



State Rep. Peter Schmidt, left, presents an Assembly Citation and U.S. flag to retiring Shawano County Board member Arlyn Tober at the March 27 board meeting. The supervisor has served Shawano County continuously since his first election in 1974. He has since served on every county committee and every ad hoc building committee.

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Tober honored for 50 years

Erdmann also lauded for his two decades on Shawano County Board

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

A very busy — and much younger — Arlyn Tober was lured to run for the Shawano County Board of Supervisors with talk of only having to attend three meetings every two months. That was in 1974.

Today, 50 years later, he's finally walking away from the board, having served on every standing committee and every ad hoc building committee in the past five decades.

March 27 marked his last board meeting, at which he was honored by the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) and state Rep. Peter Schmidt, R-Bonduel.

Supervisor Jerry Erdmann was also honored by the WCA. Both received a Commendation for Exemplary Service plaque.

Mark O'Connell, WCA president and CEO, said there is no deficit of leadership in Shawano County.

"I have seen thousands of county officials in this state over my 30-plus years in county government," he said. "If you were going to create the ideal public servant



Shawano County Supervisor Jerry Erdmann addresses the board March 27 after being recognized for 20 years of service. With 20 years of experience on the board, Erdmann is one of several not seeking reelection in 2024.

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and build it from scratch, it might look like Arlyn. It might look like Jerry. The

epitome. The ultimate in a public servant. Selfless."

Michelle Thompson, WCA communications consultant, read the plaque presented to Tober.

"In his role for 50 incredible years, he has acted with dedication, integrity and a commitment to both the county and the taxpayers," she said. "He has been a leader in every sense of the word, exemplifying the definition of public servant."

Tober served as vice chairman of the board for 15 consecutive years and served on the North Central International Trade, Business and Economic Development Council. He was also feted for his collaborative skills, leadership, expertise and common sense approach.

"Supervisor Tober represents the best of the best," Thompson said. "He is the model of hard work, integrity and the greatest character."

Tober thanked the WCA. "Words cannot tell you how much this means to me," he said. "It is truly an honor for me to receive this award."

In 1974, the town chairmen in the

Ski Sharks equipment eyesore for neighbors

City and organization working out way to find solution to relocate

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

The city of Shawano is working out a way to reduce the amount of Shawano Ski Sharks equipment being stored at Smalley Park in order to appease frustrated neighbors.

A Shawano Park and Recreation Commission meeting on March 27 was, at times, contentious, as a former city administrator, his wife and a retired dentist spoke about how the equipment at the park spoils their view and puts area children at risk if they play on it, and representatives of the Ski Sharks took some of the comments as an attack on an organization that has utilized the area for 40 years.

In the end, the commission moved to have the Ski Sharks, at the end of the 2024 season, move three rolla docks and five boat lifts out of Smalley, with Huckleberry Harbor being considered as the storage site for that equipment when fall and winter roll around. The ski jump, big dock section and five floating docks are not currently slated for removal from the park.

The commission also unanimously recommended that the Ski Sharks' lease be extended for an additional five years.

Lori Knapp, wife of former city ad-

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Dave Passehl, left, president of the Shawano Ski Sharks, expresses his shock at the attitude of neighbors near Smalley Park during the March 28 meeting of the Shawano Park and Recreation Commission as Alderman Kevin Barkow listens.

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Brothers in arms — and in school

Thornborrows take proactive approach to law enforcement

By LYNN ZAFFRANN
Correspondent

Nate Thornborrow followed his older brother, Tyler, into a law enforcement career.

This isn't too unusual, but for the Thornborrow brothers, their career paths took a unique turn when they both become school resource officers in Shawano County.

Tyler Thornborrow, a Shawano Police Department officer, is the school resource officer for Shawano Community High School and Hillcrest Primary School. He has worked for the department for 18 years, of which three has been spent in the Shawano schools.

Nate Thornborrow, a deputy in the Shawano County Sheriff's Department, is the school resource officer for Shawano County. He serves the public and private schools in Bonduel, Tigerton, Wittenberg and Birnamwood. He started with the department in 2007.

"I've been in my capacity of resource officer going on my second year," Nate Thornborrow said.

The Thornborrows are enthusiastic about providing the safest schools and safest students. Promoting a positive image of law enforcement officers to students is their mission. Counseling students and collaborating with guidance counselors and school social workers are big parts of their jobs.

"School safety is our first and foremost goal," Tyler Thornborrow said. "After that, it's all about building relationships with the students and connecting with

them in a positive way."

He said that the biggest compliment that he's received from a student was, "You are my cop. You're the person that I'm going to go to."

Tyler Thornborrow said it's beneficial for resource officers to be able to get involved if there would be a domestic violence incident in a student's home, for example. He started a program called the Handle with Care program with the SCHS social worker.

"Any time there is an outside incident in which a student is involved in anything violent, or any time a parent is arrested, we get a notification," Tyler Thornborrow said. "That way, if the child is acting up in school, or they are not themselves after a situation, we have a heads-up that something happened, so we can take care of the student."

Nate Thornborrow noted that he has a similar plan with the sheriff's department. He will get calls at night or on weekends to give him a heads-up that a situation happened with a student. That prepares him to be able to work with the student on Monday. He also connects with the principal or teacher to let them know the student may need their attention.

At one of the elementary schools he works with, Nate Thornborrow shared that he heard from teachers that students talk about him as the one person that they would go to if there ever was a problem. They say that they can trust him and see him as a good cop.

"If we can instill that at the middle school age, that



Nate Thornborrow, left, and Tyler Thornborrow are school resource officers in Shawano County. Tyler works in Shawano Community High School and Nate works in schools in Bonduel and the western county. "About 95% of what school resource officers do is proactive work," Tyler Thornborrow said. "We create the building blocks that develop our students to go out into the world and be successful in life and academically."

LYNN ZAFFRANN

will be with them through their entire lives," Nate Thornborrow said. "On my way to a basketball game in Bonduel, I heard a call come through. I recognized the house. It was on my way, so I stopped. There were two young children there, screaming and crying. They saw me and immediately ran to me. This was a case where I was able to de-escalate the situation with the two of them, so that they weren't as traumatized. I was able to remove them from the problem, and the other officers were able to concentrate on the adults on the scene."

Nate Thornborrow said

he's a firm believer in what his brother says about getting students on the right path, whether it's in elementary, middle or high school.

"That's going to give them the fundamentals for a better life," he said. "It's harder to solve a problem that's 40 years old than to solve a problem when someone is only 10 years old."

Both men are dedicated to their schools, according to Tyler Thornborrow.

"This is our primary mission, our schools and the safety of our students, being proactive in their success, their academic success, as well as their personal successes in life," he said. "We

work hand in hand with the school administration, as well as our guidance counselors and social workers. We do home visits, meetings upon meetings."

Tyler Thornborrow hopes to be able to meet with a number of students weekly over the summer to reinforce his proactive mission.

"It's proving to work, and to be part of that process, is really something. It's rewarding," he said.

"Probably, after 18 years in law enforcement, if there's something that I can say absolutely, without a doubt, the last three years are probably the best years of my career."

Tyler and Nate Thornborrow both said that it's good for them to be able to talk to each other about their jobs. They bounce different situations off of each other, and have the benefit of getting a different perspective and solution for what they each may run into.

The compassion, dedication and care that the Thornborrow brothers have in doing their jobs is a great benefit for the students of Shawano County. These two school resource officers believe in the saying "Have an attitude of gratitude," which carries over to the benefits that they give to the county itself.

Wimberger to run in new 2nd Senate District

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

State Sen. Eric Wimberger announced his candidacy March 27 for the newly redrawn 2nd Senate District, potentially setting up a Republican primary with state Sen. Robert Cowles.

The 2nd Senate District, which has no incumbent under the new maps, was redrawn to include most of Oconto County south and east of Sur-



ERIC WIMBERGER

Bonduel, Bowler, Cecil and Gresham, and 16 of Shawano County's 25 towns.

The district also includes parts of Waupaca

ing, along with all of Menominee County and parts of Shawano, as well as the villages of

and Outagamie counties, including Little Chute, Seymour and neighborhoods in Appleton and Kaukauna.

Cowles has made no announcement but indicated an interest in moving so that he can run for re-election to the 2nd District, which contains much of the territory he has represented in the Senate since 1987. The district also contains much of the former 30th

Senate District, which ran from Green Bay north to Marinette, which Wimberger has served since 2021.

"I'm excited about the opportunity to be the conservative voice for my current constituents and new constituents in northeast Wisconsin," Wimberger said in a statement announcing his candidacy. "From the north of the district near my family's small busi-

ness, to the very south where the first generation of Wimbergers immigrated to a Kaukauna farm, I have strong vested ties to the area."

Wimberger cited highlights from his first term including obtaining funds and drafting legislation to help remediate PFAS contamination in rural and urban areas, and securing funding for the southern bridge across the Fox River in Brown County.

"I look forward to continuing my effective representation as the Legislative Audit Committee Chairman doing government oversight, and as a member of the Joint Finance Committee organizing the state budget," he said. "I'll also have an opportunity to live closer to the family business, Sweet Memories Candy Shoppe in Lakewood, and help my mom in our 35th year open."

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Egg infestation at Kuckuk swiftly eradicated



Children run around frantically scooping up Easter eggs March 30 at Kuckuk Park as parents saunter around during the city of Shawano's annual Easter egg hunt. Despite the cloudy weather, there was only drizzle at the start of the event.

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Parents and children take the candy out of the eggs and place the plastic remains in totes March 30 at Kuckuk Park as the rain intensifies at the end of the city of Shawano's annual Easter egg hunt.

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US, state egg production up from a year ago

Wisconsin egg production during February 2024 was 182 million eggs, up 9% from the previous February, according to the latest Chickens and Eggs report from the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The average number of all layers on hand during February 2024 was 7.49 million, up 6% from last year. Eggs per 100 layers for February was 2,430, up 3% from a year ago.

United States egg production totaled 8.62 billion during February 2024, up 5% from last year. Production included 7.39 billion table eggs, and 1.22 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.13 billion were broiler-type and

93.7 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during February 2024 totaled 377 million, down 1% from last year. February egg production per 100 layers was 2,288 eggs, up 6% from February 2023.

Total layers in the United States on March 1 totaled 377 million, down 1% from last year. The 377 million layers consisted of 311 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 62.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs and 3.87 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on March 1 averaged 79.0 eggs per 100 layers, up 2% from March 1, 2023.

Egg-type chicks hatched

during February 2024 totaled 55.7 million, up 7% from February 2023. Eggs in incubators totaled 56.5 million on March 1, up 5% from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 236,000 during February 2024, up 3% from February 2023.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during February 2024 totaled 789 million, up 3% from February 2023. Eggs in incubators totaled 731 million on March 1, up 1% from a year ago.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Former supper club site expected to host mini warehouses

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The site of a former supper club in Birnamwood is expected to soon be the home for a mini warehousing operation.

The Shawano County Planning, Development and Zoning Committee met April 3 for a public hearing on a conditional use permit for the proposed new business.

Eric Reeder of Schofield

is proposing to build a 35-foot by 176-foot, 16-unit personal storage facility at N7691 Hummingbird Road in the Town of Birnamwood.

The 0.482-acre site is at the intersection of Hummingbird Road and U.S. Highway 45.

It was formerly the site of R Place Supperclub, which has since been razed, and the parcel has been cleared for development.

The area is zoned commercial community, and a conditional use permit is required for a personal storage facility in that zoning category.

The Town of Birnamwood waived its public hearing requirement at its Feb. 13 meeting.

After the public hearing, the committee met for its regular meeting, with consideration of the proposal on that agenda.

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Kocken withdraws insanity plea

Woman who shot Oconto Falls police officer to be sentenced in June

BY WARREN BLUHM
News Editor

The Oconto Falls woman who shot and wounded a police officer in August 2021 has withdrawn her plea of not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect, ending the need for a trial that would have started April 1. Alisha Kocken, 31, will be sentenced June 11 for attempted first-degree intentional homicide, resisting an officer with the consequence of substantial bodily harm, battery or threat to a law officer with a dangerous weapon, and disarming a peace officer.

Last August, Kocken pleaded no contest but not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect in connection with the Aug. 6, 2021, incident outside her apartment on Elm Avenue. She stood convicted of the crimes, and the trial was to determine her mental condition at the time.

She withdrew the mental illness aspect of her plea during a March 28 hearing in Oconto County Circuit Court that originally was

called as a final pre-trial conference to argue motions and prepare for jury selection the following Monday. Instead attorneys met privately for over an hour, at one point calling Blaskowski, her husband and victim witness coordinator Rachael Race in. When Judge Michael Judge finally convened the hearing in open court, he announced he had been informed a plea agreement had been reached. Special prosecutor Mark Williams said the state and defense had agreed to jointly recommend a 13-year prison sentence.

“The defendant understands that each day of those 13 years under Wisconsin law, she would have to serve in the Wisconsin state prison, minus the time that she has done in the Oconto County Jail,” Williams said. Kocken has been in custody since her arrest 2 1/2 years ago.

Sentences usually include prison time followed by extended supervision, formerly known as parole,

but Williams said the state would leave a determination regarding extended supervision “in the good wisdom and discretion of the court.”

Williams added that the state will have no objection if the prison system determines that Kocken should more appropriately serve her time in the Wisconsin Resource Center, a facility for prisoners with mental health needs.

Blaskowski was consulted and accepted the recommendation and she plans to make a statement at the sentencing hearing, Williams said.

The sentencing hearing was scheduled for 1 p.m. June 11, and Judge ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

According to the original complaint, Blaskowski responded after a woman called 911 to report her child was being kidnapped, then hung up. Kocken answered the door at the second-floor apartment and told the officer she wanted her “dad” removed from the home. The man, who turned out to be Kocken’s boyfriend,

voluntarily stepped into the hallway, and Kocken slammed the door on him and the officer, according to the complaint.

The man told Blaskowski he had taken the child to a nearby park and Kocken had come to the park and accused him of kidnapping the child. Kocken eventually opened the door, and the child went downstairs to a neighbor’s apartment.

At that point, Kocken exited her apartment and started down the stairs, accusing others of trying to kidnap the child. At the bottom of the stairwell, Blaskowski tried to hold Kocken and calm her down, but the woman yelled “Don’t touch me!” and tried to lunge aggressively at the officer, according to the complaint.

In the ensuing struggle, Kocken managed to get hold of Blaskowski’s 9 mm duty handgun and fire three shots. One bullet struck Blaskowski’s ballistic vest, a second bullet went through a wall into a closet, and the third struck the officer above the right eye, causing a laceration at the hairline.

UScellular agent celebrates dual honors

Cell.Plus, an authorized agent for UScellular with 19 Wisconsin locations, including one at 704A E. Green Bay St., Shawano, is celebrating its recent achievements, securing both the Elite Performers Award from UScellular and the Best Place to Work Award from Employ Humanity.

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SAM25 clinic gets honor from WAFCC

The Shawano Area Matthew 25 Free Health Clinic was awarded the Silver Seal of Excellence from the Wisconsin Association of Free and Charitable Clinics (WAFCC).

The Standards of Excellence were created to promote best policies, practices, and procedures for the Free and Charitable Clinics. These

standards ensure that the clinic and its patients are getting the highest level of care.

“As Shawano area’s only free clinic, we are thankful to be recognized by WAFCC as providing quality care for our low income patients,” said Dr. Kevin Culhane, SAM25 Free Health Clinic medical director.

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ministrator Brian Knapp, told the commission that the view from the living room of a property the Knapps own is directly blocked by the Ski Sharks’ stored equipment.

“We were not communicated with at all regarding the storage or concerns about that,” Knapp said. “I’m just disappointed and now I’m concerned that we, as neighbors, weren’t communicated with.”

Brian Knapp noted that the growth of the Ski Sharks’ summer shows has resulted in more activity and the additional noise and traffic that comes with it. He said it’s a hallmark of progress that the neighborhood has to cope with that, but he doesn’t believe the neighborhood should have to put up with seeing the

stored equipment when the Ski Sharks aren’t using the park.

“It does impact our neighborhood,” Brian Knapp said. “Frankly, with that success comes cost, and I don’t think the neighborhood and us, as neighbors, should have to bear all of the costs of their success. We already put up with the activity level there. We shouldn’t necessarily have to put up with all of their stuff and the aesthetics of their stuff, or the lack thereof, impacting us and our neighbors.”

Jeff Zander said ideas to camouflage the equipment with piled-up snow are an invitation for neighborhood children to play on it, which could be dangerous for them to do because of “sharp metal pieces and

projecting poles.” He also disputed that the boat lifts have been lowered enough to reduce visibility.

“If that’s the case, and neighbors are still complaining, then lowering the lifts is not the solution,” Zander said. “Name one other property owner who pulls up their boat lifts and dumps them in a city park. I don’t think there are any.”

Dave Passehl, Ski Sharks president, pointed out that the Ski Sharks have stored their equipment in the area of Smalley Park from when there was a hospital adjacent to the shore to now that the area has additional homes being built. He and others have volunteered their time to keep the property up, including fertilizing the lawn

and taking care of it, along with helping to put in the sprinkler system and other infrastructure. He noted that the Ski Sharks have put in \$40,000 of their own money to improve the park, which he feels is a sign that the organization has invested in the property.

“I never thought we were on referendum this evening,” Passehl said. “I thought we were here to extend our lease and come up with an equitable agreement for storage. The tone of Dr. Zander is absolutely alarming and shocking that anybody would take a tone like that in this regard.”

He noted the entire city benefits from thousands of people coming from outside Shawano to enjoy the shows, the same as when

the city hosts tournaments on the ball fields at Memorial Park or when the stock car races take place on Saturday nights at the Shawano Speedway.

“We’ve never had to move off-site for 40 years, and there are challenges that it presents,” Passehl said. “Our position on it

is that we take 100% pride in what we do at that site, 100%.”

Passehl added that, while moving the equipment can be done, there’s an increased risk of damage, and it would be a lengthy process.

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towns of Pella and Richmond approached him about running as a write-in. The incumbent filed nomination papers for reelection but then died before the election.

Tober was told the county board only met every other month, and if he was appointed to the health committee, it was only one more meeting a month, at night for one hour each.

After winning election, Tober was appointed to the law enforcement and zoning committees, both of which met more often than the health committee.

Tober also thanked his wife and children for taking over much of his farm work during the takeover of the Alexian Brothers Novitiate in early 1975.

One of Tober’s highlights was in the early years when he helped to get \$20,000 allocated to Department of Aging budget to deliver meals to the homebound. The state provided funds for meals at community centers.

“My only regret is that I could not convince the county board and the DNR to save the little lake up in Hayman Falls,” he said.

Schmidt presented Tober with an Assembly Citation.

“Arlyn Tober has tirelessly dedicated his time and efforts to improving the lives of Shawano County residents through his unwavering commitment to public service,” Schmidt said, reading the citation. “His leadership, integrity, and passion have been

instrumental in shaping the development and progress of Shawano County over the past five decades.”

Schmidt also presented Tober with a U.S. flag flown over the Wisconsin Capitol on March 12 in honor of his 50 years of service.

As for Erdmann, he served 20 years on the board, including 10 as chairman.

“I was just one person on this board,” he said. “It takes an entire board to get things done. And I think we have accomplished something in those years.” Erdmann encouraged new members – and there will be nine of them – to ask questions.

“That’s the way you get things done,” he said. Thompson again read

the WCA plaque for Erdmann.

“Jerry was involved in countless key decisions and initiatives that positioned the county for a successful future, from merging departments to create efficiencies to make in government more accessible toeing involved in a myriad of capital projects and improvements, his impact will be felt for generations to come,” she said.

O’Connell praised the two supervisors for their unparalleled service.

“Gentlemen, I love you both, and I am going to miss you dearly, but not as much as Shawano County will miss you,” he said. “Thank you so much for your service.”

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Small Claims, Eviction 31004

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Smart Asset Management LLC

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-vs-

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Shawano WI 54166

Defendant:

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Small town takes center stage in ‘Middletown’

Play tackles anxiety, suicide, substance abuse and other social woes

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

A review for the play “Middletown” describes it as “Our Town” if Dr. Seuss wrote it and Samuel Beckett had a hand in editing it.

Audiences will be able to decide for themselves when Shawano Community High School students bring the story to life April 11-13 in the school’s auditorium for their spring production. “Middletown” explores small-town America in the modern era as a friendship develops between John Dodge, who has lived in the community most of his life, and Mary Swanson, a newcomer, and the pair interact with others in the community in interesting ways, from visiting the local library to an adventure in outer space and more.

“Middletown,” written by Will Eno, debuted in New York City in 2010, and it caught the eye of local director Maddie Stuewer as something SCHS students could handle and relate to.

“‘Middletown’ is very quirky,” Stuewer said. “It’s about small-town living, so you see these vignettes that tie together, especially at the end. It’s kind of how different people influence us, and their focus is on struggles that people may

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: “Middletown”
WHEN: 7 p.m. April 11-12, 2 p.m. April 13
WHERE: Auditorium, Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B, Shawano
TICKETS: \$5 adults, \$3 children. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at shawanotheater.ludus.com

not talk about. It’s a very interesting show.”

Some of the topics broached in “Middletown” are depression, suicide, loneliness, determining where you belong in life and how people interact with others, according to Stuewer.

“Personally, I like this story, and it’s a little more interesting than ‘Our Town,’” she said.

Stuewer noted that the themes in “Middletown” are something that students can relate to in today’s society, as the coronavirus pandemic in 2020 left many, especially children, feeling isolated and alone. Most of the students performing in the show were in their middle school years when the pandemic hit, so it’s still fresh in their minds four years later.

“They’ve been able to work through their emotions and portray them in a



The local librarian, played Kate Smits, center, tells newcomer Mary Swanson, played by Maddigan Bakeberg, about the town as longtime resident John Dodge, played by Tanner Thiel, stands in the wings in a scene from “Middletown,” which will be performed April 11-13 at Shawano Community High School. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

very mature way on stage,” Stuewer said. “I felt that this show, dealing with these heavy issues, it’s always intrigued. I felt that it had a very important message that this group has really felt.”

Tanner Thiel is definitely feeling the emotions as he tackles the character of Dodge, whom he describes as very anxious, scared and jittery.

“He’s very reserved,” Thiel said. “When all of a sudden a new person, Mrs. Swanson, comes, he starts to develop a bond and a friendship with her, and it’s not what he’s kind of used

to. He really starts to take solace in Mrs. Swanson and starts to develop a really good relationship with her throughout the whole show.”

The anxiety of Dodge is something that Thiel feels he has in common with the character.

“People get anxious a lot,” he said. “A lot of times, social situations can scare you. That’s how John Dodge is. I’ve been there a lot, and I’ve had a lot of times of anxiety and panic taking over. The one thing John and I have in common is our continuing pushing forward and just always strive to keep going forward.”

Jill Guenther is dealing with her own issues as she plays a mechanic in the show. The mechanic is an alcoholic and struggling with substance abuse.

“Her life’s very gray, and she’s just kind of going through the motions of small-town life,” Guenther said. “She can fix cars, but she can’t fix her own life and her own problems.”

Guenther said it was easy for her and the other



A police officer, played by Andrew Mukka, left, and a pair of tourists, played by Ireland Setterman, center, and Owen Krueger, check out a strange obelisk in a scene from “Middletown.” LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

students to understand the small-town aspect of “Middletown.”

“It’s easy to fit into the role of an average citizen, someone who is just there,” she said. “Everybody’s struggling with something. Substance abuse is a major problem nowadays, and it’s a very modern issue. I think my character is just a little quirky, and it’s a look into someone’s life.”

This show is going to bring back a performance style that hasn’t been done by SCHS since 2017. Audience members will be on the stage with the perform-

ers instead of sitting in the 700-plus seats down below. Stuewer noted there will be couches, folding chairs and lawn chairs for the audience to sit on, providing an interesting mix.

“Every spot is a good spot,” Stuewer said. “It’s been a fun challenge to work with the actors on playing to the different parts of the audience. Actors are so used to being told that you can’t have your back to the audience, but when they’re on either side of you, it’s rather unavoidable.”

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Laughter best medicine for storyteller

Krause adds Southern charm to Wisconsin tales in 'The Adventures of Martha Lou and Me'

BY LEE PULASKI
City Editor

They say that laughter is the best medicine, and Josephine Krause knows it best, having dealt with a debilitating condition for most of her life.

What started out as a writing assignment in eighth grade soon turned into entertaining and funny stories for the family Christmas cards, and now Krause is sharing the laughter with everyone in the new book "The Adventures of Martha Lou and Me," currently available in Kindle and paperback formats on Amazon.



JOSEPHINE KRAUSE

Over the course of 41 short stories, readers get to follow the humorous true-life adventures that Krause and her sister had growing up. Krause tells the stories in the tone of her paternal grandmother, raised in the Deep South in Alabama. Krause noted that when she told the stories verbally, she imitated her grandmother's accent, leading to more laughs.

The back cover of the book, in part, reads: "She was so country, that country folk looked like highfalutin city folk, compared to her. Grandma had a noteworthy Southern dialect that left me gobsmacked every time she spoke. It was fascinating, captivating, enchanting, and a tad odd."

Most of the stories take place in Wisconsin, where the family lived, including Tigerton, Clintonville and Manawa. There are also stories during the period the family moved to Ontario, Canada, according to Krause, along with one with St. James, Missouri, as the backdrop and another taking place in Muncie, Indiana.

When Krause's eighth-grade teacher asked the class to come up with a story about 40 years ago, her thoughts immediately went to her family.

"I just started telling a story about our life, and since my grandma was from Alabama and she always spoke really different, I started imitating my grandma, and my whole family was laughing," Krause said. "They said, 'You should write your story like Grandma Krause,' so I did."

Krause's parents got such a kick out of the story that her mother wanted to include copies of it in the annual Christmas card to family members.

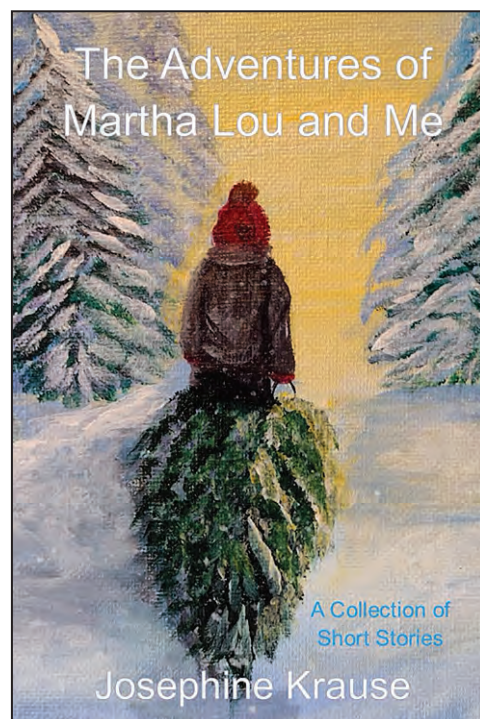
"Then people started saying, 'This is really funny. It's hysterical,'" Krause said. "Then it just kind of went from there. They were dying laughing, and my mother would say, 'Could you write another story for the Christmas card?'"

Krause stopped writing for a while as illness made it difficult to pursue. She was diagnosed as a brittle type 1 diabetic



Josephine Krause, shown at left, and her family often provided terrific fodder for the short stories she wrote, especially Martha Sue, third from left, whose actual name was Michelle but would be called Martha Sue whenever she got into mischief.

CONTRIBUTED



in January 1979 at the age of 8, at a time when blood glucose levels couldn't be read, and she remembered passing out at school and her teachers claiming she was faking illness, despite her diagnosis. She

AT A GLANCE

BOOK: "The Adventures of Martha Lou and Me"
AUTHOR: Josephine Krause
PUBLISHER: Kindle Direct Publishing
PAGES: 185
COST: \$5 ebook, \$14.95 paperback on Amazon

was diagnosed with neuropathy when she was 12, and much of her time has been spent in hospitals, including 47 surgeries and a stint of 2½ years at Shawano Medical Center.

"I've been sick for most of my life," Krause said. "I've barely scraped by just being able to be alive. I've either been in transplant wards or sick in the hospital, so the friends that I do have are basically like me — they're in and out of the hospital. We've met on Facebook pages for these illnesses, so they're like, 'Basically, I have nothing to live for. I really can't take it anymore,' and I'll be like, 'Hey, you want a good laugh? Here's what me and my sisters did.'"

Krause noted that those hospital friends who read the stories forget, if only for a moment, the pain and discomfort they're in, and the stories have the same effect on the author, too.

"I just made someone's day," Krause said.

Krause reunited with a longtime friend in Canada, and she sent the stories detailing her wacky antics with her sister, Martha Lou, and that inspired her to start writing again. She had amassed a binder full of stories by Christmas 2022, and the feedback she received was "You need to publish this."

"My mom checked with a publisher, and he said, 'I'm getting ready to retire, but your daughter could do it on Kindle Direct Publishing,'" Krause said.

Krause already had the written files readily available, as she was putting the stories on her Facebook page. She said she collected some family photos.

Martha Lou is a fictitious name Krause made up for the stories, and her sister's name is actually Michelle, but when she wrote the stories, the family would actually call Michelle by the Martha Lou name whenever she got into trouble.

"It's kind of like that's her alter ego," Krause said. "That's like a dumb 'Martha Lou and Me' move."

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'12 Angry Jurors' to deliberate next month in Oconto

The Machickanee Players have begun rehearsals for the final play of their 40th season, the drama "12 Angry Jurors."

The story contemplates the serious responsibility of 12 ordinary people as they consider the guilt or innocence of a young man accused of the murder of his father. Disagreement and conflict among them force the jurors to question their own morals and values as they face a decision which could cost a young man his life.

Written by Reginald Rose, it was originally produced as a one-act teleplay

on the CBS Studio One anthology TV series. It was first staged as a play in 1955. Most famously, it was made into a movie in 1957 starring Henry Fonda. The players are following an adaptation by Sherman L. Sergel which is most similar to the Studio One version.

"It's a timeless lesson about prejudice and jumping to conclusions, Director Jahn Mozey said. "I feel it's especially important to present it at this time, when we have several high-profile court cases going on that are definitely fueled by emotion. I have a great cast, too —

ranging from seasoned performers all the way to a 73-year-old who has never acted on stage before. It's a great selection, similar to the different characters that make up the jury in the play."

Spencer Lacy, who plays Juror Number Seven, likes that the show is ambiguous.

"We just don't have enough information to know what happened," Lacy said.

Performances will be held on May 3-5 and May 10-12. General admission is \$20, while Sunday matinees are \$16.

Friday and Saturday evening shows

offer a dinner catered from The Wooden Spoon for an additional \$20, while Sunday matinees offer the option of pie from OJ's of Gillett for \$5 more than the cost of admission. Dinner and pie must be ordered at the same time tickets are purchased, and dinner orders have a cutoff date of five to six days before the show. For these options, choose add-ons when ordering tickets at <https://machickaneeplayers.com/our-shows/buy-tickets>.

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FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Neighborly kindness almost meets with fowl play

Screaming bloody murder, I felt helpless against the attack. Using whatever means I had to defend myself, I kicked at the thing, meeting open air as the fowl deftly averted my foot. Undeterred, it came back at me with a vengeance.

Earlier in the day I had received a text from our neighbor asking if I'd let her girls out to peck that afternoon as the days were warm and spring-like. She'd asked us a few times before. Accommodating her 15-member brood of hens, we'd go down and open their henhouse door, letting them free range in the yard.

"No problem," I responded as usual.

She was at work and we were just down the road. What wasn't usual was that I was going there alone. Generally, since we were still collecting sap, my husband and I had swung round together after our collection and opening the coop door, never had had trouble with her rooster. I've since been educated about roosters and their brood of chickens.

Our neighbor, whose husband has built her a dream hen house, tends her flock very well and is knowledgeable about the ways of her fowl, chickens and roosters alike. Their rooster, Willy, talks to his charges, letting them know there are treats over there, for instance, or alarming them of danger. Extremely vigilant, the rooster watches the skies.

One day, my neighbor recalled, her birds were between the coop and the road, and there was a hawk in the trees. Spotting the hawk, Willy sent out an alarm for his girls letting them know in no uncertain terms there was danger lurking.

They all had run to the woods except for one. Willy scurried back after that one and corralled her safely to the woods, under tree coverage. The woods' canopy provided coverage because the hawk had no free space in which to swoop down and seize one.

So that day, Willy assumed I was a threat and he meant to put up a defense. This rooster was intimidating, at times flying up as high as my waist, trying his hardest to jab at whatever body part he could reach. The more fuss I made, the madder he seemed to get. Backing up slowly, I'd clap my hands and holler, but in his righteous anger, he just kept fluttering his wings, jutting his head back and forth and continuing to attack.

His hackle, which is long, fine and brightly colored, enlarged and fluffed up to encircle his entire neck area. I'd have admired it more had he not been



Willy may appear small in stature compared to a human, but that is one bird you do not want to cross when he is guarding his ladies. KAY REMINGER



adamantly trying to kill me, or at the least, cause bodily harm. Willy, who at all costs would stick up for his girls, was protecting them from me, a strange invader into their safe home.

Finally, I was able to get some space between me and him and made a mad dash to my car all the while looking over my shoulder and sure enough, he was pursuing me. It was truly terrifying. Thinking back it probably would have made a hilarious episode on "America's Funniest Home Videos."

A few days later, as I was chatting with our neighbors in their back yard, their beautiful flock were pecking and cooing, talking back and forth to each other. Every once in a while, a relaxed Willy would call cock-a-doodle-doo. The wild birds were chirping and twittering in the trees. It was peaceful and settling — a homestead serenity that content, well-cared-for animals convey.

They recalled a hawk almost as big as a chicken, had swooped in on the girls at one time, before they got a rooster and had installed netting over the henhouse. Our neighbor heard a commotion in the back yard and discovered the potential killer in the henhouse, trying to fly out. With no other means of defending the chickens, our neighbor threw his shirt over the hawk to deter it. Once covered, taking it away from

the henhouse, he threw it off to the side.

Beforehand, the hawk had kicked, clawed and tried to bite him through the shirt. Freed then, the hawk spread its wings and shook itself, squawked heartily and in shock, stood its ground for a bit before flying off. Hence, they've put netting up and got themselves a rooster.

My neighbor has English Orpingtons and Wyandottes, raised from baby chicks. They're full of color and good health. She puts saddles on some of her chickens to protect them as the rooster fertilizes the hen to produce eggs.

According to a Google search, "The rooster transfers sperm to the hen through a process called 'cloacal contact.' This occurs when their cloacas, the common opening reproductive and digestive tracts, make contact, allowing for the transfer of sperm from the male to the female."

If the egg is not incubated it cannot develop into a chick.

After encountering Willy and understanding the reasoning behind his aggression, I cannot help but admire and respect him for his robust defense. All that being said, the next time I go down there to open the henhouse, I'll be prepared.

("Know well the condition of your flocks, and give attention to your herds." Proverbs 27:23)

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 Leopold. 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.



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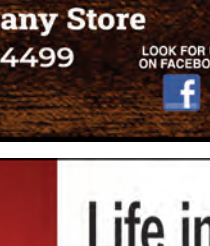
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Trees and shrubs blooming ahead of schedule

A warm start to the spring season has caused a number of native forest trees and shrubs to begin blooming, in some cases, almost a month ahead of schedule.

Even in our own backyards, we can see the early tree and shrub bloom by examining the twigs and branches of our own woody plants.

Many of our maples are in full bloom now with the warmth of the March sun. Maples begin blooming far up in the treetops, closest to the sun, then work their way down to ground level. Sugar maples, swamp maples, red maples and silver maples are already in bloom in much of our area.

Look closely at the treetops to see the red haze that signals the bloom overhead. With a closer look, the reddish flower buds are adorned with golden pollen stamens, creating a spectacular floral showcase in miniature.



Rob Zimmer
Columnist

This past week, as I walked along the trails at Navarino Wildlife Area, I noticed that the hazelnuts are all in full spring bloom, as well. This is about a month early; I usually don't find hazelnuts in bloom until mid-April or so.

Here in Wisconsin, we have two varieties of hazelnuts, the beaked hazelnut and the American filbert. They are very similar in bloom and leaf, however the husks are completely different that cover the growing nuts.

Hazelnuts produce both male flowers and female flowers. The male flower is a long slender catkin adorned with greenish yellow pollen. The female flower grows from an

ovary-like structure along the branch and resembles a tiny sea anemone with wine-colored or reddish tentacles that emerge to capture the sticky pollen.

Also in bloom along wetland shores and damp places is tag alder. Tag alder, like hazelnut, produces both male and female flowers. The male flowers are beautifully purple or maroon-colored catkins, while the female flowers are short, squat cone-like structures on the branches.

The birches are also loaded with beautiful catkins now in early spring. Paper birch, yellow birch and river birch are all sporting these beautiful floral structures.

Of course, the native pussy willows are now beginning to pop in abundance in mid-March. The silvery, fur-covered catkins of a variety of different willow species can be seen in area wetlands and shorelines, as well as our own backyards, where



Tag alder blooms adorn these abundant wetland shrubs now in mid-March.

ROB ZIMMER

cultivated varieties are planted.

Willows are not the only variety of woody plant to produce fur-covered catkins. All of the aspens — including quak-

ing aspen, big tooth aspen and cottonwood — also support large, silvery, fur-covered catkins now in the middle of March.

Enjoy exploring the world of flowering trees

and shrubs in your own backyard this month.

Rob Zimmer is a nature and garden author, public speaker and radio show host on WHBY. Readers can find him on Facebook at www.facebook.com/RobZimmerOutdoors.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

KESHENA: Winter Farmers Market, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., College of Menominee Nation Cultural Learning Center, N188 State Highway 47-55. Artisan Native crafts, hot food, baked goods and more. Sponsored by the college's Sustainable Development Institute.

SURING: Recovery Talking Circle, 6-8 p.m. South Branch Community Center, W1281 County Road M.

SHAWANO: Auditions for "The Wizard of Oz," 6-9 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Box In The Wood Theatre Guild's summer musical. Register for an audition date and time at <https://calendly.com/brandonbyng/auditions-wizard-of-oz>.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

SHAWANO: Shawano-Menominee Relay for Life, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B. Fundraiser for research and local American Cancer Society programs.

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OCONTO FALLS: Operation Shoe Box celebration, 10 a.m. to noon, Grace Lutheran Church, 501 S. Main St. Samaritan's Purse celebration of a successful 2023 campaign in the 12-county Green Bay area.

SHAWANO: Shawano Speedway Fan Fest, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Crawford Center, 251 S. Waukechon St. Kickoff to the 2024 race season, race cars on display.

KESHENA: Running and walking program, noon to 6 p.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Infused water provided during the week, and a family snack-making station is provided on Saturdays. Information: Chelsey Latender, 715-799-5431 or chelseyl@mtclinic.net.

OCONTO FALLS: The Wisconsin Singers in concert, 7 p.m., Falls Area Performing Arts Center, 210 N. Farm Road. Adults \$15, students and seniors \$10, tickets at WisconsinSingers.com/see-us/oconto-falls, or 608-886-6801.

BOWLER: Drowning Pool in concert with Saliva, 7:30 p.m. North Star Mohican Casino, W12180 County Road A. Tickets \$30, doors open 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

LENA: Pathfinders Rummage Sale, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., American Legion Hall, 412 E. Main St.

MONDAY, APRIL 8

SHAWANO: Photographer John Noltner, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, 111 Thomas Ave. In conjunction with his exhibit "A Peace of My Mind: American Stories, photography by John Noltner," Noltner will visit campus to do studio interviews with interested local residents asking them how they've found strength in the midst of struggle. More information at apomm.net.

GILLET: American Red Cross blood drive, noon to 5:30 p.m., Gillett Secondary School, 208 W. Main St. Appointments can be made by downloading the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting redcross-blood.org or calling 800-733-2767.

KESHENA: Running and walk-

ing program, 4:40-6:30 p.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Infused water provided during the week, and a family snack-making station is provided on Saturdays. Information: Chelsey Latender, 715-799-5431 or chelseyl@mtclinic.net.

SHAWANO: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Room 4, 100 W. Presbyterian St. Information: Dallas Gast, 715-701-5388 or dallasgast8@gmail.com.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

SHAWANO: Hard Hat Happy Hour, 5:45-6:30 p.m., JDoggs, 136 S. Main St. Networking event hosted by Wolf River Builders Association.

KESHENA: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Information: Mindy Thunder at 715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

NEOPIT: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. The Circle House, W6715 Shawpokasic St. Information: Mindy Thunder at

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THURSDAY, APRIL 11

SHAWANO: Youth Apprenticeship Employer Informational Event, noon to 1 p.m., Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce. Broad overview of the program by the Youth Apprenticeship Consortium coordinator.

KESHENA: Running and walking program, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Infused water provided during the week, and a family snack-making station is provided on Saturdays. Information: Chelsey Latender, 715-799-5431 or chelseyl@mtclinic.net.

SHAWANO: "Middletown," 7 p.m. Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B. \$5 adults, \$3 children. Tickets available at the door or at shawanotheater.ludus.com.

CLINTONVILLE: Wolf River Home Schoolers present "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang," 7 p.m., Clintonville High School, 64 W. Green Tree Road. Free admission, donations appreciated.

BOWLER: Native American

Talking Circle, 7-9 p.m., Mohican Family Center, N8605 Oak St. Information: Yvonne Burr, 715-326-0891.

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Ella Stuber gets a hit against Xavier on March 28. Shawano opened its conference action with a home game (and victory) against Xavier.
KEVIN PASOSN | NEW MEDIA

Hawks, Chargers win conference openers

Bonduel, Wittenberg-Birnamwood play exhibition games in UP

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Bonduel went 1-1 over the weekend, competing in a tournament inside the Superior Dome in Marquette, Michigan.

The Bears opened with an 8-7 loss to Hancock (Michigan) on March 29. The team turned things around March 30, beating Menominee (Michigan) 15-7.

Result for a March 30 game against Hurley were not available.

In the same tournament, Wittenberg-Birnamwood went 1-1-1.

The Chargers began their play March 29 with a 7-4 victory over Hancock.

On March 30, Wittenberg-Birnamwood lost 7-5 to Westwood (Michigan) before tying Houghton 3-3 to end their tournament play.

Shawano

The Hawks opened the 2024 Bay Conference season with a 16-4 home victory over

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Braylyn Babino stands up at second base after a string of hits by Shawano against Xavier on March 28. The Hawks won 16-4 and area 3-1 overall and 1-0 in the Bay Conference.
KEVIN PASOSN | NEW MEDIA

Oconto Falls boys, girls dominate home invite

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Oconto Falls' girls earned eight first-place awards at the Oconto falls Indoor 2 meet March 25.

Abby Budz was first in the 200-meter dash in 30.54 seconds. Bailee Gorman was third, Emery Pagel placed fourth Jasmine Lamal-Martinez was ninth, and Gwen Maggio finished 10th.

Budz also won the triple jump at 29 feet 1.75 inches. Pagel finished fourth, and Mackenzie Lotto was 10th.

In the 400-meter dash, it was Maddy Przybylski in first in 1:10.54, followed by Arianna Impastato in eighth and Evelyn Savage in ninth.

Ava Hodkiewicz' 2:40.6 gave her first in the 800-meter run, while Emma Meissner placed second, and Ali Kramer was eighth.

Hailey Delzer won the 1,600-meter run in 6:19.9.

All three relay teams won. The 4x100-meter time was 1:13.14, the 4x400-meter team had a time of 4:28.1, and the 4x800-meter foursome won in 11:06.2.

Gracie Miller led a contingent of teammates with a second-place finish in the long jump. She was joined by Budz in third, Rhiana Vandeyacht in fifth, Maggio in sixth, Przybylski in eighth and Hailyn St. Louis in ninth.

Morgan Moynihan placed second in the shot put and was joined by Kati Raddatz in fifth and Grace Molitor in eighth.

Lotto placed third in the 55-meter hurdles.

Maggio placed ninth and Lily Van De Ven was 10th in the high jump.

Eva Brooks had two first-place finishes, and Abigail Kostreva had a third to lead the Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy team.

Brooks was first in the 55-meter hurdles in 8.84, leading teammates Kali Fischer in second, Alexis Maloney in fourth, Laila Collar in fifth and Emma Hasenfus in eighth.

At 4-8, Brooks won the high jump. Kate Peters was third.

Kostreva's 14-0.5 earned her the title in the long jump.

Other top-10 finishes included Madilyn Thomson,

second in the 200-meter dash, with Kaelyn Cook in sixth. Kostreva was second in the 400-meter dash, followed by Karli Fischer in fifth, Della Kostreva in sixth and Kate Peters in seventh.

Kali Fischer placed second in the triple jump, followed by Kaitlyn Borkovec in third and Della Kostreva in sixth.

Miriam Alberts placed fifth in the 800-meter run.

Mackenzie Vorpahl placed seventh in the shot put, and Whitney Potter finished 11th.

Boys events

Oconto Falls' boys earned six first-place awards.

Isaac Bramer won the 200-meter dash in 25.64, and was followed by Alex Frehse in fifth and AJ Hendricks in 10th.

Emerson Rice's time of 2:14.9 gave him first in the 800-meter run, where he was joined by Griffin Kopke in third and Braxton Rajkovich in ninth.

Ben Adams placed first in the 1,600-meter run in 4:56.3.

Alex Haines' time of 7.34 placed him first in the 55-meter hurdles, and Emerich Skarban placed second.

Brady Bursa leapt to first in the long jump at 18 feet 9 inches. He was joined by Evan Lotter-Greetan in fourth and Weston Hoskins in seventh.

The 4x800-meter really team also placed first.

Brant Laluzerne ran to second in the 400-meter dash. Carter Hill placed fifth, and Croix Gardenbrecht was seventh.

A second-place finish was recorded by the 4x400-meter relay team, while the 4x100-meter relay foursome was fifth.

Haines was second in the high jump, and Skarban was fifth.

Bursa collected a third-place finish in the triple jump, while Gardenbrecht placid seventh.

Bryce Schefdore finished in fourth in the shot put.

The pole vault results included Kolton Krueger in sixth, Hill in seventh and Cason Weenig in eighth.

Lena/St. Thomas

Shawano, Lena open seasons with wins

Pulaski loses both games at baseball exhibition event in South Carolina

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Shawano's baseball season got off on the right foot with a 5-0 shutout of Two Rivers at home on March 28.

The Hawks racked up their five runs on six hits, while Two Rivers connected for one hit and committed two errors.

The game was scoreless until the bottom of the fifth inning when Warner Beyer laid down a safety squeeze bunt to score Dylan Hodkiewicz. The Hawks scored two more in the fifth off of two errors committed by the Purple Raiders.

Shawano added two more runs in the bottom of the sixth to round out the

run total.

Crew Weisnicht led Shawano at the plate, hitting 2-for-3. Jerzy Broucker, Carsen Herm, Parker Beyer and Anderson Schmidt each had a hit for the Hawks. Warner Beyer had a pair of RBIs.

Pete Bruette picked up the win, pitching six innings and striking out nine, walking three and giving up no hits. Broucker pitched one inning, gave up one hit and struck out two.

Lena

Lena crushed Green Bay NEW Lutheran 10-0 on March 28.

Ty Shallow was the winning pitcher.

Lena scored in all five innings, including a three-run second inning and a four-run third inning.

Pulaski

The Red Raiders opened the 2024 season at a tournament in Myrtle Beach, S.C., losing their March 26 to the Falcons of Briar Woods (Virginia) 8-4.

For Pulaski's part, Kyle Olson scored two runs while getting on base in three of his four plate appearances.

On March 27, the woes continued for the Red Raiders, as Pulaski lost 7-1 to the Pickerington North Panthers (Ohio).

Jacob McDonald got on base in all three of his plate appearances, including a triple.

Pulaski's loss dropped their record to 0-2.

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Brooks earns a pair of firsts at UW-SP meet

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Several area track teams competed in the Rosholt-Webko-Politos Invitational at UW-Stevens Point on March 30.

Eva Brooks led the Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy team with a pair of first-place finishes. A height of 5 feet 2 inches was best in the high jump, and a total of 32-6 was No. 1 in the triple jump. Della Kostreva was fourth in the triple jump, and Kaitlyn Borkovec placed eighth.

Brooks also took second in the 60-meter hurdles, and Kali Fischer was sixth.

Abigail Kostreva placed second in the long jump and sixth in the 400-meter dash.

Karli Fischer captured seventh in the pole vault, with Macy Herald placing eight. Mackenzie Vorpahl was 10th in the shot put.

Paige Niquette placed second in the 60-meter dash and Ashlyn Kurey was second in the triple jump to lead all Bonduel team members.

Mariah Wondra claimed

third in the 3,200-meter run. Wondra placed fourth and Teagan Engel was seventh in the 1,600-meter run.

The 4x200-meter relay team and the 4x400-meter relay team each finished in fourth place. Cierra Schnell was fourth in the long jump.

In the 60-meter hurdles, it was Schnell in seventh place.

Rachel Hunter finished in eighth place in the shot put.

Audrey Weier placed ninth in the high jump. Kurey was ninth in the 800-meter run, and Engel placed 10th.

Gresham/Bowler was led by Isabella Stevens' fourth-place finish in the high jump and fifth-place spot in the shot put.

The 4x200-meter relay team placed 10th.

Marion's top spot was notched by the 4x200-meter relay's team 11th-place finish.

Boys events

Bonduel was led by Ben O'Brien in the 3,200-meter run and Samuel Roberts in the long jump, each plac-

ing second.

The 4x200-meter relay team placed third, as did Ryan Westrich in the shot put.

O'Brien placed sixth in the 1,600-meter run.

Griffin Uelmen leapt to 10th in the high jump, and Roberts was 10th in the triple jump.

Gillett was led by Bradyn Wendorff with a second-place finish in the 1,600-meter run.

The 4x400-meter relay team placed ninth.

Gresham/Bowler's Bryson Nelson was third in the 3,200-meter run and eighth in the 1,600-meter run.

Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy collected a pair of second-places and one third.

Anthony Seefeldt was second in the shot put.

Zander Thomson was second in the 60-meter hurdles and third in the high jump.

Marion's best finish was recorded by Tristan Herro taking 16th in the long jump and triple jump.

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Charger girls take 4th at Merrill

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Wittenberg-Birnamwood scored 98.5 points and placed fourth at the Bluejay Indoor Invitational in Merrill on March 28.

The Chargers won four

events, placed second in another and racked up several top-10 spots.

Rhinelanders won the event with 105 points, followed by Merrill with 100 and Rib Lake with 99.5.

The Chargers won the 4x765-meter relay, the

4x228-meter relay and the 4x380-meter relay.

Freshman Harper Rogowski won the 400-meter dash with freshman Ava Brei taking third.

In the 800-meter run, freshman Gabrielle Timm

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Kadence Meyers contemplates her next pitch in the early innings against Xavier on March 28. Shawano opened Bay Conference action with a 16-4 victory.

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Xavier on March 28.

Shawano improved to 3-1 overall.

Witt-Birn

Competition in the Central Wisconsin East Conference kicked off March 28 when Weyauwega-Fremont defeated Wittenberg-Birnamwood 11-2.

Lena/STAA

Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy was shut out 17-0 by Green Bay NEW Lutheran/Providence Academy on March 28.

Pulaski

The Red Raiders opened the 2024 campaign with a two-day trip to Orlando, Florida, where the Red Raiders won their first game of the season, a 17-2 win over The Dalton School (New York) on March 25.

On March 26, Pulaski shut out Wilsonville (Oregon) 7-0.

Lena/STAA

Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy's girls softball team opened the 2024

season with a win and two losses March 23-24 at the Danny Mac Softball Classic at the Hodag Dome in Rhinelanders.

In the first game March 23, Lena/STAA lost 8-2 to Pembine/Goodman.

However, the team bounced back in its second game, winning 18-3 over Spencer.

Lena/STAA lost 20-19 to Flambeau in the March 24 contest.

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Aquinas Academy's Anthony Seefeldt's second-place finish in the shot put led the co-op team's results.

Zander Thomson was third in the high jump.

Thomson was fourth in the 55-meter hurdles, and the 4x100-meter relay team was also fourth.

Erik Kosch placed fifth in the 1,600-meter run.

Kosch was also sev-

enth in the 800-meter run, Colton Skrobel was seventh in the shot put, and Robert Alberts finished eighth in the long jump.

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Ojibwe spring fishing season starting soon

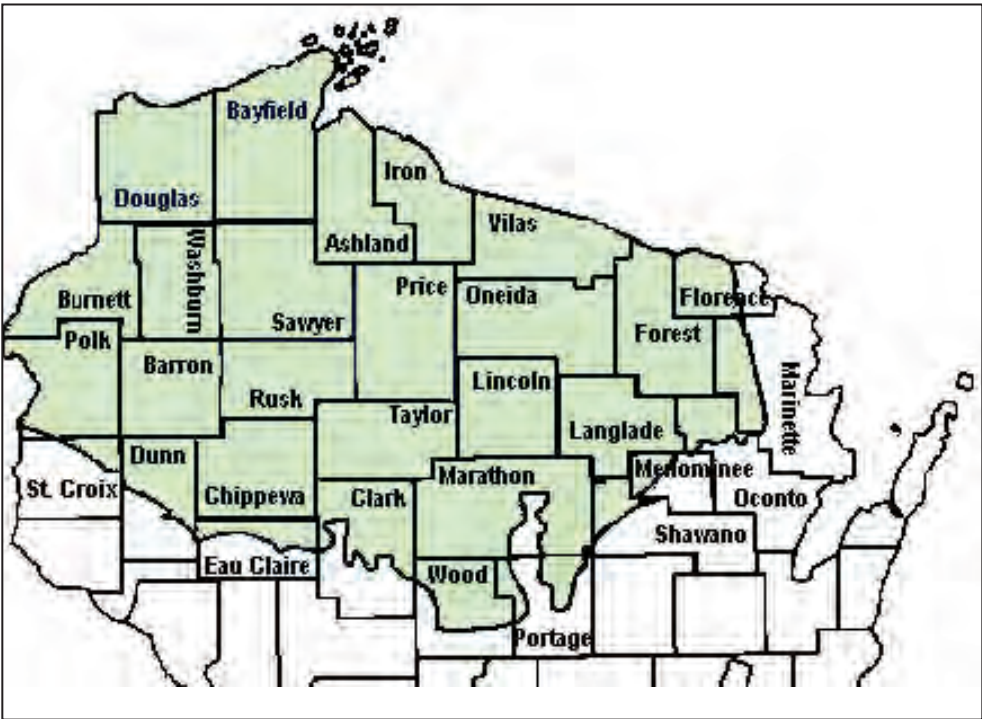
Parts of Shawano, Menominee and Oconto counties included in Ceded Territory

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds Wisconsinites of the protected tribal right to fish in certain Wisconsin waterways and the legal consequences they could face if found interfering with that right during the upcoming Ojibwe spring fishing season.

“The Wisconsin DNR fully supports Ojibwe sovereignty and treaty rights,” said DNR Deputy Secretary Steven Little. “We encourage tribal citizens to get out and exercise their treaty rights. Likewise, we remind the public that it is illegal to interfere with this right and have zero tolerance for harassment.”

Each tribal fishing season, tribal citizens harvest using various methods, including spearing and netting. The harvest usually begins shortly after the ice melts, typically by mid-April. This year, the season is expected to begin earlier due to the mild winter Wisconsin has experienced. The tribal harvest is not a date-regulated activity; as a result, there is neither an open nor closed season.

“For Ojibwe families, the spring season is a brief opportunity to harvest



In the mid-1800s, the Lake Superior Ojibwe Tribes ceded more than 22,000 square miles of tribal territory across northern Wisconsin, including all or parts of 30 counties, through a series of treaties with the United States federal government. The northwestern portions of Shawano, Menominee and Oconto counties are part of the Ceded Territory.

walleye and other species from Ceded Territory waters,” said Jason Schlender, Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC) executive administrator. “But the benefits of eating healthy meals for Ojibwe communities lasts throughout the year, from household kitchen tables to elder nutrition programs.”

Part of the collaboration between the DNR and the Ojibwe tribes includes working together to set a safe harvest limit for every walleye and muskellunge lake in the Ceded Territory. These safe harvest limits ensure that the walleye and muskellunge harvests do not adversely affect each lake’s fishery. There are 2,300 lakes

larger than 25 acres in the Ceded Territory, including 919 walleye lakes and 623 musky lakes. Each year, the Ojibwe tribal citizens fish a portion of these lakes outside of reservation boundaries during their spring harvest season. Harvest begins shortly after the ice melts, with nightly fishing permits

issued by the tribes to their members to harvest a specific number of fish, including one walleye between 20 and 24 inches and one additional walleye of any size.

All fish that are taken are documented each night by tribal clerks or wardens who are present at boat landings. Once the declared harvest is reached in a given lake, no additional permits are issued for that lake, and the harvest ends.

Tribal rights
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When the Ojibwe ceded lands to the federal government, they maintained their rights to hunt, fish and gather off reservation land within the Ceded Territory. However, after Wisconsin became a state, state and local officials frequently assumed statehood

superseded Ojibwe treaty rights and regulated or prohibited off-reservation hunting, fishing and gathering by tribal members.

In 1983, a federal court ruling reaffirmed the Ojibwe had the right to hunt, fish and gather off-reservation in the Ceded Territory — including the right to catch fish by spearing and netting.

Interfering with tribal rights
To assist in regulating those activities, 11 Ojibwe bands have formed GLIFWC, which provides fully trained wardens who patrol the Ceded Territory to make sure tribal citizens are following applicable tribal conservation laws. Violations are cited into tribal courts for prosecution.

Ojibwe spearing and netting are carefully monitored and regulated by staff from both GLIFWC and the Wisconsin DNR.

Anyone violating tribal rights could be charged under several Wisconsin laws, fined up to \$10,000 and sentenced up to nine months in prison. Additionally, any tribal member whose rights are violated may bring civil action for damages and seek a restraining order.



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For individuals experiencing pain during physical activity, Schmitz advises stopping and assessing whether the sensation is tightness or soreness.

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Sprangers, Skenadore lead Red Raiders

Olivia Sprangers and Madden Skenadore each captured a first-place finish for Pulaski on March 26 at the Red Hawk Challenge in Ripon.

Sprangers placed first in the 200-meter dash, and teammate Anna Friedman was 10th. Sprangers finished second in the 60-meter dash.

Ella Ficarri placed

second in the 60-meter hurdles, and Hallie Morz was second in the pole vault.

Ficarri, Friedman, Lydia Gwidt and Morz worked together to take second in the 4x200-meter relay.

Skenadore led the boys with a first in the 60-meter hurdles, and Keaton Dauk placed third.

Parker Marshall fin-

ished in fourth place in the 1,600-meter run and sixth place in the 800-meter run.

Fifth-place finishes were earned by Dauk in the 200-meter dash and 400-meter dash, and Bennett Vanschyndel in the high jump.

In the triple jump, it was Isaac Lom in eighth place and Jacob Heston in 10th.

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captured second, and freshman Charlie Eichman was fifth.

Freshman Kelsie Davis placed third in the shot put.

Brei was third in the high jump and fourth in the 200-meter dash.

Freshman Lily Metropulos was third in the triple jump, and Rogowski was sixth.

A Charger foursome

placed fourth in the 4x152-meter relay.

In the long jump, freshman Kaitlin Tuskowski placed fifth and junior Jayden Zeinert was seventh.

Davis finished sixth and Zeinert was eighth in the 50-meter hurdles.

Boys events

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's boys collected 16 points and finished in sixth

place.

Sophomore Mason Wierzba had the best finish for the Chargers, placing second in the shot put.

In the long jump, junior Michael Gunter placed sixth. He was also sixth in the 50-meter dash.

Gunter finished in seventh in the 200-meter dash.

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Among the many winners at the Shawano Speedway in 2023 was Lukas Postl, who claimed victory in the Late Model feature race on July 15. An open house featuring several local and statewide drivers will kick off the 2024 season April 6. Racing is scheduled to begin April 13.

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Shawano Speedway to host open house

2024 racing season set to kick off April 13, featuring Dirt Kings Late Model Tour

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Want to meet your favorite driver, get an up-close look at a stock car or learn more about racing in general? Those opportunities and more will be offered at the Shawano Speedway Fan Fest, scheduled for 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 6. The open house will be held at the Crawford Center; however, if Mother Nature is agreeable with some warm weather, cars may be on display at the fairgrounds along East Green Bay Street.

"It's a chance for drivers to show off their new wraps, new colors and new sponsors," said

Bob Schmidt, one of the organizers. "We'll have drivers from Shawano and all over."

Several hundred people attended last year's Fan Fest, and Schmidt expects a similar crowd this year, as long as the weather is good.

"It's hard to say exactly where there," he said. "People come, people go. They're not there the entire time."

Again, if weather permits, drivers will conduct a practice session at the track following the Fan Fest and running until sunset.

During the season, there are five divisions racing each Saturday night at the Shawano County

Fairgrounds.

"We usually pull in 100-110 cars each night from all around the state," Schmidt said.

The 2024 race season is set to begin April 13 and will feature the Dirt Kings Late Model Tour.

Weather permitting, races are held on the half-mile oval every Saturday night through Aug. 31.

Several special events are planned, including Teacher Appreciation Night on May 18, Hall of Fame Night on June 8, Retro Night on July 20 and a corn roast on Aug. 17.

Hot laps begin at 5:30 p.m., and all regular programs start at 6 p.m. The pit gate opens at 3 p.m., and the ticket office opens at 4

p.m.

Admission is \$12 for those 17 and older, \$6 for those 12-16 and free for those 11 and younger with a paid adult.

Pit passes are \$30 for those 12 and older and \$10 for those 11 and younger.

Half season and full season pit passes and grandstand passes are also available.

The track regularly features late models, IMCA Modifieds, IMCA Sport Modifieds, IMCA stock cars and 4-cylinders.

A brief description of each class, according to the Shawano Speedway website, follows.

Mighty 4s: This class is made up of 4-cylinder front wheel drive cars. It's de-

signed as a fun, economical class for anyone who has the urge to run on the dirt.

Shawano IMCA Sport Modifieds: This division is an affordable open wheel division designed to help drivers get behind the wheel with minimum expense. Sport mods have a crate engine program. These cars are nationally sanctioned by IMCA and race on tracks throughout the U.S.

Shawano IMCA Modifieds: The IMCA Modified Division is nationally sanctioned. It is an open wheel class that competes throughout the state, producing large fields of cars in Shawano. The minimum wheelbase on these cars is 108 inches, and cars may

not have wings or spoilers.

Shawano Late Models: These are full-bodied late model race cars. Rules have been crafted to allow cars from several sanctions to compete together at Shawano Speedway. These cars are the fastest division at the speedway.

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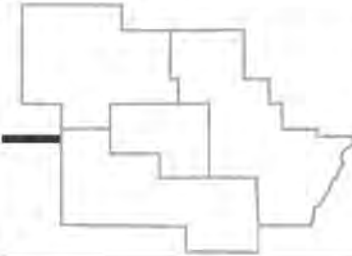
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2023 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

This is our twenty third Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. We want you to be informed about the water we deliver, and you use every day. This report contains important information about your drinking water. Have someone translate it for you or talk to someone who understands it. The Consumer Confidence Report is available to the public upon request. We are dedicated to providing you, our customer, with safe, clean and high-quality drinking water. We want to share with you the results of our efforts.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact the Director of Public Works at (715) 526-3512. To learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled Field Committee meetings. The meetings are usually held the last Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. at City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St., Shawano.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources website is also a great source of information on drinking water. The DNR's "Drinking Water and Groundwater" website can be accessed at <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/water/dwg>.

Where Our Water Comes From

The City of Shawano Public Works Department owns and operates the water supply and distribution system for most of the City of Shawano. The area along Green Bay Street east of Waukechon St. is served by Shawano Lake Sanitary District. The Shawano water system presently consists of four active ground water wells constructed in the Elk Mound Group of the Cambrian Sandstone, a 500,000-gallon elevated storage tank, a 2-million-gallon ground storage reservoir and the water distribution system. The distribution system consists of approximately 58 miles of water main. The system pumps 1.3 million gallons of water per day from our four wells. The employees at the Shawano Public Works Department work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.

Educational Information

Sources of drinking water both tap water and bottled water-include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, Industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which shall provide the same protection for public health.

DPW Tests for Water Quality

The DPW staff monitors many different contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State Laws. In addition, we also monitor on a weekly basis for potential harmful bacteria. Out of all the constituents that we are required to test, none were in violation.

The EPA has determined that your water is safe at these levels. We are proud to report that the water provided by the City of Shawano meets or exceeds established Federal and State water quality standards.

Current Tests Results

Here are the number of contaminants that were required to be tested in the last five years. This report may contain up to five years' worth of water quality results. If a water system tests annually, or more frequently, the results from the most recent year are shown. If testing is done less frequently, the results shown are from the past five years.

Contaminant Group	# of Contaminants
Disinfection Byproducts	2
Inorganic Contaminants	10
Radioactive Contaminants	4
Synthetic Organic Contaminants including Pesticides and Herbicides	1
Unregulated Contaminants	2
Contaminants with a Recommended Health Advisory Level	7

The following table shows the current detection results of our monitoring. The state requires monitoring certain constituents less than once a year because concentrations of these constituents are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. **Definitions of Terms**

CURRENT TEST RESULTS						
Contaminant (Unit Measurement)	MCLG	Violation	MCL	Level Detected	Range	Likely Source of Contamination
Disinfection Byproducts						
HAAS (ppb) site D-6	60	No	60	3	3	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
TTHM (ppb) site D-6	0	No	80	9.1	9.1	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
Inorganic Contaminants						
Arsenic (ppb)	n/a	No	10	2	0 - 2	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Barium (ppb)	2	No	2	0.087	0.015 - 0.087	Discharge of drilling wastes, Discharge from metal refineries, Erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	1.3	No	AL = 1.3	0.15*	0 of 20	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives "90" percentile value
Fluoride (ppm)	4	No	4	0.1	.01 - 0.1	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Lead (ppb)	0	No	AL = 15	3.70*	0 of 20	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits. "90" percentile value
Nickel (ppb)	n/a	No	100	4.2	1.8 - 4.2	Nickel occurs naturally in soils, ground water and surface waters and is often used in electroplating, stainless steel and alloy products.
Nitrate (N03-N) (ppm)	10	No	10	4.6	1.80 - 4.60	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage, Erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (ppm)	n/a	No	n/a	13	8.20 - 13.00	n/a
Selenium (ppb)	50	No	50	1	0 - 1	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines (sample 04/21/2020)
Unregulated Contaminants						
Metolachlor (DUAL) (ppb)	n/a	No	n/a	0.01	0.01	n/a (sample date 08/04/2020)
Radioactive Contaminants						
Gross Alpha, Excl. R&U (pCi/l)	0	No	15	3	0.0-3.0	Erosion of natural deposits (sample date 04/21/2020)
Radium (226,228) (pCi/l)	0	No	5	0.4	0.0-0.4	Erosion of natural deposits (sample date 04/21/2020)
Gross Alpha, Incl. R&U (n/a)	n/a	No	n/a	3.5	0.0-3.5	Erosion of natural deposits (sample date 04/21/2020)
Combined Uranium (ug/l)	30	No	0	1.0	0.6-1.0	Erosion of natural deposits (sample date 04/21/2020)
Contaminants with a Public Health Groundwater Standard, Health Advisory Level, or a Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level						
Contaminant (units)	SMCL (ppm)	PHG or HAL (ppm)	Level Found	Range	Sample date if prior to 2023	Typical source of Contaminant
Chloride (ppm)	250		43.0	13.00 - 43.00	10/06/2020	Runoff, Leaching from natural deposits, road salt, water softeners
Manganese (ppm)	0.05	0.3	0.00	0.00 - 0.00	10/06/2020	Leaching from natural deposits
Sulfate (ppm)	250		25.00	19.00 - 25.00	09/23/2020	Leaching from natural deposits, industrial waste

PFAS Contaminants with a Recommended Health Advisory Level				
Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a large group of human made chemicals that have been used in industry and consumer products worldwide since the 1950's. The following tables lists the contaminants which were detected in our water and that have a Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standard (RPHGS) or Health Advisory Level (HAL). There are no violations for the detections of contaminants that exceed the RPHGS or HAL. The RPHGS are levels at which concentrations of the contaminant present a health risk and are based on guidance provided by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.				
Contaminant (units)	PHG or HAL (ppm)	Level Found	Range	Typical source of Contaminant
PFBS (ppt)	450000	0.45	0.00 - 0.45	Drinking water is one way that people can be exposed to PFAS. In Wisconsin, two-thirds of people use groundwater as their drinking water source. PFAS can get in groundwater from places that make or use PFAS and release from consumer products in landfills.
PFHXS (ppt)	40	0.33	0.00 - 0.33	
PFHXA (ppt)	150000	0.61	0.00 - 0.61	
PFOA (ppt)	20	1.90	0.00 - 1.90	
PFOA and PFOS total	20	1.90	0.00 - 1.90	

In the previous tables you may have found many terms and abbreviations you were not familiar with. To help you better understand these terms, we've provided the following definitions:

Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

HA and HAL - HA: Health Advisory. An estimate of acceptable drinking water levels for a chemical substance based on health effects information. HAL: Health Advisory Level is a concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice. Health Advisories are determined by the US EPA.

HI - Hazard Index: A Hazard Index is used to assess the potential health impacts associated with mixtures of contaminants. Hazard Index guidance for a class of contaminants or mixture of contaminants may be determined by the US EPA or Wisconsin Department of Health Services. If a Health Index is exceeded a system may be required to post a public notice.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - Highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter - One ppt is the equivalent of one drop of impurity in 500,000 barrels of water or traveling 6 inches out of a 93-million-mile journey.

PHGS - Public Health Groundwater Standards are found in NR 140 Groundwater Quality. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.

RPHGS - Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standards: Groundwater standards proposed by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.

SMCL - Secondary drinking water standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels for contaminants that affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. The SMCLs do not represent health standards.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - A measure of the radioactivity in water.

Total Coliform Rule (TCR) - A measure of testing that has been performed since the early 20th century.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Additional Health Information

Inorganic Contaminants

Arsenic. Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Barium. Some people who drink water containing barium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience an increase in their blood pressure.

Chromium. Some people who use water containing chromium well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience allergic dermatitis.

Copper. Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor. Drinking Softened water may raise your exposure to higher levels of copper.

Fluoride. Some people who drink water containing fluoride in excess of the MCL over many years could get bone disease, including pain and tenderness of the bones. Children may get mottled teeth.

Lead. Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure. Lead in drinking water is rarely the sole cause of lead poisoning, but it can add to a person's total lead exposure. **Pregnant women,** infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. **When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking.** If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested. All potential sources of lead in the household should be identified and removed, replaced or reduced. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or from the EPA's web site at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Nickel. Nickel is a metallic element with a silvery-white shiny appearance and occurs extensively in the earth's crust and core. It occurs naturally in soil and water.

Nitrate. Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than 6 months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, you should ask advice from your health care provider. Females who are or may become pregnant should not consume water with nitrate concentrations that exceed 10 ppm. There is some evidence of an association between exposure to high nitrate levels in drinking water during the first weeks of pregnancy and certain birth defects. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services recommends people of all ages avoid long-term consumption of water that has nitrate levels greater than 10 milligrams per liter (mg/L).

Sodium. Is a chemical element which does not occur in nature and must be prepared from compounds.

Selenium. It is a mineral found in the soil. It naturally appears in water and some foods.

The **Total Coliform Rule** requires water systems to meet a stricter limit for coliform bacteria. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are performed to determine if harmful bacteria are also present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public by newspaper, television or radio. DPW treats the water with chlorine as a disinfectant. We are not required to add chlorine, but do so as a precautionary measure.

MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of developing the described health effect.

Drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hot line (1-800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.

EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (1-800-426-4791) or from their web site at www.epa.gov/safewater/hfacts.html.

Students poster contest winners announced

Annual conservation competition draws most entries ever

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Fifteen area youths were honored for their creativity at the March 27 meeting of the Shawano County Board. Scott Frank, county conservationist and head of the Shawano County Land Conservation Department, announced the winners of the 2024 Land and Water Conservation Poster Contest, with the theme “May the Forest Be With You Always.”

“This is a great opportunity to recognize our area students for their hard work, their creative minds and artistic talent in our county conservation poster contest,” Frank said.

The local contest, in its sixth year, is part of a nationwide endeavor. Forestry has been a common theme as of late, Frank said.

“This is the most posters we’ve ever received,” he said. “We had 208 posters. We bested last year, which was our highest year at 173.”

Students from 10 schools in six districts or systems participated. Those were Sacred Heart in Shawano, Bonduel, St. James in Shawano, Wittenberg, Shawano and Bowler.

“Each school had a student place first, second or third in the contest, so that’s pretty impressive, too,” Frank said.

Winners are:
Division 1, grades K-1: Jordi Wild, Sacred Heart



Isabella Bantle won first place in the grades 2-3 division in the annual conservation poster contest. Students from 10 schools across Shawano County participated in the nationwide event.

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School, first in Shawano County, first in Lake Michigan Area; Briella LaRock, Sacred Heart, second place; McKenna Grunwald, Sacred Heart, third place.

Division 2, grades 2-3: Isabella Bantle, Sacred Heart, first place Shawano County, second place Lake Michigan Area; Kamdyn Lance, Bonduel Elementary School, second place; Payton Prodel, Bonduel, third place.

Division 3, grades 4-6: Easton Bartz, St. James Lutheran School, first place Shawano County, second place Lake Michigan Area; Meadow Williams, St. James, second place; Evalann Wurtinger, Wittenberg Elementary School, third place.

Division 4, grades 7-9: Austin Stickney, Shawano Community High School, first place Shawano County, first place Lake Michigan Area; Madison Brandt, Shawano Community Middle School, second place; Layla Kazik, Shawano Community Middle School, third place.

Division 5, grades 10-12: Maleeya Peters, Bowler School, first place Shawano County, first place Lake Michigan Area; Rhianna Rosenow, Bowler, second place; Ayasha Bowman, Bowler, third place.

The Division 5 winners were not at the meeting as the district was on spring break.

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Students in grades 7-9 display their winning entries in the annual conservation poster contest. From left, are Layla Kazik, Madison Brandt and Austin Stickney.

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Grades K-1 winners in the conservation poster contest are, from left, Briella LaRock, McKenna Grunwald and Jordi Wild. More photos of winners can be found at www.newmedia-wi.com.

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The reporter/editor candidate would spend much of their time covering Oconto County, although occasionally a story could take them to Shawano County or Menominee County. Editors also work with freelancers to help out with stories when needed and seek out potential writers to add to the papers’ richness.

NEW Media tells the local stories that are ignored by other media outlets and provide the facts that are covered up by the keyboard gossips on social media. We’re seeking someone versatile in what they cover, can turn stories around quickly, and can sniff out stories on their own. While the office is a base of operations, we want someone who’ll be out in the community gathering the news.

All are welcome to apply, including recent or pending college graduates. Photography and copy editing skills are a must, and experience with shooting and editing videos could bring you to the front of the line. Experience laying out pages is also helpful, but we can train in-house.

Send a resume, cover letter explaining why you want the job and four to six samples of your work to editor Kevin Passon at kpasson@newmedia-wi.com.



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As you can see by the table, our system has no violations. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State Requirements

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by constituents that are naturally occurring or manmade. Constituents can be microbes, organic or inorganic chemicals, or radioactive materials.

The fact that our system is based on deep well water reduces the risk of certain contaminants associated with surface water systems, such as cryptosporidium.

The SCADA systems controls the wells, reservoir and water tower. The SCADA system provides alarms when the tower level is too high or low and when there is a power outage that requires the operators to use standby generators.

The City is committed to providing quality water to the residents of Shawano and from time to time extensive maintenance must be completed to maintain our high level of quality. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the City of Shawano Water Operation Department at (715) 526-3512.

Projects of note for 2022

All of the cities known lead water services were removed prior to September 30 2022. The City of Shawano has a Lead free status. Also, the cities 2 million gallon above ground storage tank was upgraded with significant maintenance and equipment.

What's new for 2023

Water main replacements that are coordinated with 2023 street reconstruction projects are in the following areas: 4, 5, 6, and 700 blocks of S. Weed St., 600 block of W. Danks, 6 and 700 block of W. Pine St., and 600 block of S. River St.

All wells have been maintained based on the DNR recommended schedule.

The DPW provides clean safe water to all its customers. We are also responsible to inspect the plumbing in your building to make sure that there is no possibility that it could contaminate the city water supply. Cross-Connection inspections will be done at approximately 200 businesses and 340 residences during 2023. If your home or business is to be inspected this year you will be notified by mail to schedule an inspection. If you would like to have your home or business inspected for a lead water service, please call DPW to schedule that inspection.

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Operation Christmas Child celebration planned

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoe box ministry will hold a celebration for the Green Bay area from 10 a.m. to noon April 6 at Grace Lutheran Church, 501 S. Main St., Oconto Falls.

The Green Bay region is comprised of 12 counties. The successful 2023 collection will be celebrated and exciting news for 2024 will be shared along with praise, prayer and fellowship. This year-

round project is an effective means of sharing the Gospel with children and their families throughout the world. For information, contact Ellen Pritzlaff, local coordinator, at 920-362-5752.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

March 31
Deputies responded to 16 incidents, including property theft on County Road J in the Town of Morris; an animal problem at Red Rooster Cafe, 237 S. Cecil St., Bonduel; custodial interference on Middle Branch Road in the Town of Morris; harassment of Maple Street in Birnamwood; three 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; one traffic hazard; two crashes.

March 30
Deputies responded to 25 incidents, including juvenile alcohol at Club 117, 117 N. Cecil St., Bonduel; child abuse at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B, Shawano; operating with a license on state Highway 22 in the Town of Washington; animal bite on Elm Grove Road in the Town of Pella; animal bite on Spring Brook Road in the Town of Germania; juvenile alcohol on Elm Grove Road in the Town of Pella; two 911 calls; three reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; two crashes, one involving deer.

March 29
Deputies responded to 40 incidents, including burglary and a warrant on County Road Y in the Town of Belle Plaine; assisting with a fire on state Highway 160 in the Town of Maple Grove; fraud on Sunset Circle in the Town of Wescott; assisting with a fire on County Road D in the Town of Pella; warrant at Chet and Emil's, 365 Railroad St., Birnamwood; two 911 calls; five reckless driving incidents; two traffic hazards; one crash.

March 28
Deputies responded to 30 incidents, including a warrant at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano; bail jumping on state Highway 160 in the Town of Angelica; warrant at the Menominee Tribal Jail, W3293 Wolf River Road, Keshena; property theft on County Road PP in the Town of Germania; trespassing on Hill Road in the Town of Lessor; threatening on Maple Leaf Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; operating without a license on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; fleeing and pursuit on Witt-Birn Town Line Road in the Town of Wit-

tenberg; one reckless driving incident; two crashes, one involving an animal.
March 27
Deputies responded to 35 incidents, including an eviction on Humphrey Circle in Shawano; eviction of West Picnic Street in Shawano; attempted theft on Knoke Street in Gresham; three 911 calls; three reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; two crashes.

March 26
Deputies responded to 30 incidents, including assisting with a fire at Birnamwood Elementary-Middle School, 337 Main St., Birnamwood; vehicle theft on Wahl Road in the Town of Green Valley; property damage on North Warrington Avenue in Cecil; trespassing on County Road E in the Town of Washington; a sick animal on Cypress Road in the Town of Richmond; drugs on U.S. Highway 45 in Birnamwood; one 911 call; one reckless driving incident; one traffic hazard; three crashes.

March 25
Deputies responded to 46 incidents, including a warrant at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano; shoplifting at Kwik Trip, 102 W. Express Way, Bonduel; trespassing on Kolpack Lane in the Town of Bartelme; assisting with a fire on state Highway 29 in the Town of Richmond; three 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; two traffic hazards; seven crashes.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

March 31
Officers responded to 11 incidents, including a traffic violation on Waukechon Street.

March 30
Officers responded to 11 incidents, including noise on West Eagle Street; property damage on Northridge Drive; harassment on South Main Street; noise at SAM's House, 105 E. Richmond St.; fight in progress on South Sawyer Street.

March 29
Officers responded to 20 incidents, including a fight in progress on South Washington Street; animal problem on South Sawyer Street; traffic hazard on Waukechon Street; traffic hazard on East Green Bay Street; found property on North Franklin Street; vehicle crash at The Store, 404 E.

Green Bay St.; found property at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; shoplifting at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.

March 28
Officers responded to 15 incidents, including an intoxicated person at Stubborn Brothers Brewery, 220 S. Main St.; burglary on South Andrews Street; property theft at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.

March 27
Officers responded to 34 incidents, including vandalism at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; tobacco problem at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; reckless driving on East Lieg Avenue; property theft at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; fraud at BMO Bank, 101 N. Main St.; juvenile problem at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; shoplifting at People's Express South, 716 S. Main St.; shoplifting at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; child abuse or neglect on Northridge Drive; bail jumping at Ole Town Tap, 115 N. Main St.; juvenile problem at Prevea, 1300 E. Green Bay St.; property theft on South Main Street; animal bite on South River Street.

March 26
Officers responded to 40 incidents, including two trespassing complaints at Pizza Hut, 1209 E. Green Bay St.; attempted theft on East Green Bay Street; vehicle crash with property damage on North Main Street; vehicle crash on Birch Hill Lane; sexual assault at an undisclosed location; truancy at Hillcrest Primary School, 1410 Waukechon St.; vehicle crash on North Main Street; tobacco problem at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; three truancy complaints at Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St.; property theft on East Green Bay Street; vehicle crash at Dunkin Donuts, 1209 E. Green Bay St.

March 25
Officers responded to 16 incidents, including drug offenses at an undisclosed location; property theft at an undisclosed location; child abuse or neglect at an undisclosed location; shoplifting at Charlie's County Market; truancy at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B.

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• Luann P. Calmes, 60, Gillett, pleaded no contest March 25 to operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense), possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and a misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Judge William Kussel Jr. sentenced her to 210 days in the county jail, revoked her license for 24 months and levied fines and court costs of \$3,940.81.

• Theodore E. Rustick, 50, Birnamwood, was charged March 25 with possession of narcotic drugs and misdemeanor bail jumping. Judge Katherine Sloma set a \$250 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for April 3.
• Jackie L. Gardner, 37, Birnamwood, was charged March 27 with possession of narcotic drugs, possession of methamphetamine and five counts of felony bail jumping.

Sloma set a \$750 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for June 19.
• Jerrad T. Seibert, 36, Appleton, was charged March 28 with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fifth or sixth offense) and misdemeanor counts of operating while revoked and violating an ignition interlock device order. Sloma set a \$5,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for April 4.

Shawano School District gets mental health funding

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction has announced it has allocated nearly \$12 million in federal funding to local education agencies across the state to help meet their unique individual needs as students continue facing growing mental health challenges.

Shawano School District is among the recipients.

The Stronger Connections competitive grant is part of the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act legislation signed into law by President Joe Biden in June 2022. In addition to helping school districts establish safe, inclusive, healthy, and supportive learning opportunities and environments for students, grant funding will provide the opportunity for school districts to implement comprehensive, evidence-based strategies and increase access to place-based interventions and services.

“I am grateful for this funding from our federal partners, and Wisconsin should now step up to the plate and do more to meet the very real needs of our kids,” State Superintendent Jill Underly said. “Our state currently has the means to make a tremendous difference in the mental health of our kids, and I will continue fighting for our schools to be equipped with staff and the resources to do so. It is critical we come together to support our kids as they endure mounting mental health challenges.”

The DPI engaged with external reviewers across the state with expertise in comprehensive, evidence-based strategies that meet students' social, emotional, physical, and mental well-being needs to review applications and determine grant allocation amounts.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please take notice that a Public Hearing will be held before the Plan Commission of the City of Shawano on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at 5:00 PM at Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St., Shawano, WI to consider the following: Zoning Map amendment pursuant to City Code Section 10-170 to rezone the following from Business Park (BP) to Multi-Family Residential-20 (MR-20) the property more commonly known as: Parcel #281-052200004, Legal description: Part of Frac NW ¼ NW ¼ NKA Lot 2 V14 CSM P258 Map #3400 Sec 5 T26N R18E (vacant property on the north side of County Road B, beginning approximately 350 ft. from Waukechon Street, Shawano). Said parcel contains 7.914 acres. At the above time and place all interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard. Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk City of Shawano

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 24-PR-16

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DOROTHY TRYBA

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth February 23, 1937 and date of death January 2, 2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W19140 Blue Goose Road, Wittenberg, WI 54499
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is July 9, 2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.

/s/ Gwen Hoffman
Probate Registrar
March 25, 2024

PAUL A. ANDERSON, Attorney
1001 Union Street, PO Box 325
Stevens Point, WI 54481-0325
715-341-3323
Bar No. 1022993

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 24PR22

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Mark F. Born

DOD 11-14-2023

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 06-19-1952 and date of death 11-14-2023, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W9734 Cty Trk DD, Clintonville, WI 54529.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is July 9, 2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202 Probate Room.

/s/ Gwen Hoffman
Probate Registrar
March 25, 2024

James E. Aschenbrener
P.O. Box 146
Shawano, WI 54166
715-524-6258
Bar No. 1008896

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NOTICE OF STORAGE
UNITS AUCTION

Gresham Self Storage located at W10129 Cherry Rd / W10711 Upper Lake Dr, Gresham, WI 54128 is holding a public auction for the contents of Cory M. Bukowiec storage unit to satisfy the owner's lien at public auction to the highest bidder. The auction will be located at www.StorageTreasures.com. Bidding ends on 4/20/24 at 12:00pm CST. Contents of the units are general household and personal items. Tenants may satisfy their indebtedness any time prior to the auction.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF SHAWANO, WISCONSIN
FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE

PUBLIC NOTICE is given to all persons in the City of Shawano that a public hearing will be held before the City of Shawano Plan Commission on Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 5:00 PM at Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer Street, Shawano, WI to solicit comments on the proposed City of Shawano floodplain zoning ordinance revisions that are required by state and federal law. These revisions govern development in mapped floodplain areas. The proposed ordinance revisions are on file in the office of the City Clerk. The proposed regulations are intended to protect life, health and property in floodplain areas and will govern uses permitted in mapped floodplains. Activities such as dredging, filling, excavating and construction of buildings are generally allowed, but may be restricted according to which flood zone the property is in. A copy of the proposed ordinance will be on file and open for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk for a period of two weeks prior to this public hearing. All persons interested are invited to attend this hearing and be heard. Written comments may be submitted to: City Planning and Zoning Administrator Dave Moesch at Shawano City Hall or by emailing dmoesch@cityofshawano.com.

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ORDINANCE CREATING A BOAT LAUNCH FEE
FOR THE TOWN OF BELLE PLAINE
OWNED AND OPERATED PUBLIC BOAT LAUNCH SITES
Ordinance No. 05-23

The Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Belle Plaine does ordain as follows:
1. Authority. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to authority conferred by Section 30.77 of the Wisconsin Statutes and Chapter NR 1.91 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code.
2. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish a reasonable boat launch fee for the Town of Belle Plaine owned boat launch facilities to help defray the cost of maintaining and operating such facilities.
3. Establishment of Boat Launch Fee. a. Daily. There shall be daily boat launch fee for residents of the Town of Belle Plaine in the amount of \$5.00 and a daily boat launch fee for non-resident in the amount of \$10.00. A daily boat fee shall be valid for the entire day at any public boat launch owned and operated by the Town of Belle Plaine. b. Annual. There shall be an annual boat launch fee for the residents of the Town of Belle Plaine in the amount of \$30.00 and an annual boat launch fee for non-residents in the amount of \$60.00 An annual boat launch fee shall be valid for the entire calendar year at any public launch owned and operated by the Town of Belle Plaine.
4. Permits Required. No Person shall launch a boat or any other watercraft without obtaining and displaying either a valid daily or annual permit. Daily permits shall be available at the launch site and be displayed on the towing vehicle's dashboard on the driver's side. Annual permits shall be available at the Town Hall and at the launch site and be affixed to the boat or watercraft trailer on the trailer tongue in a prominent place.
5. Penalties. Any person who violates this ordinance shall be subject to the forfeiture of not less than \$40.00 for each offense. Dated this 8th day of May 2023 This ordinance will be in effect in spring of 2024.

Alvin Bartz, Chair

ATTEST:

Kristine Vomastic, Clerk

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
CASE NO. 24-CV-45
HON. WILLIAM F. KUSSEL, JR.
Money Judgment: 30301 The amount claimed exceeds \$10,000.00
Other Contracts 30303:
Wis.Stat. §810 Replevin

COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION
PO BOX 107
ANTIGO, WI 54409
Plaintiff,
v.
LONNIE J. MARTIN
154 S. MAIN STREET, APT. B
SHAWANO, WI 54166
Defendant.
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN,
To each person named above as a defendant:
You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.
Within **40 days** after the date of first publication, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The Court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166, **and** to Galanis, Pollack, Jacobs & Johnson, S.C., plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 413 North 2nd Street, Suite 150, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203. You may have an attorney help or represent you.
If you do not provide a proper answer within **40 days**, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
DATED at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on March 27, 2024.
GALANIS, POLLACK, JACOBS & JOHNSON, SC
Attorneys for Plaintiff
/S/ Electronically signed
Joshua J. Brady
WI State Bar No. 1041428
P. O. Address:
413 N. 2nd Street, Suite 150
Milwaukee, WI 53203
Telephone: (414) 271-5400

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
CASE NO. 24-CV-49
HON. WILLIAM F. KUSSEL JR
Money Judgment: 30301
The amount claimed exceeds \$10,000.00
Other Contracts 30303:
Wis.Stat. §810 Replevin

Plaintiff,
COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION
PO BOX 107
ANTIGO, WI 54409
Defendant.
JENNIFER CHARLES
111 ½ E. GREEN BAY ST., APT. A
BONDUEL, WI 54107
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN,
To each person named above as a defendant:
You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.
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City of Gillett Utility Department
Flushing Notice

The City of Gillett Utility Department will be flushing hydrants on Monday – Wednesday, April 15, 16, 17, 2024. There may be some discoloration in your water with this procedure, please plan your activities accordingly. 150 N McKenzie Ave, Gillett WI, 54124 (P) 920-855-2255 www.cityofgillett.com

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case # 24cv17
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Heidi Kay Bannister
By Heidi Kay Bannister

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
FROM: Heidi Kay Bannister
TO: Ava Watson
Birth Certificate: Heidi Kay Bannister
IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin:
Judge's name: Judge Sloma
BR I 311 N maint Street, Shawano, WI, 54166
Date: 04/30/2024 Time: 8:15AM
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526-9347 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class # notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Shawano Leader, a newspaper published in **Shawano County** State of Wisconsin.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
BROWN COUNTY
SMALL CLAIMS BRANCH
AMENDED SUMMONS / PUBLICATION
NOTICE OF SMALL CLAIMS
Case No. 2024SC000596
Y&D CORP. d/b/a DORSCH FORD
2641 Eaton Road
Green Bay, WI 54311
Plaintiff,
vs.
DAVID M. KOHN
N3832 County Road F
Bonduel, WI 54107
&
NICOLE L. KOHN
W4011 County Road E
Cecil, WI 54111
Defendant(s).
You are being sued by Y&D CORP. d/b/a DORSCH FORD, in the small claims court for Brown County, in Courtroom B, Brown County Courthouse, 100 S. Jefferson Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin. A hearing will be held on April 17, 2024, at 1:15 in the p.m. If you do not appear, a money judgment may be given to the person suing for **\$7,492.63**, plus costs, disbursements and reasonable attorney fees. A copy of the claim has been mailed to you at the address above. This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained shall be used for that purpose.
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Notice Setting Time to Hear
Application and Deadline for Filing
Claims (Informal Administration)
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case Number - 24 PR 21
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF LINDA L. KRAEMER
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 11/03/1942 and date of death 02/28/2024, was domiciled in Shawano, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N2803 Rustic Dr, Clintonville, WI 54929, USA.
3. The application will be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 North Main Street, Wisconsin, Room 202 probate office, before Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar, on April 30, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.
You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate 07/08/2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N Main St, Shawano, WI 54166, USA.
Electronically signed by Gwen Hoffman
Probate Registrar
03-21-2024

Form completed by:
Attorney Daniel J. Walsh
2181 S Oneida St, Green Bay, WI 54304, USA

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Shawano School District

Is accepting proposals for the Purchase and Installation of a Wrestling Mat Hoist System. Details can be found on the school's website:
<https://www.shawanoschools.com/page/building-and-grounds>
Any questions should be directed to Shawn Mathwich Via email: smathwich@shawanoschools.org
Proposal due date/opening: Monday, April 22, 2024 at 2:00 PM.

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TOWN OF SENECA
ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Town of Seneca will be called to order on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Seneca Town Hall. Raymond Rigsby, Clerk

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Notice that Assessment Roll is Available for Examination
For The Town of Seneca

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the assessment roll for the Town of Seneca is open for inspection April 18th, 2024 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Seneca Town Hall. FURTHER, BE ADVISED that the Assessor for the Town of Seneca will be present on April 18th, 2024 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Seneca Town Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Raymond Rigsby, Clerk in the Town of Seneca at 715-851-2251
Posted March 16, 2024
Seneca Town Hall
Tilleda Post Office
The Wright Place Bar & Grill

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Case No. 24PR17
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Kenneth C. Bente

11-2-2022

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10-13-1938 and date of death 11-2-2022, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W5160 Pioneer Court, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 20, 2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 North Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
/s/ Gwen Hoffman
James E Aschenbrener
P.O. Box 146
Shawano, WI 54166
715-524-6258
Bar No. 1008896

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
NOTICE OF ADJOURNED
FORECLOSURE SALE
Case No. 23-CV-000113

BMO Bank, N.A. f/k/a BMO Harris Bank, N.A.
Plaintiff,
vs.
Amy F. Henning, John Doe Henning a/k/a Stuart Henning and Northern Heating & Electric
Defendants.
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on August 28, 2023 in the amount of \$61,338.44 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:
ORIGINAL TIME:
March 13, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.
ADJOURNED TIME:
May 8, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.
TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and encumbrances.
PLACE:
In the front lobby of the Shawano County Courthouse, City and County of Shawano
DESCRIPTION:
Lot Five (5), Block One (1), according to the recorded Plat of Forest Hill Park Addition; being a part of Lot One (1), Block Twenty-one (21) of the Assessors Plat of City of Shawano, all in the City of Shawano, Shawano County, Wisconsin.
PROPERTY ADDRESS:
1122 E Lieg Ave
Shawano, WI 54166-3608
DATED:
March 8, 2024
George Lenzner
Shawano County Sheriff
Gray & Associates, L.L.P.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
16345 West Glendale Drive
New Berlin, WI 53151-2841
(414) 224-8404
Please go to www.gray-law.com to obtain the bid for this sale.
Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.

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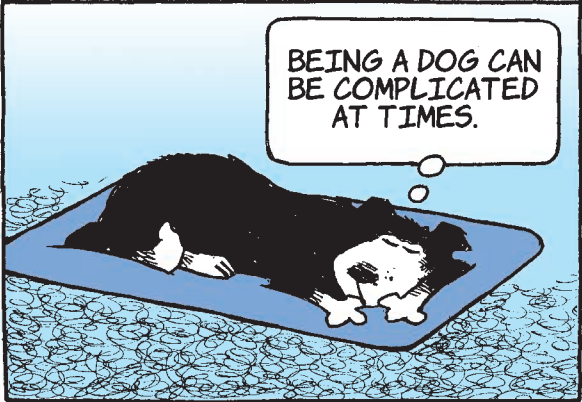
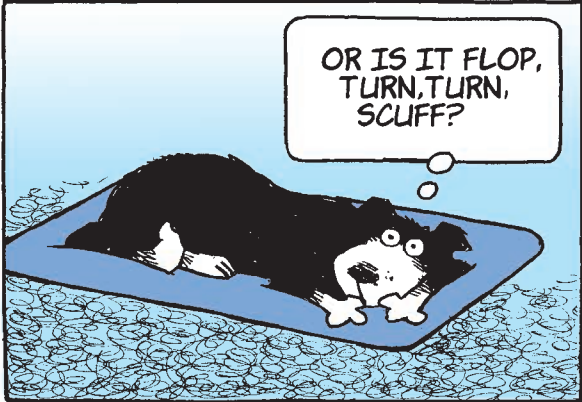
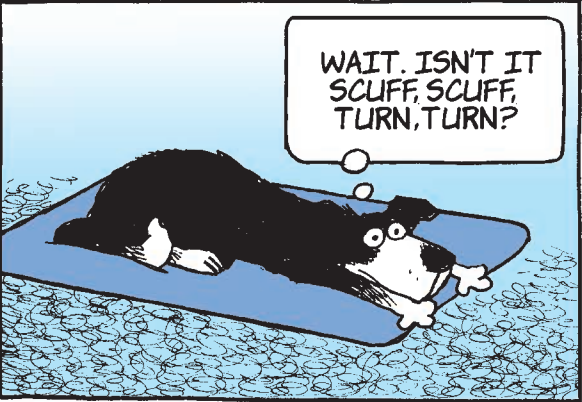
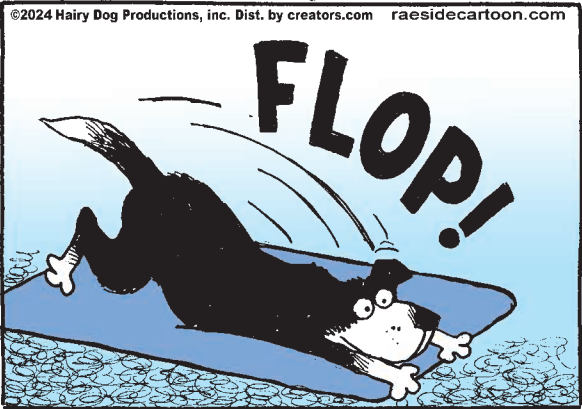
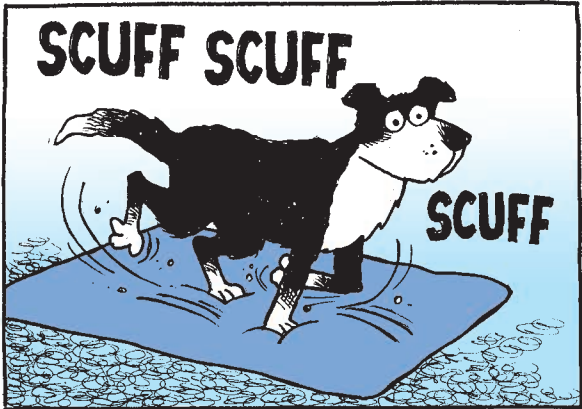
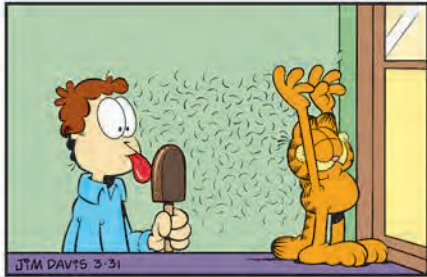
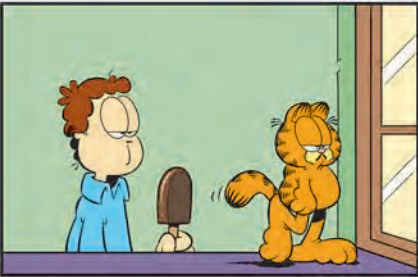
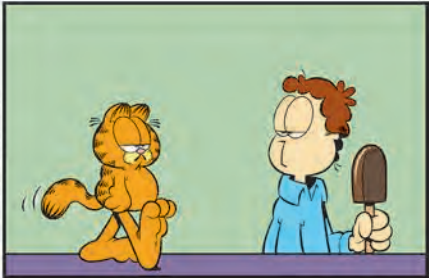


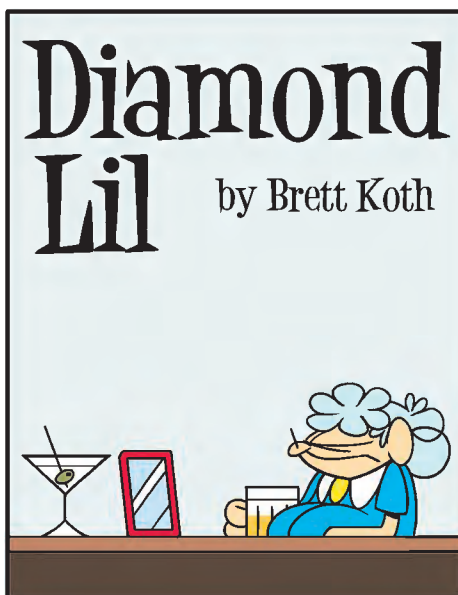
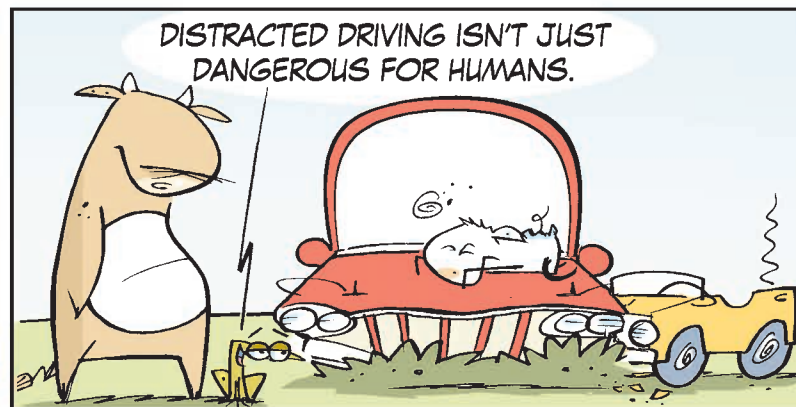
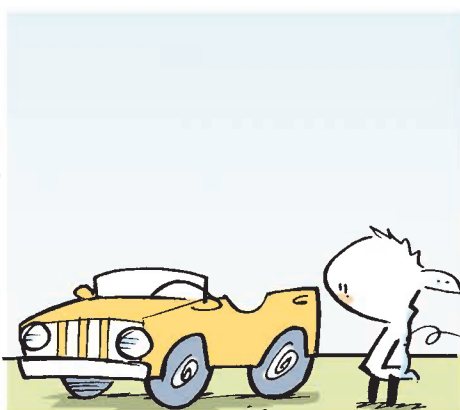
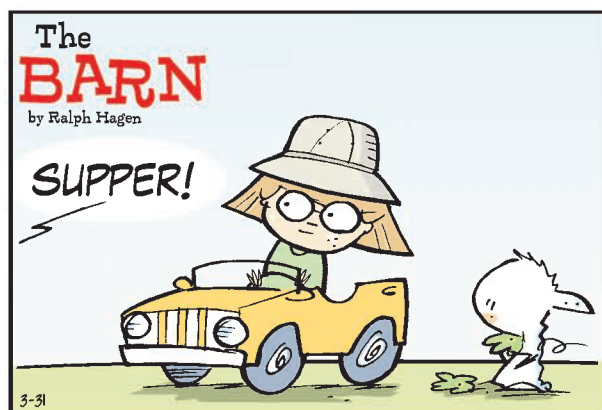
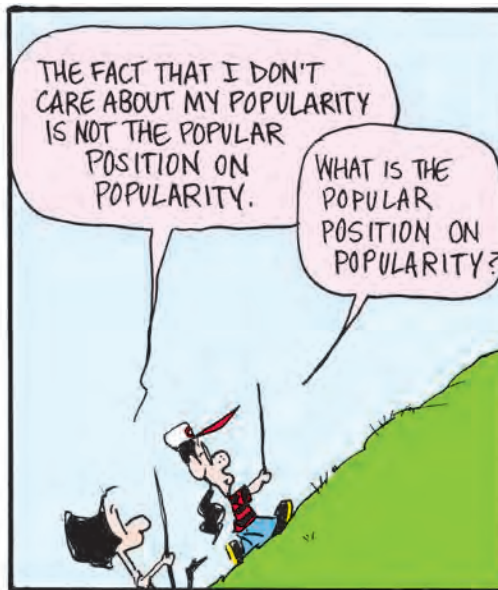
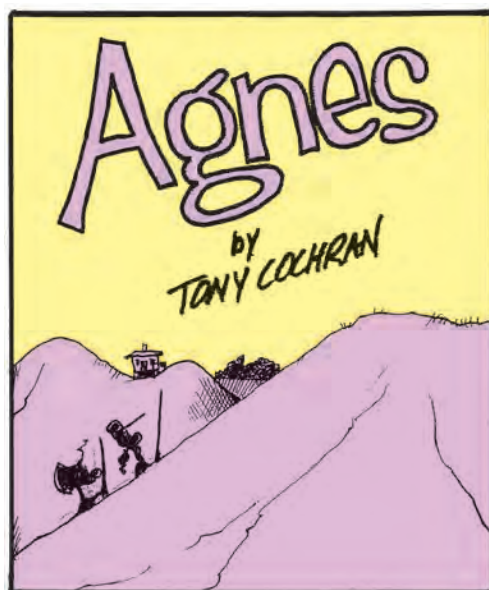
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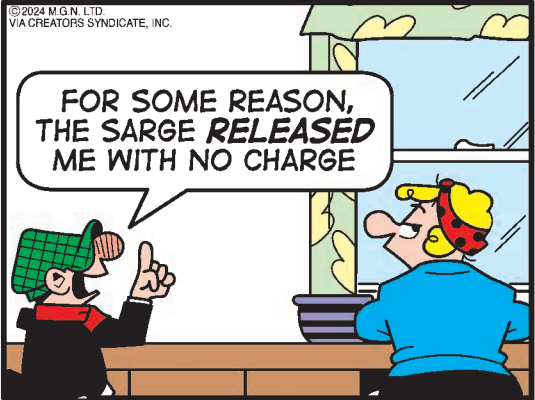
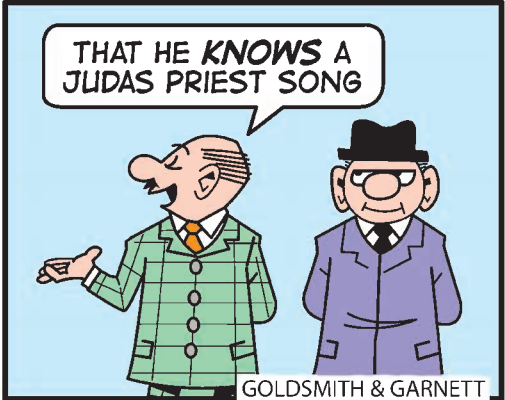
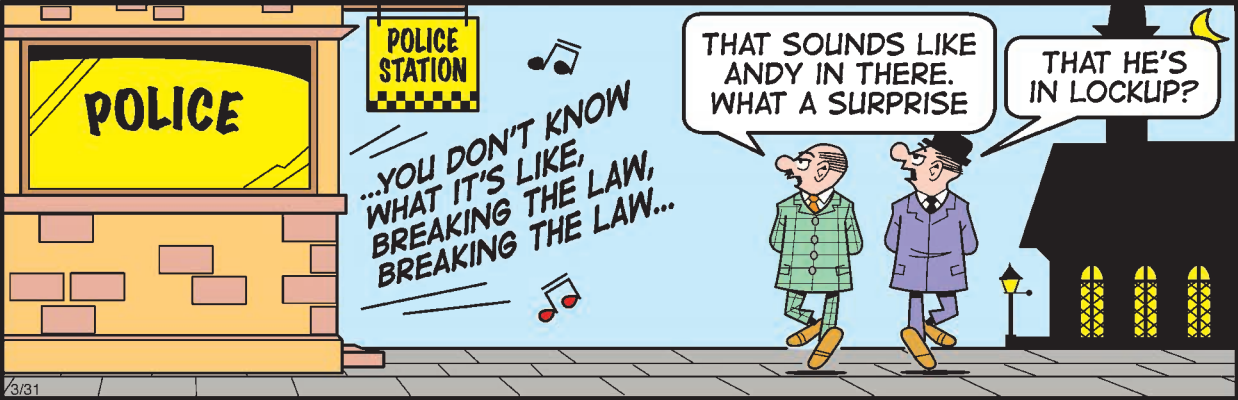
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