



Rep. Peter Schmidt, R-Bonduel, looks over written testimony from a colleague during a public hearing for the Assembly Committee on Agriculture on Jan. 9. Schmidt and other Republicans are pushing for a restrictive bill that would legalize medical cannabis under few conditions.

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Schmidt supports GOP's medical cannabis bill

Callahan plans to vote against measure, saying he supports law enforcement on issue

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Legislation that would legalize medical cannabis was brought forth by Republicans in the Wisconsin Legislature, but with a lot of restrictions that make the measure different from ones other states have passed.

Smokeable cannabis for medicinal uses would not be allowed under the law, and the cannabis would only be available at five locations in Wisconsin run by the state. The medical cannabis would only be distributed to severely ill people with chronic diseases like cancer, and a doctor's diagnosis would be required, as well as a \$100 fee to get into the program.

Rep. Peter Schmidt, R-Bonduel, stressed that the Republicans are not seeking to legalize marijuana, which he defined as the smokeable variety, but instead the cannabis that can be distrib-



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legitized recreational marijuana. Schmidt noted that Wisconsin's bill will be the

first where the state runs the distribution instead of the private sector. He said the Republicans decided to go that route because marijuana is still illegal under federal law, defined as a Schedule 1 substance.

"That's where some of the confusion is," Schmidt said during a phone interview Jan. 12. "The media is always saying its medical marijuana, and this bill is focusing on the cannabis part. When people think of the word 'marijuana,' they're thinking recreational or the smoking of it. We're focusing on the medical properties of cannabis."

Thirty-eight states have legalized medical marijuana and 24 have legalized recreational marijuana. Schmidt noted that Wisconsin's bill will be the

first where the state runs the distribution instead of the private sector. He said the Republicans decided to go that route because marijuana is still illegal under federal law, defined as a Schedule 1 substance.

"A lot of the people don't understand that if we allow private pharmacies disperse the medical cannabis, they can get sued or taken to federal court," Schmidt said. "We don't want that."

Having it state run means there won't be state sales tax charged to people who get a prescription, according to Schmidt.

"Medicine should not cost an arm and a leg, and it should not be profits over the patient," he said.

The requirements include patients being at least 18 years old, and caregivers have to be at least 21 years old, Schmidt said. Patients can have up to three care-

Tigerton Lumber cited by OSHA for safety violations

Company fined \$283,608 for almost 20 violations, 14 serious

A U.S. Department of Labor follow-up inspection of Tigerton Lumber Co. found that the Wisconsin sawmill continued to expose many of its employees to amputation and other dangers. The inspection was part of a federal program for severe violators.

The company was deemed a severe violator in 2019 after an investigation into how an employee suffered fatal injuries in 2018.

The July 2023 inspection by the department's Occupational Safety and Health Administration determined Tigerton Lumber violated federal regulations for energy control procedures, and failed to affix personal locks needed as part of lockout/tagout program to prevent equipment from operating while employees cleared debris, changed blades and serviced equipment. OSHA also learned the sawmill failed to provide employees with required safety training.

After inspections of Tigerton's maintenance shop, stacking and planning area, and the sawmill, OSHA cited Tigerton Lumber for three repeat violations, 14 serious violations and two other-than-serious violations. The agency assessed \$283,608 in proposed penalties.

"In 2018, a Tigerton Lumber Co. employee was fatally injured in a tragic and preventable incident caused by similar hazards found during this inspection. The company is legally required to ensure safety devices are used and procedures followed to protect workers from dangerous machinery," said OSHA Area Director Robert Bonack from Appleton. "By complying with federal regulations and industry recognized best practices, the company can help prevent employees from suffering serious injuries or worse."

OSHA inspectors cited the following safety violations:

- Inadequate machine guarding on belts, pulleys, shafts, chains and sprockets.
- Belt and pulley not closed completely to prevent employee injury.
- Stairs without railings, exposing workers to fall hazards.
- Conveyors not properly guarded, operated or maintained.
- Lower landing area of stackers and un-stackers did not have safety guards to prevent access.
- Hazards near ring barkers, and conveyors not fenced off or marked as

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CWEC collects 1,200 toys for Toys for Tots

The generosity of area residents, organizations, and businesses, helped make sure almost 1,200 area children received toys for Christmas through the Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative (CWEC) Marine Corps Reserves Toys for Tots campaign.

That marked an increase of almost 150 children when compared to the 2022 CWEC Toys for Tots campaign.

Toy donations were collected at more than 30 area businesses, including in Birnamwood, Bowler, Elderon, Rosholt, Tigerton and Wittenberg. Monetary donations were also collected, which were used to purchase toys. With those donations, roughly 3,200 toys, 350 books, and 1,000 stocking stuffers were distributed to area children. Those totals were an increase from 2022.

“With inflation still an issue for families, we were not surprised that there was an increase in requests for toys for this year’s campaign,”



Students from Wittenberg Elementary-Middle School help haul toys from the CWEC Toys for Tots campaign in preparation for the toys to be distributed to Wittenberg and Birnamwood families prior to Christmas.

said Bert Lehman, Toys for Tots coordinator and

member relations specialist for CWEC, “but thanks

to the monetary donations and the donations

of toys, we were able to supply toys to all who

requested them.” The toys were collected, sorted and then distributed to communities and families in the CWEC service area. This area covers parts of western Shawano County.

For more than 20 years, CWEC has partnered with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve to organize a Toys for Tots campaign in each Christmas. Through the campaign, CWEC provides help to area families in need by supplying donated toys to the families, so they can give their children Christmas presents.

The campaign’s success was also aided by the involvement of the departments at the co-op. “There is a lot of work done in a short amount of time for the Toys for Tots campaign to be successful, but it is very rewarding for everyone involved, knowing that Christmas for area children is a little brighter because of this Toys for Tots campaign,” Lehman said.

Workshop looks at intricacies of renting farm land

The process of renting farm land is the focus of a workshop being conducted in Antigo on January 22.

The workshop will be held at 12:30 p.m. Jan. 22 at the Antigo Town Hall, located at W9291 state Highway 64, Antigo. If in doubt about weather issues for the meeting, contact the Langlade County Extension office at 715-627-6236.

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Madison Division of Extension is providing the opportunity for owners of farmland and agricultural producers to find out about land rent realities and options. This free, in-person workshop is sponsored by the Extension offices of Langlade, Marinette, Oconto, and Shawano counties. Registration is not required. Crops/soils educator

Scott Reuss will lead the discussion of the details that farmers should consider when negotiating a farm rental contract, and why having a contract is important. He will also detail some of the advantages and disadvantages of different types of annual or multi-year leasing contracts. Current data regarding land rental rates in the multi-county area will be shared

and discussed, as well. Although a written contract is not a legal requirement, it does allow for protections for both parties and allows the producer involved to more readily access crop insurance and governmental programs, according to Reuss. Many different things can go into a contract, but the most important center on timing, payment processes, restric-

tions, and opportunities for flexibility when unusual cropping conditions occur. Contract templates of multiple types will be available as handouts, ranging from extremely simple to more complex arrangements. However, farmers need to make sure they match legal needs and the true needs and desires of both parties. The discussion will focus on basic

cropland rental situations, but can expand to building leases, grazing land, and other situations which attendees are interested in discussing. For information, contact Reuss at 715-732-7510 or scott.reuss@wisc.edu. For those unable to attend, another good source of farmland leasing information can be found at <http://www.aglease101.org>.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Jan. 14 Deputies responded to 39 incidents, including property damage at Wayne's Place, 108 E. Green Bay St., Bonduel; harassment on Primrose Lane in Tigerton; property damage on East Green Bay Street in Bonduel; two 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; one traffic hazard; six crashes.

Jan. 13 Deputies responded to 26 incidents, including harassment on Spruce Road in the Town of Angelica; warrant on Fischer Street in Gresham; three 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; nine crashes.

Jan. 12 Deputies responded to 35 incidents, including trespassing on Basswood Road

in the Town of Richmond; five 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; 18 crashes, two involving deer.

Jan. 11 Deputies responded to 32 incidents, including operating without a license on state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; repossession on Fourth Street in Mattoon; assault on South Prouty Street in Wittenberg; burglary on North Cecil Street in Bonduel; bail jumping on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; one 911 call; two reckless driving incidents; two traffic hazards; six crashes.

Jan. 10 Deputies responded to 30 incidents, including a weapon offense at Ho-Chunk Casino, N7198 U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Wittenberg; harassment on Lawn Road in

the Town of Wittenberg; one reckless driving incident; two traffic hazards; four crashes.

Jan. 9 Deputies responded to 37 incidents, including an ATV problem on Spruce Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; one 911 call; three reckless driving incidents; 16 crashes.

Jan. 8 Deputies responded to 32 incidents, including a repossession on Cedar Road in the Town of Lessor; trespassing on state Highway 156 in the Town of Navarino; animal bite on Phoebe Lane in the Town of Aniwa; repossession on Fairview Way in Shawano; one 911 call; one traffic hazard; four crashes.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jan. 14 Officers responded to 21

incidents, including a traffic hazard on East Green Bay Street; harassment on Aspen Court; assisting with a fire on Oak Court; vehicle crash on East Richmond Street.

Jan. 13 Officers responded to 17 incidents, including reckless driving at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; traffic hazard on Waukechon Street.

Jan. 12 Officers responded to 17 incidents, including repossession on East Division Street; traffic hazard on South Franklin Street; property damage on Birch Hill Lane; vehicle crash on Tristan Drive; reckless driving at McDonald's, 1202 E. Green Bay St.; vandalism on East Center Street; vehicle crash with injury on Green Bay Court.

Jan. 11 Officers responded to 22 incidents, including operating while intoxicated at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.; traffic hazard on Waukechon Street; threatening at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; child abuse or neglect on East Lieg Avenue; bail jumping on South Sawyer Street; drug offenses on Waukechon Street.

Jan. 10 Officers responded to 14 incidents, including harassment at Safe Haven, 380 Lakeland Road; truancy at Hillcrest Primary School, 1410 Waukechon Street; truancy at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; special response team request at an undisclosed location; vehicle crash with injury on South Airport Drive.

Jan. 9 Officers responded to 16 incidents, including reckless driving at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; found property at The Store, 404 E. Green Bay St.; drug offenses on South Main Street; death investigation on Prospect Circle; vehicle crash on Lakeland Road; reckless driving on South Lafayette Street; vehicle crash with property damage on Waukechon Street.

Jan. 8 Officers responded to 19 incidents, including a juvenile returned home at an undisclosed location; three truancy calls at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; attempted theft at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; property theft at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.

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COURT NEWS

• Cody W. Lawe, 26, Green Bay, pleaded guilty Jan. 9 to felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of possessing illegally obtained prescription drugs and disorderly conduct. Judge Katherine Sloma withheld sentencing and placed Lawe on probation for two years plus probation.

• Sarah N. Ebertsch, 41, Wausau, pleaded guilty Oct.. 24 to felony charges of possession of narcotic drugs and bail jumping. Sloma sentenced her Jan. 8 to two years in prison followed by two years of extended supervision with conditions.

• Karen M. Bero, 60, Shawano, pleaded no contest Jan. 10 to possession an electric weapon. Sloma levied a \$500 fine plus other fees and court costs for a total of \$2,608.

• Sunday D. Dixon, 37, Neopit, pleaded no contest Jan. 11 to possession of methamphetamine, felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma withheld sentencing and placed Dixon on three years of probation with conditions, beginning with 90 days in county jail. She was given credit for 45 days already served.

• Matthew W. Netzel, 39, Birnamwood, pleaded no contest Jan. 12 to possession of methamphetamine, two counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer and two counts of disorderly conduct. Sloma levied fines and sentenced Netzel to 240 days in county jail, with credit for 24 days already served.

• Chad J. Kessen, 50, Bowler, pleaded no contest Dec. 18 to intentionally subjecting an individual at risk to abuse, victim intimidation, false imprisonment, three counts of felony bail jumping, possession of methamphetamine, and misdemeanor counts of operating while revoked and an ignition interlock device violation. Sloma sentenced him Jan. 12 to two years in prison and four years of extended supervision.

• Violet L. Dixon, 36, Neopit, was charged Jan. 8 with possession of methamphetamine, six counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer and possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a \$1,500 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for March 25.

• Caitlynn J. Testolin, 31, Oconto Falls, was charged Jan. 8 with possession of paraphernalia to manufacture, compound, convert, produce or store methamphetamine, six counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of fraudulent use of a financial transaction card and misappropriating identity information to obtain money. Sloma set a \$3,000 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for Feb. 28.

• Duran S. Teller, 37, Green Bay, was charged Jan. 8 with two counts of felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for Feb. 26.

• Matthew P. Urbanczyk,

29, Tigerton, was charged Jan. 8 with battery or threat to a law officer, possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), four counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, and a misdemeanor charge of resisting or obstructing an officer. Sloma set a \$2,500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Jan. 12.

• Cheyenne S. Grant, 25, Bowler, was charged Jan. 9 with possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor counts of possession of cocaine and possession of THC. Sloma set a \$1,500 signature bond and scheduled a scheduling conference for Feb. 20.

• Andrew R. Robinson, 22, Caroline, was charged Jan. 10 with five counts of felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of battery. Sloma set a \$10,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Jan. 18.

• Justin T. Okimosh, 31, Shawano, was charged Jan. 11 with two counts of battery or threat to a law officer and misdemeanor counts of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (third offense), operating while revoked, possession of THC and disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for Feb. 22.

• Jeremy M. Knutson, 45, Bonduel, was charged Jan. 12 with resisting arrest, 10 counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of battery, resisting or obstructing an officer, and disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$10,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Jan. 22.

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givers designated to get the prescriptions if they are physically unable to travel to the distribution sites, locations still to be determined, to pick up the cannabis. The state will be selling it at cost, he noted. "We're not making money," Schmidt said. "Other states allow private businesses in the medical cannabis, and then they profit it and have a sales tax, and that encourages people to cut corners."

Schmidt noted that there have been signs in both the Trump and Biden administrations that the federal government might someday legalize marijuana or allow states the choice to decide, but it's uncertain if Wisconsin Republicans would allow full legalization.

"I can see in the future that it will eventually be removed," Schmidt said. "When you have a substance with a federal ban, you can't do research, so how can you understand these substances? By not legalizing drugs, you can't legally research and develop cures for opioids and stuff. That's why constituents in my district were forced to take opioids or break the law to get medical cannabis. With this bill, it will get more people away from addictive opioids."

The bill also requires the state to get its cannabis from growers within Wisconsin, but the price will be steep for those who want to make the endeavor. Schmidt said getting a growing license from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection will cost \$10,000, and renewing one will come with a \$50,000 price tag.

"That was an area where it was hard to find support, because it was all over the place," Schmidt said. "This will make sure it's grown in our state. You have to go through DATCP, and you have to pass a background check. You can't be convicted of a crime; it has to be at least 10 years. It's going to be really strict of who can grow it."

Gov. Tony Evers expressed public support for the proposal in the state and national media, even though he prefers legalizing marijuana for full medical and recreational use. However, Schmidt said Evers' support is wavering because of all the restrictions coming out.

"To me, I don't think a lot of the people are all the way there (with legalizing recreational marijuana)," Evers said. "Other states have seen an increase in crime and abuse of the

marijuana plants. (Evers) is lukewarm on it now because of the cost to get a permit and stuff. The penalties are very high, as well."

Schmidt is expecting the state will have about 50,000 patients will apply.

"It's a step in the right direction," Schmidt said. "The governor, I know, wants more, but you've got to look at the big picture."

Sen. Mary Felzkowski, R-Tomahawk, has previously crafted legislation for medical cannabis and tried for four consecutive legislative sessions to push it through. She declined to speak with NEW Media about the legislation and the need for medical cannabis in Wisconsin, but her office submitted a written statement from the senator announcing she was still reading through the bill.

"I commend Assembly Republicans for introducing this legislation, and welcome the renewed attention towards providing ailing Wisconsinites with access to this medication," Felzkowski said in the press release.

Felzkowski, whose district includes Menominee County and parts of Oconto County and Shawano County, said that Assembly Speaker Robin Vos and his workgroup reached out to her "and ran me through

their general proposal at a 10,000-foot view."

"While some concepts in the bill sound incredibly well thought out, my concerns with several provisions, most notably the choice to require the state to directly dispense medical marijuana, instead of going the route of a proven, private-sector model of delivering this care, led to my decision to remain uninvolved in this particular legislation," Felzkowski said. "I am a firm believer that private entities, run by those with expertise in this area of medicine, are more

efficient and more effective than any government agency. Taking this option off the table is the primary cause of my unease at this time."

Despite her reservations, Felzkowski feels the fact that her fellow Republicans in the Assembly are moving the needle forward is a good thing.

"Any progress towards providing those in need with access to medical cannabis is something to be celebrated," she said.

Rep. Calvin Callahan, R-Tomahawk, whose district includes the north-

west segment of Shawano County, said he would not be supporting the bill at all, saying he's siding with law enforcement agencies that have expressed concerns.

"I am in frequent communication with our local law enforcement in communities around the district, and this is not something they support," Callahan said in his weekly email update. "I will continue to back our men and women in blue, and will not be supporting my colleagues' proposal."

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prohibited areas.

• Barriers and warning signs not posted to prevent employees from entering dangerous spaces.

• Open and unsafe electrical boxes.

Opened in 1887, Tigerton Lumber Co. employs about

60 workers at its sawmill.

OSHA's machine guarding and control of hazardous energy webpages provide information on what employers must do to limit worker exposures to machine hazards.

The company has 15

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Lulu Lake drowning victim identified by sheriff's office

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

A 78-year-old man who was found dead at Lulu Lake early Christmas Day morning was identified as Karl E. "Butch" Barkow Sr., according to the Shawano County Sheriff's

Office. Coroner Brian Westfahl said Jan. 12 Barkow died from drowning. According to an earlier new release by the sheriff's office, concerned family members called the sheriff's office Dec. 24 saying Barkow was miss-

ing around 4:30 p.m. He went fishing on Lulu Lake that day and had not returned home. People found his vehicle near a boat landing and some ice fishing gear on the lake. Deputies and the Shawano Area Fire Depart-

ment found an open hole in the ice near the fishing gear. Rescue and recovery efforts stopped that night when it got too dark outside and restarted early Dec. 25. As a member of the Walleyes for Tomorrow, he loved mentoring chil-

dren about the outdoors and especially fishing. Barkow was a member of the Shawano Masonic Lodge 170, Walleyes for Tomorrow, Shawano Fish and Game Club, Shawano Gun Club, N.E.W. Beagle Club, Braw Bluebird Restoration of Wisconsin and

White Clay Lake Sportsman Club. Barkow is survived by his wife, Jean; two sons, Kevin (Tammy) Barkow and Karl Barkow Jr.; four grandchildren; and a brother. Funeral services were held Dec. 30.

OBITUARIES

Ronda L. Radtke, 78, of Marion, passed away Monday morning, Jan. 8, 2024, at the Greentree Health and Rehabilitation Center in Clintonville. Ronda was born on June 10, 1945, in New London as the daughter of the late Ernst and Marcella (Buss) Radtke. She graduated from Marion High School in 1963. The day after graduation, Ronda began working for Marion State Bank as a teller and retired after many years at the now Premier Community Bank, having worked in



bookkeeping and had also held the title of assistant vice president.

Marion residents will remember Ronda for the many years she served as the treasurer for the Greenleaf Cemetery in town. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Marion and enjoyed bowling in league at the Marion Rec in her younger years. Ronda loved to travel and spend time at the cottage on Pelican Lake in northern Wisconsin where she made lots of memories with friends and family. She enjoyed her "birthday club" get togethers with

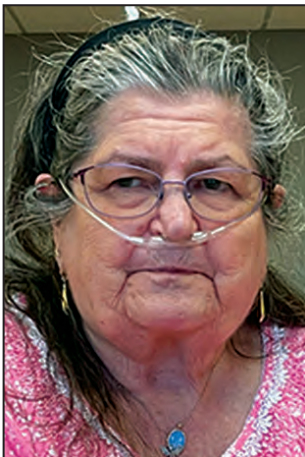
her friends. Ronda collected antiques and was an excellent decorator who always had her home looking nice for the holidays and change of seasons. She was an avid gardener, having so many beautiful flowers and actually looked forward to pulling weeds. Ronda was especially proud of her hosta garden and even made sure to label them all. She was a generous person who loved her family very much. Survivors include her brother, James "Jim"

(Jayne) Radtke; brother-in-law, Jack Lozier; niece and nephew, Kaylene (Lance) Tischauser and Tom (Sandy) Lozier; great-nieces, Taylor (fiance Doug Dicka) Tischauser and McKenzie Tischauser; a great-great-niece, Charli Dicka; and numerous other relatives and friends. Ronda was preceded in death by her parents and sisters, Sharon Lozier and Carole Radtke. A memorial gathering of family and friends was held Saturday, Jan. 13, 2024, at the St. John's Lu-

theran Church in Marion. Interment took place at Greenleaf Cemetery in Marion. Ronda's family would like to extend their appreciation to the staff at Greentree, ThedaCare at Home Hospice including Kristy Crum, and to Rita and Walker White for being great neighbors and watching out for Ronda over the years. The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory of Marion is assisting her family. www.eberhardtstevenson.com

Carol J. Mandel

Carol J. Mandel, 82, of New London, formerly of Shawano, passed away on Jan. 7, 2024, at St. Joseph Residence. Carol was born on Dec. 23, 1941, to the late Herbert and Adeline (Eiting) Nielsen in Kaukauna. She was a graduate of Kaukauna High School. After high school, she worked raising her family as well as working as a cook at several area restaurants. She also spent time volunteering at her kids' school. On Oct. 16, 1998, she married Henry "Hank" Mandel in Little Chute. Hank preceded her in death on Oct. 27, 2014. Carol loved cooking and baking. She enjoyed doing numerous types of crafts as well as crocheting and reading. She loved her home on Legend Lake as well as gardening and growing flowers. She will be sadly missed by her children and stepchildren, Todd (Andrea)



Williamson, of Charlotte, North Carolina, Pauline Ho, of Grand Chute, Julie (Gene) Wild, of the Town of Center, Mark (Lisa) Williamson, of Kimberly, and Scott (Sue) Mandel, Debra (Paul) Schmidt, Peter (Jean) Mandel, Pam Schmidt and Todd (Karen) Mandel, as well as numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She is further survived by siblings, Kathy Neuman, Jim (Diane) Niesen, Virginia Holbrook, Eileen (Peter)

Gossen and Jodi (Ken) Schott, as well as many other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Hank; one son, Timothy "Willy" Williamson; one grandchild; sisters, Mary Jo Gellerman and Barbara Braun; and brothers-in-law, Sam Neuman and Ross Holbrook. A memorial service for Carol was held Friday, Jan. 12, 2024, at Wichmann Funeral Home of Appleton with Deacon Ray Ambrosius officiating. Interment will be at Holy Cross Cemetery in Kaukauna at a later date. For more information and to express condolences, please visit www.wichmannfuneralhomes.com. The family would like to thank the nurses and staff of St. Joseph Residence of New London and Moments Hospice for the wonderful care given to Carol.

Elmer W. Martens, 101, of Shawano, passed away peacefully early Saturday morning, Jan. 6, 2024, at Oak Haven Assisted Living in Shawano, where he had been a resident for the past year. Elmer was born June 11, 1922, in Kewaunee County, a son of the late Herman and Ada (Kirchman) Martens. He moved to Shawano as a child, graduating from Shawano High School with the class of 1940. Following high school, Elmer was employed by the city of Shawano. On Nov. 8, 1947, Elmer was united in marriage to the former Ruth Bernhagen at Zion Lutheran Church in Embarrass. He then went to work for the Shawano County Highway Department for 37 years, retiring in 1978. Ruth preceded him in death on Nov. 23, 2012. Elmer was a member of St. James Lutheran Church in Shawano where he served on the board of elders and the finance committee. He was also



active with the city government, serving as an alderman for 13 years. Elmer is a past member of the Shawano Lions Club and the Musicians Union. He enjoyed hunting, golfing, and riding his motorcycle. Prior to Ruth's death, the couple enjoyed spending winters in Texas. Survivors include his sister-in-law, Karen Martens, of Appleton; two nieces, Patti (Bob) Francis, of Shawano, and Kelly (Russ) Miller, of Neenah; two nephews, Douglas (Nicole) Martens, of Milwaukee, and Scott (Kim)

Martens, of New London; and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews. He was preceded in death by his brother, Roger Martens; his sister, Marilyn (Raymond) Zabel; and his stepmother, Ida (Gehm) Martens. A memorial service for Elmer will be held on Friday, Jan. 19, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. at Mickelson Funeral and Cremation Service of Shawano. Vicar David Kaiser will officiate. Inurnment will take place at Woodlawn Cemetery in Shawano. Visitation will begin at the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. Mickelson Funeral and Cremation Service Inc. is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share online condolences at www.mickelsonfs.com. The family wishes to thank the staff at Oak Haven and Compassus Hospice for their compassion and care Elmer received.



June A. Falk

June A. Falk, 96, of Clintonville, passed away

Friday, Jan. 12, 2024. Eberhardt-Stevenson

Funeral Home and Crematory, Clintonville.

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New Wolf River Dental facility gets council approval

Project gets interest from Hillcrest 1st grade, which utilizes wooded area

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Plans to build a new dental facility on Engel Drive are not only interesting for the city of Shawano, but local schoolchildren, as well.

The Shawano Common Council approved a development agreement Jan. 10 with Destiny Unbound LLC to build a new facility for Wolf River Dental, which currently operates out of Woodlawn Plaza. Destiny agrees to acquire 2.6 acres of land owned by the city to build the new dental clinic.

The property is located in the boundaries of Tax Increment Finance District 7. Under the terms of the agreement, city property is assigned a value of \$20,000 per acre, which means the total cost would be \$52,000. However, the city is providing a development incentive of \$40,000, based on the property's anticipated assessed value of \$2 million. The city is also providing a grant to cover the remaining \$12,000.

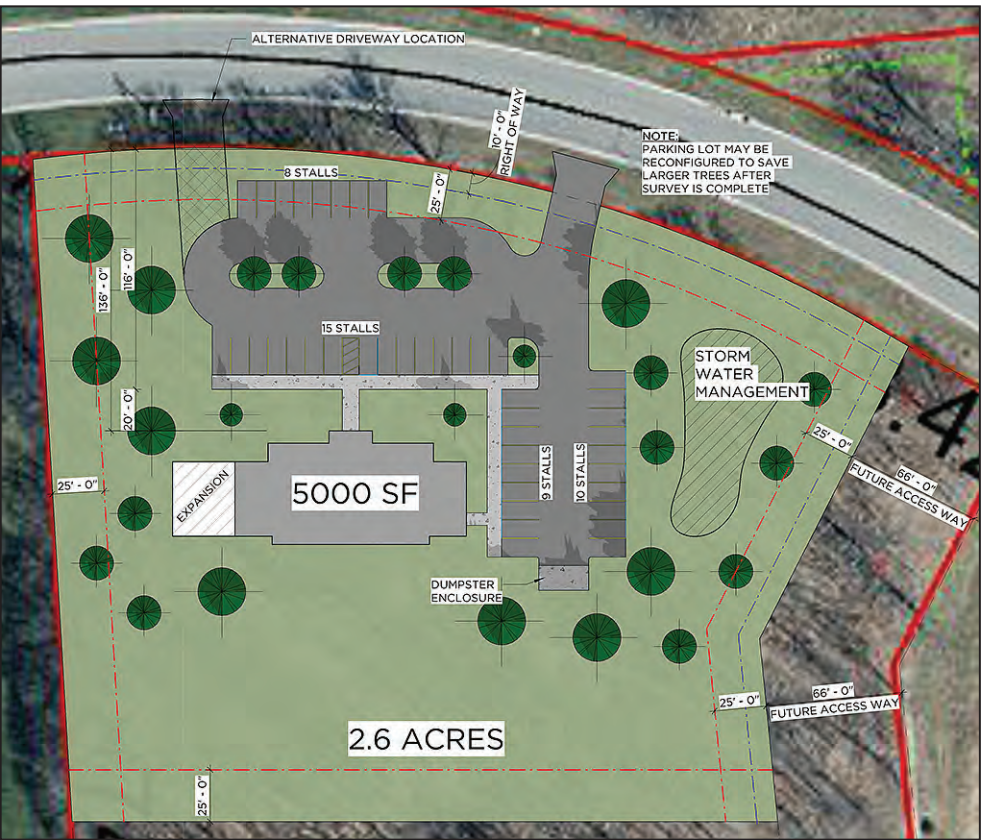
The agreement noted that Destiny is expected to invest about \$2.5 million into the property and construction of the building.

Destiny will be expected to begin construction by Sept. 30 to avoid quit claiming the property back to the city, and most of the work is expected to be completed by the end of 2024 to get an occupancy permit and be valued for tax purposes.

"Essentially, it's working out where we're providing the land, and they're agreeing to build the facility," said City Administrator Eddie Sheppard. "We are setting it up so it's not going to land lock the parcel. We've asked them to provide room — and they've done it in their site plan — so that if we ever wanted to put a road in there and put businesses behind there that wanted to be serviced, they could be reached. There are 4 1/2 acres left behind there on that parcel."

The new dental facility is being built adjacent to Hillcrest Primary School, which is where the children have an interest. Heather Schmidt, a first-grade teacher, wrote a letter to Sheppard urging him to make sure the wooded area across the street from Hillcrest is preserved.

"The woods have been



This architectural plan shows the basic design for the new Wolf River Dental facility on Engel Drive. CONTRIBUTED

a living classroom, providing hands-on experiences that go beyond traditional education," Schmidt wrote. "Our educators at Hillcrest/LEADS Primary School have seamlessly integrated this natural space into their teaching methods. This outdoor classroom has been an invaluable asset in cultivating a love for learning and a deep connection to the natural world."

Schmidt noted that

the woods have served as an "extraordinary playground" for the young children since Hillcrest opened its doors in 2010.

"The wooded area provides a unique environment that fosters creativity, imagination, and physical activity," she wrote. "Through unstructured play in nature, children develop essential skills such as problem-solving, teamwork and resilience, contributing to their over-

all well-being and growth."

Schmidt wrote that it's not just the children who benefit from the woods. It's of value to the entire community, she claimed.

"They are not merely a collection of trees; they are a sanctuary for children to escape into the wonders of nature, fostering a sense of wonder and curiosity that stays with them throughout their lives," Schmidt wrote. "Access to such green

spaces has been linked to improved physical and mental health, creating a lasting impact on the quality of life."

Sheppard noted that a couple of first-grade students attended a meeting of the Shawano Plan Commission where the dental facility was up for discussion, and they got their questions answered to realize the city did not plan to eliminate all of the trees.

"The goal is to keep that area as wooded as possible," Sheppard said. "(Destiny) is aware that some of it is currently in use by the first-graders for teaching moments. We were able to make a connection between the first-grade teacher and Dr. (Paul) Mantz, and they're really looking forward to working together to continue to let the kids use the woods and building some birdhouses and stuff like that."

Sheppard noted that Destiny is planning to move on site work shortly, which makes the end of 2024 deadline easily obtainable.

"They're very excited to get moving and get going," Sheppard said. "We expect to see some of their drawings and site building plans very soon."

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Shawano-born filmmaker brings comedy to town

'Hundreds of Beavers' combines silent films with slapstick comedy as it tells tale set in Wisconsin in 1800s

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

A film coming to Shawano Cinema on Jan. 29 is expected to bring about the nostalgia of black-and-white silent cinema, slapstick comedy and more as it focuses on Wisconsin life in the woods.

Produced by filmmaker Kurt Ravenwood, who grew up in Shawano as Kurt Raether, "Hundreds of Beavers" was made almost entirely in Wisconsin and focuses on drunken applejack salesman Jean Kayak, who has a thriving alcohol operation in the forest until it's sabotaged by some beavers.

"He's got to learn how to go from zero to hero and trap (the beavers) and live and survive in the wild," Ravenwood said. "Eventually he is successful, and then he's more successful, and the traps become more elaborate."

Kayak also falls in love with a woman from the local village and wants to marry her, according to Ravenwood, but her merchant father forbids it unless Kayak can bring 100 beaver furs.

"It's like Wile E. Coyote trying to catch the Road Runner," Ravenwood said, referencing a Looney Tunes cartoon series. "There's some twists and



Jean Kayak, played by Ryland Tews, finds himself surrounded by unhappy beavers in "Hundreds of Beavers," a film coming to Shawano Cinema on Jan. 29.

some surprises ... but it turns out that the beavers have some more things going on than meets the eye. They may have their own secret society, and they may be up to something."

The idea for the 107-minute film had its origins in 2018, according to Ravenwood, after Ravenwood saw a movie at the Milwaukee Film Festival called "Lake Michigan Monster" that involved "Beavers" screenwriters Mike Cheslik and Ryland Tews.

"It was one of the funniest movies I'd ever seen," Ravenwood said. "I was like, I really need to meet these guys."

When they pitched "Bea-

vers," which Ravenwood described as a "fur-trapping comedy set in the 1800s," he was skeptical that such a film would succeed but agreed to help raise the money to put it together.

"I knew it would be good and that I would like it," Ravenwood said. "I didn't know that it would find an audience. As a producer, you're putting a lot of investment into it and wanting to not only pay your investors back but also make enough money to do another movie. We want this movie to be successful so we can keep making films."

Ravenwood believes in what he calls "challenging cinema" and let aspir-

ing filmmakers find their voices, and so he soon saw that the potential for "Beavers" appealing to other people besides himself was growing.

"It's not a Marvel film," Ravenwood said. "It's not built on any sort of intellectual property. I don't have \$10 million in marketing to tell people about it. It kind of had to spread through word-of-mouth. Sitting on the other side of it, I've been blown away by how people are picking up on the film."

He added the film has already played at over 50 film festivals around the world.

The allure in "Beavers" is the physical comedy, in Ravenwood's view. Trail-

ers for the film show Jean Kayak avoiding the sharp tip of a beaver-chomped stump only to fall through a hole in the snow, and another one showing him slipping and falling on the ice as he's fleeing a screen full of beavers.

"It's bringing back a lot of the type of humor that I think is missing in cinema these days," Ravenwood said. "The kind of humor that the Zucker brothers did with 'Airplane' and 'Naked Gun,' the kind of physical comedy that you saw in Looney Tunes but even way back in Charlie Chaplin and Buster Keaton — those kind of old-school film comedies. I still think they're hilarious today."

All of the larger animals are played in people in mascot costumes, Ravenwood said. Besides the titular beavers, there are larger-than-life bunnies and wolves, as well. Smaller animals like frogs and squirrels were portrayed through puppets.

"What you get is this interesting weird mix of old-school comedy with a more modern humor sensibility, like you would see on TikTok," Ravenwood said. "It was more popular than I thought it would be, because when you look at TikTok, a lot of it is physical comedy, and people just like to watch mascots fall-

ing down on their face."

Although much of his attention is on promoting "Beavers" as it shows in select theaters around the Midwest, Ravenwood is already looking toward his next film project. It doesn't have a title yet, but he describes it as "Rush Hour" meets vampires.

"In the 1970s Chinese Hong Kong cinema, there were these series of films about these Chinese vampires that worked very differently from the kind of vampires you're used to like Dracula and things like that," Ravenwood said. "They were fine with stakes and mirrors and water and sun, but they had these different roles. We were really inspired by that and thought, 'Oh, that's funny.' What if we did something where a European vampire hunter, Van Helsing, has to team up with a Chinese vampire hunter, and they have to learn the ways of each other's culture to fight these vampires."

"Hundreds of Beavers" will play at 6:45 p.m. Jan. 29 at Shawano Cinema, 1494 E. Green Bay St., Shawano. After the film, there will be a question-and-answer session with cast and crew members. Tickets are available at www.shawanocinema.com.

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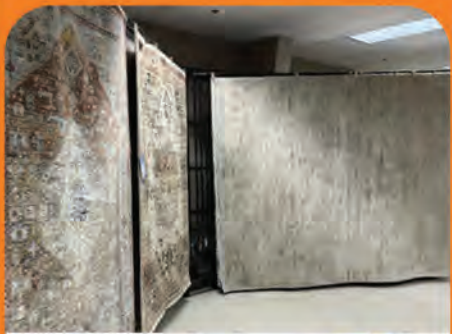
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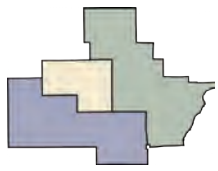
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Solutions for safe driving boil down to common sense

There's a common saying about small towns that states, "Blink and you'll miss it." However, that doesn't mean that vehicle operators should speed through a small town and be from one side to the other in the time it takes your eyes to close and open again.

Apparently, some folks cruising around Bonduel didn't get the memo. That's why some careless driver hit a young child in the crosswalk on County Road BE. That's why a dump truck narrowly missed turning two more children into street pizza. That's why sheriff's deputies clocked one driver going 47 miles per hour near the crosswalk, more than 20 miles over the regularly posted speed limit and more than 30 miles over the limit when children are present.

Thankfully, no one has died crossing the road in that spot, but it shouldn't take near-misses and actual collisions for people to realize that speeding past schools is a stupid thing. It's prompted action from school officials, who have asked the Shawano County Sheriff's Department to do extra patrols and are looking at finding volunteers to be crossing guards, but there should be less need for those who obey the laws to step up and do something and more need for the leadfoots who don't pay attention to the speedometers to pay better attention to the vehicles they're operating.

While some might excuse an incident on a basic crosswalk, this one has flashing lights that come on when a pedestrian is ready to step off the sidewalk and into the road. Flashing lights were deemed a necessity in Shawano for the Mountain Bay Trail where it crosses at Green Bay Street and again at Main Street, not to mention the recent addition of lights at County Road B where it intersects Lincoln Street by Shawano Community High School. If the flashing lights couldn't prevent the collision in Bonduel, does this mean Shawano pedestrians are taking their lives into their hands? Sure looks like it.

What will it take to get people to slow down? The crossing guards are a good idea, although if drivers ignore flashing yellow lights, it's questionable if an adult in a yellow neon



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City editor

vest with a red stop sign will better catch their attention. It'll certainly reduce the risk, but it won't eliminate it.

We might need to take a cue from our friends in the railroad industry and consider some flashing red lights, not yellow, combined with gates going down. They certainly work when it comes to stopping traffic when trains are going by, as trying to mow down a crossing train is a one-way ticket to suicide. While there's not a 100% guarantee drivers will pay attention to the gates, they'll certainly do some spectacular damage to the vehicle.

The suggestion made by some about catching the license plates and reporting the incidents to law enforcement is a good one, too, but it will be dependent on deputies being able to track down the vehicles, obtain proof about who was driving the vehicle at the time, and getting the courts to prosecute. Courts are still playing catch-up since the coronavirus pandemic, so it might be months before justice is served, especially if someone is struck, so what do we do as an alternative?

Superintendent Joe Dawidziak has a good idea about educating students about proper things to do at a crosswalk as a pedestrian. Unfortunately, the students involved in the two incidents did everything right. It's the adults who need a refresher course, and finding a way to get them to come out for it would not be an easy task.

In the end, it all comes down to common sense. As drivers, we're always responsible for watching the road and making sure we drive at a safe speed. It shouldn't take flashing lights or deputies on patrol or barriers to make us realize that we should slow our roll when we approach schools. Sadly, there are too many people paying too little attention.

It'll be the children who pay the price.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Border crisis needs more than hope

To the editor:

Let's do more than hope 2024 will improve the crisis at the U.S. southern border. Let's get our Congress to actually do it.

For many, building "a big, beautiful wall" has long been the battle-cry for a quick, simple solution. Think again.

During the Trump administration, 458 miles of wall were completed — 52 new, the remaining 406 replaced existing sections with taller, hollow-steel bars. Unfortunately, an inexpensive power tool can easily cut through it, allowing smugglers to transport immigrants whenever the border patrol has their backs turned. As it stands, the Mexicans haven't paid a penny as Trump promised; U.S. taxpayers have — \$15 billion so far.

To protect his 1,200-mile Texas border, Republican Gov. Greg Abbott built a spare-no-expense 1,000-foot mid-river razor-wire

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floating-buoy barricade. After some drownings within the first week, it was recalled and outlawed by court order.

Abbott's newest stunt is transporting immigrants by the bus-load or plane-full to cities across the country that have Democratic mayors, such as Denver, Chicago and New York. Herded immigrants are literally dropped off unannounced in the middle of the night in sub-freezing temps in T-

shirts and sandals.

We need to better understand and work toward a genuine cure for this crisis. That requires looking 2,000-plus miles further south to Central and South America where the vast majority of these immigrants are coming from. In some places, inflation rates are 500 times that of our country. With rampant crime, overwhelming poverty, unemployment and political corruption, thousands leave their home-

land daily attempting an escape to a new and better life.

Better security at our border remains our problem. Fixing the ills of South and Central America is a bigger task that must involve all the nations of the Western Hemisphere and perhaps the world. That requires more than fiery bully-pulpit rally speeches — it requires leadership and diplomacy.

The border problem has been with us and growing worse for decades. Currently, Senate Democrats have a good-faith effort on the table, and the Biden administration is working with the Mexican government to spearhead remedies. Will Republicans work with, or just fight against it?

From a national security standpoint and to avoid a bigger humanitarian catastrophe than it already is, status quo politicking on this issue must stop. When our political parties brainstorm together, America does its best — for us and the world.

Steve Parks, Bowler

GUEST COLUMN

Enbridge won't decommission Line 5

This year, let's make and fulfill a New Year's resolution to save the Great Lakes and decommission Line 5.

Line 5, owned and operated by Canadian company Enbridge, carries crude oil across Wisconsin, Michigan, and through the Great Lakes. Despite the journey this oil takes on Wisconsin and Michigan's soil and waterways, there is little to no gain for Wisconsinites. Yet, we face an alarming environmental crisis because of Line 5. This crisis is not a matter of if. It is a matter of when. Yet, Enbridge refuses to decommission the line or cease trespassing on tribal land.

Built in 1953, Line 5 was constructed to operate for only 45 years. Seventy-one years post-construction, it runs 22 million gallons of oil daily through Wisconsin, Michigan, and the Great Lakes via the straits of Mackinac, where Lake Michigan and Huron meet. This eroding pipeline has spilled over 30 times since 1968, putting the Great Lakes at risk.

While Line 5 risks everyone relying on the Great Lakes, Wisconsinites must understand how Enbridge disrespects and disregards the tribal lands and waters that the pipeline crosses. With petroleum deposits originating in Alberta, the oil travels from the Alberta Clipper to Line 5 in Superior, Wisconsin.

This crosses into the Bad River Band of Lake Superior



Gracie Waukechon
Guest columnist

Chippewa's Reservation. However, the easements allowing Enbridge to use tribal land expired over a decade ago. The Band filed a lawsuit in 2019, and Judge William Conley ordered Enbridge to halt the oil passage on the reservation within three years. Enbridge has yet to leave tribal land. Following flooding in May 2023, the eroding pipeline became an even greater danger to the reservation.

Even after this lawsuit, Enbridge threatens Bad River's waterways. In 2020, Enbridge counter-proposed to reroute next to tribal land. However, this would continue to impact the tribe negatively, as it would operate on rivers flowing into the reservation. When the pipeline breaks, the oil will flow into the reservation, poisoning the water, wild rice beds, and biodiversity.

Yet, it is not only the Bad River Band whose sovereignty and stewardship of the land are violated by Enbridge. The Bay Mills Indian Community of Michigan holds a spiritual, historical, and cultural connection to the Straits of Mackinac, the birthplace of the Anishinaabe origin story. The inevitable oil spill will be detrimental to

the community's cultural, agricultural, economic, and spiritual survival.

Over 60 tribes across the Midwest and Canada, including the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, have united to protect treaty rights, sovereignty, and the Great Lakes. Survival as tribal people is interwoven with the water and land on which we have lived for thousands of years. Contamination of the Great Lakes will sever present and future tribal people from the water we have thrived on long before European contact.

The organization 350 Wisconsin, oceanographers, environmental scientists, tribal nations, Earthjustice, the Native American Rights Fund, and even Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel all agree that this will become the worst inland oil spill that North America has ever seen. It will devastate Wisconsin and Michigan's water, recreation, commerce, and biodiversity.

When profit is valued above clean water, safe biodiversity, and tribal sovereignty, it is morally reprehensible and an inevitable environmental crisis. Enbridge is already responsible for the worst inland oil spill in US history. One million gallons of oil from the ruptured 6B pipeline polluted Michigan's Kalamazoo River in 2010. This left residents unhoused, water polluted, and wildlife

decimated.

Days before, Enbridge assured the public that the pipeline was secure. Enbridge believes we benefit from Line 5, yet it is merely a hazardous shortcut for another nation's profit. Is this worth the risk of another catastrophic spill? Shouldn't clean water prioritize fossil fuels, a dwindling energy source?

More importantly, do we want to risk this with our Great Lakes — 20% of the world's freshwater source?

I urge all Wisconsinites to stand with the Bad River Band, the Bay Mills Indian Community, 350 Wisconsin, the Native American Rights Fund, and all other Midwestern and Canadian individuals, native and non-native, that rely on the Great Lakes and hold a respect for the natural world that fossil fuel profits cannot replace. Line 5 puts every living creature relying on the Great Lakes in danger. So, as we move forward into 2024, let's all follow through on a New Year's resolution to protect our water. If we cannot care for our waterways, we cannot care for Netaenawemakanak — all of our relations.

For more information on what you can do to save the Great Lakes and stop Line 5, visit 350wisconsin.org or oilandwaterdontmix.org.

Gracie Waukechon, who lives in Bonduel, is a member of the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa and a descendant of the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin.

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SATURDAY, JAN. 27
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OCONTO FALLS: Wild Game Banquet, 4-8 p.m., Oconto Falls High School, 210 N. Farm Road. Potluck dinner 5:30 p.m., seminar speaker James "Bear Man" VanSteenhouse 6:30 p.m. Wildlife replica displays, youth Nerf gun range 4-5:30 p.m. with prizes. Sponsored by Hillside Assembly.

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Gardeners need to make resolutions

The New Year has arrived, and what a better time than now to begin dreaming of gardening in 2024. It is time for some New Year's resolutions to help make your garden dreams come true.

Each year, as new plant and seed catalogs begin to arrive in January, I love to make a list of gardening goals for the new year. So many new plants to try. So many new ways to grow. So many additions. So many changes. It's all part of the ever-changing world of gardening. It's a joy to create these lists and come up with garden dreams in the middle of the coldest season.

Need help coming up with some gardening goals for this year? Here are some of my suggestions.

It's easy to be captivated by regal monarch butterflies now, in the heart of winter. It's a great time to make a resolution to bring more nectar and host plants to your property to give them a helping hand.

Of course, the various native milkweeds are must-haves in the garden as they provide a host for monarch caterpillars.

Swamp milkweed is by far my favorite, as it is not as aggressive as common milkweed yet still grows tall and showy. Orange milkweed, often called butterfly weed, is



Extend the growing season and provide a great source of pollen and nectar for bumblebees and butterflies by including annuals that bloom late in the season, such as this purple heliotrope.

ROB ZIMMER



Rob Zimmer
Columnist

another excellent choice for our area, especially for properties that are dry and sandy.

Great nectar plants for monarchs include perennials that are native to our area such as blazing stars, aster, Joe-pye weed, black-eyed Susan, goldenrod and others. Many annuals also offer a great nectar source

for monarchs, especially Mexican sunflower, zinnia, cosmos and purple heliotrope.

Another goal for many gardeners is to provide nectar and pollen sources for our many species of native bees, including the bumblebees. One species of bumblebee, the rusty-patched bumblebee is actually considered endangered in Wisconsin and gardeners are thrilled to find them dancing among their blossoms.

For pollinators, including the bumblebees, native plants are always the best. Just about any native wildflower will do. Bumblebees also love many annuals, such as zinnias, heliotrope, sunflower, salvia and many others.

Growing edible plants is another resolution many gardeners make each year. Growing edible plants has never been easier. It's possible to grow delicious greens, root crops, fruits and vegetables even without a garden plot.

More and more gardeners are discovering the joys of growing in containers. Explore growing edible plants in containers by doing an online search or visiting your local garden center to see what they provide for herbs,

tomatoes, root crops, even bush crops such as blueberries, raspberries and more.

Another New Year's resolution for gardeners is to extend the growing season beyond the traditional Labor Day timeframe. Adding perennials, annuals and shrubs that bloom well into October, even into November is a rewarding and satisfying gardening journey.

In addition to the beauty and ornamental value, plants that bloom until Halloween or beyond are also excellent sources of food, nectar and pollen for birds, butterflies, bees and more. In fact, this is the time of year that many of these species need this precious resource the most.

Include berry-producing shrubs, annuals and perennials that bloom throughout October into November and extend your growing season by months.

These are just a few gardening goals for the New Year. Enjoy creating resolutions of your own to expand on your beloved hobby.

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FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

It's the little helps that make a big difference

When Molly, our yellow lab, was still with us, she and I would take daily walks down our road. Unless it was snowing or raining or bitter cold, we'd be out there at daybreak. She enjoyed the walks, and intuitively knew when it was time to hit the road.

Sadly, we lost her just before Christmas 2021. I haven't felt comfortable on the road since. She, while not being a watchdog so to speak, nevertheless watched out for me. If she paused, growling, or quickly turned her head, distracted from her mission of leading me straight down the road, I knew I had to take notice; something was up.

One day when I was out in the cow yard helping my husband separate animals, they were getting feisty, and Molly sensed I was in danger. She bolted through a spot in the gate and nipped at their heels. Presently, a swift kick toward her shoulder sent her squealing back toward the house in a fright. Checking her over thoroughly, we discovered no wound. She just got a good scare. I felt wonderment at her bravery, though. She'd stuck up for me.

So without her comforting companionship, I resigned myself to our treadmill, a dreadful boring task. That spring, because my husband knew I missed my outdoor walks and wanting to bless me, had mowed a stretch, making a path next to our old Black Angus pasture, going all the



way down the hill to the bottom field. Serene and quiet, it's just perfect for a solo walk. Appreciating his help, I've established a habit of going out just after breakfast, even on chilly winter mornings.

One morning, just as I was rounding the barn heading toward my path, I heard, "Hey. Can you watch the gate for me?"

Throughout our farming years I was forever on-call to lend a helping hand. I think that should have been included in the wedding vows: "To have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, and you, Kay, flexible and trustworthy for every farm task that will most definitely arrive, till death do you part."

Kidding aside, he does stuff for me, I do stuff for him, those little helps. It's the way we roll after 44 years of marriage.

So that day, while he drove the skidder up the barn hill to get a big round cornstalk bale, I unlatched the gate to the heifer barn. Usually he does this while the girls are out for recess, locked up in a partition just behind their barn. Despite having the same animals



Heifers move outside the barn prior to receiving fresh bedding.

KAY REMINGER

for only a time, they learn quickly to scurry through one gate and hang around while their main barn is getting a thorough cleaning. I imagine the ones that are here longer help the newbies learn and in turn, as time goes on, those help the next group coming in.

This day, my husband was in a rush and noticing they needed bedding. With me so close by, he took advantage. Guarding the gate, I watched him approach. The bale was precariously perched on the skidder bucket. He was taking care and slowly driving it toward the barn but the road was bumpy and that thing was teetering. I thought, if that big bale would flip off and

land on me I'd be squashed flatter than a bug under a shoe.

It didn't. I wasn't, but it crossed my mind.

Driving the bale over to the back end of the barn, he used the edge of the skidder bucket to break through the netting holding the whole thing together. The heifers, in anticipation of a fresh bed, were kicking up their heels and running around and around, tails flying. Laughing to myself, I thought, such a simple act made them so giddy. Oh, how they love fresh bedding.

Getting out of the skidder, my husband undid the rest of the netting and,

crawling back in, used the skidder to spread the bale out over the entire back end of the barn. Their feeding area was full of fragrant silage, just fed out. The girls are well cared for.

Using the skidder, my husband then went on to finish bedding the cows. In their barn, they get a sand bed, which is there to help them lie down and get up easier. These cows are all pregnant, awaiting delivery of a new calf in due season and they need extra pampering.

Our skidder is a very helpful piece of equipment on the farm. By conveniently switching out buckets, my husband can easily finish farm chores. We have

one bucket for cleaning and bedding, and one bucket solely for feeding.

Helping each other with tasks, taking the time to forge a path to walk after my faithful companion left us, laying down fresh sand or cornstalk bedding for the animals entrusted to our care, it's the little helps that are so appreciated, by both man and beast.

("Act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8)

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

Rotary Club marks 100th anniversary

A century of "Service Above Self," the Rotary International motto, was recently celebrated by the Shawano Rotary Club.

Rotary is known for its local and international goals.

Locally, club projects have included improvement of Shawano recreation with projects at Kuckuk, Franklin and

Sturgeon parks, along with support of school projects and student scholarships.

Internationally, the local club has helped eliminate polio, provide clean water and shelter to areas hit by natural disasters and actively support local physician Dick Stoughton during his years in Zimbabwe.

The club is currently

led by President Cap Wallrich, a fourth generation of his family to be a member. His son, Aaron, served as president a couple years ago. The current treasurer is Paula Wegner, while the secretary is J.R. Habeck.

The club has provided three or four scholarships to graduating high school seniors for more than two decades. At least

six of those recipients have become physicians, according to information provided by their families.

The current Rotary District governor, Julia Wallace, attended the local event held at the Curt and Martha Knoke home and urged the club to work on improving mental health resources in the area.



Some of those attending the 100th birthday party of the Shawano Rotary Club include, from left, William Kussel, Paula Wegner, Todd Dobberstein, Colleen Dobberstein, J.R. Habeck, Caspar Wallrich, District Governor Julia Wallace, Dennis Pillsbury, Alysia Pillsbury and Aaron Wallrich.

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Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Owen Dickman scored both goals against Tomahawk, but it wasn't enough as the Antigo/Wittenberg-Birnamwood co-op hockey team lost 5-2. CONTRIBUTED

Shawano, Antigo hockey teams each come up short

A disastrous five-goal second period spelled defeat for Shawano/Bonduel as they ended up losing 9-3 to Northland Pines on Jan. 11.

The teams battled to a 2-2 tie after the first period with Shawano's goals coming from Karson Stoss and Gavin Hundt (with an assist from Stoss).

Trailing 8-2 halfway through the third period, Blake Knope scored a third goal for the Hawks. A final ninth goal by the Eagles came at 10:59 in the third period.

Tyson Lyons worked

the entire game between the pipes and made 14 saves 23 shots on goal. Shawano/Bonduel had 25 shots on goal.

Both teams were penalized 12 minutes, with Shawano called for five infractions and Northland Pines for six.

Tomahawk 5, Antigo 2

The Antigo and Wittenberg-Birnamwood co-op boys hockey team lost 5-2 to Tomahawk, thanks to a three-goal second period by the Hatchets.

Tomahawk took a 1-0 lead early in the first

period. But, toward the end of the period, Wittenberg-Birnamwood's trusty Owen Dickman scored on a power play to even the score.

Antigo trailed 4-1 going into the third period when Dickman scored again, with help from Eli Kassler.

Tomahawk, leading 4-2, added a final goal at 16:57.

Antigo was penalized five times for 10 minutes, while Tomahawk served 12 minutes on six infractions.

Antigo only managed 11 shots on goal, while Tomahawk had 65 shots.

SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

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Shawano boys defeat New London 42-31

Shawano's boys wrestling team improved to 10-4 following its 42-31 win at New London on Jan. 11.

The dual started with the 150-pound match. Shawano lost that one but gained points back when Carsen Herm pinned Owen Ross. Shawano then earned a decision at 165 pounds when Drew Chelberg defeated Phoenix Fletcher 9-3.

Unfortunately, the Hawks found themselves in a 21-9 deficit after dropping matches at 175, 190 and 215.

"At 285, Kia Waukau came up with a big win 1-0," coach Mike Homan said. "He earned an escape in the second period and had a tough ride during the third period to earn the win."

Shawano received forfeits at 106 and 113 to bring the score to 24-21; however, after losing matches at 120 and 126, Shawano was behind again, 31-24.

"We had three weights left to go, and we knew we needed to wrestle well to earn a victory," Homan said.

Owen Montour wasted no time in his match. He had a quick takedown and near fall to start the match. In the second period, he secured a pin in 2:19.

After that, Cody Popelka received a forfeit at 138 that allowed Shawano to take the lead 36-31.

Drake Herm was up last at 144. He wasted no time in getting a lead and ultimately scoring a fall in 39 seconds. That secured the dual win.

"We had many kids step up tonight and wrestle well," Homan said. "Kia (Waukau) had a big match at heavyweight that stopped the momentum for New London and got it back in our favor. Carsen (Herm) and Drew (Chelberg) did what they needed to earn us some needed points."

"Owen (Montour) is a great young wrestler and has a bright future. Drake (Herm) just continues to be dominant and helps to rally the group around him."

Shawano improved its record to 3-0 in conference duals.

Shawano girls beat New London 18-9

Shawano's girl wrestlers are back at, winning 18-9 in a dual meet at New London on Jan. 11.

"We started with an exhibition match at 132 that had Breleigh Thornock earning a fall in 5:29," coach Mike Homan said. "It was a back-and-forth match, and Breleigh did a great job securing the pin at the end."

The next match was Jenna Moede at 114. She wrestled Sophia Hull-Riggs and earned a fall in 1:42.

The next match was at 120 when Onna Hermann took on Thressa Voight.

"The match was close in the first minute as both girls battled for position," Homan said. "Onna scored a takedown in the first period and chose to go neutral in the second period. Just into the second period, she scored a takedown and finished the match with a fall in 3:12."

Caitlyn Moede wrestled Berkley Reimer at 126 during the next match. Caitlyn scored 3 takedowns in the first period. Shortly into the second period, she secured a fall in 2:20.

Next up was Adalyn Barkley vs. Eve Hedtke at 138.

"It was a great match going back and forth," Homan said. "Adalyn built up a three-point lead going into the third period but was defeated by fall in 4:38."

The last match of the night was Courtney Schenk taking on 2023 state champion Hailie Krueger.

"Courtney wrestled a great match and fought hard the whole time," Homan said. "She lost the match by final score of 11-1 but did some really good things in her match."

"It is great to see all of the girls work hard and continue to do good things on the mat."

Snowmobilers: Sled safe this winter season

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is reminding snowmobilers to operate within their limits, stay sober and ride only on designated trails this season.

In the early months of 2023, there were 16 fatal snowmobile crashes, with 10 involving alcohol. Alcohol affects your risk perception and reaction time. If you choose to consume alcohol, wait until after you've safely returned home.

"Excessive speed, alcohol use and inexperience contribute to snowmobile crashes. Remember to ride responsibly and look out for yourself and others. Sober riding is always the best policy," said Lt. Jake Holsclaw, DNR off-highway vehicle administrator. "Snowmobiles and drinking don't mix. Making the smart choice and abstaining from alcohol can save your life. Impairment of any kind, either by drugs or alcohol, can have tragic consequences."

Remember that ice is never completely safe to be on under any conditions.

The DNR does not monitor ice conditions. Contact local sport shops to ask about conditions locally on the lake or river you want to cross.

Wear proper clothing and equipment, including a life jacket or float coat should you fall through the ice and to help retain body heat.

Do not travel in unfamiliar areas.

Slow down when traveling at night.

Know if the lake has inlets, outlets or narrows that have currents that can thin the ice.

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Check trail conditions ahead of time by contacting your county forestry or parks department, or local snowmobile clubs.

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Gillett easily defeats Coleman, Suring

Gillett dispensed with Coleman 81-56 on Jan. 13 in a game originally scheduled for Jan. 9. Gillett led 5-34 at the half and cruised to victory from there.

Jesse DeBauch led with 26 points, followed by Ben Matczak with 20 and Aydin Franti with 18.

Bonduel

Noah Weier scored 12 points, including two free throws with 10.2 seconds remaining, to lead Bonduel as the Bears downed Iola-Scandinavia 50-49.

Iola-Scandinavia led 28-19 at the break, but Bonduel fought back to win the second half 31-21 and the game.

Bonduel remains atop

the Central Wisconsin East Conference with a 6-0 mark. The team is 11-1 overall.

Gillett crushes Suring

Gillett rolled over Suring 67-36 and mood into a three-way tie for first place in the Marinette & Oconto Conference. Gillett, Coleman and Crivitz are 5-1.

Gillett had control of the game from the beginning, leading 38-22 at the half and outscoring their guests 29-14 in the second half.

Jesse DeBauch led the Tigers with 29 points. Aydin Franti scored 15, and Ben Matczak added another 14.

For the Eagles, Michael Bailey was the top scorer with 10 points.

Lena

Lena was no match for Coleman, losing 64-37. Lena dropped to 1-5 in Marinette & Oconto Conference standings and 4-6 overall.

Menominee Indian

Menominee Indian fell to 1-4 in the Central Wisconsin East Conference standings with its 71-45 loss to Shiocton.

The Eagles have a record of 1-5 in league play and 2-10 overall.

Tigerton defeats Marion

Tigerton handed

Marion its first Central Wisconsin North Conference loss of the season with a 62-46 win.

The Tigers are 3-2 in conference action and 7-3 overall. The Mustangs are 3-1 and 9-5, respectively.

Oconto Falls

Oconto Falls remains winless in the North Eastern Conference after its 87-41 defeat at the hands of Freedom.

Freedom's first half total of 51 was enough for the win, as they led 51-20 at the break. A 36-21 second half piled on to the margin of victory.

Alex Haines and Jameson Beaman each scored 10 points for Oconto Falls.

Beaman led the team with seven rebounds, Brady Bruska had three assists, and Emerich Skarban had a pair of steals.

Oconto Falls is 0-8 in league play and 2-10 overall.

Pulaski

The Red Raiders barely challenged De Pere, losing 80-44 in a Fox River Classic Conference game. Pulaski is 3-4 in conference action and 6-5 overall.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood

Wittenberg-Birnamwood lost 67-41 to Weyauwega-Fremont in Central Wisconsin East Conference action. Both teams,

along with Shiocton, are 4-2 in league play.

Marion

A strong sound half by Manawa powered them over Marion 61-40.

Manawa held a 22-20 edge at the half, but a 39-20 second half proved too much for the Mustangs.

Ryan Malueg led Marion with 12 points, including three triples, with Parker Miller adding 11 and Enea Turrini scoring 10.

Miller led the team with 14 rebounds, and Malueg had 11. Turrini had four assists, and grabbing two steals each were Jackson Krohn, Sam Gueths, Malueg and Miller.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Lena stays perfect in conference play

Snow and high winds cancelled most games Jan. 9 and Jan. 12, with most of them rescheduled.

Bonduel

Bonduel improved to 13-2 overall with a 52-23 win over Manawa on Jan. 11.

Gillett

Gillett is even at 4-4 in

the Marinette & Oconto Conference after its 63-26 thrashing of St. Thomas Aquinas Academy.

Pulaski

The Red Raiders fell to 5-3 in the Fox River Classic Conference with a 64-36 loss to De Pere.

Ellie Mangold led Pulaski with 12 points.

Pulaski was behind by 13 points at the break and was behind by another 15 in the second half.

Bonduel beats Oconto Falls

Four Bears scored in double digits as Bonduel defeated Oconto Falls 76-47 in a non-conference game.

Elisa Huschke led with

17 points. Audrey Weierand Hailey Zernicke each scored 15, and Hailee Thompson added 10.

Lena crushes Suring

Suring did not score in double digits in each half as they were crushed by Lena 56-16.

The Wildcats pounced on Suring 21-9 in the first

half and extended their lead with a bruising 35-7 second half.

Eva Brooks led the team with 16 points, while Madilyn Thomson added 10.

Brooks also set the pace with seven rebounds, and she and Thomson each had four assists. Brooks also had five steals.

Lena stayed perfect at 8-0 in the Marinette & Oconto Conference standings and is 13-0 overall. Suring dropped to 2-6 and 4-11, respectively.

Marion

Marion was destroyed 56-16 by Manawa in a non-conference game.

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Adventure and murder in New Mexico in ‘Dead Upon Arrival’

Some time ago I read book one in Kat Bellemore’s Maddie Swallows series. It was a quick read with a plausible plot. So, when I found “Dead Upon Arrival,” I decided to give it a try.

Maddie Swallows left for college and never looked back. Along the way she became a psychologist, married, had two children, and is now divorced. At this point she has returned to Amor, New Mexico, and opened a clinic with her best friend, Trish. Like any single mom, she must try to balance her career with the needs of her children and her own mother.

In this book, Maddie receives a call from an old friend begging for help. When Ruby’s husband



Jan Jones
Columnist

died in a plane crash, Ruby reacted by withdrawing from life. After coaxing, she attended one counseling session with Maddie, but has put off returning for more help.

Amazingly, Ruby has followed Maddie’s suggestion and “done something different” by accepting an invitation to attend the annual balloon festival in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Now she insists that Maddie join her for the weekend. After a bit of schedule juggling, she looks forward to some fun

family time with Lilly and Flash. She isn’t happy that her mother managed to muscle her way into joining them, but manages to pretend that it is OK.

Maddie didn’t realize what a big deal the festival had become so she hadn’t made motel reservations. They ended up getting one room in a rundown motel with an empty pool. They quickly head for the evening “balloon glow” event at the festival. The sight is beautiful with all the balloons inflated but tethered close to the ground.

While the kids explore and grandma makes a new friend, Maddie joins childhood friend Benji in a mock flight. While hovering above the grounds, they witness a second balloon rise untethered and a

man tumble over the side of the basket.

Maddie is surprised to find Amor Sheriff Potts at the scene. She is there earning extra cash working security, but now she’s tasked with investigating this death.

To her horror, Flash and Lilly are snooping in the area and taking pictures. Flash then announces that this was a murder. A year ago, the kids had been instrumental in catching a killer, so they’re thrilled to have another case to solve even if Maddie doesn’t want them involved.

The dead man is Charles Reed. He grew up

in the area but managed to get cozy with balloon owners and somehow got rich. Now he travels to all the shows using a hired crew to do all the work.

The list of people who hate the man is long. Apparently, he has seduced several balloon owner’s wives, broke up marriages then dumped the women without a second glance.

The local police soon arrest Andy Kern. He had been the pilot when Charles Reed died, so they believe that Andy boosted him over the side of the basket. Maddie agrees to do what she can to help, but no one is cooperating with the amateur sleuths.

Sheriff Potts reveals that Reed died from cyanide poisoning and asks Maddie to help because the local police are stonewalling her. Long story short, Maddie uses her training, Flash does some computer hacking and Lilly’s many photos help narrow the suspect list to someone whose marriage had been destroyed by Charles Reed.

When the paperwork is cleared, Maddie has learned a lot about Sheriff Potts, the power of relationships and her own needs. Since this is a series, I know new adventures are just waiting for me to read.

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Do good things to better yourself

I recently read an article from the Daily Stoic. It referenced the notion of doing a lot, working hard, holding yourself to high standards, “higher anyway, than most.”

Then it referenced the notion of appreciation, and that even though many people hold themselves to high standards and work very hard, they often wonder if others really appreciate them. This sometimes leads to decisions of apathy or disengagement, because “Why should I work hard if no one notices?”

In reflecting on this, the author makes a valid realization, one that some people just grasp better and quicker, and for others, they may never come to terms with. The reality is, people will never likely show the level of appreciation for work that is deserving and of great



quality. Think about it in every setting we live and work. There are examples of excellence all around us, but often the recognition, and even appreciation, does not correlate to the effort given.

Here’s the best part, and the lesson we need to instill in our students as they learn to navigate the complex world they are growing up in: “Appreciation and recognition is not a thing we can control. It’s not something that’s up to us. We can’t demand a good reputation but we can deserve one. So it goes for appreciation.”

We don’t do good

works for a pat on the back. We don’t leave a nice tip for the waitress so she’ll run out of the restaurant and thank us. We do it because it’s the right thing to do as leaders, as good people, because the world needs role models so our children’s children are taught the right way to do things.

So let us strive to be worthy of appreciation but indifferent to whether we get it. Let’s keep trying. Let’s keep holding ourselves to those standards. If anyone notices, great. If not, well, that’s not why we were doing it.

I hope you all have a great start to your new year and that 2024 brings happiness, peace and success in all that you do.

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

The key to top 4-H honors in Caroline



Megan Suehring, right from the Shawano County UW-Extension office, was a guest at the Caroline Aces 4-H Club December meeting to present Makenna Jannusch with the 4-H Key Award, which is the top award a 4-H member can earn. Suehring also presented six Caroline 4-H members with record book completion and achievement certificates. Members also decorated cookies for the Marion police and fire departments.

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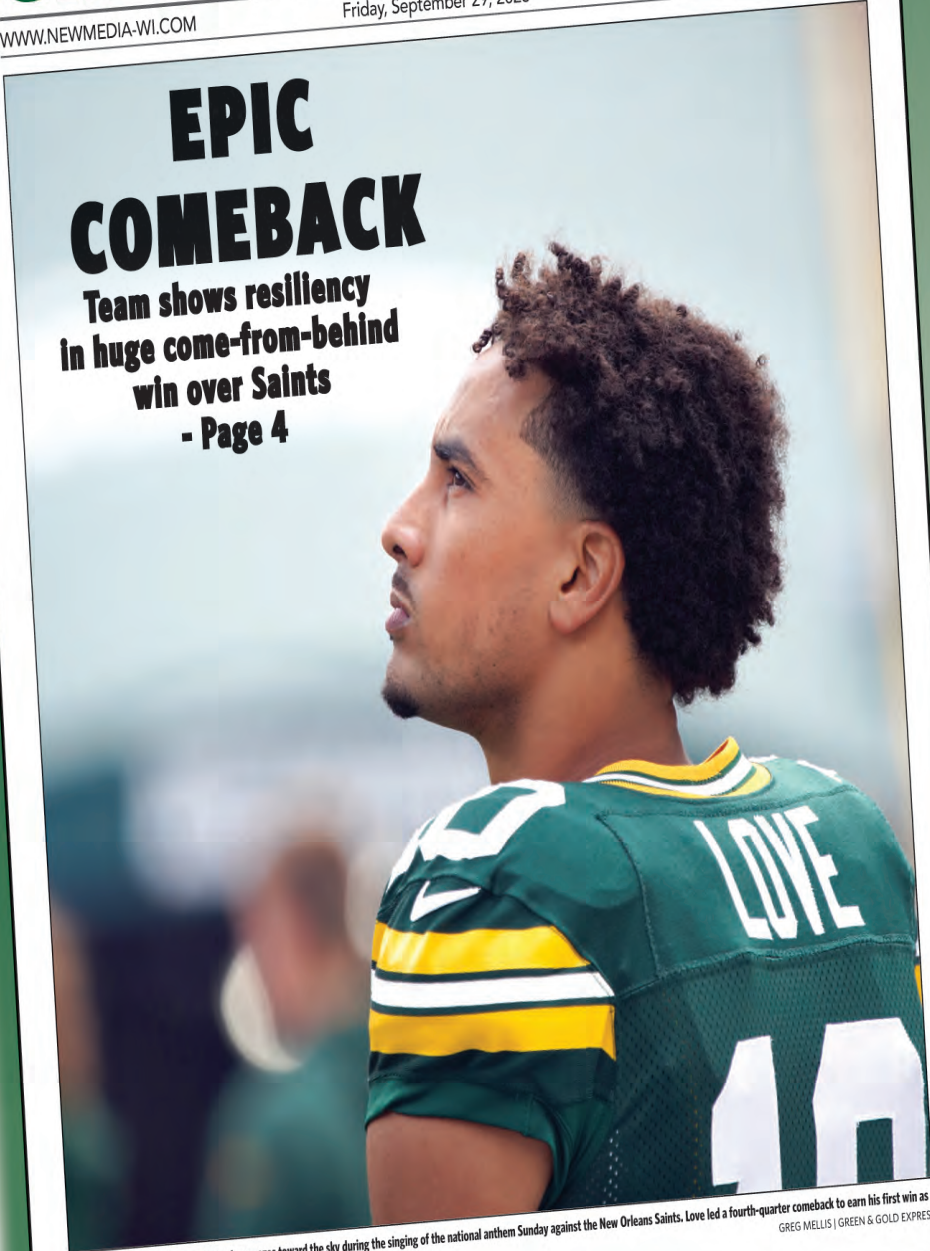
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Team shows resiliency in huge come-from-behind win over Saints - Page 4



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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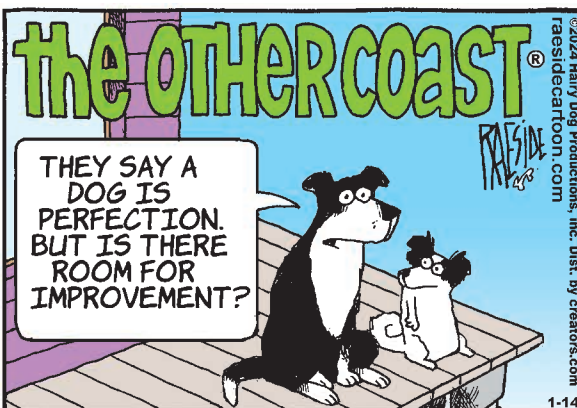
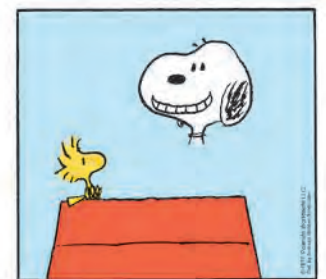


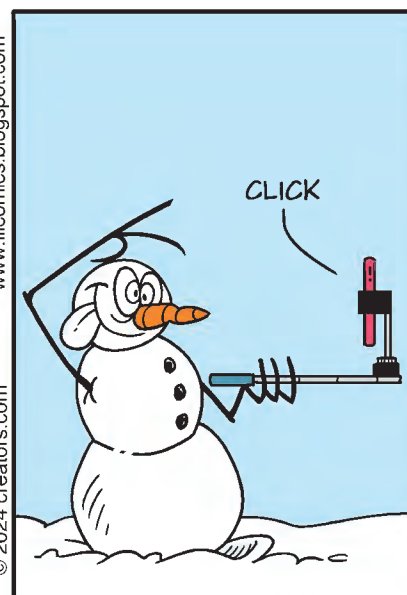
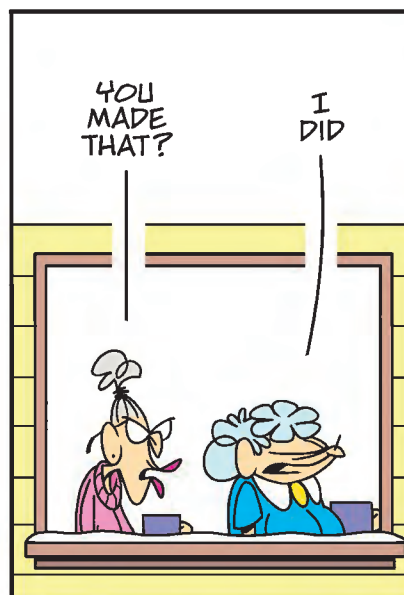
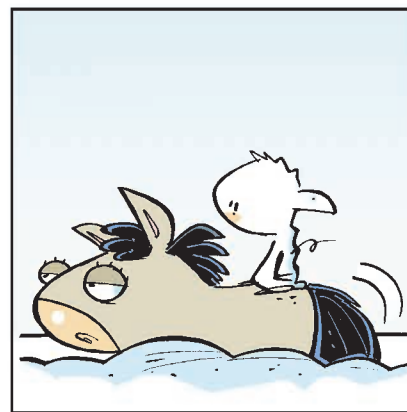
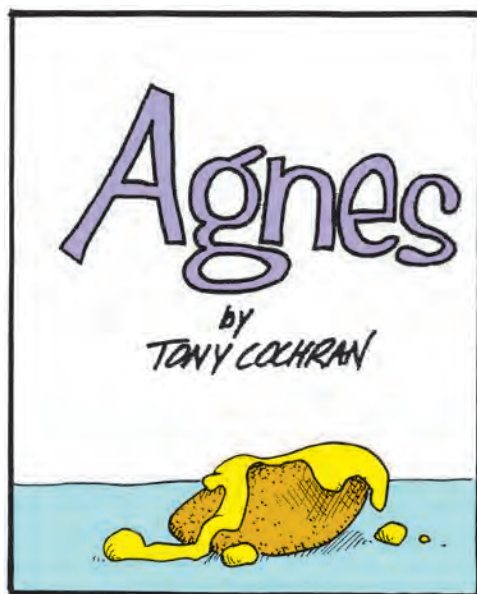
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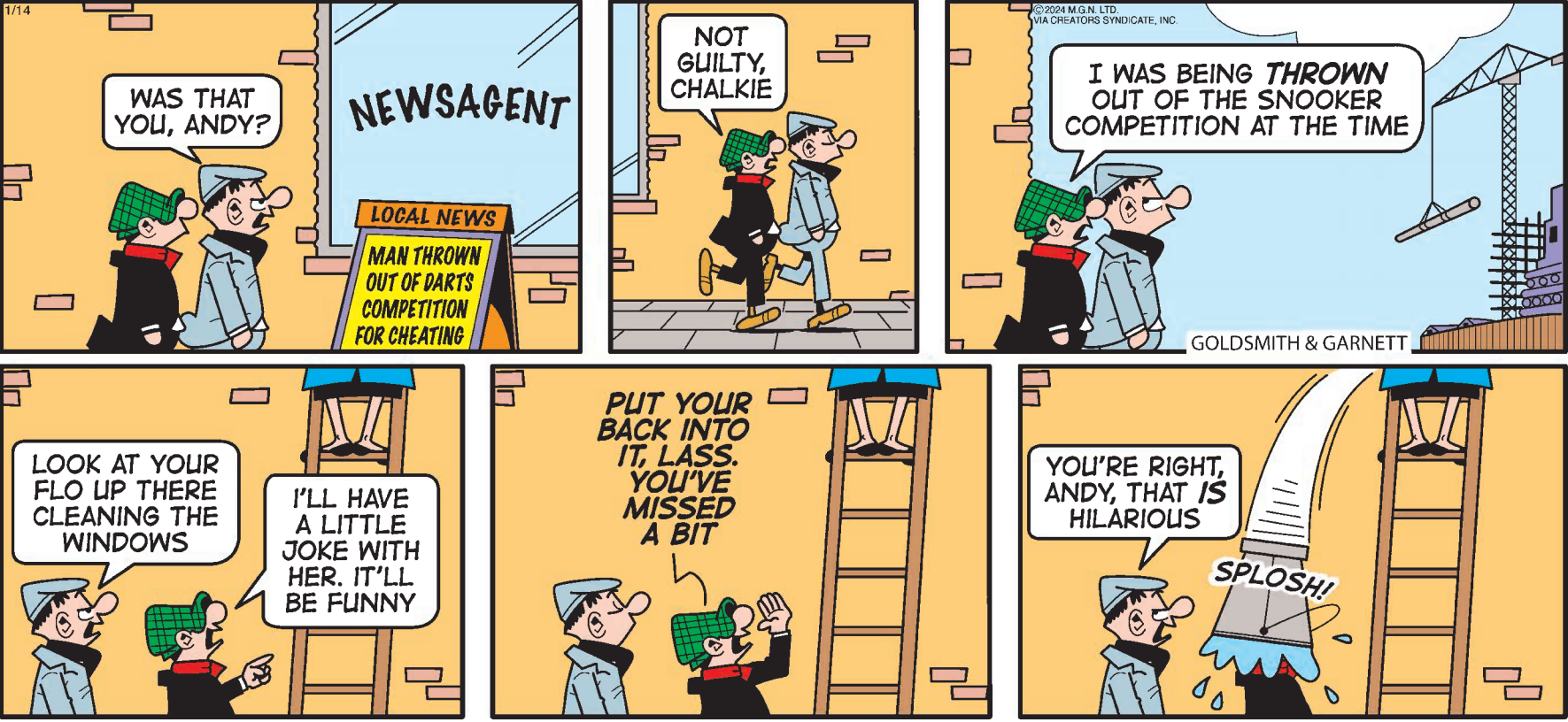
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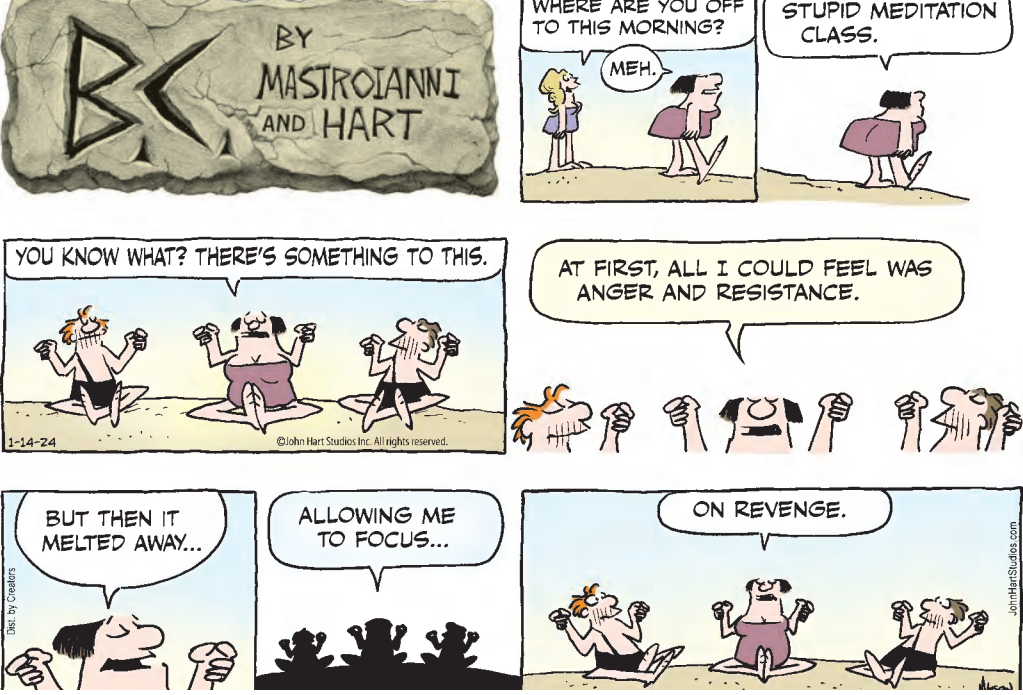
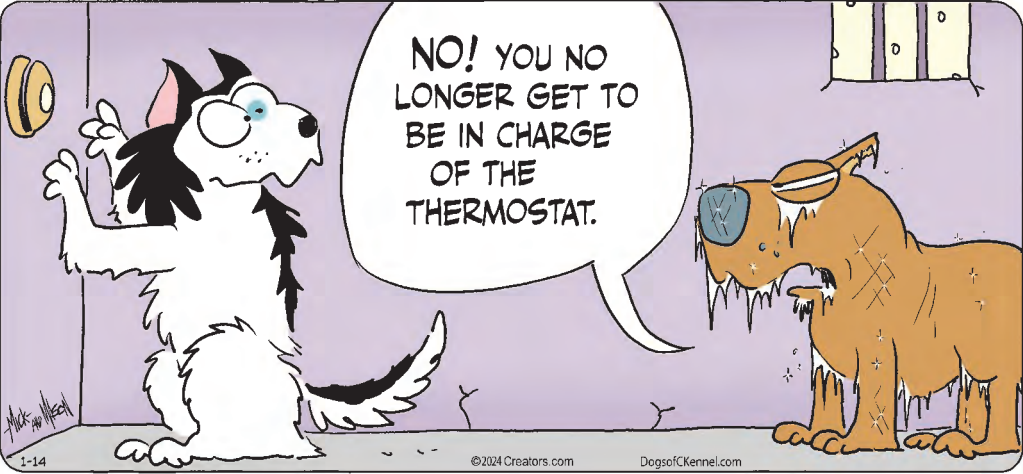


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At left, Jordan Love signals the completion of his second of three touchdown passes against the Dallas Cowboys during Wild Card Weekend. He completed 16 of 21 passes for 272 yards. He was not intercepted, did not fumble and was not sacked in the 48-32 win that sends the Packers to San Francisco for the Divisional Round game. Above, Before Sunday's playoff game in Dallas, Green Bay Packers running back Aaron Jones got to talk to one of his football idols, legendary Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith. Jones proceeded to have one of those vintage Smith games. Jones carried 21 times for 118 yards and three touchdowns. If Aaron Rodgers owned Chicago, Jones owns Dallas. In four career games against the Cowboys, he's rushed for 488 yards and nine touchdowns.

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Green Bay stuns Dallas to move on in playoffs

Packers tie franchise records for points in a playoff game

By LUKE REIMER
Green & Gold Express

Jordan Love and Aaron Jones combined for six touchdowns, as the Green Bay Packers tied a franchise record for points in a postseason game with its 48-32 victory over the Dallas Cowboys in Dallas on Jan. 14.

"It feels fine, to be in that locker room, it is a great environment to be in," said Love, after the victory. "I can't say enough about how proud I am of everyone in the locker room. It has been a long season. We have been counted out a lot of the season – just the way everybody keeps battling, keeps competing, keeps getting better and putting on great performances like tonight. It is a great feeling."

Love certainly looked the part of a franchise quarterback in his first playoff start, as the fourth-year pro completed 16-of-21 passes for 272 yards and three touchdowns. In total, Love finished with a 157.2 passer rating.

As has been the case for most of his career, Jones continued to gash the Cowboys defense on the ground. Jones finished the game recording 21 carries for 118



Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott is hit again by Green Bay defenders in the Wild Card Weekend game Sunday. The No.7 seed Packers defeated the No. 2 seed Cowboys 48-32.

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yards and three touchdowns. Those three rushing touchdowns tied Ryan Grant's mark for most rushing touchdowns in a playoff game in Green Bay history.

"I think that was the key for us coming into this game was to run the ball well.

and I think we did that," said Love. "Getting started, the O-Line, like I said, played great and Aaron Jones had an awesome night. I think the run game – the way we were running the ball – opened up everything else, and I think it was able to keep the pass rush down a little bit. It was a great game by the O-Line and the running backs."

As for the receiving game, Romeo Doubs was the main benefactor of Love's big day, as the Nevada alum recorded 151 yards and one touchdown on six receptions. In another historic performance for Green Bay, this was Doubs' first career 100-yard game.

Rookies Luke Musgrave and Dontayvion Wicks rounded out Love's three touchdown passes.

"We are playing all together as one," said Jones, on his success against Dallas and the past few weeks. "The blocking unit – they are doing their thing up front making it easy for me to pick and choose what hole I want to run through."

Aside from 16 points from the Cowboys in garbage time, the Green Bay Packers defense once again was at the top of

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its game. The vaunted Dallas offense was held to just seven points in the first half, as there seemed to be a major disconnect between quarterback Dak Prescott and star wide receiver CeeDee Lamb.

Lamb, who led the NFL receptions, was held to just 18 yards on two receptions. The Oklahoma alum was able to get back to that All-Pro form in the second half though, as he finished the game with 110 yards on nine receptions.

As for Prescott, he totaled 403 yards on 41-of-60 passes, adding three touchdowns. Unfortunately for the Cowboys though, two of Prescott's passes were intercepted.

Up 7-0 late in the first quarter, Prescott dropped back and threw a pass intended for Brandin Cooks. Packers defensive back Jaire Alexander, who was battling an ankle injury late in the week, made an incredible play on the ball and came up with a diving interception. Three plays later, Jones scored his second touchdown of the day.

The Packers' second interception of the day came late in the second quarter, as during Dallas' march, Prescott threw a pass intended for Lamb. Packers defensive back Darnell Savage made a great break on the ball, jumped in front of Lamb and intercepted the pass. With an open field in front of him, Savage returned the interception all the way back for a touchdown.

"I was just watching the play develop and he obviously jumped the route, so I don't know if he knew what was coming," said head coach Matt LaFleur, on the interception. "It was obviously a critical play in this game. That just kind of allowed us to pile it on at that point."

Dallas' only first half touchdown came late in the half, as Prescott connected with tight end and former Wisconsin Badger Jake Ferguson for the first of his three touchdown receptions.

The Cowboys opened the second half with a field goal, but as was the story for the entire game, anytime Dallas showed any momentum, Green Bay immediately responded. In this case, after Dallas made its field goal, Green Bay faced a first-and-10 from its own 37-yard line. Love dropped back to pass and connected with Doubs, who after a catch and run, picked up 46 yards. Two plays later, Jones capped off his trifecta of touchdowns with a 9-yard rush.

The Cowboys responded with an 11-play drive that ended in a 1-yard touchdown rush from running back Tony Pollard. More than just giving up the touchdown, Green Bay lost Alexander for the game as early in



Above, With Jayden Reed (11) throwing a block, Romeo Doubs (87) runs down the field after catching a Jodran Love pass. Below, Doubs was pushed down and out of bounds, with quarterback Alex McGough cheering him on. Double caught six catches for 158 yards and a touchdown. Doubs was the main benefactor of Love's big day, as the Nevada alum recorded 151 yards and one touchdown on six receptions. In another historic performance for Green Bay, this was Doubs' first career 100-yard game.

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the drive, he went down with what appeared to be an injury to his already injured ankle. On Green Bay's next drive, Jones continued to dismantle the Cowboys' defense, picking up 37 yards on the first two plays. With the strong run game, Green Bay dialed up a play action pass that

saw Musgrave wide open down the right side of the field. When he caught the pass, the closest defender to Musgrave was 16 yards away. With the lack of the defense near him, Musgrave had a straight shot to the end zone.

"Like I said, when you are able to run the ball, it opens everything else up," said Jones. "I think we were able to set them up pretty nice on Luke's (Musgrave) touchdown, you know, they have been seeing a lot of outside zone all game, and we hit them with that."

After turning Dallas over on downs, Green Bay's final touchdown and dagger in the game came as Love and company were faced with a fourth-and-two from the Cowboys' 3-yard line. Love took the snap, rolled to his right and threw a dart to Doubs, which after a made extra point, put the Packers up 48-16.

"Guys are out there making plays," said Love, on his receivers being open all game. "The one to Luke (Musgrave) was a great one dialed up by Matt (LaFleur) to get him wide open. The one to Wicks - just go back and look at his route - it was a great route all around, and then he was able to finish the play. I mean, guys are making plays, the O-Line is giving me time to get the ball off, so all around, a team effort."

With 10:23 left in the game, the game was not completely over, as Dallas ripped off 16 straight points and was in position to make the contest a one-score game with 2:06 remaining.

Prescott and company marched down to the Packers 29-yard line. From there, the drive stalled, as on third down Packers linebacker Preston Smith sacked Prescott to set up fourth down.

On the ensuing play, Prescott threw up a prayer, which landed incomplete, allowing the Packers to take back over and kneel the clock out.

The season ended sour again for the Dallas Cowboys, as it now marks 28 years since the Cowboys have made it past the Divisional Round in the NFC playoffs. In fact, since AT&T Stadium in Dallas was completed after the 2009 season, the Packers and Cowboys both have two playoff victories there.

As for Green Bay, it became the first seven seed in NFL history to win a playoff game. With the victory, Green Bay will now take a flight over to Santa Clara to take on the San Francisco 49ers.

The Packers have struggled in the Aaron Rodgers era playing at San Francisco, but with a new quarterback at the helm and a multitude of offensive weapons, can Green Bay exercise its demons on the West Coast?

Young Packers look like a force in NFC

Love has 21 touchdowns, one interception in last nine games

By LUKE REIMER
Green & Gold Express

After Green Bay's offense dismantled the Dallas Cowboys' number one ranked regular season defense, the young Packers team proved that it has to be taken seriously as a contender for the Super Bowl.

After defeating the Carolina Panthers on Christmas Eve, Green Bay's playoff chances sat at just 28%. Since then, the Packers have ripped off three consecutive victories and find themselves two games away from a Super Bowl appearance. It seemed unlikely that even if Green Bay snuck into the playoffs, it would not have a chance to beat the Dallas Cowboys in Dallas.

Jordan Love and company didn't heed that message though. Part of the reason why Green Bay has made what many would think as a miraculous run, lands on the efforts of Love and the offense.

Since Green Bay's Week 9 loss to the Pittsburgh Steelers, Love has been near perfect. Over the past nine games, Love has thrown for 21 touchdown passes, while throwing just one interception. With Love's success as of recent, those young weapons around him have been just as good. Players like Bo Melton, Tucker Kraft and Jayden Reed have gone from unknown to household names.

"I am just so proud and happy

for (Love)," said head coach Matt LaFleur. "He is a dude, he is a real dude."

Even with Green Bay becoming the youngest offense in NFL history to appear in the playoffs, and subsequently the youngest offense to win a playoff game, it seems that the improved play of the team's veteran offensive leader has been the catalyst. Over the past four weeks, Aaron Jones has recorded four straight 100-plus rushing yard games. Jones' emergence has really opened the offense to expose the opposing team's passing defenses.

"We believe in each other. We have faith in each other, and we know that we have all of the weapons in that building and in the room," said Jones, on why he believes in this young Packers team. "However you want to put it, we have all of the weapons that we need on this team. People can continue to doubt us, but that is fine. We love the underdog mentality and love the underdog approach. What are people going to say next?"

With the rushing game getting going and, in turn, the passing game excelling, the Green Bay Packers' offensive line has to be credited. Over the last four weeks, Love has been sacked just twice. The culmination of the exceptional play from the offensive line, run game and Love has turned Green Bay's offense into one of, if not the best offense currently in the league.



Luke Musgrave (88) and Bo Melton (80) celebrate after Musgrave's touchdown against the Cowboys. Since Green Bay's Week 9 loss to the Pittsburgh Steelers, quarterback Jordan Love has been near perfect. Over the past nine games, Love has thrown for 21 touchdown passes, while throwing just one interception. With Love's success as of recent, those young weapons around him have been just as good. Players like Musgrave, Melton, Tucker Kraft and Jayden Reed have gone from unknown to household names.

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What also seems to be helping Green Bay is the lack of expectations. As had been stated before, this was supposed to be a "see-

the season goal was. The rest of it is extra.

Similar to the Cincinnati Bengals team that went to the Super Bowl a few years back, it has become very apparent that this Packers team is playing fast and playing loose. All in all though, without a true "superstar" on this team, Green Bay is really playing together as a complete team.

"It is all 11 across the board that have to be on the same page, and I think you see that happening now - we are all on the same page," said Jones. "We knew it would take time throughout the season ... and we have been able to get over that hump."

Playing as a complete team is what fueled Green Bay's victory over the Dallas Cowboys, as five different players scored touchdowns.

While Dallas is a good team and the victory needs to be celebrated, the Packers will face a different kind of beast next week. With the exception of a few weeks, the San Francisco 49ers have looked like one of the two best teams in the NFL all season long. It is obvious, but this will be the Packers' biggest test all season long and it is of course the biggest game of Love's career.

With that being said, after seeing the Packers annihilate the Dallas Cowboys, there is no reason why Green Bay can't go to California and beat the San Francisco 49ers on Saturday.



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Divisional Round will challenge Packers' offense against 49ers' defense

By JACOB WESTENDORF
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The Green Bay Packers are in the playoffs, and they're not just here to participate.

Less than a year after making seismic changes to their organization, and less than three months after falling to 2-5, the Packers are now 10-8 and in the postseason for the first time since 2021.

That was all well and good, but the season was going to be a relative footnote if the Packers laid an egg in Dallas.

They didn't. Jordan Love was flawless, throwing three touchdowns to three different receivers en route to what was a perfect passer rating before his final pass of the game.

Aaron Jones was dominant again, rolling for more than 100 yards on the ground.

Darnell Savage and Jaire Alexander had big plays on defense, and the Packers built a lead that got as high as 48-16.

Winning in Dallas has become the norm for this franchise. The Packers are 6-0 at AT&T Stadium, including Super Bowl XLV. They're 2-0 against the Cowboys in postseason play as well.

The San Francisco 49ers? That's a different story.

After dominating the 49ers for much of the 1990s, the clear turning point in this rivalry is Terrell Owens' catch in the 1999 Wild Card game where Jerry Rice appeared to get away with a fumble the Packers recovered.

Since that time, the Packers are 1-4 against the 49ers in the playoffs. They've been beaten by at least two scores every



Luke Musgrave scored a touchdown in the third quarter to make the score 41-16 in favor of the Packers. Leading up the TD, Aaron Jones ran right for 10 yards. Then, Jones ran right for 27 yards. Then, Jordan Love faked the handoff to Jones and Musgrave, who motioned across the formation to the left, ran wide open through the Dallas secondary. Love's pass hung in the air forever. Musgrave caught the ball around the 13 and ran through a tackle attempt at the 2 for a 38-yard touchdown.

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time they've had to play in San Francisco. If the Packers are going to reverse that trend, here are their keys to victory.

Packers' offensive line vs. 49ers pass rush
When you rank the 49ers roster, there aren't many, if any names, that come up

before star pass rusher Nick Bosa. Bosa is one of the league's best at getting opposing quarterbacks to the ground.

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Packers have their work cut out for them

By JACOB WESTENDORF
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Packers's offense vs. 49ers' defense

All eyes are going to be on Jordan Love as he looks for an encore performance of his sparkling playoff debut. Aaron Rodgers' playoff debut was a game for the ages, where the Packers lost 51- 45, but Rodgers was brilliant.

Love's offense scored more points and was able to get a win, something that eluded Rodgers in his first go-round of the postseason.

We're running out of superlatives for Love at this point. Since the calendar turned to December he's thrown 21 touchdowns to just one interception.

When the lights were the brightest on Sunday in Dallas, Love shined the brightest.

He was facing an MVP candidate and an offense that railroaded everyone en route to the NFC's second seed.

In addition, Dallas boasted a top-10 defense on the season.

None of that mattered. Love eviscerated Dallas' defense. He threw three touchdown passes to three different receivers, using three different arm angles.

At this point, if we were ranking offenses going into the playoffs, Green Bay has an argument for the best offense remaining. That's how well they've played.

They've done that despite having receivers in and out of the lineup. Christian Watson returned Sunday but was limited to one catch. Romeo Doubs is coming off the best game of his career, going for 151 yards on six catches, including the final nail in Dallas' coffin. Dontayvion Wicks and Jayden Reed may have been Green Bay's best receivers down the stretch of the season. They were held to two catches, and the Packers still threw up 48 points against Dallas' defense.

Luke Musgrave found the end zone,



Two completions to tight end Tucker Kraft moved Green Bay into goal-to-go in the first quarter against the Cowboys. On third-and-goal, Aaron Jones plowed through for a 3-yard touchdown to put the Packers ahead 7-0 with 7 minutes, 8 seconds left in the first quarter. Kraft's two catches totaled 15 yards.

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and Tucker Kraft was happy to join him. The Packers used a lot of 12 personnel to try and keep Dallas off balance, and they were able to do that.

Rasheed Walker has shaken off some early struggles and been really consistent since the calendar turned to November.

Walker was splitting time with Yosh Njiman at times during the season. That competition appears to be over, with Walker winning.

Whether he's the team's tackle of the future remains to be seen, but he's one of the biggest reason's for Green Bay's improvement.

Zach Tom won the right tackle position early in the year and has been rock

solid all season long.

He's one of the team's best players. He bounced out of the lineup for a brief minute against Chicago but was able to finish the game.

The run game has found its stride. Aaron Jones has run for more than 100 yards each of the last four weeks. Despite all of the factors working against Jones, he remains their best player.

San Francisco's defense is run by one of the best in the sport with Steve Wilks running the show.

Nick Bosa and Chase Young used to dream of terrorizing opposing offenses when they were at Ohio State, but were never able to do so. Now, they're reunited

and chasing down opposing quarterbacks with a vengeance.

Javon Hargrave was a free agent addition from Philadelphia and gives them some punch on the interior as well.

Behind their front, the 49ers have one of the best linebackers in football. When Aaron Rodgers was in Green Bay he used to rave about Fred Warner's ability as a linebacker.

Warner has not slowed down and is one of the leaders of a 49ers' defense that is near the top of the league once again.

Packer' defense vs. 49ers' offense

Green Bay's final numbers on defense are not going to be indicative

of how good they were in Sunday's 48-32 win over the Dallas Cowboys.

Yes, 32 points sounds like a lot. Dak Prescott even piled up more than 400 yards through the air.

That being said, Green Bay's defense had the Dallas offense in a vice grip for most of the game while it was still hanging in the balance.

Darnell Savage had a splash play, returning an interception for a touchdown to give them a 27-0 lead in the first half, that ended the game for all intents and purposes.

Jaire Alexander returned to the lineup after being questionable for most of the week and had an interception of his own.

All-world receiver CeeDee Lamb was limited to nine catches for 110 yards, most of which came after the Packers built a 48-16 lead.

They'll need to be better on Sunday, but that was a good performance against an offense that performed well against just about everyone throughout the season.

Preston Smith, Lukas Van Ness, Keisean Nixon and De'Vondre Campbell all had a sack of Dak Prescott as well. The front four wasn't as good as they had been in previous weeks but was able to affect Prescott enough in the pocket to make him uncomfortable.

This week is a different story.

Everything, as it usually

does, starts with the quarterback. Brock Purdy had arguably the best season of any player at his position.

He'll finish in the top-5 of MVP voting this year.

He's not the only MVP candidate in San Francisco. Christian McCaffery has been resurgent since being traded to San Francisco a season ago. McCaffery, of all their weapons, is the most dangerous one, and a touchdown machine. McCaffery finished the year with 14 touchdowns and may have had more if they had not limited his usage after clinching the NFC's top seed in the postseason.

The 49ers identity surrounds McCaffery, and the Packers will need to slow down San Francisco's ground game to have any chance.

Brandon Aiyuk, Deebo Samuel, and George Kittle are all capable of hurting the Packers through the passing game as well.

Green Bay's defensive line might be peaking at the right time, having held each of the last four teams they've faced to less than 100 yards rushing.

This line of scrimmage battle is one to keep an eye on.

Special teams

Green Bay's special teams is not as bad as it was in 2021 when they were one of the laughingstocks of the NFL.

Despite the investment both in their special teams' coordinator and roster spots used on special-

ists, the Packers have not improved nearly enough to meet the investment that they've made in their special teams.

They are the most penalized unit in football and seem to make at least one major miscue per week.

Anders Carlson missed an extra point on Sunday. He has missed at least one kick in every game of the Packers' current four game winning streak.

The Packers gave up a big kick return to Kavontae Turpin of 47 yards that set up Dallas' first touchdown of the game.

In addition, one of their attempted onside kick recoveries was more eventual than it likely should have been.

Rich Bisaccia is unlikely to be on the hot seat after receiving a promotion for 2023, but this unit should be under a microscope, and even further as the intensity of the games ramp up.

The San Francisco 49ers targeted Green Bay's special teams as a massive point of weakness in their upset victory at Lambeau Field two seasons ago. They are well coached on special teams but have taken a small step back since that game in 2022.

Jake Moody is not as good as Robbie Gould was, and Ray-Ray McCloud is no longer in San Francisco, either.

Despite that, San Francisco has a decided advantage in this phase of the game.

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750 ml.



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Creams

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750 ml.



Pink Whitney
New Amsterdam
Vodka

\$9⁹⁹
750 ml.



Maker's Mark
Bourbon
Whiskey

\$46⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Woodford Reserve
Bourbon
Whiskey

\$24⁹⁹
750 ml.



Bombay Blue Sapphire
London Dry
Gin

\$32⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Evan Williams
Bourbon
Whiskey

\$22⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Platinum 7X
Distilled
Vodka

\$11⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



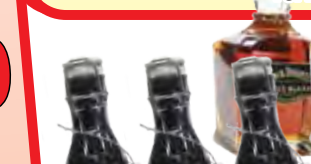
Apple, Peach or Vanilla
Crown Royal
Canadian
Whiskey

\$42⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Añejo Barrel Select
Patrón
Tequila

\$49⁹⁹
750 ml.



Single Barrel Select
Jack Daniels
Whiskey

\$39⁹⁹
750 ml.



Five Farms
Irish
Cream

\$19⁹⁹
750 ml.



Tito's
Handmade
Vodka

\$29⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Cinnamon
Fireball
Whiskey

\$19⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Regular or Light
Kessler's
Whiskey

\$14⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Canadian
Windsor
Whiskey

\$13⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Segrams 7
Crown
Whiskey

\$18⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Captain Morgan
Spiced
Rum

\$24⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Light Rye, Light Cherry or Light
Mount Royal
Whiskey

\$20⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Canadian Club
Whiskey

\$16⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Original, Fire, Apple or Honey
Jack Daniel's
Whiskey

\$37⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Southern Comfort
Whiskey

\$22⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



Seagrams V.O.
Canadian
Whiskey

\$20⁹⁹
1.75 ltr.



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Beers

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Beers

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