sip and Succulent Ladies Night Out, 6-9:30 p.m., Schairer’s Autumn Acres, 194 Western Ave. Pumpkin succulent making and wine tasting. RSVP in advance to Karen at 715-573-8397 or by messaging the farm on Facebook, with the date you will be attending. \$45 includes all supplies and six wine tastings; appetizers and other items available separately. Must be 21 to attend. Saturdays through September.

### SUNDAY, OCT. 1

**CAROLINE:** 35th Annual Trail Ride, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Caroline Lions Colorama, W12721 Buss Road. Lions pancake breakfast 7-10:30 a.m., trail ride 9:30 a.m. with lunch on trail, parade 1 p.m. followed by auction, raffle prizes drawn at the end of auction, food and food vendors. Details at carolinelionscolorama.com.

**SHAWANO:** Zurko Outdoor Flea Market and Fall Harvest Festival, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$2. Car show, vendors and family activities.

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### THURSDAY, OCT. 5

**NAVARINO:** Senior Safari, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Topic is Fall Trolley. Register with Shawano County Aging Unit (Heidi) at 715-526-4686. Bus transportation available. Lunch provided.

**KESHENA:** Beading Vibes Only, 2-5 p.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, W2908 Tribal Office Loop Road.

**NAVARINO:** Night with the Sandhill Cranes, 6-7:30 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Enjoy the nightly flight of the sandhill cranes coming in to roost in Pike’s Peak Flowage on the wildlife area. Cost \$5 members, \$10 members, \$20 family. RSVP by Oct. 3 at 715-758-6999.

**OCONTO:** Military night, 7 p.m., Oconto High School, 1717 Superior Ave. Football game vs. Marinette, veteran recognition, bucket raffles, 50/50, bake sale. Proceeds benefit Oconto County Veterans Memorial.

# Family apple orchard continues to grow

## Stage next, pumpkin patch on the horizon

By **LYNN ZAFFRANN**  
Correspondent

“Ugly apples are sometimes the best tasting,” said Paul Hammen, of Hammen Family Orchard and Winery on County Road E west of Bonduel.

Certain varieties, such as the knobbed russet, aren’t as red, round and shiny as the apple people would typically reach for, but Hammen attested that they can surprise with exceptional taste.

“That’s why we do apple tastings. Because there are lots of ugly apples out there,” he said. “The knobbed russet is the world’s ugliest apple but one of the best tasting apples.

“We do apple tasting every Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. We wedge up everything we have in our cooler. Last year, at our peak, we had 97 varieties. I was trying to get 100 in there, but we ended up with 97. People come with their kids and grandkids.”

Apple season at the orchard began in late July this year, along with peach season.

“We have 270 varieties of apples and 10 varieties of peaches,” Hammen said. “Lodi, sort of like a yellow transparent, and quint, a red sweet, were the first apples to ripen. We have one variety of peach left to ripen yet. We’re getting to the peak now right toward the end of the month. We’re getting to the end.”

It depends on what time during the growing season customers visit as to what varieties will be available.

According to Hammen, Saturday is the big day for apples.

“Just this weekend, all the crates were full,” he said. “As fast as we’re picking, they’re going out the door.”

The orchard operation has been going since August 2019.

“I actually started planting trees four years before that, across the highway,” he said. “I was supposed to retire, but this is my brainchild, for passing on to the kids, grandkids. We just turned into an LLC (limited liability company) and rolled it into the kids’ and grandkids’ names.

“So ... I’m their helper. But they work me like a dog. It’s fun, it’s enjoyable, it’s a hobby for me.”

Family is of high importance to Hammen. He has no employees other than his family.



Jeanne Wudtke sorts through crates to pull out any apples that may be past their prime at the Hammen Family Orchard and Winery on County Road E in Bonduel. Paul and Leslie Hammen started the operation in 2019. The orchard grows 270 varieties of apples. Many of the apples are heirloom varieties. The Storefront Gift Shoppe area has a retail apple room, filled with crates of in-season varieties of apples. Wudtke is the mother-in-law of the Hammen's daughter, Alyssa Wudtke.

LYNN ZAFFRANN

His three daughters are all involved in the operations in some manner. Amber Hammen and Alyssa Wudtke are both teachers but help in a variety of ways with the storefront or other operations. Heather Olsen co-manages the Storefront Gift Shoppe and the winery with Amber Hammen.

Son-in-law Matt Wudtke keeps busy with grinding and pressing apples and almost all other areas of the business. His mother, Jeanne Wudtke, labels bottles, helps fill cider jugs, checks over the apple room and fills in as needed.

Hammen laughingly praised his grandson, Christopher Wudtke, for being the one who always does what he’s told.

“One of the most interesting pieces about working here is meeting all of the different people,” Jeanne Wudtke said. “We have people come from all over. Last year, we had a couple come from Colorado for the Packer game and came in for the wine tasting.”

“I’ve always been into the heirlooms,” Hammen added. “I used to read Mother Earth News magazine when I was a kid. And they had articles about heirloom apples, even though there are 10,000 kinds of apples out there. So I started trying to get different kinds of apples and stuff.”

He bought the land 30 years ago. Hammen is an accomplished online researcher, seeking out how to make apple cider, for example. He

### AT A GLANCE

**WHAT:** Hammen Family Orchard and Winery

**WHERE:** W4794 County Road E, Bonduel

**INFO:** [www.hammenfamilyorchardandwinery.com](http://www.hammenfamilyorchardandwinery.com), 715-745-6545

usually will follow the websites of different universities to get the most authentic information, rather than dealing with commercial websites that try to sell something. In his opinion, the University of Minnesota is the best for viniculture, the cultivation of grapes for wine making.

“The Honey Crisp apple came out of Minnesota,” he said.

He said that he’d been making wine all of his life. Currently, his grapes come from Pulaski and New London wineries.

“I’m getting 3,500 pounds of Niagara grapes, which I’ve never made before,” Hammen said. “I’m going to make that into a sweet white wine. I don’t have the room to grow a lot of grapes. It takes a lot of grapes to make wine.”

Wine tasting on weekends is also a big part of the business.

He’s started making apple cider.

“We don’t use sulfites,” Hammen said. “I think that’s a positive thing, because it can give people headaches.”

The Storefront Gift Shoppe offers sweet apple cider, which is made on the premises.

“Next week, I’ll be making cider with bitter apples, when they come in,” he said. “They make a good cider. Some of the bitters are just bitter; others are bittersweet. But it’s the blend that you want in your cider.”

Hammen has lots of ideas for expanding his business. He is interested in getting his apples into local school lunch programs. He would provide three kinds of apples, with written information about each one, as an educational component.

He’d like to expand his acreage and start a pumpkin patch with hayrides in the future. As soon as he can clear out some things in the processing area, he’ll build a stage.

“On Sunday, Oct. 1, we’ll have music starting here. We’ll have Lonesome Road and Pat Wiley from Clintonville,” he said.

He’s waiting for the state to approve his application to get the name on the blue tourism signs on the highway, to list the orchard as an attraction, which would help bring in more customers.



A whimbrel rests and refuels on a migratory stop at Red Arrow Park in Marinette before continuing its journey to its wintering grounds in South America.

LYNETTE THONNE

# Fall migration brings whimbrels this way

Over our heads these days, mostly while we sleep, millions of birds are making their way south on their fall migration. Guided by the stars and other cues, they navigate great distances from their breeding grounds in the north to reach the warmer parts of North, Central and South America where they spend their winters.

I was fortunate to see a pair of one of the long distance migrants, the whimbrel, at Red Arrow Park in Marinette earlier this month when scouting for birds with the Marinette birding group. The whimbrels were foraging along the shore. According the Cornell Lab All About Birds (AAB) website, their long down-curved bills provide the perfect tool for probing the nearshore areas for invertebrates, such as crayfish, small fish and snails in our part of the world and crabs, sea cucumbers, sand shrimp, and marine worms along the ocean coasts.

Other distinguishing features of the whimbrel are its large size (about crow size), mottled brown and white feathers along its back and neck, tan belly, head capped with brown and a distinct dark line running either side of the eyes. Its size and distinctive bill make it hard to miss.

Wanting to learn more about

**Cathy  
Carnes**  
Columnist



whimbrels, I found a shorebird story map (slide show) called “Whimbrels on the Wing,” on the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network (WHSRN) website at [www.whsrn.org/whimbrels-on-the-wing](http://www.whsrn.org/whimbrels-on-the-wing).

The conservation story of these birds is told with the help of three whimbrels fitted with transmitters that are revealing valuable information on the habitats they use and their amazing migratory journeys.

Whimbrels tracked by researchers have brought to light the amazing distances these birds traverse during migration. A male bird, called T6, flew 9,160 miles from its breeding grounds in northern Alaska to southern Chile. During one year, the same bird flew nearly 20,000 miles over the course of its migratory journeys.

Another whimbrel, named Postel,

revealed the amazing stamina these birds have; they can fly for days without stopping. Postel flew 2,000 miles, non-stop, for five days on its way north from the coast of Georgia (a stopover site) to Ontario, Canada, where it rested one day, then flew two more days to reach his nesting ground near Hudson Bay. During its fall migration, after flying south to the Georgia coast once again to refuel, it flew another 3,400 miles non-stop to its wintering grounds on the coast of Brazil.

Tracking whimbrels has also shown that there are at least three separate migratory routes they take from the far north to the tropics. To help the birds on their long journeys, a series of important breeding, wintering and stopover habitat areas have been secured and are part of the WHSRN.

There are currently 119 WHSRN sites located in 20 countries covering almost 40 million acres. These sites have been championed by 443 partners who have diligently given their time and expertise to protect these areas for whimbrels and other shorebirds on the wing.

It's hopeful to know that so many people are doing so much to protect these birds across the Americas. This

is especially important considering the many threats shorebirds face along their migratory routes, including those pointed out on the AAB website; the loss or modification of coastal wetland habitats, environmental contamination, and rising sea-levels that threaten the bird's wintering and stopover habitats in particular.

It's exciting that a pair of whimbrels is using Red Arrow Park as a stopover site where they can rest and refuel. It's likely that this pair may have traveled to South America within a week of that stop.

You may not be lucky enough to see whimbrels this fall, but other birds are making their way south as well. Among them are thousands of warblers, raptors, sandhill cranes, Canada geese, ducks, egrets, pelicans and those rolling waves of blackbirds. Keep your eyes and ears open to catch some of this spectacle as fall unfolds and the skies become highways to the south for so many of our birds.

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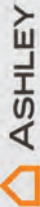
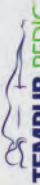
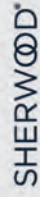


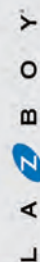
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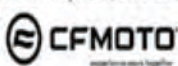
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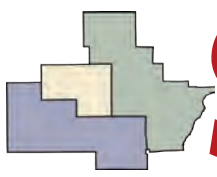
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# Chargers swim team cleans up against Shawano

By **KEVIN PASSON**  
Editor-in-chief

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood swim team has only six members and none of them are seniors. But that didn't stop them from winning all but one event against Shawano/Bonduel in the Hawks' home pool Sept. 21.

The final score was 84-59.

For the Chargers, Faith Resch, Reese Dickman, Andrea Powell and Claire Timm teamed up to win the 200 medley relay.

Timm, a junior, also won the 200 freestyle.

Dickman, a sophomore, won the 200 individual medley and the 100 freestyle.

Resch, a junior, won the 100 backstroke and the 50 freestyle.

Dickman, Powell, Ava Hegewald and Kelsie Davis teamed up to win the 200 freestyle relay.

Davis, a freshman, also won the 100 butterfly and 100 breaststroke.

Resch, Hegewald, Timm and Davis earned first place in the 400 freestyle relay.

Shawano's victory came in the 500 freestyle, with sophomore Tela Hopfensperger earning the top spot.

Shawano swimmers earned most of their points from runner-up finishes.

Hopfensperger, Jai Bisterfeldt, Jadyn Brown and Lila Melchior were second in the 200 medley relay.

Lydia Lynch was third in the 200 freestyle. W-B's Powell grabbed second place.

Hopfensperger was second in the 200 individual medley, and Bisterfeldt was No. 2 in the 50 freestyle.

Bre Anderson placed second in the 100 freestyle, with Bisterfeldt, Brown, Anderson and Courtney

Schenk earning second in the 200 freestyle relay.

Katie Mullins earned second in the 100 backstroke. Lynch, Melchior, Anderson and Schenk were second in the 400 freestyle relay.

W-B's Powell was second in the 500 freestyle. In the 100 breaststroke, it was Hegewald in second and Melchior in third.

It was the Chargers' third conference win of the year. Next up for them is an Oct. 5 home meet against New London.

Shawano was scheduled to swim at New London on Sept. 28 and will host Sturgeon Bay on Oct. 5.

## Kiel Invite

Shawano swimmers placed third at the Kiel Invite on Sept. 16.

Tela Hofensperger, Lila Melchior, Brynn Hannes and Jai Bisterfeldt placed fifth in the 200 medley relay.

Hopfensperger was fifth in the 200 individual medley, while Bisterfeldt was also fifth in the 50 freestyle.

Lydia Lynch placed seventh in the 200 freestyle, as did Hannes in the 100 backstroke.

In the 200 freestyle relay, Brynn Walenta, Courtney Schenk, Jayden Brown and Bisterfeldt combined efforts to finish fifth.

## Seymour 92, Witt-Birn 72

Wittenberg-Birnamwood swimmers won eight out of 11 events against Seymour on Sept. 14 but still came up short in the final score.

Seymour won 92-72.

"(We) did not have the depth to stay with Seymour," Chargers coach John Rudeen said. He added the team had "many great swims, including Faith Resch tying the pool record in the 50 free at 25.79."

For example, in the 100-yard freestyle Reese Dickman won in 59.94 for six points, but Seymour



Wittenberg-Birnamwood coach John Rudeen talks with Kelsie Davis between events Sept. 21 in Shawano.

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Shawano/Bonduel's Lydia Lynch, right, and Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Faith Resch dive off the blocks. Other members of the relay teams behind them are Ava Hegewald, Claire Timm and Kelsie Davis, all Chargers, and Lila Melchior, Bre Anderson and Courtney Schenk, all Hawks.

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placed second, third and fourth for a total of nine points.

Resch won the 100-yard backstroke in 1:09.86, but Seymour pieced together points for the other three spots in the race.

The Chargers won the 200-yard freestyle relay with Resch, Kelsie Davis, Ava Hegewald and Dickman finishing in 1:46.86. Resch, Claire Timm, Andrea Powell and Hegewald were second in the 400-yard

freestyle in 4:28.41.

In the 100-yard breaststroke, Hegewald placed third in 1:27.51 and Sofia Negrete Garcia was fifth in 2:05.91.

Powell was third in 6:49.98 and Timm was fourth in 7:00.21 in the 500-yard freestyle.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood did not compete in the 100-yard butterfly.

# Oconto Falls wins Pulaski volleyball invite

By **LUKE REIMER**  
Correspondent

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood Chargers volleyball team went 3-2 at the Pat Rigoni Invite on Sept. 16.

The team beat Central Wisconsin Christian High School in three sets, by scores of 25-18, 20-25 and 15-8, and beat Valley Christian High School 2-0 (27-25, 25-19). It lost to Manitowoc Lutheran in two sets, by scores of 23-25 and 22-25. The Chargers bounced back though, defeating Gibraltar in two sets, 25-23 and 26-24. The Chargers once again lost to Manitowoc Lutheran in two sets, 25-27 and 24-26.

## Oconto Falls wins Pulaski Invite

The Oconto Falls volleyball team won five matches at the Pulaski Invite to take home the victory of the Sept. 16 tournament. After beating West De Pere, NEW Lutheran and Kewaskum in morning play, the Panthers took down the Kiel Raiders by scores of 25-19 and 25-14 in the first round of afternoon play. Oconto Falls was then matched up with Kewaskum again for the championship match. In that match, the Panthers took the match, winning 25-17, 20-25 and 17-15. Morgan Moynihan led the Panthers with 69 assists and 28 digs, while Amber Otto finished with 62 kills.

## Tigerton at Suring Invite

The Tigerton Tigers fell at the Suring Invite tournament, as the team lost all three of its matches to Wausaukee (23-25, 16-25), Sevastopol (14-25, 11-25) and Three Lakes (16-25, 9-25).

## Bowler vs. Wausaukee, Suring, Lourdes and Goodman/Pembine

Bowler defeated Wausaukee in three sets on Sept. 16, winning 23-25, 25-23 and 15-12. Natalie Rickert recorded two service aces, while Ava Paiser added seven assists and three digs.

Bowler was defeated by Suring in three sets, losing 25-17, 14-25 and 9-15. The team bounced back though, defeating Lourdes Academy 25-19 and 25-13, before defeating Goodman/Pembine, 25-19, 25-23.

## Tigerton at NEWCHAA

Tigerton took down NEWCHAA in four sets, winning 26-24, 24-26, 25-12 and 25-21. Angel Welch led the team with six aces and five kills. McKenzie Hoffman pitched in 11 assists and eight kills of her own.

## Bowler vs. White Lake

Bowler took down White Lake in three sets, winning 25-13, 25-16 and 25-13. Ava Paiser led the Panthers with 26



The Oconto Falls volleyball team went 5-0 to win the Pulaski Invitational on Sept. 16. Front row, from left, are Hailyn St. Louis, Lylia Leja, Aly Yuma, Morgan Moynihan, Kyndra Staidl, Grace Molitor and Kati Raddatz. Back row, from left, are Rylie Shallow, Izzy Otto, Kiera Danielczak, Lucy Ripley, Keira Cole, Amber Otto and Bailee Gorman.

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assists and four aces. Autumn Thieix added three kills and two assists.

## Suring vs. Lena

Suring took down Lena in five sets on Sept. 19, winning 25-18, 25-23, 28-26, 26-24 and 14-16. Bailey Stuart logged six aces and 23 attack kills, while MaShya Seefeldt added 25 assists and five attack kills.

## Gresham vs. Marion

Gresham defeated Marion in three sets, winning 25-7, 25-18 and 25-20 on Sept. 19. Maddie Haffner led the team with 18 service points and seven aces, while Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes added 17 assists.

## Shawano at Clintonville Invite

The Shawano Hawks went 2-1 in pool play at the Clintonville Invite, defeating Ripon (2-1) and Gillett (2-0), before losing to St. Mary Catholic (0-2). From there, the Lady Hawks defeated Laona/Wabeno in the semifinals match (2-0) and won the championship, beating St. Mary Catholic (2-0).

Abby Bystol led Shawano with 38 kills, three blocks and three block assists. Amelia Klement added 71 assists, while Teagan Thompson recorded 30 digs.

## Oconto Falls vs. Luxemburg Casco

The Oconto Falls volleyball dropped its match against Luxemburg Casco, losing in five sets, 25-22, 25-19,

19-25, 11-25 and 13-15. Both Morgan Moynihan and Amber Otto recorded three service aces, with Otto recording 19 points off serves.

## Bonduel vs. Amherst,

## Weyauwega-Fremont and Algoma

The Bonduel volleyball team took down Amherst by a score of 3-0 on Sept. 19, Weyauwega-Fremont 3-1 on Sept. 21 and Algoma 2-0 on Sept. 23. The Bears now sport an 18-3 record.

## Manawa at Menominee Indian

The Menominee Indian girls volleyball team dropped its match against Manawa in three sets, losing 3-0 on Sept. 19.

## Wittenberg-Birnamwood vs. Iola-Scandinavia

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood Chargers enjoyed a 3-1 victory over Iola-Scandinavia in a conference matchup on Sept. 19, winning 25-16, 25-19, 20-25 and 25-20. Lily Metropulos led the Chargers with four aces, two kills and 12 digs, while London Metropulos added three aces, eight kills and 14 digs.

## Oconto Falls vs. Marinette

The Oconto Falls Panthers volleyball team took down Marinette in three sets on Sept. 21, winning 25-16, 25-15 and 25-8. Morgan Moynihan led the team with 22 assists, while Amber Otto added 13 kills and five aces, and

Lucy Ripley recorded nine kills and four blocks.

## Lena vs. Niagara

The Lena volleyball team lost its match against Niagara in four sets, 16-25, 22-25, 25-22 and 21-25 on Sept. 21. Reagan Frappier led the team with 15 assists, four service aces and five kills. Elesia Sweig added 14 assists, two digs and three aces, while Emma Broullire recorded eight kills, three blocks and four aces.

## Gresham vs. Tigerton

Gresham defeated Tigerton in three sets on Sept. 21, winning 25-19, 25-18 and 25-10. Tigerton's Samantha Suehring recorded two aces, while McKenzie Hoffman added seven assists and three kills.

For Gresham, Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes recorded 22 assists, with Josie Cerveney scoring nine digs and 12 service points. Maddie Haffner added another seven kills, nine aces and 18 service points.

## Suring vs. Oneida Nation

The Suring volleyball team took down Oneida Nation in its Sept. 21 matchup, winning 25-14, 25-18 and 25-10. MaShya Seefeldt led Suring with 15 assists and five aces, while Karissa Hishke added six aces and three attack kills.

# Witt-Birn, Oconto Falls clinch playoff spots

By **DUSTIN RIESE**  
Correspondent

Coming off a huge win against Amherst last week, everyone was waiting to see how the Wittenberg-Birnamwood Chargers would respond against the Manawa Wolves. The Chargers responded with a 50-7 win to remain unbeaten and clinch a spot in the Division 5 playoffs.

Once again, it was the balanced offensive attack that led the way for the Chargers as they are proving to be tough to stop right now.

Nathan Waupekenay continues to do his thing both through the air and on the ground as he has accumulated nearly 1,700 yards of total offense and more than 15 scores. He has played a huge role in the success of this team, but so have Braeden Groshek and Marshall Fraaza. While the offense may steal the headlines in most cases, don't overlook the defense as they have made it tough for opponents to get anything going.

For the Chargers to continue their unbeaten run in a quest for the CWC-Large title, they will have to go through a pair of unbeaten teams as Stratford and Weyauwega-Fremont remain on the schedule down the stretch.

## Oakfield 88, Menominee Indian 0

This has been a season to forget for the Menominee Indian 8-player team as they have struggled through five games and are still searching for their first win. Not only that, but the Eagles have scored just 12 points in five games, which hasn't made things easy. Sparked by a 37-point first quarter and a 56-point first half, it was all Oaks in this one as they took down the Eagles 88-0.

Bailey Schepp completed six of eight passes for 134 yards and three

scores, but it was the rushing attack of the Oaks that pushed across seven TDs in the win. Hunter Sabel led the way with 37 yards on three touches with two of those touches coming as scores. Mitchell Moser also brought in 107 yards receiving and two TDs in what was another rough game for the Eagles.

## Winneconne 28, Shawano 6

The wins may not be coming at the rate the Hawks want, but at least they have been far more competitive the past three games. At 1-3 in conference and 1-5 overall, the Hawks must win out to secure a playoff berth or they will have to play the waiting game.

## Pulaski 28, Ashwaubenon 3

Despite sitting at 2-4 and having wins come as a struggle right now, the season is far from over for the Pulaski Red Raiders as most of their challenging games are out of the way. To move to .500 in Fox River Classic Conference play and to better improve their playoff chances, the Red Raiders traveled to Ashwaubenon and took care of the Jaguars 28-3.

Leading 7-3 at the half after a first quarter Logan Schultz TD run, it was all Pulaski in the third as they pushed across 21 third quarter points. Spencer Hakes opened the scoring with a one-yard TD run to push the lead to 14-3 with Trevor Schuessler adding two more rushing TDs later in the quarter. In total, Pulaski scored four times on the ground and rushed for 235 yards as a team with Schultz leading the way with 94 yards on 13 carries.

## Oconto Falls 36, Coleman 8

It has been a long time since you could say the Panthers made the playoffs in three-straight years. Following their win against Coleman on Friday, the Panthers are

now 4-0 in Northwoods conference play and have clinched a spot in the 2023 playoffs.

Overall, the team is 6-2, but with a pair of replacement games due to forfeits you could make the case that they are 6-0. All it took for the Panthers to put this one away was a 22-point second quarter that took what was an 8-8 tie and made things 30-8 at the half.

Alex Haines was a huge reason for that massive quarter as he led the Panthers with 146 yards on the ground on 14 carries while adding three TDs. Two of those came in the second quarter alone with one from Cole Bozile as the Panthers rushed for 305 yards as a team. Emerich Skarban came through with a very efficient passing performance as he completed all four passes he threw for 86 yards and one score to Wyatt Laughrin in the fourth quarter for the games final score.

## Bonduel 28, Marinette 7

It hasn't been easy for the Bears across the first six weeks of the season, but at 2-4 overall including a 2-2 conference record, Bonduel is very much alive for the postseason as they need to win two of their final three games. With games against Mishicot and Peshtigo lingering on the docket, the task seems doable, which would be a huge success considering the start they got off to.

Noah Weier continues to lead the way in the passing game as he has not only been efficient but has found ways to make plays when he needs to. Cade Johnson and Ryan Westrich have been his two favorite targets as both of them have more than 200 yards receiving this season. You also have a ground attack that although far from perfect has been successful with Dylan Hillsberg leading the way.

## Port Edwards 51, Marion/Tigerton 26

In what was a Central Conference matchup, the Marion/Tigerton co-op team fell to Port Edwards 51-26.

Braxton Genskow continued to be the leader offensively for Marion, as he made plays with his arm and his legs. He was backed by Parker Miller who has not only emerged as a serious threat in the passing game but is now starting to run the ball effectively.

The difference in this one was the passing game as Hayden Hewitt made more plays than Genskow did with his arm, which proved to be the difference. This was the first conference game for either team and now Marion/Tigerton must win its final three regular season games to guarantee a playoff spot.

## Gibraltar 48, Gillett 19

Led by Braeden Kita and his 268 yards passing, the Vikings of Gibraltar were too much for Gillett as the Tigers fell 48-19.

After Brandon DuBauch scored from 47 yards out to give the Tigers the lead, he would add a second TD from 10 yards as part of his big day on the ground as the Tigers held a 13-7 lead through one. It was in the second quarter when the game got flipped on its head as the Tigers scored 27 points to open up a half-time lead and built off of that.

Kita connected for two TD passes during that quarter, with Braden Sitte adding a 33 yard TD run and fumble recovery to blow the game wide open. Sitte rushed for a score and caught seven passes for 211 yards and three TDs as he was a tough order for the Tigers defense. Jesse DeBauch led the Tigers, completing 10 of 16 passes for 137 yards and two scores, but both came with the game out of reach.

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# Pulaski soccer caps off strong week with pair of wins

By **DUSTIN RIESE**  
Correspondent

The Red Raiders continued their terrific start to their 2023 season as they have run their record to (9-4-1) and (1-2) in Fox River Classic Conference play.

Things didn't start the way Pulaski would have liked as they dropped a tough 1-0 contest to Bay Port on Tuesday. Michael Schreiner provided the lone goal for the Pirates, and it came just three minutes into the game.

From there, it was all about execution as the Red Raiders had several opportunities to tie things up but were unable to put one in despite several close misses. Josh Roth had a great day in goal for Pulaski as he came away with six saves in the contest, while Adam Lambert added three for the Pirates.

Looking to bounce back against the Trojans of Green Bay Southwest, the Red Raiders not only struck for a pair of first half goals, but tacked on three more in the second half to earn their first conference win of

the season 5-1. When you talk about a fast start, look no further than the first half as the Red Raiders jumped in front 2-0 just three minutes into the game. Hudson Schultz (Aran Capella) put home the game's first goal in the first minute with Nolan Pratt (Maddox McKeefry) adding the second just two minutes later.

Pratt continued to lead the way for the Pulaski offense in the second half as he added his second goal of the game in the 53rd minute with McKeefry pushing the lead to 4-0 just two minutes later. The lone goal of the game for the Trojans came in the 63rd minute from Nathan Piotrowski only to have Aidan Dauk stretch it back to four goals in the 80th minute as the Red Raiders took care of business.

Pulaski would then be faced with a tough non-conference opponent in Fox Valley Lutheran to end the week as the two of them hit the pitch on Friday. Unlike the Southwest game that saw a pair of early first half goals set the tone, it was a pair of second half goals that proved to be the difference as the Red Raiders took care

of the Foxes 2-0. After both teams played to a 0-0 draw in the first half, an FVL foul in the Pulaski box led to the first goal of the match in the 49th minute as Dauk converted the ensuing penalty kick to break the deadlock.

Capella added an insurance goal for Pulaski in the 77th minute finishing off a back post cross from Brayden Carr. Jonah Dreves got the start for the Red Raiders in goal and made one save in the shutout effort. Matthew Callaway made seven saves in goal for FVL as Pulaski continues to push through their season.

## Shawano splits a pair of games

Despite going through some significant injuries the past few weeks and playing without several key players, the Hawks of Shawano refuse to quit as they continue to battle every time out. This week was a classic example of that as the Hawks managed to split a pair of games this week to run their season record to 4-8-2 and 1-4 in Bay Conference play.

In their first game of the week, the Hawks hit the road to take on the fellow Hawks of Xavier and were

looking to hand them their first loss of the season in conference play. You could make a case that this was one of the best overall games the Hawks played this season, but it still wasn't enough as Xavier improved to 6-0 in conference play with a 2-0 win.

All wasn't lost with that effort as Shawano had a chance to pick up a win on Thursday when they took on non-conference rival Clintonville. It was all about the offense in this one for Shawano as they scored a season high four goals to double up the Truckers 4-2.

## Bowler/Gresham struggles

Everyone knew the 2023 soccer season would be a tough one for the Bowler/Gresham co-op team as they continue to rebuild their program. However, not many expected them to have the struggles they have had this season as a lack of offense and an inconsistent defense has led to a rough stretch that sees the Wildcats sitting at 1-10 so far this season. The Wildcats faced off against Stevens Point Pacelli/Iola-Scandinavia on Monday and then hit the road to take on Wrightstown on Thursday.

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# Pulaski tennis team cruises to wins

By **LUKE REIMER**  
Correspondent

The Pulaski girls tennis team defeated Sheboygan South 7-0 on Sept. 21, winning every matchup.

For singles, Ruth Krause defeated Lauren Binversie, 6-0 and 6-0, Isabella Skalecki defeated Jenna Resheske 6-1 and 6-1, Ayla Grotluschen defeated Nozomi Nichols 6-0 and 6-1, and Addison Heezen defeated Yarel Roman Sanchez 6-1 and 6-3.

In doubles, Sarah Johnson and Josie Steeno defeated Olivia Ziegler and Julie Santana by scores of 6-1 and 6-1, Hailey Jansen and Aubrie Schluessler defeated Kennedy Richter and Angelina Lao 6-0 and 6-1, and Alyssa Eggert and Linde Lemerond defeated Lailah Shircel and Anika Tiwari 6-1 and 6-0.

## Pulaski 6, GB Southwest 1

The Pulaski girls tennis team de-

feated Green Bay Southwest on Sept. 19 by a score of 6-1.

Pulaski swept the individual matchups, with Ruth Krause winning 6-1 and 6-0 over Brianna Martinson, Isabella Skalecki defeating Ella Crowley 6-0 and 6-0, Ayla Grotluschen defeating Jaisa VandenHouten 6-0 and 6-0, and Addison Heezen defeating Andie Troup 6-0 and 6-0.

In doubles, Green Bay Southwest's Ella VandenHouten and Gail Wery defeated Pulaski's Sarah Johnson and Josie Steeno 6-4 and 6-3.

Pulaski won the other two doubles matches, with Hailey Jansen and Aubrie Schluessler defeating Ayana Russell and Cecelia Zold 7-5 and 6-0, and Alyssa Eggert and Linde Lemerond defeating Amendina Montejano and Emerson Krings 6-0 and 6-0.

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## Eggert grabs second at Bay Conference Invite

At the Bay Conference Invite, the Shawano girls golf team finished second, while the Bonduel

girls golf team finished sixth. Both teams were outpaced by Xavier, which won the tournament.

Shawano's Sophia Eggert finished second in the tournament, with a score of 82, while Alli Johnson finished tied for fifth with a score of 89.



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# Falls runners place fifth, sixth in Mishicot



Bonduel medal winners at in New London on Sept. 16 were, from left, Ashlyn Kurey, Teagan Engel, Mariah Wondra and Ben O'Brien.

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## Bonduel's Wondra takes first at Bulldog Invite

By KEVIN PASSON

Editor-in-chief

Ben Adams recorded a time of 16:31.56 and finished in second place in the large school event as part of the Mishicot Invite cross country event Sept. 21.

Joining him were Oconto Falls teammates Griffin Kopke in 26th place, Brant Laluzerne in 33rd, Isaiah Holtz in 54th, Emerson Rice in 70th, Sage Mendolla in 73rd and Landon Timm in 76th.

As a team, the boys earned 167 points and finished sixth out of 14 schools.

The girls team placed fifth out of 15 teams and had 147 points.

Brooke Hodkiewicz had the best time at 20:36.95, good enough for 11th place. Hailey Delzer placed 24th in 21:49.52.

Other runners were Emma Meissner in 32nd place, Hannah Ludemann in 35th, Ava Hodkiewicz in 45th, Maddy Przybylski in 52nd and Mackenzie Lotto in 57th.

### Assumption Invitational

Bryson Nelson finished in sixth place, one of two Gresham/Bowler boys cross country runners at the Assumption Invitational in Wisconsin Rapids on Sept. 21. He recorded a time of 19:20.

Kobe Miller finished in 61st place with a time of 27:20.

### Menominee Indian Invite

Bonduel cross country teams has a fantastic night of running at the Menominee Indian Invite on Sept. 19.

The girls placed first with all top five medaling. The boys also finished first with the top three medaling. Ten runners set new personal records, and four new season records were also recorded.

"Way to go Bears on such a commanding performance," coach Diane Schnell said. "Keep on getting faster to come closer to our goals."

The girls scored 29 points, but what was impressive were their times on a difficult hilly course.

New personal records were set by Mariah Wondra in 19:58, Hailey Berg in 22:50 and Taylor Rank in 24:45.

Season records were set by Teagan Engel in 20:57, Ashlyn Kurey in 21:36, Joselyn Bohm in 21:55 and Cierra Schnell in 22:18.

The boys scored 38 team points. New personal records were set by Ben O'Brien in 16:51, Oliver Chitwood in 18:55, Griffin Uelmen in 19:17, Gage Anderson in 19:31, Ben Reisner in 20:10, Joah Dworniczak in 20:46 and Garrett Anderson in 21:09.

Race Anvelink set a season record in 18:17.

Even the middle school girls got in on the fun. The team placed second with the top five runners being Kember Frome, Lillian Burrack, Isabella

Arndt, Katie O'Brien and Maklynn Krause. The top four earned medals.

For the host Eagles, Ryan Corn led the boys with a third-place finish. He was joined by Julius Kaquatosh in sixth, Francis Delabrau in eighth, Barron Waupoose in 13th and Maech Corn in 23rd.

Urijah Reevis finished in 10th for the Menominee Indian girls.

Other area schools and top 25 results for boys included Gresham/Bowler's Bryson Nelson finishing in fourth place; Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy's Mason Belongia in 21st; Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Joey Seegmiller in ninth, Milo Salvesson in 19th, Jonas Bushman in 22nd and Hayden Miller in 24th.

For area girls teams, top 25 runners included Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Nora Bushman in first place in 19:44.6 and Gabrielle Timm in fourth in 21:03.3; Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy's Aspynn Anderson placing 12th, Marion's Bella Conover in 16th, Wolf River Lutheran's Violet Buchholz in 18th and Marion's Bridget Much in 24th.

### Winneconne Invite

Shawano's Ethan Onesti grabbed first place and Will Chelberg was fifth in the Winneconne cross country invite on Sept. 19.

Onesti finished with a time of 16:18.7, and Chelberg's time was 16:59.1

Josiah Kuehl placed 23rd, Trevor Schwartz was 55th, Quinn Olson was 59th and Connor Chelberg was 66th. There were 94 runners representing 13 schools. The Hawks placed fifth.

The Shawano girls placed first among 13 teams, and five runners finished in the top 20 among 88 athletes.

Grace Chelberg's 20:31.5 was enough for seventh place, followed right behind by Lilly Guenther's 20:39.3 for eighth place and Bailey Hendricks' 20:53.1 for ninth place. Adalyn Barkley placed 14th in 21:16.7, and Maci Beyer was 16th in 21:24.4.

Anabelle Schroeder placed 47th.

### Bulldog Invite

Four Bonduel runners earned medals, including Mariah Wondra's first-place award, at the Bulldog Invite in New London on Sept. 16.

The girls finished in fourth place with Wondra winning the meet in 20:32.8. Teammates following close behind were Teagan Engel with a 12th-place medal, Ashlyn Kurey with a 20th-place medal, and Joselyn Bohm, Cierra Schnell, Hailey Berg, Seidy Blandon and Taylor Rank.

The boys took eighth place. Ben O'Brien earned a third-place medal. He was joined by Race Anvelink, Griffin Uelmen, Oliver Chitwood, Gage Anderson, Ben Reisner, Joah Dworniczak



Bonduel's Mariah Wondra captured first place at the Bulldog Invite in New London on Sept. 16. Her time was 20:32.8. CONTRIBUTED

and Garrett Anderson.

Georgia Gendt led the Suring girls in 31st place. She was joined by Allyson Seibert, Samantha Seibert and Natalie Seibert. Liam Matelski competed for the boys.

Bella Conover and Bridget Much competed for the Marion girls team, with Jesse Trebus and Tristan Herro running for the boys.

### Angel Invitational

Gillett's Bradyn Wendorff placed 12th with a time of 16:55.4 in the Angel Cross Country Invitational on Sept. 16 at UW-Parkside in Kenosha.

Teams from 40 schools competed in the boys and girls races.

Other Gillett boys running were Nash Stage, Ben Peterson, Scott Henroux, Chase Anderson and Zander Davis.

Hope Soper led the Gillett girls with a 42nd-place finish in 21:50.2. She was joined by fellow runners Sophie Limberg and Lily Hansen.

### Smiley Invitational

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Nora Bushman finished in eighth place for the girls in the Division 2 and Division 3 combined category and Shawano's Will Chelberg placed ninth for the boys in the Division 1 combined category at the Smiley Invitational in Wausau on Sept. 16.

The Chargers' Gabrielle Timm placed 25th.

Jonas Bushman had the best finish for the W-B boys, placing 86th.

Joining Chelberg in the top 25 was Hawks teammate Ethan Onesti in 13th

Bailey Hendricks was the top Shawano female runner, placing 14th.

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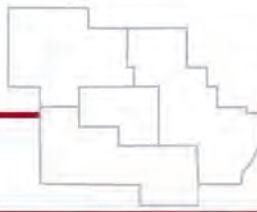


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# NWTC president takes pulse of Shawano

Listening session shows Raney about various issues community faces from pandemic, work gaps

By **LEE PULASKI**  
City Editor

Northeast Wisconsin Technical College President Kristin Raney has been touring the college's various campuses trying to find out what the college can do better, and she paid a visit Sept. 20 to Shawano.

Raney said she and her staff are hoping to get a lot of issues addressed as the community listening sessions take place.

"We really want to hear key issues and opportunities and priorities that are unique to the communities that NWTC serves so, when we're done with our listening tour, we have a really good sense of some of the issues that are not only unique but also prevalent things we start to hear across the district that NWTC serves," Raney said. "I think that's really important at any time, but that's really important as a new president."

Raney has 20 years of experience in the technical college system, describing it as a calling, along with some time at St. Paul College in Minnesota and Eastern Iowa Community College. She believes her experience outside the technical college system will help her to develop some fresh ideas that can be adapted to places like NWTC.

Raney took her post with NWTC the last week of June and quickly learned about where it has been in the past 26 years while Jeff Rafn was president. Now, however, it's important to figure out where to take the technical college in the future, she said.

"It's important for me to get into the communities and learn about all of what's happening here so that, as I continue to learn about the college, I can start making sense about some new directions where we can go as an institution," Raney said. "What are some opportunities as a college to partner with our communities, to share priorities not only from NWTC but community-based organizations, our high schools, our transfer institutions."

Marlene Gauthier noted that the pandemic and the time students spent out of school has created a gap in what students should know at a certain grade level, which particularly impacts those getting ready to enter NWTC. She



Northeast Wisconsin Technical College President Kristin Raney, left, talks with former Shawano Mayor Jeanne Cronic, right, and Jeannie Otto, director for NWTC's Shawano and Oconto Falls campuses, after a listening session Sept. 20 on the Shawano campus.

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acknowledged that it wasn't just an issue for Shawano, but for all rural areas.

"They just aren't up on their reading and math," Gauthier said. "What do you see the college doing to help that situation?"

Raney noted that, even with the health emergency behind communities, the impact of COVID-19 and the pandemic that shut down schools for months is still unfolding to this day.

"We saw, at a college level, the impact on students at the sophomore and junior levels, when the pandemic began, and how it was as they completed their high school years and how stressful that was," Raney said. "Then they came to college. We could see the immediate impacts around mental health but also around a sense of loss. There were some academic gaps and readiness in some key areas, particularly around writing and communication, because everything went online."

Where the pandemic really hurt, in Raney's view, is the students who were learning to read when the pandemic took hold and how they have fallen behind as they continue to navigate the K-12 system.

"I do know that, in Brown County, the third grade reading levels have dropped significantly," Raney said. "We have to partner with and continue to look at our K-12s. The pandemic has hit them hard, and they're still reeling from that."

Raney acknowledged that shortages of teachers and other staff have also played a factor, and she hopes to find ways to help the public schools.

Kim Penske noted that another factor impacted by the pandemic was the issue of social skills and how students felt isolated. She suggested that NWTC should do what it can to encourage socialization.

"Even answering a phone is something that's not, for them, normal," Penske said. "It's a skill that, when it comes to employment, we

assume that they have that. Is that even true anymore?"

Raney said service learning is a way to institute and refresh the social skills.

"That's something NWTC thinks about when we design our academic pathways and programs," Raney said. "There's a role for faculty to design opportunities for students to work with and learn from each other."

While pandemic issues continue to be a factor, Raney wants to be sure that NWTC is still focused on its core mission, which is to make sure students are ready to enter the workforce.

"It is about developing communities and individual community members and preparing them to go to work in the community where they study," Raney said. "We want our students to have access to programs and training where they go to work in their communities."

## COURT NEWS

• Deion J. Komanekin, 33, Gresham, pleaded no contest Sept. 19 to possession of narcotic drugs. Shawano-Menominee County Judge William Kussel Jr. sentenced him to 12 months in jail and levied fines and court costs of \$969.

• Daryl L. Upton, 44, Cecil, pleaded guilty July 25 to possession with intent to deliver methamphetamine, eight counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor charges of resisting or obstructing an officer, and possession of drug paraphernalia. Judge Katherine Sloma sentenced him Sept. 22 to three years in prison followed by five years of extended supervision.

• Adam R. Paxton, 39, Sparks, Nevada, pleaded no contest Sept. 18 to misdemeanor charges of battery and two counts of disorderly conduct. A felony charge of first-degree reckless endangering safety was dismissed in a plea agreement. Sloma sentenced him to 90 days in jail.

• Heather K. Devey, 45, Shawano, was charged Sept. 18 with felony bail jumping. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a scheduling conference for Oct. 25.

• Harley J. Messer, 39, Birnamwood, was charged Sept. 18 with possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a drug trafficking place, possession of narcotic drugs and possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a \$2,500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Sept. 28.

• Aaron M. Shawanokasic, 35, Gillett, was charged Sept. 18 with possession of narcotic drugs and two counts of felony bail jumping. Sloma set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Sept. 27.

• Britnee L. Dodge, 37, Antigo, was charged Sept. 18 with three counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor charges of operating a motor vehicle while

her license is revoked and violating an ignition interlock order. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 9.

• Holly A. Messer, 41, Birnamwood, was charged Sept. 18 with maintaining a drug trafficking place, possession of narcotic drugs, possession of methamphetamine, and misdemeanor counts of possession of THC and possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a \$2,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Sept. 28.

• Danielle D. Tucker, 37, Green Bay, was charged Sept. 18 with possession of methamphetamine, possession of materials to produce methamphetamine, possession of narcotic drugs, 20 counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of possession of THC and possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a \$5,000 cash bond and scheduled a

preliminary hearing for Sept. 28.

• Edward Montelongo, 30, Shawano, was charged Sept. 20 with strangulation and suffocation, stalking, nine counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, and misdemeanor charges of battery and disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$20,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Sept. 29.

• Blake I. Mueller, 42, Shawano, was charged Sept. 21 with two counts of felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor charge of disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$750 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Sept. 28.

• Steven J. Nelson, 61, Eland, was charged Sept. 22 with first-degree recklessly endangering safety and a misdemeanor count of causing injury with an ATV or UTV while intoxicated. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and adjourned his initial appearance until Nov. 7.

## PUBLIC RECORD

### SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Sept. 25

Deputies responded to 38 incidents, including trespassing on Birch Street in Tigerton; operating without a license at McDonald's, 413 N. Genesee St., Wittenberg; lewd and lascivious behavior on Main Street in Birnamwood; juvenile problem on High Street in Birnamwood; juvenile tobacco on South Prouty Street in Wittenberg; trespassing on Loon Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; harassment on South Mission Street in Wittenberg; drugs on Anderson Avenue in the Town of Wescott; six 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; one crash involving deer.

#### Sept. 24

Deputies responded to 34 incidents, including a weapon offense on Navarino Road in the Town of Navarino; criminal damage on Oak Road in the Town of Wittenberg; found property on Witt-Birn Townline Road in the Town of Morris; animal bite on County Road D in the Town of Seneca; animal bite on Angle Road in the Town of Pella; two 911 calls; two traffic hazards; two reckless driving incidents; three crashes, one involving deer.

#### Sept. 23

Deputies responded to 32 incidents, including operating without a license on Airport Drive in the Town of Wescott; harassment on state Highway 22 in the Town of Green Valley; weapon offense on West Richmond Street in Shawano; trespassing on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Wittenberg; noise on Azalea Drive in the Town of Wescott; noise on County Road BE in the Town of Wescott; assault at Red's Bar and Grill, 1219 Main St., Gresham; three 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents.

#### Sept. 22

Deputies responded to 37 incidents,

including a warrant at Boarders Inn and Suites, W7393 River Bend Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; property damage on Knollwood Court in the Town of Wescott; operating without a license on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; warrant on North Church Street in Bonduel; property theft on County Road C in the Town of Angelica; operating while intoxicated at the Ho-Chunk Casino, N7198 U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Wittenberg; six 911 calls; three reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; one crash involving deer.

#### Sept. 21

Deputies responded to 49 incidents, including property theft at Ho-Chunk Casino, N7198 U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Wittenberg; fraud at the Huber Work Release Center, 1240 Engel Drive, Shawano; juvenile problem on Hemlock Road in the Town of Wittenberg; property theft on County Road E in the Town of Washington; property theft on Oxyoke Road in the Town of Fairbanks; operating while intoxicated on West Park Street in Bonduel; seven 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; four crashes.

#### Sept. 20

Deputies responded to 44 incidents, including property theft on South Cecil Street in Bonduel; operating without a license at Taco John's, 412 N. Genesee St., Wittenberg; warrant on Elm Street in Birnamwood; found property on Campfire Road in the Town of Waukechon; harassment on East Reed Street in Wittenberg; threatening on West Summit Street in Wittenberg; weapon offense on East Slab City Road in the Town of Hartland; identity theft on Cedar Court in the Town of Wescott; trespassing on River Drive in the Town of Wescott; noise on East State Street in Bonduel; drugs on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Birnamwood; burglary on Wausau Street in Birnamwood; juve-

nile problem on High Street in Birnamwood; four 911 calls; five reckless driving incidents; one crash.

#### Sept. 19

Deputies responded to 39 incidents, including trespassing on Laney Road in the Town of Maple Grove; found property on Hazel Drive in the Town of Richmond; property theft on East Hofman Street in Cecil; warrant on state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; warrant on Oak Ave in the Town of Richmond; three 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; two crashes.

### SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### Sept. 25

Officers responded to 30 incidents, including an animal bite at an undisclosed location, drug offenses at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; two found property incidents at the police station, 125 S. Sawyer St.; found property on North Washington Street; found property at Memorial Park, 901 S. Lincoln St.

#### Sept. 24

Officers responded to 17 incidents, including drug offenses at an undisclosed location; noise on South Franklin Street; juvenile problem on South Franklin Street; juvenile problem at the Naberhood Plaza, 220 S. Main St.; vehicle crash on South River Street; attempted suicide at an undisclosed location; property theft on West Division Street; vehicle crash on East Green Bay Street.

#### Sept. 23

Officers responded to 25 incidents, including vehicle theft on Teddington Lane; reckless driving on East Green Bay Street; found property at the police station, 125 S. Sawyer St.; property theft at Naberhood Plaza, 220 S. Main St.; weapon offense on South Richmond Street; drug offenses at an undisclosed location; fraud

on South Franklin Street.

#### Sept. 22

Officers responded to 22 incidents, including noise on Sunrise Lane; weapon offense on Aspen Court; found property on North Washington Street; juvenile problem at Memorial Park, 901 S. Lincoln St.; property damage at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; trespassing at Bottle House Antiques, 701 S. Main St.; vehicle crash at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; vehicle crash on East Green Bay Street; tobacco problem at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B.

#### Sept. 21

Officers responded to 23 incidents, including an assault at an undisclosed location; juvenile problem on South Evergreen Street; drug offenses at an undisclosed location; truancy at an undisclosed location; bail jumping on South Main Street; vehicle crash on South Main Street; property theft on South Sawyer Street.

#### Sept. 20

Officers responded to 23 incidents, including a juvenile problem at an undisclosed location; child abuse at an undisclosed location; five truancy incidents at undisclosed locations; assault at an undisclosed location; juvenile problem at Smalley Park, 211 N. Riverside Drive; bailjumping on Circle Drive.

#### Sept. 19

Officers responded to 19 incidents, including reckless driving on West Third Street; property theft on South Andrews Street; assault at Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St.; two truancy incidents at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; vehicle crash at Kwik Trip, 1241 E. Green Bay St.; found property at Olga Brenner Intermediate School, 1300 S. Union St.; reckless driving on South Sawyer Street; overdose at an undisclosed location.

## BOOKS AND STUFF

# Young adult horror story is complex

I discovered “Wake the Bones” by Elizabeth Kilcoyne while looking through InfoSoup. Overall, it was intriguing though it took some work to find some of the backstories.

Laurel Early deeply loves her family’s farm tucked into the hills just outside of Dry Valley, Kentucky. It doesn’t take long to learn that teen-aged Laurel is a bit of an outcast.

Long ago, the vicious rumor mill of Dry Valley labeled her mother, Anna, a witch because she seemed to have a special bond with the soil. They insist that her death was a suicide. There is no mention of Laurel’s father, but we know that she was raised by her hard-working Uncle Jay Early. She knows he loves her even if he’s a taskmaster when it comes to raising their touchy tobacco crop.

Through dreams, Anna has told Laurel that she died trying to kill an entity that threatens to consume and destroy the entire valley. She calls it “devil.”

Laurel has recently returned to the farm after a failed attempt to be-



**Jan Jones**  
Columnist

come a veterinarian. While figuring things out, Laurel makes a few dollars selling her “bone art” creations online.

Her emotional life is tangled up with her best friend, Isaac Graves, and brothers, Garrett and Ricky Mobley. They all work on the farm, but their bond goes much deeper. Both Isaac and Garrett are gay and attracted to each other, but while Garrett is content to remain in Dry Valley, Isaac is desperate to get away.

Laurel and Ricky have one of those love/hate relationships common in their age group. Neither is willing to acknowledge their true

## AT A GLANCE

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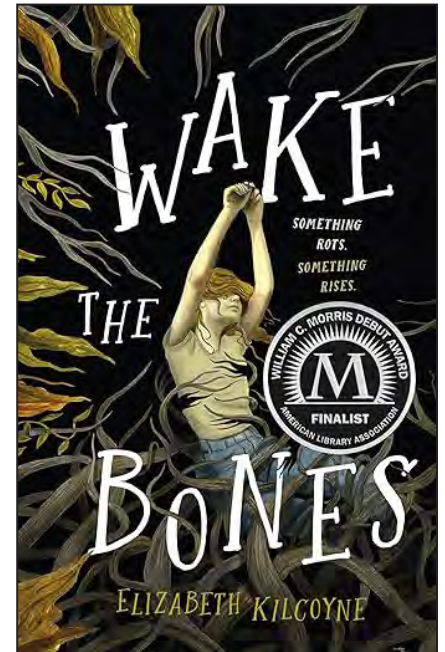
One other character figures prominently in the book. Christine Maynard, has always been an oddity. Now middle-aged, she works long hours at the local convenience store. People of Dry Valley have labeled her a witch and avoid her when they can.

Christine doesn’t deny her abilities. More than anything, she longs for the images and voice to leave her alone to live a “normal” life. She doesn’t understand it yet, but she will soon become a major player in the lives of Laurel, Isaac, and the Mobley brothers.

Lately, Anna Early’s messages have become urgent. Suddenly, other-worldly, gruesome creatures begin to threaten Laurel and Isaac. I must abbreviate the events and dialogue in order to get to the meat of the story.

Laurel knows that “devil” is determined to suck dry her essence and inhabit her body, but she’s sure that her mother will help her destroy him instead. When the confrontation comes, Isaac is near death and Laurel is forced to see that her mother is in league with “devil.”

While Garrett and Jay rush Isaac to the hospital, Laurel remains in the woods hoping to put an end to “devil.” When Ricky is killed by the “devil,” Laurel remembers Christine’s words. She digs her hands deep into the soil and coaxes the dormant



plants to emerge and overwhelm “devil.” After nature prevails, it tries to take Ricky’s bones down to decompose, but Laurel refuses to let him go.

Months later, Garrett and Isaac are together and making plans for the future. During a visit, Ricky injures his hand. Despite offers of bandages, he and Laurel rush to leave. That is when we learn about the aftermath of the battle. Laurel called upon the earth to save the man she loves and it complied with one hitch. As part of the living earth, Ricky’s injuries now sprout plants instead of blood. One of these days they’ll tell Isaac and Garrett, but not right now.

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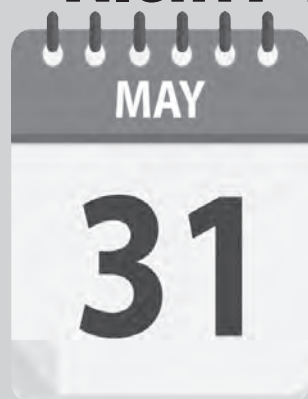
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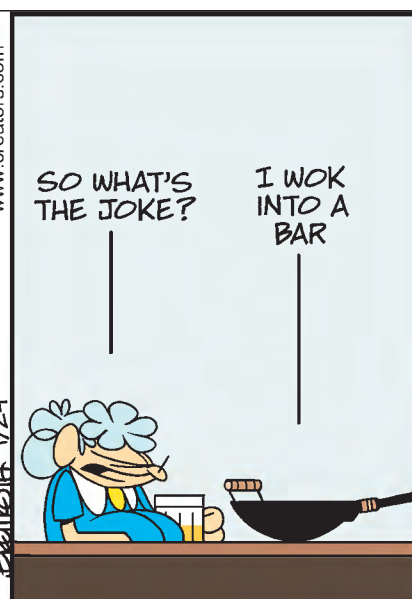
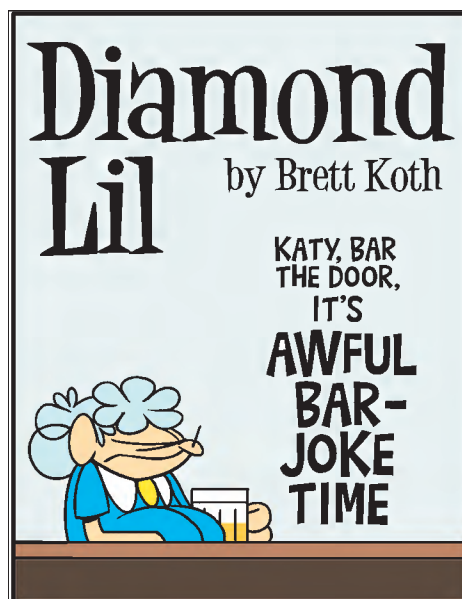
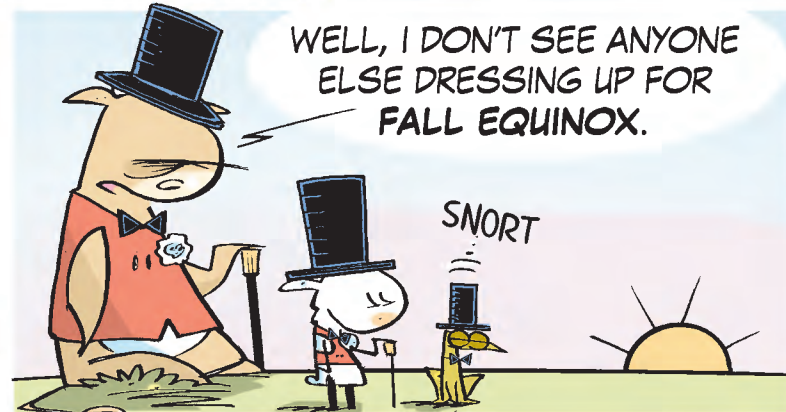
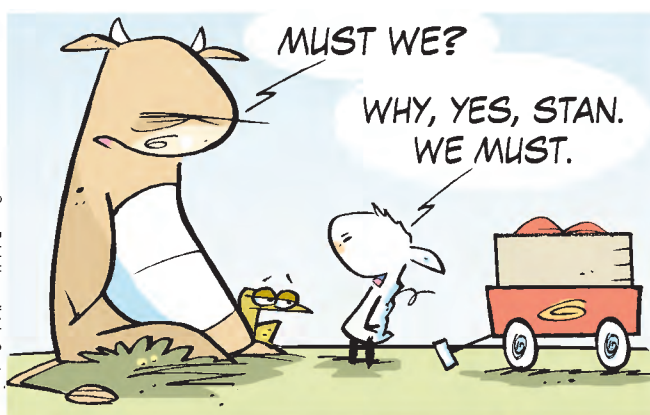
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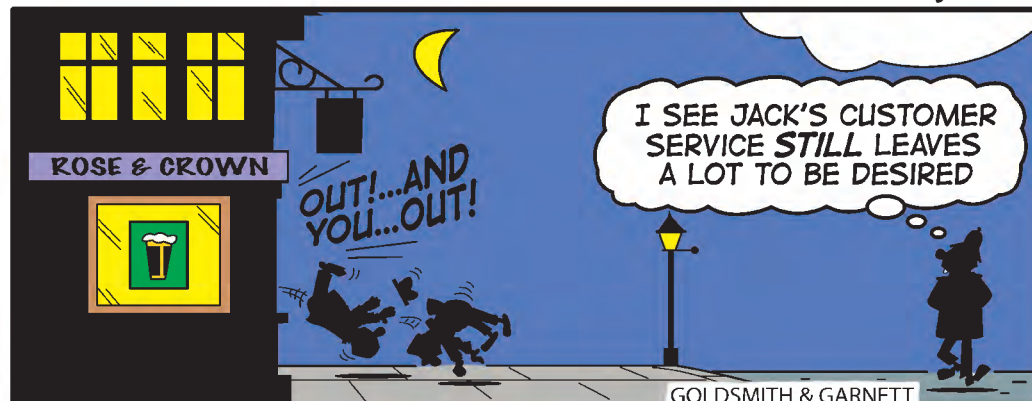


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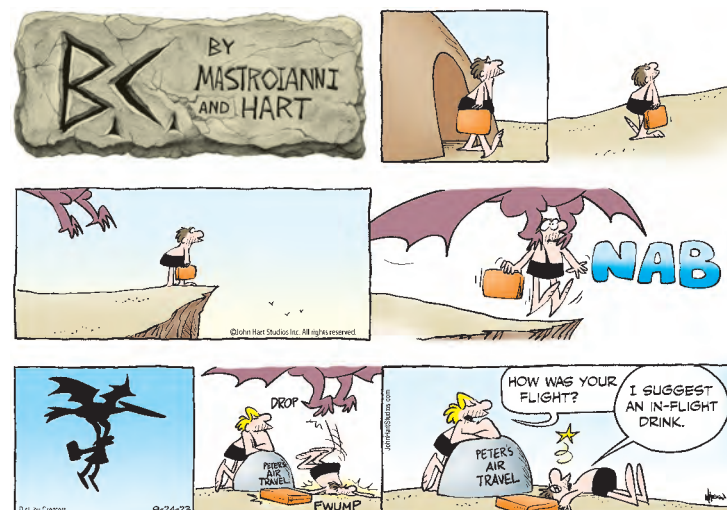
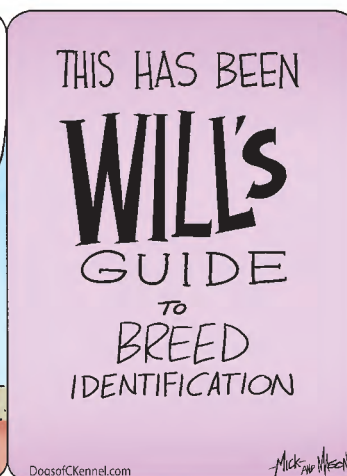




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| ABC<br>WAOW<br>WBAY         | Good Morning America (N)                                                    |      | 1 Good Morning America (N)<br>2 Action 2 News: This Morning (N) |      | 3 Wildlife<br>3 Good Morn.       |      | 3 oh baby!<br>3 Hearts of<br>2 Wildlife |       | College Football Clemson at Syracuse From JMA Dome in Syracuse, N.Y. (N) (Live) |       |                                  |       |                                        | College Football Studio (N) (Live) |                                                                                 | College Football Kansas at Texas From Darrell K. Royal - Texas Memorial Stadium in Austin, Texas. (N) (Live) |                                |      |                          |                                                                                         | College Football Studio (N) (Live) |      |                                                             |  |                                                                                      |  |                                                                                        |  |                                        |                              |                           |                           |                                          |                           |                    |  |                                          |  |                      |  |                                                     |  |
| CBS<br>WFRV<br>WSAW         | 3 Mission<br>7 (6:00) CBS Sat                                               |      | 3 Hope in the Wild<br>7 (6:00) CBS Sat                          |      | 3 CBS Sat (N)<br>7 Lucky Dog (N) |      | 7 Innovation Nation                     |       | 7 Mission Unstoppable                                                           |       | 7 Hope in the Wild               |       | Lucky Dog "Ripley"                     |                                    | Did I Mention "Light Up Paint"                                                  |                                                                                                              | 3 Outdoors<br>7 Paid ..        |      | 3 Emeril<br>7 Paid Prog. |                                                                                         | We Need to Talk (N)                |      | SailGP Racing 2023 France Sail Grand Prix, Saint-Tropez (N) |  | College Football Today (N) (Live)                                                    |  | College Football Georgia at Auburn From Jordan-Hare Stadium in Auburn, Ala. (N) (Live) |  |                                        |                              |                           |                           |                                          |                           |                    |  |                                          |  |                      |  |                                                     |  |
| FOX<br>WZAW<br>WLUK         | 65 Planet<br>11 (6:00) News (N)                                             |      | 65 Space "Space Access"                                         |      | 65 Super Animals (N)             |      | 65 Nature "Sticky Science"              |       | Big Noon Kickoff (N) (Live)                                                     |       |                                  |       |                                        |                                    | College Football USC at Colorado From Folsom Field in Boulder, Colo. (N) (Live) |                                                                                                              |                                |      |                          | College Football Michigan at Nebraska From Memorial Stadium in Lincoln, Neb. (N) (Live) |                                    |      |                                                             |  |                                                                                      |  |                                                                                        |  |                                        |                              |                           |                           |                                          |                           |                    |  |                                          |  |                      |  |                                                     |  |
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| PBS<br>WHRM<br>WLEF<br>WPNE | Wild Kratts "Stars of the Tides"                                            |      | Curious George                                                  |      | Work It Out Wormbats!            |      | Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood             |       | Sewing "Change Up Patchwork, Part 1"                                            |       | Love of Quilting "Cactus Basket" |       | Garden Smart "World of Unusual Plants" |                                    | The American Woodshop                                                           |                                                                                                              | Essential Pépin "Eggs-Quisite" |      | Dooky Chase "Mardi Gras" |                                                                                         | Steven Raichlen "Planet Barbecue"  |      | Cook "Midwestern Favorites"                                 |  | Test Kitchen "Pupusas and Yuca"                                                      |  | Milk Street "Mexico City Tacos"                                                        |  | Mediterranean "Monemvasia -- the Rock" |                              | Mexican "Guayabera World" |                           | This Old House "Lexington: On a Mission" |                           | Ask This Old House |  | Rick Steves' Europe "The Best of Sicily" |  | Weekends With Yankee |  | The Lawrence Welk Show "California (Arthur Duncan)" |  |
| WACY<br>WTPX                | Hearts of Bones                                                             |      | oh baby!                                                        |      | PaidPro..                        |      | Makeov..                                |       | PaidPro..                                                                       |       | Outdoo..                         |       | PaidPro..                              |                                    | Bensin..                                                                        |                                                                                                              | World's                        |      | Pets.TV                  |                                                                                         | SOS                                |      | Fisher..                                                    |  | Walleye                                                                              |  | Outdoo..                                                                               |  | Wingsh..                               |                              | Heartland                 |                           | ModFam                                   |                           | ModFam             |  | Goldbe..                                 |  | Goldbe..             |  |                                                     |  |
| CW<br>WCWF<br>WYOW          | 14 Outdoor<br>14 Into Wild                                                  |      | 14 H2O X5<br>63 Into Wild                                       |      | 14 Into Wild<br>63 Into Wild     |      | 14 Into Wild<br>63 Into Wild            |       | 14 Into Wild<br>63 Pet Vet                                                      |       | 14 Into Wild<br>63 Tail-Valor    |       | 14 Pet Vet<br>63 Rescucue              |                                    | 14 Tail-Valor<br>63 Paid Prog.                                                  |                                                                                                              | 14 Science<br>63 Moviefo..     |      | Paid Programming         |                                                                                         | 14 Walk-Fit!<br>63 Paid Prog.      |      | 14 Cook-Like<br>63 Holl..                                   |  | College Football ACC Teams TBA All the action from NCAA college football. (N) (Live) |  |                                                                                        |  |                                        | 14 Walk-Fit!<br>63 Moviefo.. |                           | 14 Last Man<br>63 Burgers |                                          | 14 Last Man<br>63 Burgers |                    |  |                                          |  |                      |  |                                                     |  |

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| <b>CBS</b><br><b>5</b> WFRV<br><b>7</b> WSAW                     |  | <b>5</b> Game Time Arike Ogunbowale Arike Ogunbowale<br><b>7</b> NewsCha                                                                                      | <b>5</b> Discover Wisconsin<br><b>7</b> Inside Edition Weekend (N)                                                                | NCIS: Hawai'i "Desperate Measures" Cmdr. Chase is abducted from her home by an Army Ranger.                |                                                                                                                                    | 48 Hours (N)                                 |                                                                                                                                        | 48 Hours (N)                                                  |                                                                                                                                   | <b>5</b> Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)<br><b>7</b> NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)                                           | <b>5</b> (:35) HS Sports Xtra<br><b>7</b> (:35) Beat the Odds | <b>5</b> (:05) Boondock<br><b>7</b> (:05) The Song REO Speedwagon | <b>5</b> (:35) Friends<br><b>7</b> (:35) Opry (N) |
| <b>FOX</b><br><b>55</b> WZAW<br><b>11</b> WLUK                   |  | MLB Baseball (N) (Live)                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                    |                                              | <b>55</b> World Chase Tag<br><b>11</b> Fox 11 News at Nine (N)                                                                         | <b>11</b> Seinfeld "The Butter Shave"                         |                                                                                                                                   | Don't Forget the Lyrics! "Waiting for His Big Break!" A singing waiter hopes to serve up all the correct lyrics. |                                                               | <b>55</b> S.W.A.T. "Bad Cop"<br><b>11</b> Jeopardy!               | <b>11</b> Wheel of Fortune "Fabulous Food"        |
| <b>NBC</b><br><b>25</b> WGBA<br><b>12</b> WJFW                   |  | Big Ten Countdown (N) (Live)                                                                                                                                  | College Football Michigan State at Iowa From Kinnick Stadium in Iowa City, Iowa. (N) (Live)                                       |                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                    |                                              |                                                                                                                                        |                                                               |                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                  |                                                               |                                                                   |                                                   |
| <b>PBS</b><br><b>20</b> WHRM<br><b>35</b> WLEF<br><b>38</b> WPNE |  | Celebrity Antiques Road Trip "Phil Vickery MBE and Martin Offiah MBE" Rugby legends Phil Vickery and Martin Offiah take to the antiques trail around Bristol. | Father Brown "The Final Devotion" Father Brown joins forces with Flambeau to search for a lost treasure in a 15th-century castle. |                                                                                                            | Sister Boniface Mysteries "Scoop!" The body of a high-level government official's secretary is found at the bottom of a staircase. |                                              | The Mallorca Files "Son of a Pig" A series of historical murders link a mass grave, an unknown body and a washed-up private detective. |                                                               | Prime Suspect: Tension on Masterpiece Jane faces harsh realities both professionally and personally; murder of Julie Ann Collins. |                                                                                                                  | The Caverns Sessions "Harley Kimbro Lewis"                    |                                                                   |                                                   |
| <b>62</b> WACY<br><b>45</b> WTPX                                 |  | Family Feud                                                                                                                                                   | Two...Half Men                                                                                                                    | Someone They Knew                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                    | S.W.A.T. "Monster"                           |                                                                                                                                        | S.W.A.T. "Bad Cop"                                            |                                                                                                                                   | The Simpsons                                                                                                     | Housewife                                                     | Housewife                                                         | Mom                                               |
| <b>CW</b><br><b>14</b> WCWF<br><b>34</b> WYOW                    |  | <b>14</b> Big Bang<br><b>34</b> Good Dr                                                                                                                       | <b>14</b> The Big Bang Theory "The Maternal Congruence"                                                                           | Great Chocolate Showdown "Sweet Suspensions" The final four must create a delectable trifle terrarium. (N) |                                                                                                                                    | Masters of Illusion Meir Yedid, Lucy Darling |                                                                                                                                        | Masters of Illusion "Bubbly Pop, Magic Tech, and the Impaler" | <b>10</b> The Rookie "Life and Death"<br><b>30</b> Liquidator "Taken for a Ride"                                                  | <b>34</b> TMZ (N)                                                                                                | <b>14</b> The National Desk (N) (Live)                        | <b>34</b> ★★ Spanglish ('04) Tea Leoni, Adam Sandler.             | <b>10</b> TMZ (N)                                 |

| SUNDAY                               |                                    |      |                                                      | MORNING / AFTERNOON |                                                                     |      |                              |       |                                   |       |                                  |       |                                                                                                                                                          |      |                                                                                                                                                  |      |                                                                                                                                                  |      |                                                                                                                                                                         | OCTOBER 1 |                                                              |      |                                    |  |                                                                                                                                      |  |                                                                                                                       |  |                               |  |                                  |  |                            |  |                            |  |
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| ABC<br>3 WAOV<br>2 WBAY              | Good Morning America (N)           |      | 1 This Week (N)<br>2 Action 2 News: This Morning (N) |                     | 1 Capitol<br>2 This Week                                            |      | 1 Up-Front                   |       | 1 Financial<br>2 Up-Front         |       | 1 Packers<br>2 Hearts of         |       | 1 Coldwell<br>2 Vets-Pets                                                                                                                                |      | 1 Wisconsin<br>2 Free ..                                                                                                                         |      | 1 Outdoors<br>2 Paid ..                                                                                                                          |      | 1 Sports<br>2 Prostate                                                                                                                                                  |           | 1 Prostate<br>2 Paid Prog.                                   |      | WNBA Countdown (N) (Live)          |  | 1 WNBA Basketball New York Liberty at Connecticut Sun (N) (Live)<br>2 WNBA Basketball New York Liberty at Connecticut Sun (N) (Live) |  | 1 Heroes<br>2 Paid Prog.                                                                                              |  | 1 Boondock<br>2 Pros..        |  | ABC World News (N)<br>2 News (N) |  | 1 News 9 (N)<br>2 News (N) |  |                            |  |
| CBS<br>3 WFRV<br>7 WSAW              | 1 Newsmaker<br>2 Sunr..            |      | 1 Sunday Mass                                        |                     | CBS News Sunday Morning News, features, weather and commentary. (N) |      | Face the Nation (N)          |       | 1 Green-Gold<br>2 Retir..         |       | The NFL Today (N) (Live)         |       | NFL Football Denver Broncos at Chicago Bears The Broncos travel to the Windy City for the first time since 2015 for a meeting with the Bears. (N) (Live) |      | NFL Football Minnesota Vikings at Carolina Panthers Adam Thielen faces his former teammates as his Panthers play host to the Vikings. (N) (Live) |      | 1 Postgame<br>2 Post..                                                                                                                           |      | 1 TBA<br>2 Postgame (N)                                                                                                                                                 |           | PBR Team Series Glendale Highlights from Glendale, Ariz. (N) |      | CBS Weekend News (N)               |  | 1 Hispanic<br>2 NewsC..                                                                                                              |  |                                                                                                                       |  |                               |  |                                  |  |                            |  |                            |  |
| FOX<br>55 WZAW<br>11 WLUK            | 1 Paid Prog.<br>11 (6:00) News (N) |      | 1 Mountain Faith Living                              |                     | 1 FOX News Sunday (N)                                               |      | 1 Sharyl Attkisson           |       | 1 Invest.<br>11 Fox News          |       | 1 Home Remodeler                 |       | FOX NFL Kickoff (N) (Live)                                                                                                                               |      | FOX NFL Sunday (N) (Live)                                                                                                                        |      | NFL Football Minnesota Vikings at Carolina Panthers Adam Thielen faces his former teammates as his Panthers play host to the Vikings. (N) (Live) |      | (25) NFL Football New England Patriots at Dallas Cowboys Ezekiel Elliott makes his return to the stadium of America's Team as his Patriots face the Cowboys. (N) (Live) |           |                                                              |      |                                    |  |                                                                                                                                      |  |                                                                                                                       |  |                               |  |                                  |  |                            |  |                            |  |
| NBC<br>26 WGBA<br>12 WJFW            | (4:30) 2023 Ryder Cup              |      | Final Day Final day singles matches. (N) (Live)      |                     |                                                                     |      |                              |       |                                   |       |                                  |       | NASCAR Cup Series Countdown to Green (N) (Live)                                                                                                          |      | NASCAR Cup Series YellaWood 500 From Talladega Superspeedway in Talladega, Ala. (N) (Live)                                                       |      |                                                                                                                                                  |      |                                                                                                                                                                         |           |                                                              |      |                                    |  | 23 News (N)<br>12 Paid Prog.                                                                                                         |  | NBC Nightly News (N)                                                                                                  |  |                               |  |                                  |  |                            |  |                            |  |
| PBS<br>20 WHRM<br>35 WLEF<br>38 WPNE | Wild Kratts "Rainforest Stew"      |      | Curious George                                       |                     | Work It Out Wombats!                                                |      | Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood  |       | Washington Week With The Atlantic |       | Firing Line With Margaret Hoover |       | Here and Now                                                                                                                                             |      | Market to Market                                                                                                                                 |      | Hotel Portofino "Discoveries"                                                                                                                    |      | Hotel Portofino "De-nouements"                                                                                                                                          |           | Father Brown "The Final Devotion"                            |      | Sister Boniface Mysteries "Scoop!" |  | 36th Hispanic Heritage Awards                                                                                                        |  | American Masters "A Song for Cesar" A unique view of the life and legacy of Cesar Chavez and the farmworker movement. |  | Mary Berry's Simple "Ireland" |  |                                  |  |                            |  |                            |  |
| 32 WACY<br>45 WTPX                   | PaidPro..                          |      | PaidPro..                                            |                     | PaidPro..                                                           |      | Jeffress                     |       | Vets-Pe..                         |       | Ready..                          |       | Outback                                                                                                                                                  |      | Ocean..                                                                                                                                          |      | Broadw..                                                                                                                                         |      | Know                                                                                                                                                                    |           | Hollywood (N)                                                |      | Top 10                             |  | Good Dr "Hurt"                                                                                                                       |  | The Good Doctor                                                                                                       |  | ModFam                        |  | ModFam                           |  | Mom                        |  | FamFe..                    |  |
| 14 WCWF<br>34 WYOW                   | 14 Worship<br>34 To-morr..         |      | 14 Daily<br>34 In Touch (N)                          |                     | 14 Catholic Mass                                                    |      | 14 Shalom<br>34 Key of David |       | 14 Outdoor<br>34 Cath. Mass       |       | 14 Mt. Faith<br>34 Perry Stone   |       | 14 Walk-Fit!<br>34 Mad Dog & M                                                                                                                           |      | Paid Programming                                                                                                                                 |      | 14 Polka<br>34 Paid Prog.                                                                                                                        |      | 14 Paid Programming                                                                                                                                                     |           | 14 Paid Prog.<br>34 Chicago                                  |      | 14 Paid Programming                |  | 14 Greatest<br>34 Blood-li..                                                                                                         |  | 14 Sports Stars (N)<br>34 Highway Thru Hell                                                                           |  | 14 Paid Prog.<br>34 WOW       |  | 14 Paid Programming              |  | 14 Sheldon<br>34 Family .. |  | 14 Sheldon<br>34 Family .. |  |

| SUNDAY                                                                                |                                                                                          |                   | EVENING                                                                                                                                                          |                             |                                                                                                             |                                                          |                                                                                                                                                         |                                        | OCTOBER 1                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                       |                                                                      |
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| <b>ABC</b><br><b>9</b> <b>WAOW</b><br><b>2</b> <b>WBAY</b>                            | America's Funniest Home Videos Sassy seniors; bicycle blunders and snow snafus. (N) (SP) |                   | Movie Movie to be disclosed.                                                                                                                                     |                             |                                                                                                             |                                                          |                                                                                                                                                         |                                        | <b>9</b> News 9 (N)<br><b>2</b> Action 2 News at 10 (N)                                                                                                | <b>9</b> (:35) Entertainment Tonight (N)<br><b>2</b> (:35) Cover 2 (N)<br><b>2</b> (:45) Entertainment Tonight (N) | <b>9</b> (:35) Kickin' It: With Byron Allen<br><b>2</b> (:45) 9-1-1 "Blind-sided"                                                     |                                                                      |
| <b>CBS</b><br><b>5</b> <b>WFRV</b><br><b>7</b> <b>WSAW</b>                            | 60 Minutes (N)                                                                           |                   | Yellowstone "The Long Black Train" A secret about John surfaces. (N)                                                                                             |                             | Yellowstone "Coming Home" Jamie works some legal magic; Rip recruits a new cowboy. (N)                      |                                                          | Big Brother (N)                                                                                                                                         |                                        | <b>5</b> Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)<br><b>7</b> NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)                                                                                 | <b>6</b> (:35) Sports Xtra<br><b>7</b> (:35) InvestigateTV (N)                                                     | <b>6</b> (:05) Osteen<br><b>7</b> (:05) Game Time Arike Ogunbowale                                                                    | <b>5</b> (:35) Friends<br><b>7</b> (:35) SEAL Team "Edge of Nowhere" |
| <b>FOX</b><br><b>55</b> <b>WZAW</b><br><b>11</b> <b>WLUK</b>                          | (3:25) Football New England Patriots at Dallas Cowboys (N)                               | The OT (N) (Live) | The Simpsons "Homer's Crossing" (N) (SP)                                                                                                                         | Krapopolis "Wife Swamp" (N) | Bob's Burgers "Fight at the Not Okay Chore-ral" (N) (SP)                                                    | Family Guy "Fertilized Megg" (N) (SP)                    | <b>55</b> Seinfeld "The Butter Shave"<br><b>11</b> Fox 11 News at Nine (N)                                                                              | <b>55</b> Seinfeld "The Voice"         | <b>55</b> Goldbergs "So Swayze It's Crazy"<br><b>11</b> 11 News (N)                                                                                    | <b>55</b> Goldbergs "The Kara-le Kid"<br><b>11</b> (:35) Sharyl Attkisson                                          | <b>55</b> Housewife "The Venue"<br><b>11</b> (:05) National (N) (Live)                                                                | <b>55</b> American Housewife "It's Hard to Say Goodbye"              |
| <b>NBC</b><br><b>26</b> <b>WGBA</b><br><b>12</b> <b>WJFW</b>                          | Football Night in America (N) (Live)                                                     |                   | (:15) NFL Football Kansas City Chiefs at New York Jets The defending Super Bowl champion Chiefs visit the Jets. Kansas City leads the series 20-19-1. (N) (Live) |                             |                                                                                                             |                                                          |                                                                                                                                                         |                                        | <b>26</b> NBC26 News at 10pm (N)<br><b>12</b> Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)                                                                                 | <b>26</b> (:05) Bensinger Niki Lauda<br><b>12</b> Paid Prog.                                                       | <b>26</b> (:35) Outdoors "Winthrop Harbor Fishing"<br><b>12</b> Funny You                                                             |                                                                      |
| <b>PBS</b><br><b>20</b> <b>WHRM</b><br><b>36</b> <b>WLEF</b><br><b>38</b> <b>WPNE</b> | Her Name Was Grace Kelly                                                                 |                   | Professor T "The Trial" Professor T presents a case involving a caretaker accused of fatally shooting his rich employer. (N)                                     |                             | Unforgotten on Masterpiece Despite the trouble in their personal lives, Sunny and Jess attempt a reset. (N) |                                                          | Van der Valk on Masterpiece "Magic in Amsterdam, Part 1" The team reaches the edge of reality after the death of a participant in a magical ritual. (N) |                                        | Antiques Roadshow "Vintage Louisville 2021 Hour 1" A Dirk van Erp lamp circa 1910; J. Falter illustration; 1919 Cincinnati Reds championship baseball. |                                                                                                                    | Austin City Limits "Brandi Carlile" Americana singer-singwriter Brandi Carlile performs songs from her album, "In These Silent Days." |                                                                      |
| <b>32</b> <b>WACY</b><br><b>45</b> <b>WTPX</b>                                        | Family Feud                                                                              | Two..Half Men     | Movie                                                                                                                                                            |                             |                                                                                                             |                                                          | Forensic Files                                                                                                                                          | Forensic Files                         | The Simpsons                                                                                                                                           | Forensic Files                                                                                                     | Major Crimes "By Any Means: Part 2"                                                                                                   |                                                                      |
| <b>CW</b><br><b>14</b> <b>WCWF</b><br><b>34</b> <b>WYOW</b>                           | Fight to Survive "Battleground" One contestant tries to gain friends by providing food.  |                   | The Chosen "The Perfect Opportunity" A charismatic fisherman drowning in debt; a troubled woman wrestling with real demons. (N)                                  |                             |                                                                                                             | Funniest Animals Niiko x SWAE, Anna Maria Perez de Tagle | <b>14</b> WOW Sign The Dotted Line (N)<br><b>34</b> Liquidator                                                                                          | <b>34</b> The Good Doctor "I Love You" | <b>14</b> Truth of God                                                                                                                                 | <b>34</b> WOW - Women Sign The Dotted Line (N)                                                                     | <b>14</b> Extra (N)                                                                                                                   | <b>34</b> Moviefone TV                                               |

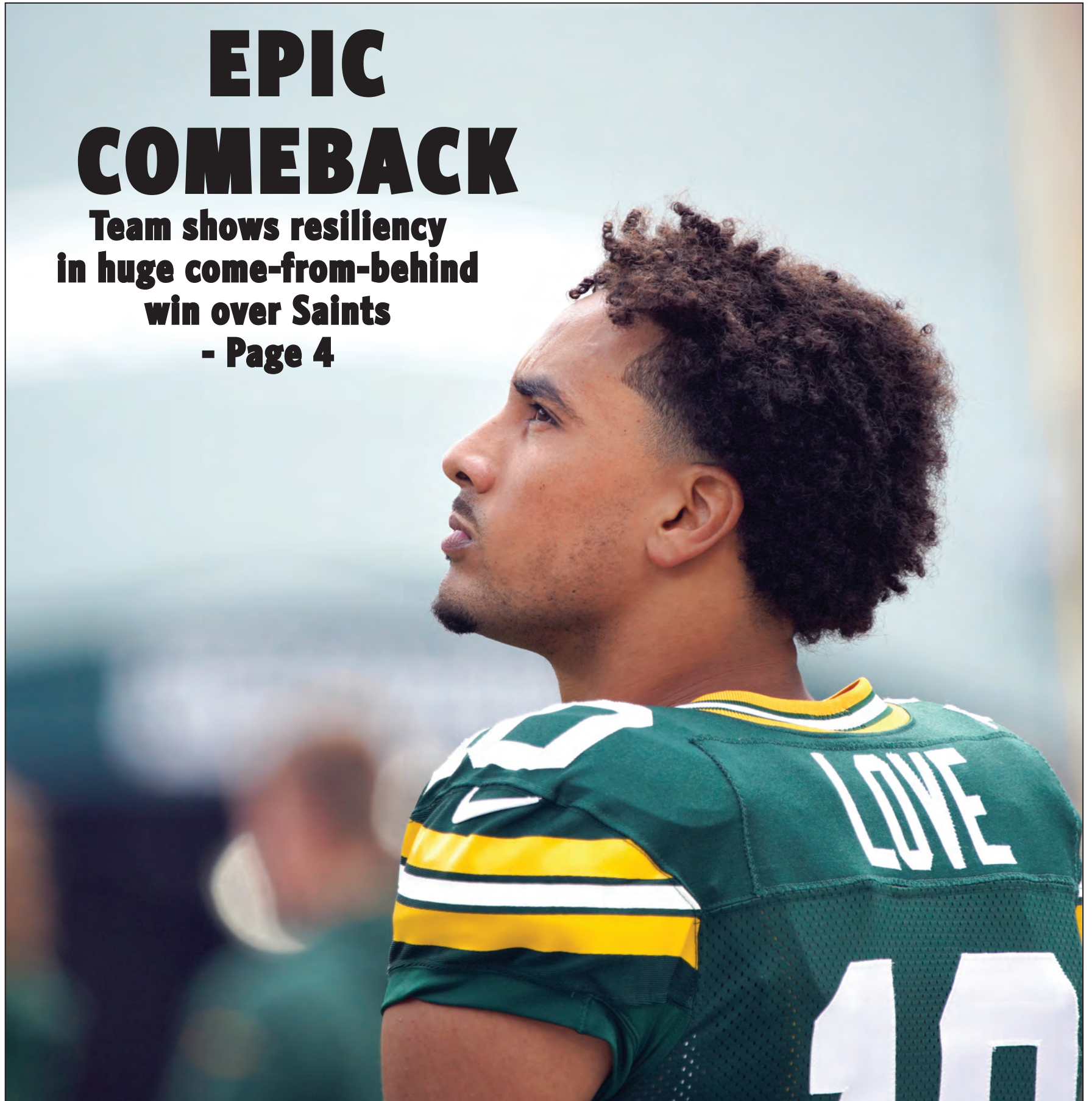
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| ABC     | 9 WAOW  | Good Morning America      |                |                       |                     | Live with Kelly and Mark |             | The View                 |           | News 9 Barry-more          |                 | GMA3: What You Need to Know   |                  | M F Hosp./Tu-Th MLB Baseball |                        | M F Tamron Hall                 |              | M F Judge M F Judge        |                          | News 9 WAOW at 4PM          |                    | News 9 World News           |               |               |
|         | 2 WBAY  | Good Morning America      |                |                       |                     | Action 2 News 25 Words   |             | The View                 |           | Storage Wars Pawn Stars    |                 | Action 2 News Paid Prog.      |                  | M F Hosp./Tu-Th MLB Baseball |                        | M F GMA3: What You Need to Know |              | M F 25 Words M F Investig. |                          | Action 2 News Action 2 News |                    | Action 2 News World News    |               |               |
| CBS     | 5 WFRV  | CBS Mornings              |                |                       |                     | Local 5 Live             |             | The Price Is Right       |           | The Young and the Restless |                 | News Bold/Beautiful           |                  | The Talk                     |                        | Let's Make a Deal               |              | Friends Friends            |                          | News News                   |                    | News CBS News               |               |               |
|         | 7 WSAW  | CBS Mornings              |                |                       |                     | 25 Words Paid Prog.      |             | The Price Is Right       |           | The Young and the Restless |                 | News-Channel 7 Bold/Beautiful |                  | The Talk                     |                        | Let's Make a Deal               |              | The Kelly Clarkson Show    |                          | News Invest-igateTV+        |                    | News CBS News               |               |               |
| FOX     | 55 WZAW | Business                  | AgDay          | Dateline              |                     | Sherri                   |             | The Jennifer Hudson Show |           | Family Feud Family Feud    |                 | Judge Judy Judge Judy         |                  | Mathis Court Mathis Court    |                        | Hot Bench Hot Bench             |              | Judge Judy Judge Judy      |                          | Family Feud Family Feud     |                    | Young Sheldon Young Sheldon |               |               |
|         | 11 WLUK | (4:30) Good Day Wisconsin |                |                       |                     | Live with Kelly and Mark |             | Fox 11 Living With Amy   |           | Dr. Phil                   |                 | Various Various               |                  | The Jennifer Hudson Show     |                        | Barry-more Barry-more           |              | The People's Court         |                          | Judge Judy Judge Judy       |                    | News News                   |               |               |
| NBC     | 25 WGBA | Today                     |                |                       |                     | Today 3rd Hour           |             | Today With Hoda & Jenna  |           | People Puzzler Scripps     |                 | NBC News Daily                |                  | Dateline                     |                        | Tamron Hall                     |              | The Kelly Clarkson Show    |                          | Family Feud Family Feud     |                    | News NBC News               |               |               |
|         | 12 WJFW | Today                     |                |                       |                     | Today 3rd Hour           |             | Today With Hoda & Jenna  |           | Neighbor Neighbor          |                 | NBC News Daily                |                  | Person, Place Pictionary     |                        | Pictionary Funny You            |              | Funny You Jeopardy         |                          | Up North at 4 Jeopardy!     |                    | News NBC News               |               |               |
| PBS     | 20 WHRM | Wild Kratts               | Curious George | Daniel Tiger          | Rosie's Rules       | Sesame Street            | Work It     | Donkey Hodie             | Pink/Pink | Elinor                     | NatureCat/      | Elementary                    | Xavier Riddle    | Old House                    | Cook's Country         | First Peoples                   |              | Various                    |                          | Odd Squad Arthur            |                    | NatureCat/                  | America       |               |
|         | 35 WLEF | Wild Kratts               | Curious George | Daniel Tiger          | Rosie's Rules       | Sesame Street            | Work It     | Donkey Hodie             | Pink/Pink | Elinor                     | NatureCat/      | Elementary                    | Xavier Riddle    | Old House                    | Cook's Country         | First Peoples                   |              | Various                    |                          | Odd Squad Arthur            |                    | NatureCat/                  | America       |               |
|         | 38 WPNE | Wild Kratts               | Curious George | Daniel Tiger          | Rosie's Rules       | Sesame Street            | Work It     | Donkey Hodie             | Pink/Pink | Elinor                     | NatureCat/      | Elementary                    | Xavier Riddle    | Old House                    | Cook's Country         | First Peoples                   |              | Various                    |                          | Odd Squad Arthur            |                    | NatureCat/                  | America       |               |
|         | 52 WACY | NBC 26 Morning News       |                |                       |                     | A.Wom.. Midwes..         |             | Sherri                   |           | iCRIME iCRIME              |                 | Dateline                      |                  | The First 48                 |                        | Chicago Fire                    |              | TMZ Live                   |                          | ModFam ModFam               |                    | Goldbe.. Goldbe..           |               |               |
| CW      | 45 WTPX | Various                   | Xplorati..     | Various               | F Planet            | Various                  |             | Various                  |           | Various                    |                 | Various                       |                  | Various                      |                        | Various                         |              | Various                    |                          | Various                     |                    | Various                     |               |               |
|         | 14 WCWF | The National Desk         |                | National Weat         | Paid Prog.          |                          | Judge Eboni | Supreme Justice          | Hot Bench | Hot Bench                  | Paternity Court | Court Cam                     | Law & Order: SVU |                              | 48 Hours               |                                 | Judge Mathis |                            | Pictionary Person, Place |                             | Jeopardy Funny You |                             | Young Sheldon | Young Sheldon |
|         | 34 WYOW | Divorce Court             | Divorce Court  | The Steve Wilkos Show |                     | Karamo                   |             | Maury                    |           | Extra Hollywood            |                 | Blast                         | Blast            | Jerry Springer               |                        | Maury                           |              | Karamo                     |                          | The Steve Wilkos Show       |                    | TMZ Live                    |               |               |

| WEDNESDAY                            |  |                                                                                          |  | EVENING                                                                                                                                              |  |                                                                                                              |  |                                                                                                                                     |  |                                                                                                        |  | OCTOBER 4                                                                                                                                                       |  |                                                                 |  |                                                                  |  |                                                                |  |                                                         |  |       |  |
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| ABC<br>9 WAOW<br>8 WBAY              |  | 9 News 9 (N)<br>9 Action 2 News at Six (N)                                               |  | 9 Packers Live<br>9 Entertainment Tonight (N)                                                                                                        |  | Celebrity Jeopardy! "Quarterfinal #2: Brian Baumgartner, Lisa Ann Walter and Timothy Simons" (N)             |  | Celebrity Wheel of Fortune "Kel Mitchell, Kim Fields and Penn Jillette" Celebrities Kel Mitchell, Kim Fields and Penn Jillette. (N) |  | The \$100,000 Pyramid "Jason Alexander vs. Rosie O'Donnell and Oscar Nunez vs. Lauren Ash" (N)         |  | 9 News 9 (N)<br>9 Action 2 News at 10 (N)                                                                                                                       |  | (35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!                                         |  | (35) Nightline (N)                                               |  |                                                                |  |                                                         |  |       |  |
| CBS<br>6 WFRV<br>7 WSAW              |  | 6 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N)<br>7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)                                   |  | 6 Green Bay Nation<br>7 Inside Edition (N)                                                                                                           |  | Survivor (N)                                                                                                 |  | The Amazing Race (N)                                                                                                                |  | 6 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)<br>7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)                                               |  | (35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert                                                                                                                         |  | (35) Comics Unleashed With Byron Allen                          |  |                                                                  |  |                                                                |  |                                                         |  |       |  |
| FOX<br>55 WZAW<br>11 WLUK            |  | 55 Big Bang<br>11 Jeopardy! (N)                                                          |  | 55 Big Bang<br>11 Wheel (N)                                                                                                                          |  | The Masked Singer (N)                                                                                        |  | Snake Oil (N)                                                                                                                       |  | 55 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)<br>11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)                                       |  | 55 Seinfeld "The Junk Mail"                                                                                                                                     |  | 55 Seinfeld "The Lip Reader"<br>11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live) |  | 55 Last Man "Lost and Found"<br>11 (35) Seinfeld "The Junk Mail" |  | 55 Last Man "Grill in the Mist"<br>11 (:05) Inside Edition (N) |  | 55 Goldbergs "Horse Play"<br>11 (35) King "Mental Case" |  |       |  |
| NBC<br>26 WGBA<br>12 WJFW            |  | 26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N)<br>12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)                                     |  | 26 Packers<br>12 Wheel "Teacher's Week" (N)                                                                                                          |  | Quantum Leap "This Took Too Long!" Ben finds himself in 1978 on a top-secret military flight. (N) (SP)       |  | Magnum P.I. "Hit and Run" (N)                                                                                                       |  | Chicago Fire "A Guy I Used to Know" Firehouse 51 prepares for their firehouse inspection.              |  | 26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N)<br>12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)                                                                                                        |  | (35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon                     |  | (35) Late Night With Seth Meyers                                 |  |                                                                |  |                                                         |  |       |  |
| PBS<br>29 WHRM<br>53 WLEF<br>53 WPNE |  | PBS NewsHour Amna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N) |  | America Outdoors With Baratunde Thurston "Utah: Choose Your Path" From the nomadic Dine tribes to the Mormons, Utah continues to draw people in. (N) |  | NOVA "Ancient Earth: Birth of the Sky" Animation and science experts reveal how the blue sky came to be. (N) |  | Evolution Earth "Grasslands" Scientists take a look at animal species with the power to transform and restore grasslands. (N) (F)   |  | Finding Your Roots With Henry Louis Gates, Jr. "Family: Lost and Found" Joe Manganiello, Tony Gonzalez |  | Frontline "The Astros Edge: Triumph and Scandal in Major League Baseball" The Houston Astros cheating scandal and what it says about baseball today. Ben Reiter |  |                                                                 |  |                                                                  |  |                                                                |  |                                                         |  |       |  |
| 42 WACY<br>46 WTPX                   |  | Family Feud (N)<br>Blue Bloods "The Fog of War"                                          |  | Two..Half Men                                                                                                                                        |  | Dateline                                                                                                     |  | Chicago P.D. "Good Men"                                                                                                             |  | My News at 9 (N)<br>Tonight (N)                                                                        |  | Two..Half Men                                                                                                                                                   |  | Housewife                                                       |  | Housewife                                                        |  | Housewife                                                      |  | Mom                                                     |  |       |  |
| CW<br>14 WCWF<br>54 WYOW             |  | 14 Big Bang "The Panty Piñata Polarization"<br>54 Dish Nat. (N)                          |  | 14 The Big Bang Theory "The 2003 Approximation"<br>54 TMZ (N)                                                                                        |  | Sullivan's Crossing "Coming Home" Maggie Sullivan's life in Boston is turned upside down. (N) (P)            |  | The Spencer Sisters "The Scholar's Snail" Darby's friend Kaia is wrongfully accused of plagiarism. (N) (P)                          |  | 14 Last Man "Lost and Found"<br>54 Dish Nation (N)                                                     |  | 14 Seinfeld "The Lip Reader"<br>54 TMZ (N)                                                                                                                      |  | 14 National (N)<br>54 Family Guy "Play It Again, Brian"         |  | 14 National (N)<br>54 Family Guy "Back to the Woods"             |  | 14 Last Man "Grill in the Mist"<br>54 Burgers "The Deepening"  |  | 14 Extra (N)<br>54 Bob's Burgers "Bob Fires the Kids"   |  |       |  |

| THURSDAY                             |  |                                                                                          |  | EVENING                                                     |  |                                                                                                                                           |  |                                                                                                                         |  |                                                                                                                                                   |  | OCTOBER 5                              |  |      |  |                                                             |  |                                                                    |  |                                                                                                                 |  |                                                               |  |
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| ABC<br>9 WAOW<br>8 WBAY              |  | 9 News 9 (N)<br>2 Action 2 News at Six (N)                                               |  | Entertainment Tonight (N)                                   |  | The Golden Bachelor (N)                                                                                                                   |  | Bachelor in Paradise Stars and villains from "The Bachelor" and "The Bachelorette" get another chance to find love. (N) |  |                                                                                                                                                   |  |                                        |  |      |  | 9 News 9 (N)<br>2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)                   |  | (35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!                                            |  |                                                                                                                 |  | (35) Nightline (N)                                            |  |
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## EPIC COMEBACK

**Team shows resiliency  
in huge come-from-behind  
win over Saints  
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Green Bay Packers quarterback Jordan Love gazes toward the sky during the singing of the national anthem Sunday against the New Orleans Saints. Love led a fourth-quarter comeback to earn his first win as a starter at Lambeau Field.

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# Packers come alive in fourth, defeat Saints

## Green Bay scores 18 unanswered points for the win

By **LUKE REIMER**  
Green & Gold Express

The Green Bay Packers' defense held strong, shutting out the New Orleans Saints in the second half to complete an 18-point comeback and win 18-17 on Sept. 24 in Green Bay.

Entering the second half with a 17-0 deficit, Green Bay rattled off 18 points in the fourth quarter to hold the lead in the NFC North. The comeback was catalyzed by a strong fourth quarter performance from quarterback Jordan Love.

Love finished the game with 259 passing yards and one touchdown, with 104 of those yards coming in the fourth quarter. He added a rushing touchdown in the fourth quarter as well, evading former All-Pro Linebacker Demario Davis on the one-yard line.

The story of the game, though, was Green Bay's defense. In total, the New Orleans Saints were only able to muster 10 points, with seven of the team's 17 points coming from a punt return touchdown from New Orleans' Rashid Shaheed.

New Orleans' first touchdown of the game came on the team's second drive as former Packer Jimmy Graham found the end zone on an 8-yard touchdown pass from Derek Carr. The defense's strong performance came without star defensive back Jaire Alexander, who was ruled out before the game, after injuring his back in practice.

"Having a guy like that out — we have no choice but to step up, and that is what everybody did," said Packers pass rusher Rashan Gary. "One thing about this group is that we understand the standard; we understand what it is like to play at a high level. We just have to be consistent, and today is just a stepping stone to being consistent."

That touchdown to Graham proved to be Carr's only major contribution to the game, as the Fresno



**Green Bay Packers quarterback Jordan Love (10) and his teammates celebrate after a fourth-quarter touchdown against the Saints on Sunday. Love orchestrated a comeback from 17 points down to earn his first victory as a starter at Lambeau Field. Love ran for one touchdown and threw for another as the team scored 18 points in the final quarter for the 18-17 win.** GREG MELLIS | GREEN & GOLD EXPRESS

State alum was knocked out of the game with a shoulder injury. Jameis Winston took over for Carr, but he proved lackluster as he threw for just 101 yards on 10-of-16 passing.

Gary's claim to being one of the best defensive players in the league was hard to argue, as he led Green Bay's defense with three sacks, including the one that knocked Carr out of the game.

"The most important thing is being an impact to this team, and I am happy that I was able to do that today," said Gary.

The turning point of the game came on Green Bay's drive that resulted in Love's rushing touchdown. The drive started with two long defensive pass interference calls, totaling 67 yards. From there, Love connected with Jayden Reed for 11 yards on third-and-10 to the New Orleans 2-yard line to extend the drive. Two incompletions and a 1-yard rush from Patrick Taylor set up a fourth-and-one, ultimately ending with Love's rushing touchdown to bring the score to 17-9. In a curious

move that ultimately paid off, coach Matt LaFleur called for a two-point attempt. Love connected with wide receiver Samori Toure to add the additional two points.

Finally, Green Bay's winning drive came late in the fourth quarter, as Love connected with wide receiver Romeo Doubs for an 8-yard touchdown to put the team up by one. The Saints quickly marched down the field but a field goal attempt from Blake Grupe missed wide right, giving Green Bay the ball back to kneel out the clock.

"I have never been a part of a win like this," said LaFleur. "The guys in the locker room — they believe in one another and they continue to battle and really, as a coach, that is all you can ask of anybody. To hold an offense to 10 points in this league, you should typically win that game, but the resiliency of that locker room was incredible. I have never seen anything like it."

## THE VITALS

Detroit Lions at Green Bay Packers

**WHEN:** 7:20 p.m. Thursday

**LOCATION:** Lambeau Field

**TV:** Amazon Prime, NBC-26

**RADIO:** Flagship WRNW-FM Milwaukee - 97.3; Packers Radio Network includes WIXX-FM Green Bay - 101.1, WRLO-FM Antigo - 105.3, WLST-FM Marinette - 95.1, and WSAU Wausau - 550 AM and 95.1 FM

**2023 RECORDS:** Packers, 2-1. Lions, 2-1.

**HISTORY:** The Lions and Packers have played 187 times including two games in the postseason.

Green Bay leads the all-time season series 105-75-7. They had a run of dominance where the Lions did not win in Wisconsin from 1992 until 2015. The Lions have flipped the script in recent memory, however, having won the last three games against the Packers — including a game that ended the Packers' season a year ago.

**LINE:** Lions by 2

**COACHES:** Packers - Matt LaFleur (fifth season, 49-20). Lions - Dan Campbell (third season, 15-23-1).

### PACKERS SCHEDULE

Sept. 10 at Chicago W 38-20

Sept. 17 at Atlanta L 25-24

Sept. 24 vs. New Orleans W 18-17

Sept. 28 vs. Detroit 7:15 p.m. Amazon Prime

Oct. 9 at Las Vegas 7:15 p.m. ESPN

Oct. 15 BYE

Oct. 22 at Denver 3:25 p.m. CBS

Oct. 29 vs. Minnesota Noon FOX

Nov. 5 vs. LA Rams Noon FOX

Nov. 12 at Pittsburgh Noon CBS

Nov. 19 vs. LA Chargers Noon FOX

Nov. 23 at Detroit 11:30 a.m. FOX

Dec. 3 vs. Kansas City 7:20 p.m. NBC

Dec. 11 at NY Giants 7:15 p.m. ABC

Dec. 17 vs. Tampa Bay Noon FOX

Dec. 24 at Carolina Noon FOX

Dec. 31 at Minnesota 7:20 p.m. NBC

Jan. 7 vs. Chicago, TBD

### NFL SCHEDULE

#### THURSDAY, SEPT. 28

Lions at Packers, 7:20 p.m.

#### SUNDAY, OCT. 1

Falcons at Jaguars, 8:30 a.m.

Rams at Colts, Noon

Ravens at Browns, Noon

Vikings at Panthers, Noon

Bengals at Titans, Noon

Buccaneers at Saints, Noon

Dolphins at Bills, Noon

Broncos at Bears, Noon

Commanders at Eagles, Noon

Steelers at Texans, Noon

Raiders at Chargers, 3:05 p.m.

Cardinals at 49ers, 3:25 p.m.

Patriots at Cowboys, 3:25 p.m.

Chiefs at Jets, 7:20 p.m.

#### Monday, Oct. 2

Seahawks at Giants, 7:15 p.m.

#### Thursday, Oct. 5

Bears at Commanders, 7:15 p.m.

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## Week 4 Games: Sunday, Oct. 1



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Detroit @ Green Bay.....Thurs., Sept 28

Minnesota @ Carolina

Denver @ Chicago

New England @ Dallas

**Tie Breaker Game:**

Kansas City @ New York Jets

### Week 3 Winner :

**Jim Wiegand  
Tower Clock  
Eye Center**

### Weekly Standings

|                                          | Weekly<br>Record | Overall<br>Record |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Jacob Westendorf, New Media.....         | 5-0              | 13-2              |
| Staff, Shawano Health Services.....      | 4-1              | 11-4              |
| Jim Wiegand, Tower Clock Eye Center..... | 5-0              | 11-4              |
| Kevin Passon, New Media.....             | 4-1              | 10-5              |
| Tim Murphy, New Media.....               | 5-0              | 9-6               |
| Luke Reimer, New Media.....              | 2-3              | 9-6               |
| Staff, Iverson's Piggly Wiggly.....      | 4-1              | 9-6               |
| Robt Buss, Buss Automotive.....          | 4-1              | 8-7               |
| Shane Senn, Senn Insurance.....          | 4-1              | 7-8               |
| Sue Moede, Moede & Sons Plumbing.....    | 2-3              | 6-9               |
| Staff, Walsh Dental.....                 | 2-3              | 5-10              |



Jim Wiegand  
Tower Clock  
Eye Center

### This Week's Picks:

Detroit  
Minnesota  
Denver  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 25 @ New York Jets 10



Robert Buss  
Buss  
Automotive

### This Week's Picks:

Green Bay  
Minnesota  
Denver  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 38 @ New York Jets 24



Shane Senn  
Senn  
Insurance

### This Week's Picks:

Detroit  
Minnesota  
Chicago  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 27 @ New York Jets 24



Staff  
Walsh Dental  
Shawano

### This Week's Picks:

Green Bay  
Minnesota  
Chicago  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 31 @ New York Jets 16



Staff  
Shawano  
Health Services

### This Week's Picks:

Green Bay  
Minnesota  
Chicago  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 20 @ New York Jets 21



Moede & Sons  
Plumbing  
Shawano

### This Week's Picks:

Detroit  
Minnesota  
Denver  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 14 @ New York Jets 21



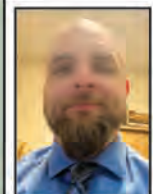
Staff  
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Piggly Wiggly

### This Week's Picks:

Green Bay  
Minnesota  
Denver  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 21 @ New York Jets 28



Jacob Westendorf  
New  
Media

### This Week's Picks:

Detroit  
Minnesota  
Denver  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 34 @ New York Jets 10



Luke Reimer  
New  
Media

### This Week's Picks:

Green Bay  
Carolina  
Denver  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score : Kansas City 35 @ New York Jets 14



Tim Murphy  
New  
Media

### This Week's Picks:

Detroit  
Minnesota  
Denver  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 20 @ New York Jets 18



Kevin Passon  
New  
Media

### This Week's Picks:

Green Bay  
Minnesota  
Denver  
Dallas

### Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 31 @ New York Jets 10

## NOTEBOOK

# Packers' running game needs a lift

By JACOB WESTENDORF

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## Packers' offense vs. Lions' defense

The Packers' offense was about as ugly as could be for the first three quarters on Sunday against the New Orleans Saints.

They were shut out through three quarters and had little they could hang their hats on. The injury situation on offense has been abysmal. Christian Watson, Aaron Jones, David Bakhtiari and Elgton Jenkins all missed Sunday's game with a litany of ailments.

Zach Tom exited Sunday's game with a knee injury of which the severity is unclear. If Tom can't play, Yosh Njiman would likely be called upon. The Packers have said they're confident in him, but he's already been passed on the depth chart by Rasheed Walker.

On the other side of the line of scrimmage, the Lions have a budding star as one of their pass rushers.

Aidan Hutchinson has tormented the Packers in his short career. He has two sacks and an interception in two games against them.

Hutchinson didn't have any sacks coming into Sunday's game against the Falcons but had 13 pressures in the first two games.

Typically production follows quickly with disruption numbers like that. It did for Hutchinson as he brought Desmond Ridder down twice in the team's 20-6 win.

The Lions' defensive front has been stout against the run. Opposing run games are averaging a paltry 3.2 yards per carry over the first three games.

That could present a problem for the Packers who have not been able to run the ball at all through the first three games.

Aaron Jones hasn't played since the second half of the season opener against Chicago.

AJ Dillon, who has struggled in the early going, appeared to cede some of his snaps to Patrick Taylor.

Taylor is out of practice squad elevations, and he would have to be signed to the active roster in order to play in Thursday's game.

Taylor has been the preferred second option to preseason darling Emanuel Wilson. Taylor's ability in the passing game appears to be the



Patrick Taylor (27) was activated from the practice squad to assist the running game Sunday against the Saints.

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difference there. He caught three passes on four targets against New Orleans.

Regardless of how the running backs are performing in the passing game, the Packers need to be more productive in the run game.

The offense isn't going to be successful all that often when Jordan Love is the team's leading rusher as he was in Sunday's game.

In Jones' absence, Packers running backs have run for 106 yards in two games. Considering this team was supposed to have a dynamic ground game, that isn't good enough.

The pass catching group was a mixed bag for the Packers on Sunday. Love has spread the ball around to a variety of receivers and had a different leading receiver in each of the first three games.

Luke Musgrave had a big game on Sunday with six catches. He was open

for what could have been the biggest play of the game, but Love missed him down the middle of the field.

If there's a place the Lions' defense can be had, it's in the secondary. CJ Gardner-Johnson is out of the lineup with an injury that ended his season.

Cam Sutton, Brian Branch and Jerry Jacobs are the team's preferred starters at cornerback. Two of the three are ranked in the bottom half of Pro Football Focus' corner grades. Branch is a rookie, which could cause Matt LaFleur to try and scheme up some opportunities for his receivers against him.

The Lions' other safety is Kerby Joseph, who caught the final pass of Aaron Rodgers' career with Green Bay.

## Packers' defense vs. Lions' offense

The Packers' defense bounced back tremendously after getting

shredded by Bijan Robinson and the Atlanta Falcons' run game.

New Orleans held a three-score lead for most of the second half. They had a two-score lead until the midway point of the fourth quarter as well.

The game lent itself to New Orleans being able to run the ball and lean on Green Bay's defense that has struggled against the run traditionally.

Instead, the Packers' defense bowed its neck. They held Saints' running backs to 77 yards on 22 carries.

That was as big of a reason as any that Green Bay was able to make a dramatic comeback Sunday.

One potential pressure point for the Green Bay defense is the cornerback situation. Jaire Alexander did not play on Sunday with a back injury. His status for Thursday is unclear.

Carrington Valentine, who started in Alexander's place, left the game with a biceps injury.

That leaves the team with three healthy cornerbacks. Rasul Douglas, Keisean Nixon and Corey Ballentine.

Ballentine was elevated from the practice squad for Sunday's game. With the injury situation at cornerback, presumably he will be elevated from the practice squad again.

The shortage at cornerback comes at a time where the Packers are facing one of the more dynamic passing offenses in football.

Jared Goff is often looked at as a failed draft pick for the Rams, but he's been excellent for the Lions.

He's thrown five touchdowns through the first three weeks. He distributes the ball to all of his playmakers, but his go-to guy is Amon-Ra St. Brown.

St. Brown has caught at least 90 passes in each of his first two seasons as a pro.

He operates primarily in the slot, where he'll be met by Nixon.

Nixon is coming off a game where he blanked Saints' primary slot receiver Rashid Shaheed: 0 catches and 0 yards for Nixon's primary assignment.

Nixon had a tough first week of the season, but has been largely good since then in coverage. St. Brown, however, is a different challenge than anything he has seen on



Green Bay Packers punter Daniel Whelan couldn't chase down Rashid Shaheed, as the Saints returner scored a touchdown Sunday.

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this young season. The winner of that matchup could go a long way toward determining who wins the game.

Apart from St. Brown, Sam Laporta scored his first touchdown of the season on Sunday. He's been a focal point in the Lions' offense early in the year. He can make an impact in both the run and passing game.

### Special teams

The Packers are coming off one of their worst special teams performances on the young season.

The special teams group was penalized three times, with nothing to make up for those penalties in the return game.

The punt coverage team gave up a 76-yard touchdown to Shaheed, who was not touched on his way to the goal line.

On the bright side, Anders Carlson has not missed a kick in the regular season. He made the game-winning extra point in Sunday's 18-17 win over the Saints.

The Lions' special teams is led by return specialist Kalif Raymond. He averaged 13.2 yards per punt return a season ago.

The Lions ranked sixth in Rick Gosselin's special teams rankings

a season ago. Detroit kicker Riley Patterson has not missed a kick yet in 2023. The group led by Dave Fipp has been excellent to start the 2023 season after a strong 2022 campaign.

This could be one of the biggest advantages the Lions have in Thursday night's game.

Speaking of the run game.

The Lions have the 12th overall pick in the backfield. Jahmyr Gibbs is one of the more explosive young players in the NFL. He's also the style of back that typically gives Green Bay fits.

Gibbs isn't the same caliber that Atlanta's Bijan Robinson is. There aren't many, if any, that are as good as Robinson.

Gibbs, however, is an explosive runner with a slashing style that can attack the edges of Green Bay's defense. With a strong emphasis on rushing the quarterback, the Packers have struggled to set the edge.

Maybe that starts to change with Rashan Gary starting to earn more snaps. He played the most snaps of the season on Sunday and rewarded the defense with three sacks.

With as many guys that are missing due to injury, getting more from Gary will help soften some of that blow.

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## KEYS TO THE GAME

# Injury report a big challenge for Packers against Lions

By JACOB WESTENDORF

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There's no rest for the weary, as the Green Bay Packers will face off against the Detroit Lions on Thursday Night Football.

The Packers had an exciting comeback victory over the New Orleans Saints to get to 2-1. Jordan Love led the offense to 18 unanswered points, and the Saints missed a field goal with 1:08 left on the clock. The Packers were able to kneel out the clock from there and get to 2-1.

The Lions kept pace with the Packers, winning 20-6 over the Atlanta Falcons.

Both teams are in a big spot in the NFC North, with Minnesota and Chicago going through some early season struggles.

This is a matchup of two teams tied for first place.

The winner of this game should have an early spot in the driver's seat for the NFC North. Here are the keys for the Packers to be in that spot.

### Packers vs. injury report

The Green Bay Packers had a M\*A\*S\*H unit playing on Sunday against the New Orleans Saints.

Love was greeted for his first start at Lambeau Field with an inactive list that included Christian Watson, David Bakhtiari, Elgton Jenkins and Aaron Jones.

There's an argument to be made those are the Packers' four best players on offense.

To boot, Jaire Alexander missed the game with a back injury after he popped up on the injury report on Friday. That's five of their 10 best players.

It's hard enough to win in the NFL. Every team will talk about a next man up mentality, but there's a reason the next man up is on the bench. It's hard to win in the NFL without your star players.

Should the Packers be missing any combination of those players, they'll be trying to do just that against a Lions team that has had some injury issues of its own.

Thursday's matchup against Detroit is one of the first true litmus tests for the Packers' ability to compete for a division title this season. Asking Love and company to win against a solid Lions team without their best players would be a tall order.



Romeo Doubs shows some love to the crowd after catching the game-winning TD on Sunday. The 17-point comeback matched the come-from-behind win over the Bears five years ago.

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### Packers cornerbacks

#### vs. Amon-Ra St. Brown

Amon-Ra St. Brown keeps a list of every receiver drafted before him in a notebook that he uses for motivation.

One of those receivers is former Green Bay Packer Amari Rodgers.

St. Brown will not be short on motivation for this game. Not that he needs much anyway. He has become the Lions' go-to guy in the passing game.

He's caught at least 90 passes in both seasons of his young career.

The Packers could be short-handed at cornerback with Alexander missing last week's game with a back injury.

Even if Alexander plays, it remains to be seen how much he matches up with St. Brown. St. Brown operates primarily from the slot, with Alexander playing on the boundary.

Alexander may travel with St. Brown some if he plays, but that won't be every snap. Keisean Nixon and Rasul Douglas should see plenty of St. Brown throughout the course

of the game as well.

When Jared Goff needs to make a big play, more often than not, he's looking for St. Brown. If the Packers can slow him down, that will go a long way toward slowing down the Lions' passing game.

### Packers' offensive line

#### vs. Aidan Hutchinson

Aidan Hutchinson has not been in the NFL for long, but he has already become a thorn in the Packers' side.

Hutchinson was picked second overall by the Lions a year ago to

boost their pass rush and help change their culture.

He has done both.

He had 9.5 sacks as a rookie with three interceptions.

One of which came on an ill-advised pass to Bakhtiari when the Packers were in Detroit last November.

Hutchinson followed that up with two sacks at Lambeau Field in the season finale.

It's anyone's guess as to whether Bakhtiari is going to play. Even if he does, Hutchinson is a tough matchup for anyone that he lines up against.

He's had a quiet start to the season in terms of sacks but had 13 pressures going into play on Sunday. Big plays typically come in bunches when a player is around the quarterback as much as Hutchinson has been.

Rasheed Walker has been the next man up at left tackle if Bakhtiari cannot go. He struggled in Atlanta for his first career starts.

The potential struggles of a tackle making his second career start could make for a long night for Love.



Rashan Gary (52) and Quay Walker (7) take down Saints quarterback Derek Carr (4). Carr was knocked out of the game Sunday, and backup Jameis Winston ran into a buzz saw in the Packers defense and could not move the well at all.

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# LaFleur happy with Packers' resiliency

## Score reflects 1-point decision for 2nd straight game

By LUKE REIMER

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For the second game in a row, Green Bay saw its final score come down to one point.

In fact, in a very similar fashion to how Atlanta beat Green Bay, Green Bay beat New Orleans. Against Atlanta, Green Bay played three very good quarters of football and one very bad quarter; against New Orleans, Green Bay played three really bad quarters of football and one really good quarter.

In the face of adversity, Jordan Love, Matt LaFleur and the rest of the Packers delivered and were able to squeak out a victory. That point needs to be stated, as having as young of a team as Green Bay does can often lead to losing a game like this one, as proven by the loss to Atlanta.

The adversity came even before kickoff though, as many of the Packers' best players — including David Bakhtiari, Jaire Alexander, Elgton Jenkins, Aaron Jones and Christian Watson — were out with injuries, leaving LaFleur to put a skeleton crew on the field Sunday.

"I just can't say enough great things about this group in terms of their mentality, their belief in one another, the way they work," said LaFleur. "Obviously we were short-handed. When you looked at that injury list, there were a lot of big name players on that list. But it doesn't matter, because that is the NFL, and everyone is dealing with injuries. But our guys continued to fight and continued to battle. It was like a nightmare that went to a dream."

LaFleur's comment about a nightmare becoming a dream shows that this Green Bay Packers team is not one to lay down and die when it is put into tough situations. That is something that any fan can get behind, and it is something that each member of the organization is getting behind.

LaFleur pointed to Green Bay

successfully converting the two-point conversion as when he felt that nightmare turn into a dream. The momentum and the overall vibe at Lambeau Field took a 180, and if you had just walked into the stadium, you would have thought that the Packers were about to win the NFC Championship. With such a young team, it is very easy for the players to buy into the momentum and the energy that the crowd is giving off, somewhat helping the team as a whole battle that adversity.

"After we got that two-point conversion — I have been on the other side of that thing now, when that momentum flips. It is a crazy phenomenon that you cannot explain," said LaFleur. "I think that there is a lot of belief that we were going to find a way."

While facing and overcoming adversity is great, the seemingly obvious sticking point is: How can Green Bay avoid find themselves in another 17-0 hole? Obviously, having those five key contributors back on the team is a start, but can Green Bay really rely on Bakhtiari to play every

game the rest of the season? Will the team clean up the numerous penalties in the first half that played a large part in them going down three scores? And can the Packers hold a lead once they have it?

The answers to these questions and more probably have to fall on the back of Love. While he has only started four games in the NFL, the time and preparation that he has from sitting behind Aaron Rodgers and the overall belief in him from both his teammates and the Green Bay fans is a great starting point to covering up mistakes and ultimately putting together four quarters against a team that is not the Chicago Bears.

"We went into the locker room, and we knew it wasn't good," said Love. "We knew that we were putting some drives together, but penalties and not converting third downs were hurting us. So we knew that if we stuck together, stuck to the plan and executed and locked on all of the details, that there was a chance for us (to win) — and we did."

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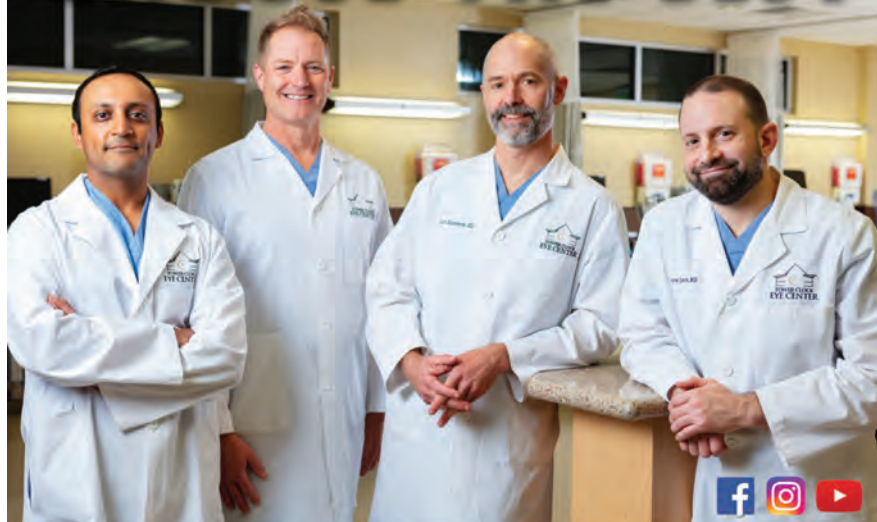
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| Player                               | #  | Pos | HT   | WT  | Age | Exp | College                 |
|--------------------------------------|----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-------------------------|
| Jaire Alexander                      | 23 | CB  | 5-10 | 196 | 26  | 6   | Louisville              |
| Zayne Anderson                       | 39 | S   | 6-2  | 206 | 26  | 1   | BYU                     |
| David Bakhtiari                      | 69 | T   | 6-4  | 310 | 31  | 11  | Colorado                |
| Karl Brooks                          | 94 | DL  | 6-3  | 296 | 23  | R   | Bowling Green           |
| De'Vondre Campbell                   | 59 | LB  | 6-4  | 232 | 30  | 8   | Minnesota               |
| Anders Carlson                       | 17 | K   | 6-5  | 219 | 25  | R   | Auburn                  |
| Kenny Clark                          | 97 | DL  | 6-3  | 314 | 27  | 8   | UCLA                    |
| Sean Clifford                        | 8  | QB  | 6-2  | 218 | 25  | R   | Penn State              |
| Brenton Cox Jr.                      | 57 | LB  | 6-4  | 250 | 23  | R   | Florida                 |
| Josiah Deguara                       | 81 | TE  | 6-2  | 238 | 26  | 4   | Cincinnati              |
| AJ Dillon                            | 28 | RB  | 6-0  | 247 | 25  | 4   | Boston College          |
| Romeo Doubs                          | 87 | WR  | 6-2  | 204 | 23  | 2   | Nevada                  |
| Rasul Douglas                        | 29 | CB  | 6-2  | 209 | 29  | 7   | West Virginia           |
| Kingsley Enagbare                    | 55 | LB  | 6-4  | 258 | 23  | 2   | South Carolina          |
| Rudy Ford                            | 20 | S   | 6-0  | 210 | 28  | 7   | Auburn                  |
| Rashan Gary                          | 52 | LB  | 6-5  | 277 | 25  | 5   | Michigan                |
| Malik Heath                          | 18 | WR  | 6-2  | 213 | 23  | R   | Mississippi             |
| Justin Hollins                       | 47 | LB  | 6-5  | 248 | 27  | 5   | Oregon                  |
| Elgton Jenkins                       | 74 | G/T | 6-5  | 311 | 27  | 5   | Mississippi State       |
| Anthony Johnson Jr.                  | 36 | S   | 6-0  | 205 | 23  | R   | Iowa State              |
| Aaron Jones                          | 33 | RB  | 5-9  | 208 | 28  | 7   | Texas-El Paso           |
| Caleb Jones                          | 72 | T   | 6-9  | 370 | 24  | 2   | Indiana                 |
| Tucker Kraft                         | 85 | TE  | 6-5  | 259 | 22  | R   | South Dakota State      |
| Dallin Leavitt                       | 6  | S   | 5-10 | 195 | 29  | 5   | Utah State              |
| Jordan Love                          | 10 | QB  | 6-4  | 219 | 24  | 4   | Utah State              |
| Isaiah McDuffie                      | 58 | LB  | 6-1  | 227 | 24  | 3   | Boston College          |
| Luke Musgrave                        | 88 | TE  | 6-6  | 253 | 23  | R   | Oregon State            |
| Josh Myers                           | 71 | C/G | 6-5  | 310 | 25  | 3   | Ohio State              |
| Royce Newman                         | 70 | G/T | 6-5  | 310 | 26  | 3   | Mississippi             |
| Yosh Nijman                          | 73 | T   | 6-7  | 314 | 27  | 4   | Virginia Tech           |
| Keisean Nixon                        | 25 | CB  | 5-10 | 200 | 26  | 5   | South Carolina          |
| Matt Orzech                          | 42 | LS  | 6-3  | 245 | 28  | 4   | Azusa Pacific           |
| Jonathan Owens                       | 34 | S   | 5-11 | 210 | 28  | 5   | Missouri Western        |
| Jayden Reed                          | 11 | WR  | 5-11 | 187 | 23  | R   | Michigan State          |
| Sean Rhyan                           | 75 | G   | 6-5  | 321 | 22  | 2   | UCLA                    |
| Jon Runyan                           | 76 | G   | 6-4  | 307 | 26  | 4   | Michigan                |
| Darnell Savage                       | 26 | S   | 5-11 | 198 | 26  | 5   | Maryland                |
| Ben Sims                             | 89 | TE  | 6-5  | 250 | 23  | R   | Baylor                  |
| T.J. Slaton                          | 93 | DL  | 6-4  | 330 | 25  | 3   | Florida                 |
| Preston Smith                        | 91 | LB  | 6-5  | 265 | 30  | 9   | Mississippi State       |
| Zach Tom                             | 50 | OL  | 6-4  | 304 | 24  | 2   | Wake Forest             |
| Samori Toure                         | 83 | WR  | 6-1  | 191 | 25  | 2   | Nebraska                |
| Carrington Valentine                 | 37 | CB  | 6-0  | 189 | 21  | R   | Kentucky                |
| Lukas Van Ness                       | 90 | LB  | 6-5  | 272 | 22  | R   | Iowa                    |
| Quay Walker                          | 7  | LB  | 6-4  | 241 | 23  | 2   | Georgia                 |
| Rasheed Walker                       | 63 | T   | 6-6  | 324 | 23  | 2   | Penn State              |
| Christian Watson                     | 9  | WR  | 6-4  | 208 | 24  | 2   | North Dakota State      |
| Daniel Whelan                        | 19 | P   | 6-5  | 216 | 24  | R   | UC Davis                |
| Dontayvion Wicks                     | 13 | WR  | 6-1  | 206 | 22  | R   | Virginia                |
| Emanuel Wilson                       | 31 | RB  | 5-11 | 226 | 24  | R   | Fort Valley State Univ. |
| Eric Wilson                          | 45 | LB  | 6-1  | 230 | 28  | 7   | Cincinnati              |
| Colby Wooden                         | 96 | DL  | 6-4  | 273 | 22  | R   | Auburn                  |
| Devonte Wyatt                        | 95 | DL  | 6-3  | 304 | 25  | 2   | Georgia                 |
| Reserve/Injured                      |    |     |      |     |     |     |                         |
| Tyler Davis                          | 84 | TE  | 6-4  | 252 | 26  | 4   | Georgia Tech            |
| Luke Tenuta                          | 78 | T   | 6-8  | 314 | 24  | 2   | Virginia Tech           |
| Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform |    |     |      |     |     |     |                         |
| Eric Stokes                          | 21 | CB  | 6-0  | 194 | 24  | 3   | Georgia                 |

DETROIT LIONS

| Player                            | #   | Pos | HT   | WT  | Age | Exp | College             |
|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|---------------------|
| Alex Anzalone                     | 34  | LB  | 6-3  | 238 | 28  | 7   | Florida             |
| Kayode Awosika                    | 74  | G   | 6-3  | 315 | 24  | 2   | Buffalo             |
| Derrick Barnes                    | 55  | LB  | 6-0  | 240 | 24  | 3   | Purdue              |
| Brian Branch                      | 32  | DB  | 6-0  | 203 | 21  | R   | Alabama             |
| Teddy Bridgewater                 | 10  | QB  | 6-2  | 212 | 30  | 10  | Louisville          |
| Isaiah Buggs                      | 96  | DL  | 6-3  | 335 | 27  | 5   | Alabama             |
| Jason Cabinda                     | 45  | FB  | 6-1  | 235 | 27  | 5   | Penn State          |
| Jack Campbell                     | 46  | LB  | 6-5  | 243 | 23  | R   | Iowa                |
| John Cominsky                     | 79  | DL  | 6-5  | 285 | 27  | 5   | Charleston          |
| Scott Daly                        | 47  | LS  | 6-1  | 245 | 29  | 3   | Notre Dame          |
| Taylor Decker                     | 68  | T   | 6-7  | 318 | 30  | 8   | Ohio State          |
| Jack Fox                          | 3   | P   | 6-2  | 218 | 27  | 4   | Rice                |
| Jahmyr Gibbs                      | 26  | RB  | 5-9  | 200 | 21  | R   | Alabama             |
| Steven Gilmore                    | 24  | CB  | 6-0  | 174 | 24  | R   | Marshall            |
| Graham Glasgow                    | 60  | OL  | 6-6  | 315 | 31  | 8   | Michigan            |
| Jared Goff                        | 16  | QB  | 6-4  | 217 | 28  | 8   | California          |
| Antoine Green                     | 80  | WR  | 6-2  | 199 | 23  | R   | North Carolina      |
| Charles Harris                    | 53  | DL  | 6-3  | 250 | 28  | 7   | Missouri            |
| Will Harris                       | 25  | CB  | 6-1  | 206 | 27  | 5   | Boston College      |
| Aidan Hutchinson                  | 97  | DL  | 6-7  | 268 | 23  | 2   | Michigan            |
| Jonah Jackson                     | 73  | G   | 6-4  | 311 | 26  | 4   | Ohio State          |
| Jerry Jacobs                      | 23  | CB  | 5-11 | 203 | 25  | 3   | Arkansas            |
| Benito Jones                      | 94  | DL  | 6-1  | 335 | 25  | 3   | Mississippi         |
| Marvin Jones Jr.                  | 0   | WR  | 6-2  | 199 | 33  | 12  | California          |
| Kerby Joseph                      | 31  | S   | 6-1  | 203 | 22  | 2   | Illinois            |
| Zonovan Knight                    | 28  | RB  | 5-11 | 209 | 22  | 2   | N.C. State          |
| Sam LaPorta                       | 87  | TE  | 6-3  | 245 | 22  | R   | Iowa                |
| Chase Lucas                       | 27  | CB  | 5-11 | 184 | 26  | 2   | Arizona State       |
| Brodrick Martin                   | 98  | DL  | 6-5  | 330 | 24  | R   | Western Kentucky    |
| Alim McNeill                      | 54  | DL  | 6-2  | 315 | 23  | 3   | N.C. State          |
| Ifeatu Melifonwu                  | 6   | S   | 6-3  | 210 | 24  | 3   | Syracuse            |
| James Mitchell                    | 82  | TE  | 6-4  | 246 | 24  | 2   | Virginia Tech       |
| David Montgomery                  | 5   | RB  | 5-11 | 224 | 26  | 5   | Iowa State          |
| Emmanuel Moseley                  | 4   | CB  | 5-11 | 195 | 27  | 6   | Tennessee           |
| Matt Nelson                       | 67  | T   | 6-7  | 315 | 27  | 4   | Iowa                |
| Romeo Okwara                      | 95  | DL  | 6-4  | 255 | 28  | 8   | Notre Dame          |
| Levi Onwuzurike                   | 91  | DL  | 6-3  | 290 | 25  | 3   | Washington          |
| Riley Patterson                   | 36  | K   | 6-0  | 195 | 24  | 3   | Memphis             |
| Anthony Pittman                   | 57  | LB  | 6-3  | 242 | 26  | 3   | Wayne St.           |
| Frank Ragnow                      | 77  | C   | 6-5  | 310 | 27  | 6   | Arkansas            |
| Kalif Raymond                     | 11  | WR  | 5-8  | 180 | 29  | 7   | Holy Cross          |
| Jalen Reeves-Maybin               | 42  | LB  | 6-1  | 226 | 28  | 7   | Tennessee           |
| Craig Reynolds                    | 13  | RB  | 5-11 | 216 | 27  | 2   | Kutztown            |
| Josh Reynolds                     | 8   | WR  | 6-3  | 194 | 28  | 7   | Texas A&M           |
| Malcolm Rodriguez                 | 44  | LB  | 5-11 | 234 | 24  | 2   | Oklahoma State      |
| Penei Sewell                      | 58  | T   | 6-5  | 335 | 22  | 3   | Oregon              |
| Colby Sorsdal                     | 75  | OL  | 6-6  | 315 | 23  | R   | William & Mary      |
| Amon-Ra St. Brown                 | 14  | WR  | 6-0  | 202 | 23  | 3   | USC                 |
| Cameron Sutton                    | 1   | CB  | 5-11 | 180 | 28  | 7   | Tennessee           |
| Halapoulivaati Vaitai             | 72  | G   | 6-6  | 322 | 30  | 8   | Texas Christian     |
| Tracy Walker III                  | 21  | S   | 6-1  | 206 | 28  | 6   | Louisiana-Lafayette |
| Brock Wright                      | 89  | TE  | 6-5  | 250 | 24  | 3   | Notre Dame          |
| Reserve/Injured                   |     |     |      |     |     |     |                     |
| Khalil Dorsey                     | 30  | CB  | 5-8  | 185 | 25  | 3   | Northern Arizona    |
| C.J. Gardner-Johnson              | 2   | DB  | 5-11 | 208 | 25  | 4   | Florida             |
| James Houston                     | 41  | LB  | 6-1  | 245 | 24  | 2   | Jackson State Univ. |
| Julian Okwara                     | 99  | LB  | 6-4  | 239 | 25  | 4   | Notre Dame          |
| Josh Paschal                      | 93  | DL  | 6-3  | 274 | 23  | 2   | Kentucky            |
| Nate Sudfeld                      | N/A | QB  | 6-6  | 230 | 29  | 7   | Indiana             |
| Shane Zylstra                     | N/A | TE  | 6-4  | 240 | 26  | 2   | Minnesota State     |
| Reserve/Non-Football Injury       |     |     |      |     |     |     |                     |
| Hendon Hooker                     | 12  | QB  | 6-3  | 220 | 25  | R   | Tennessee           |
| Reserve/Suspended by Commissioner |     |     |      |     |     |     |                     |
| Jameson Williams                  | 9   | WR  | 6-1  | 180 | 22  | 2   | Alabama             |

# Jayden Reed: From first pitch to fast returns

By JACOB WESTENDORF  
Green & Gold Express

**You threw the first pitch at the Brewers game, was it good?**

I threw a foul ball but it got to the plate. So, I did a little something.

**What do you think about the life of a rookie, throwing the first pitch in Milwaukee, are you a celebrity now?**

That's great. First-time thing for me. My family got to be in attendance, so it was a great experience. I appreciate the Brewers for having me and my family there. It was definitely a cool experience just being at a baseball game and being in a suite and watching it from up top.

**You've played in front of 80,000 people before. Were you nervous before throwing the first pitch?**

I wasn't really that nervous. Usually, it's more (nervous) during the football game, where it's a little more rowdy. It was kind of a pregame thing. Obviously, I never threw a first pitch, so that was kind of nerve-racking, but I've thrown a baseball before. It was cool.

**Would you rather play on grass or turf?**

Grass — 1,000%. I'm not a huge turf guy. I do agree that turf causes more injuries. I've been seeing all the controversy with that, and I totally agree with what David said. I'm not a huge turf guy at all. I love the grass way more.

**Are you faster on turf?**

No doubt. You're definitely faster on turf, for sure, but I say safety over speed any day.

**Are you happy with your performance thus far?**

Yeah but I've got a lot to clean up even with making those big plays. Every ball that touches your hands, it should be caught. I definitely think I've got a lot to clean up. Obviously, that's why we've got practice.

**I've never caught a punt. So, what's up with the little hop you have?**

The pause.

**Why do you pause?**

It's really just to let everybody get on their blocks and try to bring the punt team in a little bit. Pause them, draw them more to me so I can make my decision, whether I hit it vertical, if I hit it around the outside. I just want to freeze the punt team a little bit. That's really my plan with that. I want to freeze them a little bit to create more space for me.



Jayden Reed stretches out for the catch Sunday. Reed had three receptions for 63 yards on the day.

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**How do you keep your eyes on the ball and the kicking team?**

No doubt. It's definitely a multi-tasking job. My first thing is when the ball's punted, I try to take a look at the gunners, see if they got off the jam or not. If the jammers jam pretty well, I'll take my eyes off them and I'll lock in on the ball. Really, it's a feel thing. You get a feel of the punt team the closer they get. The more reps you get at it, the easier it gets. It's a rhythm thing. You've got to trust it.

**Is catching a punt done with a feel? Do you have a time clock? How does it all work?**

It's so weird. It's easier said than done.

**Yeah, it sounds impossible.**

If I'm looking that way, I can feel you being in my space. It's kind of like that. If someone walks behind you, you can feel them walking behind you sometimes. It's that kind of feeling. So, looking up, you can feel them getting closer and closer.

**On the big return, you've got space. What's in your head?**

Just take it. I've got to win with speed at that point. Hit the edge. You've always got to be able to make one guy miss. That's the main thing. Once I got the edge, I had to make one guy miss, make another guy miss. They did great blocking for me so I was able to hit the edge.



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