



Bondel High School student Jeffrey Jagodzinski, left, reads the proposed ordinance he and other students discussed at the Youth Government Day's mock county board meeting. Students debated the measure that proposed a curfew for minors across the county. KEVIN PASSON | NEW MEDIA

Summit shows crisis level for child care

Limited options, difficulty with work schedules among the issues

By LEE PULASKI City Editor

Finding adequate child care is not just a local issue — it's a global one, as well. It's an issue that business owners tried to get their heads around during a March 20 summit at Stubborn Brothers Brewery put on by Shawano County Economic Progress Inc., Shawano County Chamber of Commerce and the Shawano Area Young Professionals.

Bec Kurzynske, a Krakow resident and employee benefits director for M3, gave some sobering numbers on Wisconsin's child care crisis. Out of 577 child care facilities in the state, 19% are closing due to reduced capacity, because they can't hire adequate staff to run the program, she said. That results in almost 6,000 slots for children being lost, and 76% of the programs that are still open have waiting lists because they also struggle to hire staff.

Kurzynske noted that businesses can do more to help employees as many people are questioning whether they want to have children due to the expense and difficulties of finding child care. She pointed out that only 9% of employers offer family building benefits.

"There's certainly an opportunity, if your organization can be more flexible in terms of the leave that you provide or the benefits that you offer," Kurzynske said.

There are dependent care flexible spending accounts offered through the federal government, but families only receive \$5,000, an amount that has been in place since 1986, according to Kurzynske. The funds can be saved tax-free for child care, she said.

"This one disgusts me," Kurzynske said. "I think it's ridiculous that the federal government still thinks \$5,000 for dependent care is an appropriate amount that folks are able to save."

She recommended that businesses band together to advocate for changes and updates to programs that would make it easier for families to afford child care. She also recommended businesses be flexible with their employees' work hours so

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High school students learn about county government operations

Veterans host annual Youth Government Day

By KEVIN PASSON Editor-in-chief

More than 160 high school teens descended on the Shawano County Courthouse on March 19 as part of the annual Youth Government Day.

The students toured the many county offices, participated in a mock county board meeting and witnessed a police K-9 demonstration.

The Shawano County Veterans Service Office coordinates the event, and local American Legion units provide lunch for everyone and serve as tour guides, said Jennifer Langlois, benefit specialist with veterans office.

"We had 164 students registered, double the amount from last year," she said.

"This is the biggest crowd we've ever had," added Paul Pionke, CVSO director.

With one group holding a mock board

meeting and debating a proposed ordinance to create a countywide curfew for anyone younger than 18, others were divided into small groups to tour the many courthouse offices as well as the sheriff's office, where they viewed the interior of squad car and viewed a K-9 demonstration.

Bob Schmidt, an American Legion member from Caroline, has been participating at every Youth Government Day for 50 years. Schmidt leads the discussion on the mock county board meeting.

"I got hired at the sheriff's department as a jailer by Sandy Montour, and that was my assignment in April of that year," he said. "Some of the other guys didn't like doing that stuff, so every year and every sheriff I worked for knew I was helping with it and just kept me working on it."

An Army veteran who served from 1968-70, Schmidt said it's a great program.

"(It) lets kids see what county government is all about, and the elected officials talk to each group throughout the day," Schmidt said. "I just think it gives them an overall view of what county government is all about and their part in it as citizens."

In previous years, the event alternated between a mock county board meeting and a mock trial.

"What I like is when the kids really want to participate with a lot of questions," Schmidt said. "The students seem to enjoy a whole bunch of it."

The sheriff's office is always popular with the students, but so is the technology used in the courthouse, especially when something new is integrated.

At the start of the mock county board meeting, Pionke told students there are three kinds of people in the world.

"Those that watch things happen, those who make things happen and those who ask, 'What just happened?'" he said.

He told students they would be all three of them that day but hopefully would mature into the second group — those who make things happen.

"In order to be a true person, you have to be all three of them," Pionke said. "Eventually you'll make that decision of which lane you want to go to. Hopefully, for the future of America, you'll be making things happen."

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Atley finds permanent home as shooter eludes law enforcement.

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State Highway 117 work to begin April 1

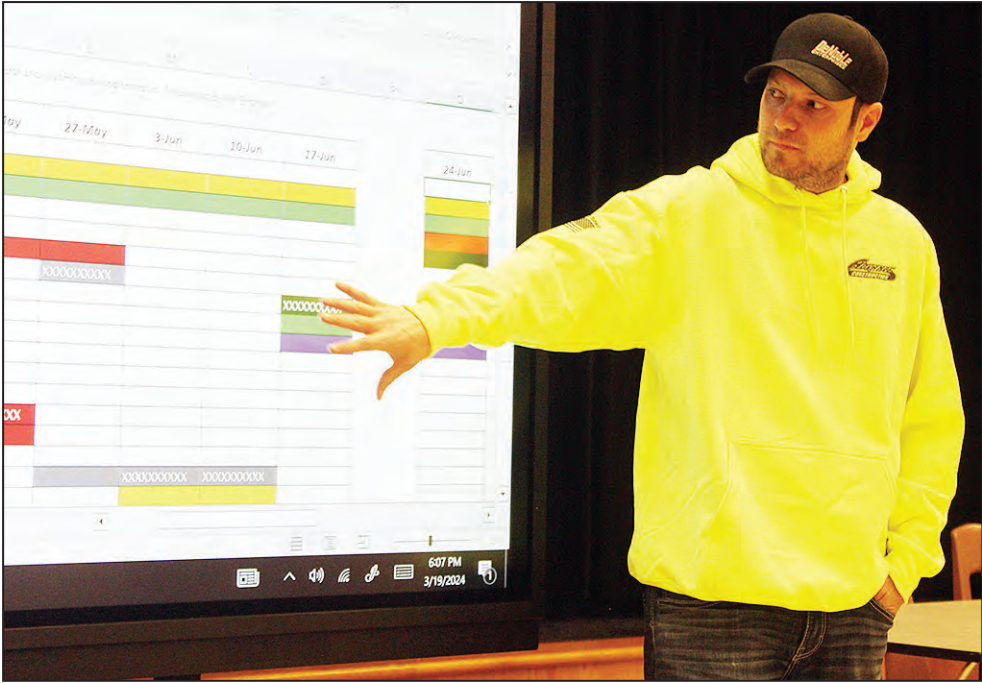
DOT, others outline what area will be closed, how services will be affected

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

The work on state Highway 117 through Bonduel will now be starting April 1 instead of March 25, due to the wintry weather predicted for the first week of spring, officials told the public at an informational meeting March 19 at Sousa Hall at Bonduel High School.

Originally slated to begin May 6, Wisconsin Department of Transportation officials moved up the timetable to the last week of March because of the warmer and drier winter the area has been experiencing. However, temperatures and weather conditions returned to average form with snow and rain planned that made pushing the project back a week essential.

The project is being done in three stages — first from Express Way to South Street, which is expected to take about three weeks, according to Chris VandenBush with Advance Construction. During the first phase, this portion of the highway will be completely closed, and vehicles will be detoured through the village.



Chris VandenBush with Advance Construction shows what's going to be done during the second phase of the state Highway 117 project on March 19 at Bonduel High School's Sousa Hall.

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The next phase goes from South Street to Green Bay Street, also designated as County Road BE, and is expected to go through mid-June. Originally, the village had reported this area would be a hard closure like the first phase, but the DOT is allowing traffic going to area businesses into the construction zone, according to VandenBush, with barricades being staggered and access to the businesses being developed.

The final phase, expected to last one to two weeks, will cover Highway 117 from County Road BE to Mutzy Lane.

Traffic will be allowed to go into this area, but there will be flagged operations, according to VandenBush. Those needing to go through the village will need to plan for additional time, he said.

"Business sensitive areas — we are here to work with you," VandenBush said. "I actually own a small business outside of what I do here. I get it. You need people to get to you to pay the bills and everything."

Because the second week of the final phase would take place the week of Independence Day, when Bonduel hosts Shawano County's big-

gest patriotic celebration, there was concern about the impact it would have on the village's annual parade, which starts on County Road BE and goes past Highway 117. The road work on the intersection itself, however, will be completed in the second phase.

VandenBush said that construction will be starting at 7 a.m. weekdays, finishing at 7 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and no later than 3 p.m. on Fridays.

"We want to make this as easy as possible, but we also want to get done in a timely manner so you can get back to everyday

life," VandenBush said.

Concerns were raised on the possibility that the construction area would be completely closed for Memorial Day weekend, when many travelers to Shawano Lake and other points north normally travel Highway 117 to reach their destinations. Officials pointed out that there would be detours announced in advance of the holiday weekend.

Ryan Erdmann, a DOT civil engineer and project manager for the Highway 117 project, told the 100-plus people in attendance that community involvement and planning should reduce the obstacles and challenges of local businesses during the next three months.

"Nobody knows your business better than you, what your operations entail — whether that be deliveries, employee parking, customer parking," Erdmann said. "The more time we have to address a problem, the happier everyone's going to be."

Bonduel's municipal operations will be setting up temporary signs for detours and other aspects of the project, according to Erdmann. He added that the DOT and the village will be holding public meetings prior to the start of the other two phases, and that the state's 511 website will be providing weekly updates

on the project's progress, which will be added to the village's Facebook page and website, www.villageofbonduel.com.

Erdmann asked village residents to be patient during the project and communicate concerns to help the process.

"We're looking at this as a team project, and you're part of that team," Erdmann said. "We welcome feedback. Help us look ahead for preventing problems before they're problems."

Jesse Rankin, Bonduel's municipal operations director, recommended that anyone with concerns contact him to avoid any delays at construction sites, and he can relay to the project directors. He noted that garbage collection and mail delivery will still take place in the affected areas, although it might be delayed a day or two.

Rankin can be reached at 715-758-8779 or public-works@villageofbonduel.com.

Village Police Chief Keith Fischer noted that the second phase of construction will be scrutinized by local police or state troopers to make sure vehicles aren't going through the area instead of taking the detours to reach destinations outside the construction zone.

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CHRIS VANDENBUSH, Advance Construction

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that they can care for their children after school lets out.

"It could be things like allowing for volunteer time off to allow your employees to be able to volunteer at child care centers," Kurzynske said. "It could be matching funds for contributions for costs that aren't covered related to programming efforts. Are there ways to make accommodations for child care within your environment? When the school day ends, and your employee has to work until 4:30 or 5, can those kiddos come to work with them?"

A lack of child care facility options has local school districts examining how they can help with the situation. Bonduel School District has a program in place, while Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District is looking at ways



Bec Kurzynske, M3 employee benefits director, talks about the difficulty in finding child care not only in Shawano County but throughout the state and nation, during a March 20 summit as Kurt Krizan, Shawano School District superintendent, listens at Stubborn Brothers Brewery.

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it can provide care. The Shawano School District has plans, if a referendum passes April 2, to convert space at Hillcrest Primary

School into a child care facility that would serve up to 88 children.

Kurt Krizan, Shawano's superintendent, noted that

a recent survey showed that child care is the No. 1 issue families are concerned with. He said 66% of respondents said they

would support a school-based child care program, and that there are five children for every three available spots in facilities.

"We had a staff member in our district who was pregnant. She lives in the Kaukauna area," Krizan said. "On the day she found out, she contacted a day care where she wanted to send her kid. They started charging her \$300 per week to hold her spot. She was looking at 10 months out, and her kid wouldn't even start until September, and she had the baby in January."

Krizan added that his school district was trying to be a solution to the problem.

However, several child care center operators in attendance expressed concern that the public school center might poach their teachers and care-

givers because they can offer higher pay. Emily Schwartz, who operates St. James Early Child Care, said her program has tried to expand but has run into a roadblock from the city of Shawano.

"The church and day care has tried for over two decades trying to buy the lot between here (Stubborn Brothers Brewery) and there (the child care facility)," Schwartz said. "The city will not sell it to us, because they think a business is interested in that lot."

Sam Sperberg, SAYPro president, noted that a local survey showed 63.2% of its members, ages 21-40, need after-school care, and 36.8% need child care before school starts.

"If we don't have child care, we don't have workers," Sperberg said.

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‘Bits and bytes’ hold info about Menominee clans

Story of clans finds new home at College of Menominee Nation

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The story of the Menominee people, including the stories about their clans, has returned home to roost.

The College of Menominee Nation flipped the switch March 22 and added the Menominee Clans Story to its website, www.menominee.edu. Previously, the story had resided online at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point’s website. That was until outdated technology and a lack of interest from university officials prompted a small team of educators, tribal members and others to save the information of the tribe’s 10,000-year history from being thrust into a cyber void.

The Menominee Clans website was started in 2003 as a way to transmit the tribe’s cultural knowledge. Karen Ann Hoffman, a member of the Oneida Nation and cousin of James Frechette, spoke of the carvings Frechette did that were also part of UW-Stevens Point’s collection of Menominee information and culture, and those carvings helped when Frechette and others decided to take the tribe’s storytelling to the digital level.

“We decided there should be some additions to the clan carvings, and so the idea was broached — what about a website?” Hoffman said.

Frechette and Mike Hoffman, Karen Ann’s husband, were initially reluctant to the idea of a

website, as traditional Indigenous ways focused on telling stories in person as opposed to looking up the information in a database.

“Neither of those men were sure that bits and bytes and imaginary electronic things zipping around the universe would have the power of sitting with an elder, but they realized that times were changing, and they understood they had a responsibility with the knowledge that they carried,” Karen Ann Hoffman said. “They understood it wasn’t their job to change the information, but to transmit it, and so they thought that maybe this was worth a try.”

Slowly, information was added to the site. Hoffman noted one of the first major additions were the Menominee love songs and lullabies. She pointed out that the initial architects for the website had the information but not a clear indication of how those songs sounded, so they turned to musicians for help in recording audio for the site.

“Those Menominee love songs and lullabies were transcribed for the first time in 100 years and played by a living breath for the first time in 100 years,” Hoffman said. “These songs are now on the website for all to hear and all to share.”

Soon after, the stories of the five main clans of the Menominee — along with information about the younger brother clans — were added. The piece de resistance was the map that



Karen Ann Hoffman talks about the efforts to transfer the Menominee Clans Story website from University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point to the College of Menominee Nation on March 22 during a presentation at the Keshena campus as CMN Professor Ryan Winn listens.

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showed the Menominee’s original territory in Wisconsin and adjoining states, with research done on the traditional place names that involved at least three independent sources confirming names before they were added.

“This map would be an incredible teaching tool for Menominee kids,” said Ray Reser, former director for the UW-Stevens Point Natural History Museum. “Mike (Hoffman) was adamant about trying to dispel the notion that Menominee territory was all within the Menominee reservation. He really wanted to get the

point across that Menominee territory spread across the state — into Minnesota, into the UP (Upper Peninsula of Michigan) and down into Illinois.”

The Menominee Clans Story was a focal point in the university’s cultural outreach for almost two decades, but then things changed, according to Reser.

“There had been agreements written by James Frechette ... with the university about what to do with the clans figures and the story and where that should reside,” he said. “We ran into a rocky patch

with the university with Mike, Karen Ann and I on one side and bean counters for the state on the other, and we had to decide what to do with those figures and the map and the website.”

Frechette’s carvings were moved to the Oshkosh Public Museum, and work began two years ago on transferring the website to CMN. CMN Professor Ryan Winn, one of the team members responsible for the moving project, said the Menominee Clans Story being in Keshena is just another way for the college’s charter to serve

all Menominee, whether on reservation or off.

“I see what we’re doing as putting a spotlight on it,” Winn said. “I see that the work of highlighting this and coming to CMN is helping to illuminate all this great teaching.”

CMN President Chris Caldwell said one of the easiest decisions during his tenure was to say yes to the plan to bring the Menominee Clans Story home.

“I think this is the kind of care we need to continue at the college,” Caldwell said.

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Wynos gets prison time for construction site theft

Keshena man stole technology, building equipment on two occasions

By **KEVIN MURPHY**
Correspondent

A Keshena man convicted of stealing from the construction site for the future Menominee Indian High School was sentenced March 20 in federal court

to 2½ years in prison, three years’ supervised release and restitution of \$29,451.

According to court documents, Merwin Wynos Jr., 35, entered the fenced construction site last September and used a Kubota utility vehicle at the site to drive through the locked gate. Wynos then loaded the utility vehicle with construction and building equipment and made several trips to a nearby residence where he was living to offload the stolen

items. Wynos entered several construction trailers within the fenced area and took computer laptops and iPads belonging to Miron Construction and some subcontractors.

At his Jan. 16 plea hearing, Wynos agreed that on Sept. 23, 2023, he took the items listed in discovery materials and their replacement value, which totaled in excess of \$60,000. Wynos also acknowledged that he returned to the construction site on Nov. 25, 2023,

and took additional construction and other equipment valued at \$10,000. He faced maximum penalties of five years in prison.

Wendell Waukau, Menominee Indian School District superintendent, emailed a reply March 20 to a reporter’s questions.

“It’s unfortunate this incident happened. The good thing is that it did not set back the construction process, which is a credit to our contractor, Miron. The original opening date

was set for January of 2025. The school is coming along at a faster pace and will be ready to open on Sept. 3, 2024, which is the first day of school.”

The school district broke ground May 31, 2023, on the new, 110,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art high school.

In 2016, Wynos was convicted of theft from a Keshena convenience store and sentenced to three years in prison and three years’ supervised release in

May of that year. According to the plea agreement, Wynos took part in the theft of items from the convenience store, and while fleeing in a vehicle, nearly struck a Menominee Tribal Police officer who was responding to a burglar alarm. Wynos then led officers from the tribal police and the Menominee County Sheriff’s Department on a high-speed chase that ended in Shawano County, where Wynos crashed the car he was driving.

DMV providing identification for voters to take to polls

Ahead of the Wisconsin Spring Election and Presidential Preference Vote on April 2, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is ready to help voters to obtain identification, free of charge, that is valid for voting.

Valid identification for voting purposes includes a driver license, identification card, military or student ID card, etc. There is no separate voter ID. A federally compliant Real ID card is not required for voting purposes. Anyone unsure if their identification meets

the requirements should visit the Wisconsin Elections Commission website to check.

To obtain identification to show at the polls, begin online. A list of the required documents to bring to a DMV Customer Service Center is available at www.wisconsin.gov.

If the required documents needed for an ID are not readily available, DMV has a process to obtain the necessary information. This process, available free of charge, may be used to quickly obtain a receipt valid to take to the polls for voting while the remaining documents or

verifications are obtained. Anyone with questions related to obtaining an ID that can be used to vote should call DMV’s toll-free hotline at 844-588-1069. Questions regarding voter eligibility, poll locations, voter registration information or other election information can be

directed to the Wisconsin Elections Commission at www.elections.wi.gov.

Start the application now at www.wisconsin.gov or at a local DMV Customer Service Center. To find a DMV, check hours, services and wait times, visit www.wisconsin.gov.

ELECTION 2024: SHAWANO
COMMON COUNCIL DISTRICT 6

Incumbent Hoeffs faces Suprise

There's only one city of Shawano race with more than one candidate on the ballot, as John Hoeffs, longtime representative of Aldermanic District 6, faces off against Brian Suprise.

The winner will represent the district on the Shawano Common Council for the next two years.

NEW Media presented the candidates with questions regarding the city and what the council can do to address issues.

Why are you running for city council?

HOEFFS: As an incumbent, I have served on various committees using my background in skilled labor obtained through the state apprenticeship program and working in property management my entire career with Thrivent Financial.

As a landowner, I prioritize the uniqueness of our waterways, conservation of the woodlands and farmland that encompasses our city. I have been with Wisconsin's Conservation Congress; volunteered as a hunter safety instructor; as an EMT, certified in hospital emergency room procedures; and currently represent Shawano County on the DNR's CDAC committee.

SUPRISE: I grew up in New London and own a 60-acre tree farm near Sur-
ing, so Shawano has always been a very special place to me. I fondly remember playing Little League baseball tour-

naments here and feel blessed to own a house near Memorial Park. I lived the last 10 years in Alaska, working for the state of Alaska and find the changes in the Lower 48 to be very alarming, predominantly the amount of government overreach. I want to change that.

Housing has been a key issue for the city of Shawano in recent years. What do you think the city should be doing to provide infrastructure for interested people to come live here?

SUPRISE: It's quite simple, actually — lower property taxes (I'm concerned my property tax rose 26% last year) and tiny homes. I lived in a 100 square-foot "dry cabin" in Alaska and after some adjustments learned how to live a simpler way of life.

By building tiny homes in strategic locations, the city can address the homeless issues here and perhaps profit by attracting tourists to come and rent the homes when not occupied.

HOEFFS: Our city team has done an excellent job of obtaining any necessary properties to be used for affordable housing and commercial expansion.

The city is trying to attract more visitors with events like the Neighborhood Block Parties. What else can the city do to encourage people to visit Shawano?

HOEFFS: Our city team, including department heads and BID Board, have been instrumental in making our downtown a destination for shopping, eating and event participation. The improvements made at Huckleberry Harbor are a draw for people interested in water activities.

SUPRISE: I think the chamber of commerce does an amazing job promoting the best of what Shawano has to offer — nature. I believe the city should get on board with this and strengthen the partnership by offering events like "take a child or elder fishing/boating day." Seems the fairgrounds area could also be better utilized. Perhaps hold concerts or other performances. This will help to get tourists to visit, and once they see the beauty of the city, they will come back. A museum would be nice, too.

With vacant storefronts in the city, what can the council do to entice entrepreneurs to set up shop here?

SUPRISE: Lower taxes, education and increased advertising of what Shawano has to offer. I would like to see a job center and again, a stronger relationship with the chamber of commerce. My grandparents started what is now the Buyers Guide in New London, back in the 1940s, I remember the stories of the struggles they had to get started. We need to work with local colleges to have workshops for those interested in starting a new business to help them navigate the process.

HOEFFS: Our downtown speaks for itself. The beautiful hanging baskets provided by our park and rec department, high school students volunteering to maintain city flower pots, proud businesses with unique storefronts and potted plants that provide event participation. Numerous new businesses have been a draw for additional entrepreneurs. As foreclosed properties come out of probate, they are put on the market.



JOHN HOEFFS



BRIAN SUPRISE

ELECTION 2024: SHAWANO COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 7

Incumbents face off to stay on board

Redrawn Shawano County supervisor maps forced a pair of incumbents into the same district, and both want to keep a seat on the county board.

Jeremy Gretzinger and Mike Stupecky will face off for the District 7 seat in the April 2 election.

Jeremy Gretzinger

Background and qualifications for supervisor: Born and raised in Shawano, my wife, Melanie and I are very proud to call Shawano County home. This is where we chose



JEREMY GRETZINGER

to raise our three sons and continue our landscaping company of more than 24 years, Gretzinger Landscaping and Evergreens LLC. I'm the fourth generation carrying out the Gretzinger Christmas tree business with retail lots in Shawano and De Pere.

I joined the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve in 1999 along with starting a business but later got activated shortly after Sept. 11, where I was part of the first wave of Marines in Iraq in 2003. I was awarded a Certificate of Commendation and a Presidential Unit Citation. I attended NWTC for some certificate classes for my landscape business when my deployment was over.

I was elected to the Shawano County Board in 2022 to represent District 14.

Most significant issue facing county government: Before I was elected, it was discussed on the county board to redistrict the whole county to go into effect for the 2024 election where now I'm running as a candidate in District 7. An issue I see facing our county is the amount of funds coming in compared to the amount that's needed to run a successful county.

Most significant issue for residents: I feel a concerning issue to our residents is our county properties. It's very important to me as a taxpayer in Shawano County that we can all enjoy these properties to their fullest potential, but most importantly, they are properly maintained.

Having uncontrollable water issues such as what happened to the Shawano County Library along with a leaky roof for some time on the Crawford Center is unacceptable.

I'm very glad to say that these issues are being resolved but shouldn't have took as long as it did. It's very important that these facilities along with others remain open and safe for the community's use.

Why should voters choose you over your opponent: As a former U.S. Marine, I was taught if there is a will, there is a way. I will not stop

working until the job is done. Working with my fellow Marines, I was able to overcome some highly stressful situations as I will continue to use these skills on the county board. I'm not one to just sit and listen as I will continue to observe any situation in the county as I did with the Shawano County Library and Crawford Center.

I will always listen to the members of this community and invest where it makes sense.

I believe in doing what is morally right, and I will continue to uphold the integrity of Shawano County.

Michael Stupecky

Background and qualifications for supervisor: Graduated from UW-Eau Claire with a bachelor's degree in marketing, retired in October of 2021 after a long career in consumer-



MICHAEL STUPECKY

packaged goods sales, with over 22 years at my last company, Nestle. Married to my wife Korinne for over 33 years, two sons and one daughter-in-law who all live in the Shawano area.

Have been a District 7 county board supervisor the last two years, serving on the public safety and planning, development and

zoning committees, a Town of Wescott supervisor since August 2020, and commissioner for the Shawano Lake Sanitary District since April of 2022.

Most significant issue facing county government: I think the most significant issue for the county right now is our long-term solution for a new government and justice center (our current courthouse is very old and very costly to maintain and update). We need to make sure we, as the county board, do what's right for the county residents as well as the county employees who will be working at these centers. We need to ensure that we are looking at solving the issues for our current generation as well as those in the future with these two centers.

Most significant issue for residents: Making sure that the residents' tax dollars are being spent in a common sense manner on projects that will affect a majority of Shawano County residents, not just a few outspoken residents.

Why should voters choose you over your opponent: A vote for me means a vote for common-sense management of your tax dollars now and into the future. I know what the District 7 constituents need and want, as I've represented them now on the board for the last two years as well as served a majority of them on the Town of Wescott board for over three years.

ELECTION 2024: SHAWANO COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 19

Newcomers battle for vacant position

A revamped District 19 on the Shawano County Board would have pitted a pair of incumbents against each other for another term. Instead, Arlyn Tober and Dick Olson each chose not to run for reelection, leaving the seat open to someone new.

Lynn Tober-Steinke and Tyler Steenbock answered the call and will compete against each other in the April 2 election.

The district includes Ward 2 in the Town of Herman, Ward 1 in the Town of Pella and Ward 2 in the town of Belle Plain.

Tober-Steinke did not provide responses to a candidate questionnaire.

Tyler Steenbock

Background and qualifications: Born and raised in Ashwaubenon. Graduated Ashwaubenon High School. Bachelor's degree from UW-Stevens Point in business administration. Married to my wife, Ashley, and we have two boys, Hudson and Jack. I have been a police officer for city of Shawano since 2014. I am a member of the



TYLER STEENBOCK

Shawano Drug Task Force and Special Response Team.

Most significant issue facing county government: I believe we have a shortage of deputies

and jail staff in Shawano County. We have a significant need for additional resources for those employees in law enforcement.

Most significant issue for residents: Being in law enforcement, I obviously see the problems of drug abuse on a first-hand basis. Drug abuse causes many issues for our residents, which includes impaired

drivers, burglaries, theft, damage to properties and trespassing, etc.

Why should voters choose you over your opponent: I am committed to Shawano County. I fully intend to continue raising my family here. I would love the opportunity to help make Shawano County a safer and better place to live, work and play.

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Current Parcel #281-404300260 Legal Description is as follows: All of Outlot 2 of Birch Hill Estates, located in the fractional NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 6, Township 26 North, Range 16 East, City of Shawano, County of Shawano, State of Wisconsin

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Adopted: March 13, 2024
Published: March 29, 2024

By: /s/ Bruce Milavitz
Bruce Milavitz, Mayor
By: /s/ Lesley Nemetz
Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk

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ELECTION 2024: SHAWANO COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 12

Luebke, Robaidek face off for post

Dustin Robaidek is challenging Shawano County Board incumbent Kathy Luebke in the new District 12.

The district includes Ward 1 in the Town of Maple Grove, Wards 4 and 7 in Pulaski and Ward 1 in the Town of Angelica.

The election will be held April 2, and the winner will serve a two-year term.

Kathy Luebke

Background and qualifications: Graduate of Pulaski High School; husband Gary, daughter, son-in-law and three granddaughters; retired dairy farmer and now they cash crop their land; also, the clerk for the Town of Maple Grove since 1999.

Most significant issue facing county government: The county has many services and facilities that we maintain. Trying to do this



KATHY LUEBKE

with a limited budget can be challenging. There is a major security issue at the courthouse that needs to be addressed that affects the public, courthouse employees and even the prisoners. We must also evaluate whether some services are convenient or mandated by law. Tough decisions will have to be made in the future.

Most significant issue for residents: Today, residents in our county must choose between buying food or buying the medicine they need. We, as a county, should respect and consider these concerns when we make the decisions that will affect how much taxes we must pay.

Why should voters choose you over your op-

ponent: I strongly believe that using common sense and working together are vital for moving our county forward. It's a principle I'm proud of and one that I've always upheld as county supervisor.

Dustin Robaidek

Background and qualifications: age 36. Pulaski High School 2005; Fox Valley Technical College 2008; farm operations; farmer and concrete construction. Single, run dairy farm with parents Don and Donna Robaidek and aunts Jane and Jean Robaidek. Also has two sisters, Dana and Danielle, all from Pulaski. Maternal grandparents are Ken and Carol Capelle of Cecil (Ken is the county supervisor for District 9), Julius and Virgilla Robaidek of Pulaski. Lifelong resident of the Town of Maple Grove and Shawano County.

Most significant issue facing county government: To me, the important issues are the growth of the county and the ability to create more jobs in the future, as well as making Shawano County a place people want to come to.

Most significant issue for residents: There are issues all over that affect lots of residents. I want to help work with them to change things for the better by communicating with them and hearing their concerns.

Why should voters choose you over your opponent: I just think there needs to be a change and new ideas presented. I want to step forward and be a part of the next generation of people to lead the county — provide a younger generation's opinion on issues that arise and the growth of Shawano County.

Gallagher to call it quits April 19

U.S. Rep. Mike Gallagher announced March 22 he will resign his seat in Congress effective April 19.

He had earlier announced he would not seek another term in the November election.

"After conversations with my family, I have made the decision to resign my position as a member of the House of Representatives for Wisconsin's 8th Congressional District," he said. "I've worked closely with House Republican leadership on this timeline and look forward to seeing Speaker (Mike) Johnson (R-LA) appoint a new chair to carry out the important mission of the Select Committee on the Chinese Communist Party."

Gallagher said his office will continue to oper-



MIKE GALLAGHER

ate and provide constituent services to the 8th District for the remainder of the term.

Former state Sen. Roger Roth, a Republican who is running for the seat, praised Gallagher's work in Congress.

"While I wish he would have finished out his term, I appreciate Congressman Gallagher's service to northeast Wisconsin, particularly his work to fight the Chinese Communist Party," Roth said.

Roth is a third-generation home builder in northeast Wisconsin and a captain in the Wisconsin Air National Guard.

ELECTION 2024: SHAWANO COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 18

Mallmann challenges Krizan for seat

Randy Mallmann is challenging incumbent Shawano County Board member Devin Krizan for the District 18 position in the April 2 election.

The seat covers Ward 3 in the Town of Richmond and Ward 5 in the Town of Wescott.

Because the boundaries of the districts were redrawn due to the 2020 Census, Krizan and fellow board member Steve Gueths were placed in the same district. Gueths opted not to run again.

Krizan did not return a candidate questionnaire.



RANDY MALLMANN

at three different Farm and Home stores in the state is where I met my beautiful wife of 34 years, Sheryl, which is what brought me to Shawano 35 years ago. We have been blessed with two wonderful kids that are also married and have blessed us with two beautiful grandkids so far, with one more on the way in May.

I am very active with Sacred Heart Catholic Church and School, currently serving as a trustee, also volunteering at SAM25 Homeless Shelter

doing all the maintenance and anything else needed of me.

Most significant issue facing county government: Most significant issue that I have been hearing from many people is the potential disconnect between the city of Shawano and the county. It is great seeing the continued growth of our Main Street businesses. I would like to see continued growth in our current manufacturing business as well as seeing more businesses wanting to come to Shawano and Shawano County.

Most significant issue for residents: I believe for the most part, residents of Shawano are very pleased with the progress

they continue to see. We just need to continue to communicate well with residents on what their tax dollars are being spent on and the long-term benefits they will have on them and future generations of Shawano and Shawano County.

Why should voters choose you over your opponent: My 40 years of sales, manufacturing, management experience and currently as the general manager at Dearco Distributors have given me the tools and experience to relate and communicate with residents, businesses and visitors. I love this community and would like to see it continue to grow and flourish.

Lakeland University joins NWTC campus

Lakeland University will relocate its Green Bay Center to Northeast Wisconsin Technical College's (NWTC) main campus.

The center, one of six that Lakeland has in Wisconsin, will be housed in the College of Business building (entrance 3) and will include an office presence and dedicated classroom.

Lakeland, which was founded in 1862 in Sheboygan County, has had a location in the Green Bay area since 1984.

Lakeland President Beth Borgen said the relocation creates a strong synergy between LU and NWTC as both institutions are focused on workforce development, hands-on learning and providing students with multiple opportunities to advance their education.

"Lakeland and NWTC share a vision for a more educated region, and we are passionate about creating easier access for students

to achieve their educational goals," Borgen said. "This move for Lakeland makes so much sense. Many of the students that Lakeland serves in the Green Bay area are NWTC graduates. Now they'll be able to continue on the pathway to a bachelor's degree at a campus that already feels like home."

"NWTC's core mission extends beyond ensuring that our students graduate, it's equipping them with the tools needed to reach their ultimate goal — whether that is securing employment or pursuing a 4-year degree — and for those considering the next step in their academic journey, this collaboration will open new doors," said Kristen Raney, NWTC president. "We are thrilled to welcome Lakeland University to NWTC, and for the opportunities this partnership will offer to our students and community."

For information, go to www.lakeland.edu/nwtc.

Report: State honey production down slightly

Honey production from producers with five or more colonies in Wisconsin totaled 2.79 million pounds in 2023, according to the United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service Honey Report.

This was 4% lower than the 2.92 million pounds produced in 2022. The number of honey producing colonies in the state, at 62,000, was up 9,000 from 2022. This number does not include producers with fewer than five colonies or producers who did not harvest honey. Yield per colony in Wisconsin averaged 45 pounds, compared to 55 pounds per colony in 2022.

Wisconsin ranked 11th

nationally in honey production, equal to 2022.

Colonies that produced honey in more than one state were counted in each state where the honey was produced. Therefore, at the United States level yield per colony may be understated, but total production would not be impacted.

On Dec. 15, 2023, producer honey stocks in Wisconsin, excluding stocks under government loan programs, were 1.004 million pounds, 23% higher than 2022. The state's 2023 honey crop was valued at \$8.43 million, down 10% from the previous year's \$9.39 million.

The average price per pound for all marketing channels in Wisconsin

was \$3.02, down 20 cents from 2022.

United States honey production in 2023 totaled 139 million pounds, up 11% from 2022. There were 2.51 million colonies producing honey in 2023, down 6% from 2022. Yield per colony averaged 55.2 pounds, up 17% from 2022.

Producer honey stocks were 44.0 million pounds on Dec. 15, 2023, up 90% from a year earlier. Stocks held by producers exclude those held under the commodity loan program.

United States honey prices decreased 16% during 2023 to \$2.52 per pound, compared to \$3.01 per pound in 2022. United States and State level prices reflect the portions of honey sold through cooperatives, private and

retail channels. Prices for each color class are derived by weighting the quantities sold for each marketing channel.

Prices for the 2022 crop reflect honey sold in 2022 and 2023. Some 2022 crop honey was sold in 2023, which caused some revisions to the 2022 crop prices.

The average prices paid in 2023 for honey bee queens, packages and nucs were \$19, \$91 and \$120, respectively.

Pollination income for 2023 was \$255 million, up 6% from 2022. Other income from honey bees in 2023 was \$57.7 million, up 5% from 2022.

The complete report can be found at www.nass.usda.gov/publications.

Police identify remains found on reservation

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Human skeletal remains discovered on the Menominee Indian Reservation on Oct. 30, 2023, have been identified as Dean A. Ford, the Menominee Tribal Police Department announced March 20.

Ford, 31, was a descendant of the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin. It wasn't disclosed how long Ford had been missing or how long the remains had been at the site where they were discovered.

It is believed that Ford



DEAN FORD

lived on the reservation or in Shawano at the time of his disappearance. Ford had associates in both areas.

This matter is being investigated as a homicide by the tribal police and the Federal Bureau of Investigations.

Anyone with information is asked to call the tribal police tip line at 715-799-5806.



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Homeschoolers bring classic tale to life

'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang' follows fantasy involving cars, inventions and children-hating royalty

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

One of the scenes in "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" see the Baron and Baroness freaking out at the mention of children.

It's rather ironic, then, that a production of the musical coming to Clintonville is being performed completely by the children of the Wolf River Homeschoolers. The show, which will be performed April 11-14, features more than 40 children ages 6-18.

The musical is based on the 1964 film starring Dick Van Dyke, where the wreck of a champion racecar captures the attention of Jemima and Jeremy Potts. They convince their father, Caractacus, to raise money to fix the vehicle, named Chitty Chitty Bang Bang after the unusual sounds the engine emits.

The car's transformation attracts the attention of Baron Bomburst, who kidnaps the Potts family patriarch, Grandpa, believing he is Caractacus, and demands Grandpa transform the Baron's car into something just like Chitty. Because of this, Caractacus, his children and heiress Truly Scrumptious travel to the fictional land of Vulgaria seeking to rescue Grandpa, not realizing the country has a law against children, and Jeremy and Jemima are also taken captive.

The Wolf River Homeschoolers have a long tradition of bringing entertaining, family-friendly stories to the area, as the group's performing arts program gives youth in Shawano County the opportunity to discover plays and musicals. Peter Kluge, who is playing Caractacus, is one of the young people eager to bring "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" to local audiences.

"It's very energetic," Kluge said. "It's very enjoyable. There's a lot of good character development that they have and it just plays in with every little character so well. It blends so well."

Kluge is one of the older youth in the cast, and he likes being able to work with younger children and give them a love for theater.

"Since we're older with all the expertise we've gathered from past shows, we



Caractacus Potts, played by Peter Kluge, right, and Truly Scrumptious, played by Taya Jannusch, learn from the Toymaker, played by Caleb Bestul, about Vulgaria's law against children in a scene from "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang," which will be performed by the Wolf River Homeschoolers in April.

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AT A GLANCE

WHAT: "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang," performed by the Wolf River Homeschoolers

WHEN: 7 p.m. April 11-13, 2 p.m. April 14

WHERE: Clintonville High School, 64 W. Green Tree Road, Clintonville

ADMISSION: Free

can pass it on," Kluge said. "A lot of us here have choreographed some of the dance scenes and whatnot, just to help out the director. Since we're the ones on the stage, it's easier to know what's really going on."

Taya Jannusch, who plays Truly, enjoys playing such a vibrant character.

"She's very fancy, but she's also very nice," Jannusch said. "It was interesting to be Truly because I had never seen 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang' before we were doing this play. It was interesting to see all that happens to her."

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Baroness and Baron Bomburst, played by Emma Martin and Jameson Byars, react violently to a reference about children in a scene from "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang." The villains kidnap children and lock them away.

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NWTC exhibit tells people's stories of peace



The American Stories exhibit for "A Peace of My Mind," shown in Memphis, Tennessee, is coming April 2-11 to Northeast Wisconsin Technical College's Shawano campus, telling stories about finding peace in an increasingly fractured world. Similar exhibits are being put up at NWTC's Green Bay and Marinette campuses.

JOHN NOLTNER

'A Peace of My Mind' culminates cross-country trip to discover what unifies people

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Peace will come at last to Northeast Wisconsin Technical College.

At the very least, it will be hard to avoid as the college will host "A Peace of My Mind: American Stories," a multimedia project started by Minnesota-based award-winning photographer John Noltner, from April 2-11 at NWTC's Shawano campus, 111 E. Thomas Ave. Almost 60 stories with portraits will be on display in the halls with stories that stem from a single question: What does peace mean to you?

Noltner said that the exhibit is the culmination of a 2½-year road trip he and

ONLINE

More information on the "A Peace of My Mind" exhibits and books can be found at www.apomm.net.

his wife embarked on across the United States.

"In a divided world, I use storytelling and art to try to rediscover what connects us," Noltner said. "We sit down with people from all different backgrounds, and we build an interview and a conversation around the central question."

The stories are not only shared in the "A Peace of My Mind" exhibit, but also in books and podcasts. Noltner has five exhibits in the series, including the American Stories exhibit, as well as four books written from all the interviews.

"During the pandemic, my wife and I sold our house in Bloomington, Minnesota," Noltner said. "We bought an RV

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BONDUEL: Good Friday service, noon, Zion United Methodist Church, 134 E. Green Bay St.

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

GILLET: Easter Eggstavanza, 10-11:30 a.m., 5890 State Highway 22 West. Games, candy, and outdoor egg hunt.

PULASKI: Easter Egg Hunt, 10-11 a.m., Saputo Stadium, 1040 S. St. Augustine St.

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.

MONDAY, APRIL 1

KESHENA: Running and walking 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 2

SHAWANO: Opening of "A Peace of My Mind: American Stories, photography by John Noltner," 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, 111 Thomas Ave. More information at apomm.net.

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 3

SHAWANO: Chamber Coffee Connection, 8-9 a.m., Fanita's Bakery, 428 S. Main St. Guest speaker from Shawano Family Dentistry.

NEOPIT: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. The Circle House, W6715 Shawpokasic St. Information: Mindy Thunder at 715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

NAVARINO: Senior Safari Lunch and Learn, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road, discussion of conservation leader John Muir. Suggested \$4.50 donation for meal.

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.

NAVARINO: Evening with the Sandhill Cranes, 6-7 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Watch potentially thousands of birds, register at navarino.org by April 2, fees — members \$5, non-members \$10, families \$20.

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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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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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>.

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

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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.

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and spent 2½ years on the road. During that time, we very intentionally went to a lot of our nation's pain points. We went to the border to talk about immigration. We went to Mississippi to talk about moving Confederate monuments. We went to northern Minnesota to talk about Indigenous sovereignty."

Noltner said the goal of the 40,000-mile road trip was to find people seeking creative solutions to the challenging issues of the world, as well as delivering messages reminding people about what connects everyone.

For the American Stories exhibit, "We interviewed people who had marched with Dr. (Martin Luther) King, people who are Holocaust survivors, people who are homeless, folks who are veterans that have been through combat," Noltner said. "There's really a broad cross-section of America,



Photographer John Noltner, who created the "A Peace of My Mind" exhibit that's coming to Shawano in April, embarked on a cross-country road trip to find the common ground that connects people.

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but that same premise and goal is remembering what connects us."

One of those messages came from Bud Welch, who lost his only child, Julie Marie, in the Oklahoma City bombing in 1992, for which Timothy McVeigh was convicted and put to death. Noltner interviewed

Welch and learned how the father's push for vengeance against McVeigh transformed into a path to forgiveness.

"Bud's initial reaction was to seek retribution," Noltner said. "He wanted for Timothy McVeigh to be executed with the thought that then he could

go on with his life."

Noltner said Welch's attitude changed once he saw McVeigh's father, Bill McVeigh, on television. Welch reached out to the father, and through a personal interaction realized that Timothy McVeigh's death was not the solution to the bombing tragedy.

"He looked at him and said, 'Man, that father is as a wrecked as I am. His world changed on the same day my world changed,'" Noltner said. "He realized in that process that he didn't want Tim to die. He worked against the execution of Timothy McVeigh and realized he was forgiving Tim."

Even though Welch's effort to stop McVeigh's execution failed, Noltner said, he's continuing efforts to end capital punishment, "looking at some form of justice that's more healing instead of punitive."

Noltner has had a lengthy career as a freelance photographer shooting for

national magazines, meeting a wide range of people who helped him to find beauty in unexpected places. He said he was increasingly frustrated with all the division that the world was experiencing and the focus on what makes people different instead of what makes them the same.

"I just wondered if there was something I could do with my photography and storytelling, with my skill set, to remember what connects us," Noltner said. "It really started out as a little, personal project, just something I did in my free time in between assignments. Now it's all I do."

With 2024 being an election year, Noltner sees the division of the United States at a high point, which makes the "A Peace of My Mind" exhibits all the more important.

"I don't think anyone would disagree with the notion that we are increasingly divided," Noltner said. "It's an exercise, and

it's a practice to look at those things that connect us, to try to find that common ground to seek out our similar values so we can find a path forward in this frayed civic environment that we have currently."

In addition to the exhibit, Noltner will also be at NWTC-Shawano from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 8 to do studio interviews with interested local residents asking them how they've found strength in the midst of struggle.

"Besides these long-form stories I have done all across the country for the exhibits, we also do these short-form studios," Noltner said. "We will set up a studio. We will invite people to respond to a question, and we ask people to respond in 25 words or less. We do a black-and-white portrait of that person, and then we combine that picture with their words."

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"In a divided world, I use storytelling and art to try to rediscover what connects us. We sit down with people from all different backgrounds, and we build an interview and a conversation around the central question."

JOHN NOLTNER, creator of "A Peace of My Mind"

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Jannusch has been performing in Wolf River Homeschoolers shows since she was 7.

"It's very surreal," Jannusch said. "It's nice to see all of the younger kids and work with them."

Jameson Byars said it was easy to get into his role as Baron Bomburst, the tyrannical ruler of Vulgaria, although he said he was fascinated with how the characters in the musical differed from the ones portrayed in the film.

"It is a well known show, so the character type is more well known, so it's easier to know how to act," Byars said. "I knew from the start what I would like

to try, but it was also interesting reading the play version, because the play/musical is different from the movie, even though I'm most familiar with the movie."

Byars noted that a lot goes into organizing a cast of over 40 to prepare for such a show. The Wolf River Homeschoolers often spend several months rehearsing two or three times a week, and Byars said doing the show is the highlight of the year.

"It's very fun, but also very chaotic," Byars said. "Especially right at the start when you're just getting into it. Not everybody is sure exactly what they're

doing and they're very all over the place, but it's nice as we get closer and closer to show night that it just comes together."

Emma Martin, who plays Baroness Bomburst, is also embracing the opportunity to portray a character from a well-known story.

"It's just fun to get to act like somebody in the movies, to be like them and to do what they do," Martin said. "It's kind of hard, but we're figuring it out."

Director Sue Kluge noted that "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" was a familiar story among the homeschool families, so it was a logical

choice for the performing arts program to pursue the musical for its annual show. She said there are some different songs from the film like "Teamwork," "Act English" and "The Bombie Samba," and it also has a number of fun dance numbers for the children to learn.

"It's got so many fun numbers in it and fun songs," Sue Kluge said. "There are plenty of songs that people will remember from the movie. It's centered all around family and saving Grandpa and saving the children that the Baroness doesn't like, and the togetherness of it. It's just a feel-good show."

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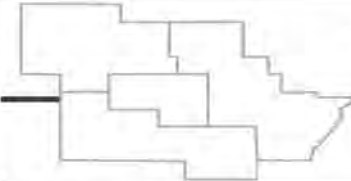
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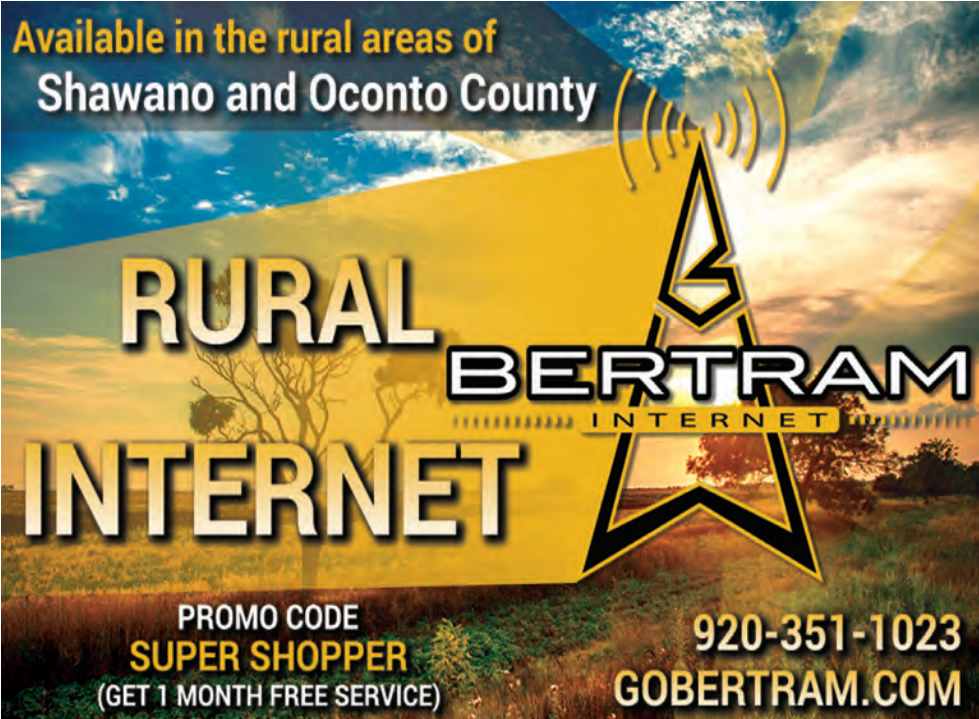
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TOP: Alexandra Hedtke, left, and Jolene Hedtke sort through the candy found inside the plastic eggs at the Easter egg hunt March 23. About 20,000 eggs were strewn across the parking lot at the Shawano United Methodist Church. Sponsored by the Shawano Masonic Lodge and normally held at the lodge, the egg hunt was moved to the more spacious grounds of the church. **ABOVE:** Janis Urban helps a child pick out the tattoo they would like placed on their hand prior to the Easter egg hunt March 23. **LEFT:** Even the Easter Bunny was picking up eggs at the Shawano Masonic Lodge's annual egg hunt. This year's event also included tattoos, face painting and fingerprinting by the Shawano Police Department. **BELOW:** Some of the 20,000 eggs used for the Masonic Lodge's annual Easter egg hunt remained in the parking lot after the event.



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Deputy looking for Hwy. 29 speeder

A Shawano County deputy stopped a driver clocked at 123 miles per hour in a 65 mph the evening of March 10. According to officials, Deputy Jacob Ostrowski stopped the vehicle on state Highway 29 in the western part of the county and deemed the situation “absolutely unacceptable.” Ostrowski said there

were two vehicles going this speed and he was only able to get one stopped. He’s still looking for a black sedan with tinted windows, possibly a BMW or a Lexus.

If anyone was in the area or by word of mouth hears about who was driving this other vehicle, they are asked to call the sheriff’s office at 715-526-3111.

Sign-ups for reserve program underway

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced that agricultural producers and private landowners can begin signing up for the general Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) running through March 29. This conservation opportunity gives producers tools to conserve wildlife habitat while achieving other conservation benefits, including sequestering carbon and improving water quality and soil health.

“The USDA has a long track record of fostering and supporting the vital relationship between agriculture and conservation, and the Conservation Reserve Program helps our producers be good stewards of their lands and boost wildlife populations at the same time,” said Gene Schrieff, Farm Service Agency state executive director in Wisconsin.

“These efforts demonstrate the power of USDA’s Farm Bill conservation programs to conserve wildlife habitat, protect clean water and address climate change in partnership with farmers, ranchers, forest owners and conservation organizations across the country.”

On Nov. 16, 2023, President Joe Biden signed into law House Resolution 6363, the Further Continuing Appropriations and Other Extensions Act, 2024, which extended the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, more commonly known as the 2018 Farm Bill, through Sept. 30. This extension allows authorized programs, including CRP, to continue operating.

As one of the largest private lands conservation programs in the United States, CRP offers a range of conservation options to farmers, ranchers and landowners. It has been an especially strong opportunity for farmers with less productive or marginal cropland, helping them reestablish valuable land cover to help improve water quality, prevent soil erosion and support wildlife habitat.

Producers and landowners enrolled about 926,000 acres in General CRP in 2023, bringing the total of enrolled acres in General CRP to 7.78 million. This, combined with all other acres in CRP through other enrollment opportunities, such as Grassland and Continuous CRP, bring the current total of enrolled

acres to 24.8 million. General CRP helps producers and landowners establish long-term, resource-conserving plant species, such as approved grasses or trees, to control soil erosion, improve water quality and enhance wildlife habitat on cropland. Additionally, General CRP includes a Climate-Smart Practice Incentive to help increase carbon sequestration and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by helping producers and landowners establish trees and permanent grasses, enhance wildlife habitat and restore wetlands. General CRP is one of several ways agricultural producers and private landowners can participate in the program.

This past January, FSA began accepting applications for the Continuous CRP signup. Under this enrollment, producers and landowners can enroll in CRP throughout the year. Offers are automatically accepted, provided the producer and land meet the eligibility requirements and the enrollment levels do not exceed the statutory cap.

The USDA also offers financial assistance to producers and landowners enrolled in CRP to improve the health of their forests through the Forest Management Incentive, which can help participants with forest management practices, such as brush management and prescribed burning.

FSA will announce the dates for Grassland CRP signup in the near future. Producers with expiring CRP acres can use the Transition Incentives Program, which incentivizes producers who sell or enter a long-term lease with a beginning, veteran or socially disadvantaged farmer or rancher who plans to sustainably farm or ranch the land.

Landowners and producers interested in CRP should contact their local USDA Service Center to learn more or to apply for the program before their deadlines.

Signed into law in 1985, CRP is one of the largest voluntary private-lands conservation programs in the United States. It was originally intended to primarily control soil erosion and potentially stabilize commodity prices by taking marginal lands out of production. The program has evolved over the years, providing many conservation and economic benefits.

YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW

Opees honor efforts to promote transparency

For the 18th straight year, the Wisconsin Freedom of Information Council is recognizing outstanding efforts to protect the state's tradition of open government through its Openness in Government awards, or Opees.

The awards are being presented as part of national Sunshine Week, March 10-16.

Awards are being given this year in six categories. The winners are:

- Public Openness Award ("Popee"): Curt Green

When a Milwaukee Journal Sentinel investigative team set out to gather information on state gun deaths due to suicide, it encountered some resistance. But Green, the coroner for Manitowoc County, grasped the value of this story and set to work providing what the paper said was "by far the most detailed" gun death data of any county in the state in the hopes of identifying patterns that could prevent future deaths. It's great when public officials act with the "public" firmly in mind.

- Media Openness Award ("Mopee"): Jacob Resneck

An investigative reporter with Wisconsin Watch, Resneck broke the story on how police agencies in Wisconsin are citing Marsy's Law, the state constitutional amendment meant to protect victims' rights, to shield the identity of police officers who shot someone, on grounds that the officers are victims of the people they shoot. He also made extensive use of public records to report on a police cadet who was fired after reporting that a fellow cadet had sexually assaulted her. And Resneck wrote a column for the council about police video and accountability.

- Open Records Scoop of the Year ("Scoop"): Lucas Robinson

This Wisconsin State Journal reporter uncovered multiple instances in which the local sheriff's department sought charges against guards at the state's Green Bay Correctional facility for offenses including smuggling items into the prison for inmates to neglecting inmates. One inmate died after guards denied him a wheelchair to go to the infirmary, then failed to check on him. No guards were charged with crimes. Robinson's reporting, as well as that of The New York Times and other news



media outlets, prompted lawmakers to seek reforms.

- Citizen Openness Award ("Copee"): Common Ground

This Milwaukee-based interfaith advocacy group launched a campaign last year to gather information, much of it from public records, on hazardous conditions inside affordable housing apartments. It then shared this information with tenants and journalists to push the Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee to make improvements. Earlier this year, the group sounded an alarm about dangerously cold apartments, a "systemic problem" the housing authority has known about for years. Now everybody knows.

- Whistleblower of the Year ("Whoopie"): Mark Gierl

This former Mequon alderperson twice sued the Mequon-Thiensville School District for denying his requests for email distribution lists. Gierl, represented by Tom Kamenick of the Wisconsin Transparency Project, won each case at both the trial and appellate court level, firmly establishing that such lists kept by government entities must be released on request. An honorable mention in this category goes to the state prison inmates who pushed to make the public aware of dire situations within the state's correctional system.

- No Friend of Openness ("Nopee"): Bonnie Kindschy

Rarely are public officials as brazen in their contempt for open government as Kindschy, the coroner of Trempealeau County. Alone among the state's 72 coroners or medical examiners, Kindschy refused to provide records in response to the Journal Sentinel's gun death investigation. Even after the threat of a lawsuit prompted the county to release the records, Kindschy remained defiant, saying she would "probably not" heed a future request. Arrogant and unaccountable is never a good look.

Your Right to Know is a monthly column distributed by the Wisconsin Freedom of Information Council (wisfoic.org), a nonprofit, nonpartisan group dedicated to open government. Bill Lueders is the group's president.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Knudl chairing elections a stain on democracy

To the editor:

The Wisconsin State Legislature adjourned for 2024. The Assembly closed out last month and the Senate last week. Among five bipartisan bills passed by the Assembly, which were not acted on by the Senate, is one which would allow election clerks to count absentee ballots before or concurrent with in-person voting. The goal of the bill is to relieve pressure on election officials and result in short circuiting candidates' claims that absentee ballots were/are somehow manufactured to overcome an in-person vote deficit. This legislation is supported by clerks statewide.

One would think this bipartisan Assembly bill should have been enacted for our November 2024 elections. The representatives must have spoken to their local election officials before voting on this bill, which serves the interests of all of our citizens. Having been the Democratic party voter protection attorney for Shawano County from 2004 through 2020, I say, kudos to all our election personnel, officials and volunteer staff, county and municipal, who unfailingly perform their nonpartisan civic duties every election cycle, professionally and honestly.

Further examination reveals the Senate election committee chair who failed to allow the bill to the floor is Daniel Knudl, R-Germantown. Knudl was one of the Wisconsin legislators who petitioned Vice President Mike

OPINION PAGE POLICY

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Pence to violate his constitutional duties and give the state legislatures time to meet to try to overrule the will of the people.

Isn't it time to drop the partisan chicanery regarding our elections? In civil litigation, all the fake Wisconsin electors admit that they were misled and Joseph Biden won Wisconsin in 2020.

Andrew Hitt, former GOP chairperson, went on "60 Minutes" and stated the same, saying he signed as a fake elector because he was afraid for the safety of his family. Most importantly, James Troupis and Kenneth Cheseboro, architects of the fraud, have also been brought to heel in civil court. Troupis is paying an undisclosed sum to the plaintiffs. Cheseboro is cooperating with federal law enforcement investigating false electors in several states.

It remains to be seen whether Wisconsin Attorney General Josh Kaul's investigation leads to charges against the false electors or whether Wisconsin would be better served by a non-charge given the repudiation of the "big lie" by Hitt and the other fake electors.

The appointment of Daniel Knudl as the election committee chair is a perpetuation of denialism and a stain on our democracy.

Stephen Menard, Shawano
Vote yes on both state referendum questions

To the editor:

On the April 2 election, there will be two constitution referendums. A little history as to why these referendums came to being.

During the 2020 elections, Mark Zuckerberg funneled millions of dollars into selected local elections. The primary cities of Green Bay, Madison, Milwaukee, Racine and Kenosha collectively received \$8.8 million with Green Bay receiving \$1.6 million. The money was funneled through Center for Tech and Civic

Life (CTCL). The CTCL money came with specific requirements, or the cities would have to pay that money back.

Also, during the 2020 November election, a New York liberal operative funded with the CTCL money played a critical role in running the central count in Green Bay. His name is Michael Spitzer-Rubenstein.

We all know that clerks employ many dedicated volunteers that live in the voting district. The second referendum would ensure non-resident people such as Michael Spitzer-Rubenstein cannot disrupt our very important local elections.

Question 1: Shawano Republican Party recommends a yes vote. Prohibits any level of government in the state from applying or accepting non-governmental funds or equipment for election administration. A "yes" vote on this referendum would amend the Wisconsin Constitution to essentially stop "Zuckerbucks" from influencing our election administration here in Wisconsin.

Question 2: Shawano Republican Party recommends a yes vote. Provides that only election officials designated by law may administer elections. A "yes" vote on this question will amend the Wisconsin Constitution to make clear that only election officials designated by law may administer elections. Again, this is an effort to stop Zuckerberg and Co. from embedding non-governmental officials in our election administration and operations.

Richard W. Kucksdorf, Bonduel



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Area boys, girls earn Academic All-State honors

The Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) announced the 2024 Basketball Academic All-State Award to the outstanding individuals who attain a high level of success in the classroom. Several girls from Bonduel, Oconto Falls and Wittenberg-Birnamwood were among the honorees this year, as well as boys from Gillett, Oconto Falls and Shawano.

The WBCA, in a continued quest to recognize the outstanding work of the student-athletes around Wisconsin, has modified and expanded the Academic All-State program for 2024. New in 2023, Academic All-State requires that nominated athletes be varsity players from any grade level and hold a GPA of at least 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale). These players will receive a WBCA certificate from their school. Elite Academic All-State is similar to what the WBCA has produced in the past, incorporating more robust academic review and incorporating on-court performance as well. This recognition continues to be for seniors only and will be announced at a later date.

More than 1,800 girls and 1,200 boys basketball players met the minimum requirement to be recognized as WBCA All-State.

Girls receiving the honor were:

Bonduel: junior Josie Anvelink, senior Ella Hischke, sophomore Juliana Jacobs, senior Ashlyn Kurey, freshman Paige Niquette, junior Taylor Rank, sophomore Jayla Reinke, sophomore Cierra Schnell, junior Tatum Sporisky, senior Hailee Thompson, junior Audrey Weier, sophomore Mariah Wondra, senior Hailey Zernicke, sophomore Allison Zernicke.

Oconto Falls: senior Bailee Gorman, senior Brynn Hodkiewicz, junior Ava Hodkiewicz, junior Josie Holtz, junior Lylia Leja, senior Hannah Ludemann, junior Madeline Maloney, senior Morgan Moynihan, junior Amber Otto, senior Madysen Przybylski, senior Kathryn Raddatz, senior Allison Remic, sophomore Rylie Shallow, senior Kyndra Staild.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood: senior Amelia Bessert, freshman Ava Brei, freshman Nora Bushman, sophomore Melaina Granquist, junior Abby Jackan, junior Brianna Krueger, sophomore Brie Ladika, junior Faith Resch, freshman Harper Rogowski, sophomore Rory Salvesen, senior Kit Stewart.

Gillett boys who were honored were seniors Bradin Bjelland, Garrett Klein, Grayson Klein and Benjamin Matczak; and juniors Jesse DeBauch and Ryan Pensis.

From Oconto Falls High School, honorees were juniors Isaac Bramer, Grayson Cahak, Easton Engel, Emerich Skarban and Evan Yuma; and senior Alex Haines.

Shawano students honored were sophomores Anderson Schmidt and Ryan Schwitzer; juniors Warner Beyer, Parker Beyer, Jerzy Brocker and Logan Sipple; and senior Ethan Onesti.

Gillett senior competed in WIAA challenge at Kohl Center

Gillett High School senior Aydin Franti was the No. 1 3-point shooter in the Division 5 this season, which earned him a spot in the 2024 WIAA Boys 3-Point Challenge on March 16 at the Kohl Center in Madison.

At the event, he sunk 11 of 25 in the first round and did not advance to the semifinals.

During the season, Franti completed 45 of 94 3-point attempts for a 47.9% success rate. Coming in at No. 2 was Heath Poppy of Shullsburg, who completed 69 of 146 for 47.3%.

Ten participants were selected for the event based on information entered by coaches into the WisSports.net database. The top two 3-point shooters (with a minimum 75 attempts) from each division were chosen to participate.

Each player shot five balls from the same five points on the court.

Other area players qualified for the top 10 in their respective divisions but were not high enough to make it to the 3-point challenge.

In Division 3, Pulaski's Colin Schultz, a junior, was ranked sixth, completing 63 out of 143 attempts for a 44.1% completion rate.

In Division 4, Bonduel freshman Quinn Wesenberg was eighth and made 33 out of 77 for 42.9%.

In addition to Franti being No. 1, a pair of other Gillett players were in the top 10.

Senior Ben Matczak completed 53 of 116 for 44.8% to earn the No. 3 spot. At No. 5 was junior Jesse DeBauch, who made 36 out of 83 for 43.4%.



Braelyn McDonald of Oconto, Kaelyn Cook of Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy, Rylie Shallow of Oconto Falls and Bella Jones of Gibraltar run the first of 10 heats in the girls 45-yard dash during a six-school indoor track and field meet March 19 at Oconto Falls High School. Shallow's time of 5.7 seconds topped all runners.
WARREN BLUHM | NEW MEDIA

Bonduel wins 8 of 12 events at Seymour track meet

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Shawano, March 23

Adalyn Barkley led the Shawano girls track and field team with the best finish, after placing first in the triple jump in the Ripon College Showcase Meet on March 23. Shawano claimed another dozen top-10 finishes.

Barkley had a total distance of 34 feet 7.5 inches. Teammate Macey Nelson placed seventh.

Lily Guenther ran to a third place in the 3,200-meter run, with teammate Anabelle Schroeder placing ninth.

Both the 4x400-meter relay team and the 4x800-meter relay team finished in third place.

Barkley was also fourth in the 400-meter dash.

Grace Chelberg placed fifth in the 800-meter run.

Natalie Bystol was seventh in the high jump.

In the shot put, Hatty Fritz was eighth and Madison Weinig was ninth.

Shawano's 4x200-meter relay team placed 10th.

Witt-Birn, March 21

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's 86.5 points placed them third at the Marshfield Tiger Girls Invite on March 21. The Chargers just missed out on second place, earned by D.C. Everest with 87 points. Marshfield won with 129 points.

Nora Bushman's time of 2:36.9 was the best in the 800-yard run, as her first place netted the team 10 points. She collected another 10 points with her first-place finish in the 1-mile run with a time of 5:51.88.

Faith Resch led the Chargers with a first in the high jump at 4 feet 10 inches. Ava Brei placed sixth.

Also taking first place was the team of Harper Rogowski, Brei, Kylee Bev-

ersdorf and Resch in 4:40.53 in the 4x440-yard relay.

The 4x880-yard relay team of Beversdorf, Charlie Eichman, Lily Metropulos and Bushman finished second.

In the 440-yard dash, it was Rogowski claiming second and Brie finishing third.

Resch placed fourth in the 60-yard hurdles.

Bushman claimed fourth in the triple jump, and Resch was ninth.

Brei placed fourth in the 220-yard dash, with Rogowski taking eighth.

In the shot put, it was Kaydence Burclaw finishing in sixth place.

The foursome of Kaitlin Tushkowski, Reese Dickman, Metropulos and Kelsie Davis earned a seventh-place finish in the 4x160-yard relay.

Another seventh place was earned in the 4x220-yard relay, this time with Tushkowski, Dickman, Metropulos and Jayden Zeinert running the race in 3:22.36.

Bonduel, March 21

Bonduel collected 38.5 points as the girls placed third at the Seymour Invitational on March 21.

Junior Audrey Weier captured first place in the 200-meter hurdles in 36.46. Addison Raymakers was fourth, and Hailey Berg was fifth.

Junior Abbi Heller led a contingent of six teammates earning top-10 finishes in the shot put. Heller set the pace with first-place finish at 26 feet 4.25 inches. She was followed by McKenna Onesti in second, Hailey Spates in third, Morgan Staszak in fifth and Caroline Richter in eighth.

Olivia Giese placed second, Berg was fourth and Weier was sixth in the 55-meter hurdles.

Paige Niquette, a freshman, placed second in the 55-meter dash.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Giese, Josie Anvelink, Rachyl Hutter and Niquette took second place.

Weier was fourth in the high jump and was joined by Staszak in fifth and Hailey Eggert in ninth.

Giese was sixth in the 400-meter dash.

In the 800-meter run, it was junior Seidy Blandon in sixth.

Eggert was seventh in the long jump, and Isabella Rizzo was 10th.

Oconto Falls, March 19

The Oconto Falls girls track team didn't have as many first-place finishes as the boys at the Oconto Falls Indoor 1 on March 19, but they still won a majority of the events.

The Panthers nabbed seven of the top 10 spots in the 45-yard dash, including Rylie Shallow's first-place finish. Chloe Anastasopoulos placed second, Anna Spaulding was third, Hailyn St. Louis tied for fourth (with Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy's Kaelyn Cook), Kati Raddatz was sixth, and Abby Budz and Bailee Gorman tied for 10th.

Gorman won the 200-meter dash and was joined by teammates St. Louis in fourth place, Rhina Vandeyacht in sixth, Jasmine Lamal-Martinez in ninth and Gwen Maggio tied for 10th with Lena/STAAA's Karli Fischer. Other Lena/STAA runners in the top 10 were Abigail Kostreva in second, Eva Brooks in third and Kali Fischer in seventh.

For the 400-meter dash, it was Miriam Alberts of Lena/STAA in first, Oconto Falls' Mackenzie Lotto in second and Lena/STAA's Kate Peters in third.

Oconto Falls grabbed spots one through four and seventh in the 800-meter run. Maddy Przyblski won the race, with Hannah Ludeman in second, Hailey

Delzer in third, Arianna Impastato in fourth and Allison Kramer in seventh.

Brooke Hodkiewicz of Oconto Falls won the 1,600-meter run, and teammate Emma Meissner placed second.

In the 55-meter hurdles, it was Oconto Falls' Josie Saari placing second and Lena/STAA's Alexis Maloney in third.

Oconto Falls won the 4x100-meter relay, and Lena/STAA placed second. The Panthers were the only competitor in the 4x400-meter relay and 4x800-meter relay, thereby winning both events.

The Panthers placed five team members in the top 10 for shot put. Morgan Moynihan won the event, followed by Aly Yuma in second, Grace Molitor in third, Raddatz in fifth and Kylee Williams in seventh. Also, Lena/STAA's Mackenzie Vorpahl was fourth.

The high jump title went to Brooks, with Hodkiewicz in fourth, Peters in fifth, Maggie in sixth, Oconto Falls' Eloise Thompson in eighth and Lily Van De Ven in ninth.

Kostreva won the long jump, followed by St. Louis in second, Vandeyacht in fourth, Maggio in fifth, Przyblski in sixth, Lamal-Martinez in ninth and teammate Johanna Mikulik in 10th.

Budz claimed the top spot in the triple jump, followed by Kali Fischer in the No. 2 spot, Oconto Falls' Emery Pagel in third, Lena/STAA's Kaitlyn Borkovec in fourth, Delzer in fifth and Mackenzie Lotto in sixth.

Pulaski, March 19

The Red Raiders captured four first-place awards at the Ripon College Invite on March 19.

Olivia Sprangers won the 200-meter dash in 27.1 seconds, with Rachael Allen

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Hawks go 2-1 at Hodag softball tournament

Shawano's girls softball team opened the 2024 season with a 7-4 win over Thorp on March 22 at the Danny Mac Softball Classic at the Hodag Dome in Rhinelander.

The Hawks would split their two games March 23 to end up 2-1 on the weekend.

In their first game on March 23, Shawano lost 12-10 to Stratford. The Hawks bounced back in their final game, shutting out Clintonville 12-0.

The event included three days of competition featuring 24 teams split into three brackets of eight teams each.

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taking fifth. Ella Ficarri won the 60-meter hurdles in 9.92.

Hallie Morz claimed the top spot in the pole vault at 11 feet, and the 4x200-meter relay team won in 1:51.94.

Ella Hasser claimed the third position in the 400-meter dash, and the 4x400-meter relay team was also third.

Hasser was fourth in the triple jump. Megan Kraft was fifth in the long jump.

Olivia Stedl was fifth in the 800-meter run, while Emerson Fabry was sixth.

Faye Brunke was sixth in the 60-meter dash,

Bonduel, March 18

Bonduel girls earned eight first-place finishes out of 12 events at the Seymour Indoor Quad on March 18.

Paige Niquette placed first in the 55-meter dash in 7.97 seconds. She was joined by Addison Raymakers in sixth, Sophie Smith in eighth and two others.

Seidy Blandon ran to first in the 800-meter run in 3:36.78.

Cierra Schnell earned first place in the 200-meter hurdles in 35.44. Hailey Berg was third, and Olivia Giese was fourth.

Bonduel won all three relay races, the 4x200, the 4x400 and the 4x800.

In the 1,600-meter run, Mariah Wondra placed first in 6:04.43, and Teagan Engel placed second.

Josie Anvelink earned the top spot in the shot put at 33-2. Five other Bonduel girls finished in the top 10 and three more captured the 11th, 12th and 15th spots. Rachyl Hutter was third, McKenna Onesti placed fifth, Hailey Spates was sixth, Abbi Heller finished in ninth, and Rose Siewert was 10th.

Raymakers was the top Bonduel athlete in the 400-meter dash, finishing in third.

In the 55-meter hurdles, Giese finished second and Hailey was third.

All three girls finished in the top 10 in the high jump. Isabella Rizzo placed fourth, Hailey Eggert was sixth, and Riana Bahr placed seventh.

Eggert finished third in the long jump, while Rizzo was fifth.

Shawano, March 18

Shawano track and field athletes racked up 57 points and finished third out of 17 teams at the Oshkosh High School Invitational on March 18.

West De Pere placed first with 88 points, while Appleton North was second with 65 pants.

The team of Bailey Hendricks, Adalyn Barkley, Maci Beyer and Lilly Guenther placed first in the 4x800-meter relay in 10:26.99.

Grace Chelberg set the pace in the 1,600-meter run, grabbing first place in 5:27.8. Hendricks placed eighth.

Barkley earned more team points with a second-place finish in the 400-meter dash. Guenther was second in the 3,200-meter run.

Shawano also earned points in the triple jump, with Barkley nabbing second and Macey Nelson seventh.

Barkley, Beyer, Tela Hopfensperger and Hendricks teamed up for a fifth-place finish in the 4x400-meter relay.

Nelson finished sixth in the long jump. Chelberg was sixth in the 800-meter run.

The 4x200-meter relay team placed ninth, just one spot out of the points. Hopfensperger, Beyer, Natalie Bystol and Nelson had a time of 1:59.01.

Basketball coaches pick Lena's Brooks for all-state team

Lena's Eva Brooks has been named to the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Division 5 All-State Team.

Brooks led Lena (28-3) to a state runner-up finish in the program's first state tournament appearance since 1991. The 6-1 forward averaged 19.8 points, 12.1 rebounds, 3.5 assists, 2.7 steals and 3.3 blocks per game for coach Tim Goldschmidt and the Wildcats. Brooks will enter her senior year with 1,153 career points. Lena has a 63-20 record over her first three seasons.

The WCBA all-state team is headlined by two-time selections Alana Durtschi of Albany/Monticello and Sarah Shaw of Assumption.

Durtschi led Albany/Monticello (27-3) to the Division 5 state

championship. The 5-8 guard averaged 13.1 points, 6.6 rebounds, 5.2 assists and 3.1 steals per game for coach Derik Doescher and the Albany/Monticello co-op. Shaw led Assumption (26-3) to a sectional final and has helped the team to a 77-11 record in her first three seasons.

Other all-state selections were Hailee Bauer, junior, Lourdes Academy; Kylie Butler, sophomore, Argyle/Pecatonica; Sophia Coker, senior, Athens; Izabel Durst, sophomore, Barneveld; Marah Gruen, senior, Royall; Emmalee Mann, senior, Cochrane-Fountain City; Mackenzie Tarman, senior, Turtle Lake; and Jadeyn Zdroik, freshman, Pacelli.

Rylee Yaeger, a senior at Wabeno/Laona, received honorable mention.



Lena's Eva Brooks brings the ball up court during the Wildcats' state championship game March 9 at the Resch Center in Ashwaubenon. Brooks was named to the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Division 5 All-State Team.

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Oconto Falls dominates home meet

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Shawano, March 23

The Shawano boys captured nine top-10 finishes at the Ripon College Showcase Meet on March 23.

Will Chelberg ran to a third-place finish in the 3,200-meter run, while teammate Josiah Kuehl placed eighth.

Ethan Onesti captured fourth in the 800-meter run. He was also fifth in the 1,600-meter run.

Shawano's 4x400-meter relay team placed sixth, with the 4x800-meter relay team finishing in seventh and the 4x200-meter relay team claiming eighth.

Drake Herm jumped to eighth place in the pole vault.

Lucas Nuthals earned a 10th-place finish in the 60-meter dash.

Shawano, March 21

Shawano placed second with 97 points at the Wausau West Boys Small School Invitational on March 21. Northland Pines won the meet with 174 points.

Shawano's sole win was in the sprint medley relay in 2:29.72.

Shawano placed three in the top 10 in the 400-meter dash. Ryan Schwitzer led the Hawks in second place, with Joshua Lesperance in seventh and Maverick Theis in ninth.

The Hawks also had three in the top 10 in the 200-meter dash. Drake Herm placed second, Logan Korth placed third, and Schwitzer finished sixth.

Aiden Rasmussen placed third and Kaden Ewert was fourth in the 55-meter dash. Shawano also placed third in the 4x400-meter relay.

Herm jumped to fourth place in the pole vault, while Schwitzer was sixth. Korth was fourth in the long jump.

Joseph Kelliher finished in fifth in the 1,600-meter run. He also finished 10th in the 200-meter hurdles.

Shawano was sixth in the 4x800-meter relay, and Lesperance was sixth in the triple jump.

Theis was seventh in the shot put.

Aiden Sischo placed 10th in the 800-meter run.

Bonduel, March 21

The Bonduel boys earned 53 points and placed second out of four teams at the Seymour Invitational on March 21.

The team of Griffin Uelmen, Oliver Chitwood, Joah Dworniczak and Garrett Anderson placed first in the 4x200-meter relay in 10:32.63.

Uelmen won the 800-meter run in 2:31.85.

Freshman Malachi Gray won the 55-meter dash in 7.55, while sophomore Mason Ballwahn placed fourth.

Gage Anderson won the 400-meter dash in 1:04.15.

Gage School won the long jump at 16 feet 6 inches, with Gage Anderson leaping to third.

Uelmen finished second in the high jump, and Ballwahn tied for seventh.

Three freshmen placed third, fourth and fifth in the 1,600-meter run. They were Chitwood, Anderson and Dworniczak, respectively.

In the 200-meter hurdles, it was Scholl in third and Ballwahn in fourth.

The 4x400-meter relay saw Scholl, Gray, Adam Beaulieu and Thorneorow place fourth.

Kaiden Thorneorow, Isaac Seefeldt, Ballwahn and Gray were fifth in the 4x200-meter relay.

Senior Eduin Romero placed fifth in the shot put, and Seefeldt was 10th.

Oconto Falls, March 19

Several Panthers cleaned up when they hosted the Oconto Falls Indoor 1 on March 19.

Isaac Brauer earned first place in the 45-yard dash, with Lucas Heimke of Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy finishing fourth. Oconto Falls' Brady Bursa was fifth, Evan Lotter-Greetan was sixth, Croix Gardebrecht placed seventh, and Bryce Schefdore and Alex Frehse tied for eighth. Lena/STAA runner Gonzalo Del Val Arroyo was among five who tied for 10th.

Bramer also won the 200-meter dash, with Heimke in second, Frehse in fifth, Del Val Arroyo in sixth, Oconto Falls' AJ Hendricks in eighth

and Panther Cason Weenig in ninth.

Oconto Falls' Emerson Rice earned first place in the 400-meter dash. Suring's Quinn Thomson finished second and Jake Cornell placed third, with Gardebrecht in fourth, Panther Carter Hill in sixth, Suring's Dayne Ermis in seventh and Oconto Falls' Kolton Krueger in eighth.

First place in the 800-meter run went to Ben Adams of Oconto Falls, with Erik Kosch of Lena/STAA in second, Oconto Fall's Sage Mendolla in third, Braxton Rajkovich of Oconto Falls in fourth, Suring teammates Jayden Frank and Garrett School taking sixth and seventh, respectively, and Lena/STAA's Robert Alberts in seventh.

In the 1,600-meter run, it was Oconto Falls' Griffin Kopke taking first and Suring's Liam Matelski placing second.

The 55-meter hurdles had Alex Haines of Oconto Falls in first, teammate Emerich Skarban in second and Suring Trent VanDenElzen in third.

The 4x100-meter relay was won by Oconto Falls, with Suring taking second and another Oconto Falls foursome in third.

Suring won the 4x400-meter relay, and Oconto Falls was second. The finishing order flipped in the 4x800-meter relay.

The shot put title belonged to Anthony Seefeldt of Lena/STAA, with Schefdore in second, Lena/STAA's Colton Skrobel in fourth, Suring's Trent Thomson in fifth, and Oconto Falls teammates Tanner Arndt and Jonathan Moody placing sixth and seventh, respectively.

Skarban won the high jump, with Haines in second, Ermis in fourth, VanDenElzen in sixth, and Oconto Fall's Boden Gilson and Hendrix Cheek placing seventh and eighth, respectively.

The top spot in the pole vault went to VanDenElzen, with teammate Taylor Brown finishing in second. Krueger placed fifth, Suring's Garrett Peters was sixth, and Hill was seventh.

Bursa won first place in

the long jump, with Heimke in second, Thomson in fourth, Potter-Greetan in fifth, Oconto Falls' Weston Hoskins in sixth, Suring's Kroix Kempka in eighth and Suring's Dylan Flynn in 10th.

Bursa also won the triple jump, followed by Heimke in second, Cornell in third, Gardebrecht in fourth, Ermis in fifth, Peters in sixth and Gillett's Bradin Bjelland in seventh.

Pulaski, March 19

Pulaski's boys earned five top-10 finishes at the Ripon College Invite on March 19.

Keaton Dauk finished fourth in the 60-meter hurdles.

Jacob Heston was fourth in the triple jump, while Aiden McGin was seventh.

Parker Marshall placed seventh in the 3,200-meter run, and Daniel Augustine was eighth in the 800-meter run.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood, March 19

Landen Schmidt led the Chargers with a fourth-place finish in the shot put at the Marshfield Tiger Boys Invite on March 19.

Donald Komosa finished fifth in the 440-yard dash, and Michael Gunter placed eighth in the 220-yard dash.

Bonduel, March 18

Two individuals and one foursome earned first-place spots for Bonduel at Seymour Indoor Quad on March 18. Several others earned top-10 finishes.

Gage Anderson was the best in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:03.78. Joah Dworniczak placed seventh.

Griffin Uelmen was first in the 800-meter run in 2:33.78.

The 4x400-meter relay team was first in 4:38.59.

Relay teams in the 4x200 and 4x800 placed second, as did Ben O'Brien in the 1,600-meter run and Malachi Gray in the long jump. O'Brien was sixth in the long jump.

Mason Ballwahn placed third in the 55-meter dash, followed by Gray in fourth and Gage Scholl in ninth.

Eduin Romero earned sixth place in the shot put, and Isaac Seefeldt was 10th.

Pulaski names new girls golf coaches

Pulaski High School girls golf will have three new coaches next season. John Heinz is the new head coach. Assistants will be Kimberly Froseth and Taylor Walters, who will co-coach the junior varsity squad.

"I would like to thank Sarah Kohls for her many years of service leading the PHS girls golf team and am thankful for Andy Bock's knowledge and expertise that he shared with our student athletes over the last years," said PHS athletic director Janel Batten.

Batten is excited by the new coaching staff.

"I believe our girls golf program will be in good hands for years to come," she said.

Heinz has worked as a Pulaski Community School District paraprofessional for 10 years. He's also driven a bus for the district. Previous coaching experience includes being on the freshman baseball coaching staff for seven years and freshman football staff for six years.

He's been married to Lori for 30 years and they have four children, Jack,

Owen, Lucas and Ella, all of whom are PHS graduates. The Southern Door High School graduate has lived in the Pulaski area for 32 years.

Heinz credits his wife for getting him into golfing when they were first married, and they hit the links regularly when Wisconsin's weather permits.

"I am super excited about coaching," Heinz said.

Heinz has earned his commercial driver's license, so he will be able to drive the team to its meets.

Froseth is a PHS English teacher. She has been in Pulaski for five years, and prior to that she taught in Manitowoc for eight years. She graduated from UW-Milwaukee with a bachelor's degree in English education. She will graduate next month from Western Governors University with a master's degree in educational leadership. She is married to Adam and they have two children — Easton, 8, and Joelle, 6.

"My husband and I started golfing a few years ago just for fun, and I

started to truly enjoy the sport and become more competitive with it," she said. "I am not new to coaching, but I am new to coaching golf."

Walters has taught family and consumer sciences education at PHS for eight years. She is a 2011 PHS graduate and a 2015 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

She and her husband, Zach, have 17-month-old twins, Jax and Gracie.

"My extended family enjoys golfing, even having our own family golf outing each fall," Walters said. "My husband and I started golfing about five years ago for fun, and we have grown to love and enjoy the sport. I am new to coaching golf, and I am excited for the new experience."

Heinz is excited to work with the other members of the coaching staff.

"We're all going to learn and grow together, and I think that would be an environment for something really positive," he said.

The coaches have been meeting regularly to get to know each other and to plan for next season.

New fishing season comes with new rules

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced that the 2024-25 Guide To Wisconsin's Fishing Regulations is available online.

These regulations, which include changes to walleye and sauger bag limits on inland waters and new registration rules for small tournaments, will go into effect on April 1.

All residents and non-residents over 16 must have a 2024-25 general fishing license to fish in Wisconsin. Annual resident licenses cost \$20 each, or purchase a spousal license for \$31 so you and your spouse can fish together.

Several new regulations and changes to bag limits have been implemented this year.

These changes include the following:

- A new small tournament registration requirement.
- Statewide daily bag limit of three walleye and sauger per day on all inland waters.
- Walleye bag limits for the Great Lakes (including Green Bay) and Wisconsin-Iowa, Wisconsin-Minnesota and Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters will remain unchanged, as will limits on any water with a bag limit currently lower than three.
- A person may har-

vest walleye from two different lakes or rivers with a three-fish daily bag limit as long as they don't exceed the five-fish total daily bag limit.

- A daily bag limit of 10 panfish in Lake Mendota in Dane County.

- Changing the musky minimum length limit to 50 inches on the Wisconsin River from the Lake DuBay Dam upstream to the first dam in Merrill.

- Creating an urban fishing pond in Suamico in Brown County.

New bag and length limits have also been enacted for specific waterbodies in Oconto County and other Wisconsin counties.

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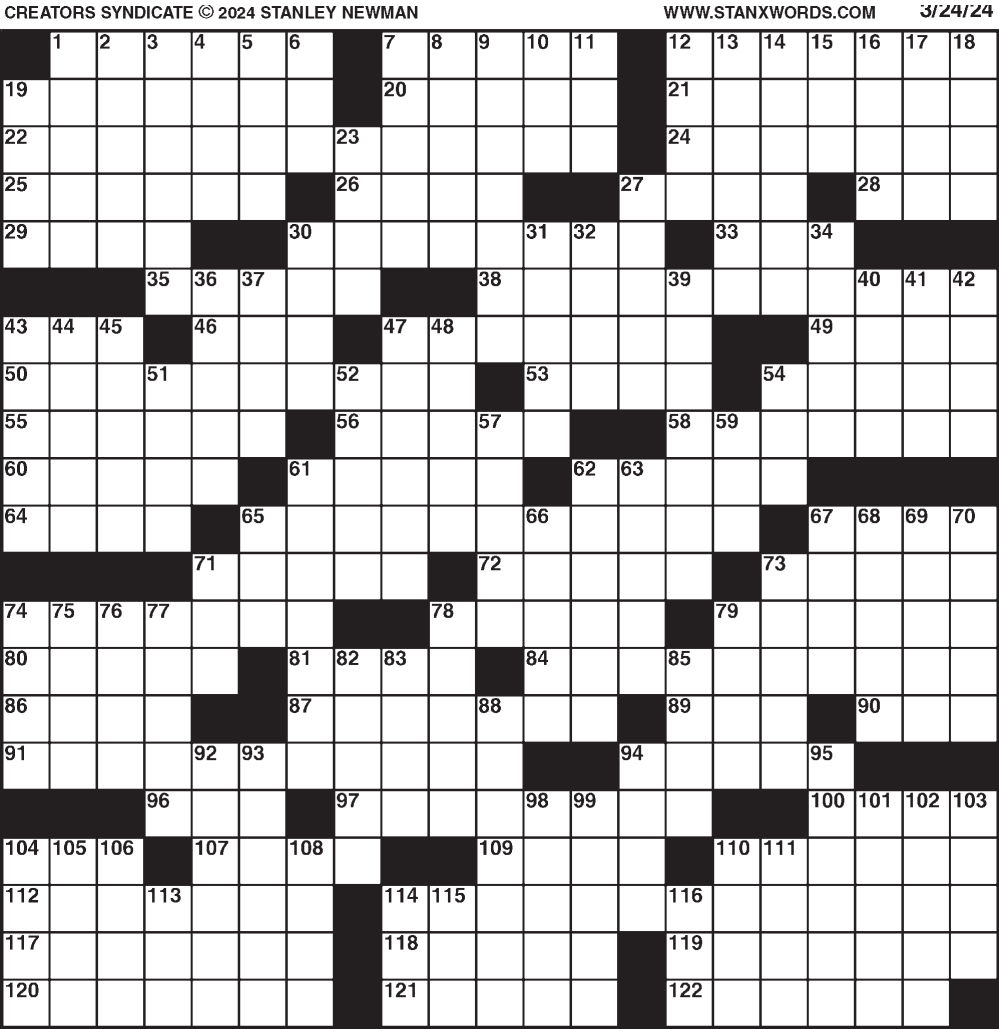
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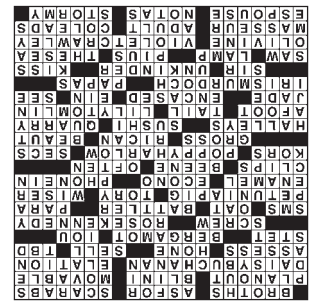
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cancer care units, may have their own masking policies. ThedaCare would ask that you follow any unit-specific policies regarding masking. Please ask a member of your care team if you have questions.

Ballot ID: 2083		Village of Eland, Ward 1	
Official Ballot Presidential Preference Vote Nonpartisan Office and Referendum April 2, 2024			
Notice to voters: If you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initiated by two (2) election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initiated by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials (see end of ballot for initials).			
General Instructions If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help (absentee voters: contact your municipal clerk). To vote for a name on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the name like this: ☐ To vote for a name that is not on the ballot, write the name on the line marked "write-in" and fill in the oval next to the name like this: ☐		Presidential Preference Vote Choose a party in which to vote Fill in the oval next to your party choice, like this: ☐ Choose only ONE ☐ Democratic Party ☐ Republican Party Democratic Party Primary If you vote in this party's primary, you may not vote in any other party's primary County County Supervisor District 25 Vote for 1 ☐ Dennis Knaak ☐ write-in: Municipal Village Trustee Vote for not more than 2 ☐ Wally Lenzner ☐ Kevin Low ☐ Greg Rosenow ☐ Howard Graves ☐ write-in: ☐ write-in:	
Presidential Preference Vote In the Presidential Preference Vote: You may vote for only ONE candidate. You may vote in only ONE party. If you choose a party, votes cast in that party will be counted. Votes cast in any other party will not be counted. If you do not choose a party, and you vote in more than one party, no votes will be counted.		President of the United States Vote for 1 ☐ Joe Biden ☐ Dean Phillips ☐ Uninstructed Delegation ☐ write-in: End Democratic Party Primary Republican Party Primary If you vote in this party's primary, you may not vote in any other party's primary President of the United States Vote for 1 ☐ Chris Christie ☐ Vivek Ramaswamy ☐ Ron DeSantis ☐ Nikki Haley ☐ Donald Trump ☐ Uninstructed Delegation ☐ write-in: End Republican Party Primary End Presidential Preference Vote	
Special Instructions for Presidential Preference Vote Choose the party in which you will vote. Within the party you have chosen, you will have ONE of three choices: 1. Vote for a candidate whose name is printed on this ballot in the party you have chosen. 2. Vote for an uninstructed delegation from Wisconsin to the national convention of the party you have chosen. 3. Write in the name of another person to become the presidential candidate of the party you have chosen. Fill in ONE oval in ONE party.			
Presidential Preference Vote begins at top of next column.		Nonpartisan offices begin at top of next column.	
Page 1 of 2-sided ballot. Ballot continues on other side. ➡			
School District		Referendum	
School District of Wittenberg-Birnbaumwood School Board Member Area 2 Vote for 1		To vote in favor of a question, fill in the oval next to "Yes," like this: ☐ To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to "No," like this: ☐ State QUESTION 1: "Use of private funds in election administration. Shall Section 7 (1) of article III of the constitution be created to provide that private donations and grants may not be applied for, accepted, expended, or used in connection with the conduct of any primary, election, or referendum?" ☐ Yes ☐ No	
School Board Member Area 4 Vote for 1		QUESTION 2: "Election officials: Shall section 7 (2) of article III of the constitution be created to provide that only election officials designated by law may perform tasks in the conduct of primaries, elections, and referendums?"	
School Board Member Area 5 Vote for 1		Municipal Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Village of Eland for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, is limited to a 0% increase, which results in a levy of \$19,602.00. Shall the Village of Eland be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025 for the Village of Eland's share of the increase in cost for emergency medical services. BY A TOTAL OF 40.115%, which results in a levy of \$27,464.00, and on an ongoing basis include the increase of \$7,863.00 for each fiscal year going forward? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
Jason C. Hanson			
write-in:			
Continue voting at top of next column.			
Official Ballot Presidential Preference Vote Nonpartisan Office and Referendum April 2, 2024 for Village of Eland, Ward 1 Shawano County Ballot ID: 2083		Ballot issued by Initials of election inspectors Absentee ballot issued by Initials of Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk If issued by SVDs, both must initial Certification of Voter Assistance I certify that I marked or read aloud this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §8.92 to receive assistance. Signature of assistor For Official Use Only Inspectors: identify ballots required to be remade ☐ Overvoted ☐ Damaged ☐ Other If this is the Original Ballot, write the serial number here. If this is the Duplicate Ballot, write the serial number here. Initials of inspectors who remade ballot	
Page 2 of 2-sided ballot. Ballot begins on other side. ➡			

5 Brewers execs sent maximum donations to Vos after stadium deal approved

BY PETER CAMERON
The Badger Project

The Wisconsin Legislature is sending nearly \$366 million of public funds to renovate and update American Family Field, where the Milwaukee Brewers play.

The Brewers sent a little back to Speaker Robin Vos, the most powerful politician in the legislature and the top Republican in Wisconsin.

At least five top executives from the ball club sent Vos the maximum donation allowable by law — \$1,000 — in November

after sealing the deal. According to campaign finance records filed with the state, Milwaukee Brewers President Rick Schlesinger and four other top executives each made the top donation to Vos on or around Nov. 28, two weeks after the stadium funding bill passed both Republican-controlled houses of the Legislature. Gov. Tony Evers, a Democrat, signed the bill into law a week later in December. The other four executives who made the top donation are Marti Wronski, chief operating

officer; Daniel Fumai, chief financial officer; Tyler Barnes, senior vice president of communications and affiliate operations; and Steve Ethier, senior vice president of stadium operations. The executives did not donate to any other Wisconsin politicians in 2023, nor have they ever given to any candidate or politician in the state, according to campaign finance records. Neither the ball club nor Vos responded to messages seeking comment. Wisconsin Democracy Campaign was the first to

break the story. The Brewers also reported spending more than \$1.5 million in the past nine years, and nearly \$900,000 in 2023, to lobby the Legislature on the funding issue. The stadium's majority owner is the public, though the Brewers still have a large piece. The Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District, a public entity created by the Legislature, owns nearly 64% of the stadium. The Brewers own

the remaining 36%. The Brewers are owned by Mark Attanasio, whose net worth is estimated to be around \$700 million. Vos might need every dollar he can get. He could face another primary challenge this year. He narrowly defeated a primary challenger in 2022. Vos is the longest-serving Assembly speaker in state history, holding the position since 2013. In exchange for the public funding, the Brewers agreed to extend their lease and stay in Milwaukee through the 2050 season. The Brewers say the 22-year-old stadium needs major renovations. The building's outfield doors, seats and concourses need replacing, its scoreboard and suites need upgrades and its retractable roof, parking lots, elevators and escalators need updates, too.

The Badger Project is a nonpartisan, citizen-supported journalism nonprofit in Wisconsin.

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM ELECTION
APRIL 2, 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the several towns, villages, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin, on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, the following questions will be submitted to a vote of the people pursuant to law:

2023 ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION 78

To create section 7 of article III of the constitution; **relating to:** prohibiting state and local governments from using privately sourced moneys or equipment in connection with the conduct of elections and specifying who may perform tasks related to the conduct of an election (second consideration).

Whereas, the 2021 legislature in regular session considered a proposed amendment to the constitution in 2021 Senate Joint Resolution 101, which became 2021 Enrolled Joint Resolution 17, and agreed to it by a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses, which proposed amendment reads as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 7 of article III of the constitution is created to read:

[Article III] Section 7 (1) No state agency or officer or employee in state government and no political subdivision of the state or officer or employee of a political subdivision may apply for, accept, expend, or use any moneys or equipment in connection with the conduct of any primary, election, or referendum if the moneys or equipment are donated or granted by an individual or nongovernmental entity.

(2) No individual other than an election official designated by law may perform any task in the conduct of any primary, election, or referendum.

SECTION 2. Numbering of new provision. If another constitutional amendment ratified by the people creates the number of any provision created in this joint resolution, the chief of the legislative reference bureau shall determine the sequencing and the numbering of the provisions whose numbers conflict.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution is agreed to by the 2023 legislature; and, be it further **Resolved, That** the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution be submitted to a vote of the people at the election to be held on the first Tuesday of April 2024; and, be it further **Resolved, That** the questions concerning ratification of the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution be stated on the ballot as follows:

QUESTION 1: "Use of private funds in election administration. Shall section 7 (1) of article III of the constitution be created to provide that private donations and grants may not be applied for, accepted, expended, or used in connection with the conduct of any primary, election, or referendum?"

QUESTION 2: "Election officials. Shall section 7 (2) of article III of the constitution be created to provide that only election officials designated by law may perform tasks in the conduct of primaries, elections, and referendums?"

EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS AS TO THE TWO QUESTIONS

1. *Explanatory statement regarding Question 1:*

The Wisconsin Constitution does not limit the ability of the state or local governments to receive non-governmental grants, funds, or equipment to assist in carrying out election-related responsibilities. Question 1 would add a new provision to the Constitution to prohibit the state or local governments from applying for, accepting, expending, or using such funds to assist with carrying out "any primary, election, or referendum." The question would appear to apply to any type of non-governmental grant or funding, no matter how general in scope.

A "yes" vote on Question 1 would vote to create a new provision of the Wisconsin Constitution—Wis. Const. art. III, § 7(1). That provision would prohibit a state agency or local government from applying for, accepting, expending, or using any non-governmental moneys or equipment in connection with the conduct of any election.

A "no" vote on Question 1 would vote not to add Wis. Const. art. III, § 7(1) to the Wisconsin Constitution.

2. *Explanatory statement regarding Question 2:*

Wisconsin statutes define and regulate how clerks can designate individuals to serve as election officials and carry out various tasks relating to elections. The Wisconsin Constitution does not separately spell out which individuals can do that work.

Question 2 would add a new provision to the Constitution to prohibit individuals from performing tasks related to an election unless they are an "election official designated by law." Under current statutes, clerks have the statutory power to designate individuals to carry out election-related tasks, and so such designated individuals could continue doing their work as an "election official designated by law." But that power is only statutory, and if the statutes changed, the new constitutional provision would bar clerks from designating individuals to assist with election-related tasks.

A "yes" vote on Question 1 would vote to create a second new provision of the Wisconsin Constitution—Wis. Const. art. III, § 7(2), which would prohibit an individual from performing election-related tasks unless they are an "election official designated by law."

A "no" vote on Question 1 would vote not to add Wis. Const. art. III, § 7(2) to the Wisconsin Constitution.

DONE in the City of Shawano of Shawano County,
this 20th day of March, 2024.
Kara Skarlupka, Shawano County Clerk

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NOTICE OF ELECTION
Partisan Primary – August 13, 2024
And
General Election – November 5, 2024
Election of Presidential Electors

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an election to be held in the several cities, villages, towns, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin, on November 5, 2024, ten electors for President and Vice President of the United States, one for each congressional district and two for the state at-large, are to be elected. The names of presidential electors do not appear on the ballot, but each vote cast for a presidential candidate is a vote for the electors of the candidate. Independent candidates for President or Vice President may circulate nomination papers beginning July 1, 2024, and must file nomination papers with the Wisconsin Elections Commission no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 6, 2024. The Wisconsin Elections Commission is located at 201 W Washington Avenue, 2nd Floor, Madison, Wisconsin.

Partisan Primary and General Election

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a primary election will be held in the towns, villages, cities, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, and an election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. The following officers are to be nominated and elected:

Congressional Officers

One United States Senator, for the term of 6 years, to succeed the present incumbent listed, whose term of office will expire on January 3, 2025:

Tammy Baldwin

One Representatives in Congress, for the term of 2 years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose terms of office will expire on January 3, 2025:

8th Congressional District Mike Gallagher

Legislative Officers

Two State Senators, for a term of 4 years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose term will expire on January 3, 2025:

Redistricting Disclaimer: On February 20, 2024, 2023 Wisconsin Act 94 was signed into law. The Act described the boundaries of new senate and assembly districts which will go into effect in November 2024. The districts and incumbents listed in this notice consist of those that are currently in place, not those that will be in place pursuant to the new redistricting law.

District 2	Robert Cowles
District 12	Mary Felzkowski

Three Representatives to the Assembly, for a term of 2 years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose term will expire on January 3, 2025:

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District 6	Peter Schmidt
District 35	Calvin Callahan
District 87	James Edming

District Attorneys

Menominee-Shawano County District Attorneys, each for the term of four years, to succeed the present incumbents listed, whose terms of office will expire on January 6, 2025:

Menominee-Shawano County Gregory Parker

County Officers

County Officers for Shawano County, for a term of 4 years, to succeed the present incumbents in the office of County Clerk, Treasurer and Register of Deeds whose terms of office will expire on January 6, 2025:

County Clerk	Kara Skarlupka
Treasurer	Debra Wallace
Register of Deeds	Amy Dillenberg

For Candidates

The first day to circulate nomination papers is April 15, 2024, and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 2024. Candidates for constitutional, congressional, and legislative officers file with the Wisconsin Elections Commission. All county partisan office candidates file with their respective county clerk. Congressional and legislative district boundaries are described in Chapters 3 and 4 of the Wisconsin Statutes by 2023 Wisconsin Act 94, which is available at: <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2023/related/acts/94>. The state legislative maps will be updated for the fall elections. The new maps can be viewed by clicking the "Download Data" option for the 2023 Wisconsin Act 94 legislative districts at: <https://gis-ltsb.hub.arcgis.com/pages/district-maps>. Additional information regarding which legislators represent which districts is available at: <https://maps.legis.wisconsin.gov/?version=2022>.

Additional Information

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles. DONE in the City of Madison on March 18, 2024

Meagan Wolfe, Administrator
Wisconsin Elections Commission
201 West Washington Avenue, 2nd Floor
P.O. Box 7984
Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7984
608-261-2028
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NOTICE OF REFERENDUM
SHAWANO SCHOOL DISTRICT
APRIL 2, 2024

Referendum Election Details
At an election to be held in the Shawano School District on April 2, 2024, the following proposed Initial Resolution of the School Board will be submitted to a vote of the people:

INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$54,500,000

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the Shawano School District, Shawano County, Wisconsin that there shall be issued pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$54,500,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: renovations, additions, building infrastructure and systems improvements at Shawano Community High School, including for classrooms, technical education, fitness, performing arts, the outdoor athletic facility and swimming pool; building infrastructure, systems and ADA accessibility improvements at Olga Brenner Intermediate School; renovations and building infrastructure improvements at the Hillcrest Primary School building, including for classrooms and early childhood education space; capital maintenance improvements at Shawano Community Middle School; districtwide site improvements; and districtwide acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment.

Ballot Text
The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

"Shall the Shawano School District, Shawano County, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$54,500,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: renovations, additions, building infrastructure and systems improvements at Shawano Community High School, including for classrooms, technical education, fitness, performing arts, the outdoor athletic facility and swimming pool; building infrastructure, systems and ADA accessibility improvements at Olga Brenner Intermediate School; renovations and building infrastructure improvements at the Hillcrest Primary School building, including for classrooms and early childhood education space; capital maintenance improvements at Shawano Community Middle School; districtwide site improvements; and districtwide acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment.

Explanation
The referendum election ballot will ask District electors to vote "yes" or "no" on the referendum election question as set forth above.

A "yes" vote on the question is a vote to approve the borrowing of \$54,500,000 by the Shawano School District through the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: renovations, additions, building infrastructure and systems improvements at Shawano Community High School, including for classrooms, technical education, fitness, performing arts, the outdoor athletic facility and swimming pool; building infrastructure, systems and ADA accessibility improvements at Olga Brenner Intermediate School; renovations and building infrastructure improvements at the Hillcrest Primary School building, including for classrooms and early childhood education space; capital maintenance improvements at Shawano Community Middle School; districtwide site improvements; and districtwide acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment.

A "no" vote on the question is a vote to deny the Shawano School District the authority to borrow \$54,500,000 through the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: renovations, additions, building infrastructure and systems improvements at Shawano Community High School, including for classrooms, technical education, fitness, performing arts, the outdoor athletic facility and swimming pool; building infrastructure, systems and ADA accessibility improvements at Olga Brenner Intermediate School; renovations and building infrastructure improvements at the Hillcrest Primary School building, including for classrooms and early childhood education space; capital maintenance improvements at Shawano Community Middle School; districtwide site improvements; and districtwide acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment.

In the event a majority of the electors voting on the question vote "yes", the District will be authorized to undertake the school facility improvement program described in the question and borrow not in excess of \$54,500,000 therefor; if a majority vote "no" on the question set forth above, the District will not be so authorized.

Location and Hours of Polling Places
Information as to the location of the polling places is available in the District Office at 218 County Road B, Shawano, Wisconsin.

All polling places will be open at 7:00 A.M. and will close at 8:00 P.M. All polling places are accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk:

Tn. of Belle Plaine Kristine Vomastic N3002 State Hwy 22, Clintonville WI 54929 715-524-2690 T/Th 9am-3pm, Sat 6:30-11:00am	Tn. of Pella Karen Habeck W10233 Co Rd D, Clintonville WI 54929 715-823-6259 By appointment	City of Shawano Lesley Nemetz 127 S Sawyer St, Shawano WI 54166 715-526-6138 M-Th 8am-4pm, Fr 8-11am
Tn. of Navarino Kim La Violette N281 State Hwy 187, Shiocton WI 54170 920-525-2008 By appointment	Town of Richmond Richard Stadelman N5710 Cty Rd MM, Shawano WI 54166 715-526-6527 M-F 9:30am-noon, T-W-Th 2-4:30pm	Town of Washington Kara Skarlupka N6593 Lakecrest Dr, Cecil WI 54111 715-851-6592 By appointment
Tn. of Herman Alyce Welk W11063 Lyndhurst, Gresham WI 54128 715-584-0819 By appointment	Town of Waukechon Christine Prey W7005 St John's Church Rd, Shawano WI 54166 715-853-2344 By appointment	Town of Wescott Angela Vreek PO Box 536, Shawano WI 54166 715-526-9853 ext. 2 M-Th 9am-3pm, Fr 9am – noon

Notice of Meeting of the School District Board of Canvassers
By no later than 9 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election, the school district board of canvassers shall convene, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, for the purpose of conducting the school district canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.53(3). This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

Information to Elector
Upon entering the polling place and before being permitted to vote, an elector shall:

- state their name and address
- show an acceptable form of photo identification*
- sign the poll book**

*If an elector does not have acceptable photo identification, the elector may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.
**If the elector is unable to sign the poll book due to disability, a poll worker may write the word "exempt."

If an elector is not registered to vote, they may register to vote at the polling place serving their residence if the elector provides proof of residence.

Where ballots are distributed to electors, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot.

Upon being permitted to vote, the elector shall enter a voting booth or go to a machine and cast their ballot. The vote should not be cast in any manner other than specified here. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the elector in marking their ballot may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone so as to reveal how the ballot is marked.

An elector who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the elector's minor child or minor ward.

An election official may inform the elector of the proper manner for casting a vote but the official may not advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Assistance for Voting
An elector may select an individual to assist in casting their vote if the elector declares to the presiding official that they are unable to read, have difficulty reading, writing, or understanding English or that due to disability are unable to cast their ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the elector's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector.

Where Paper Ballots are Used
On referendum questions, the elector shall make a mark (X) in the square next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall make a mark (X) in the square next to "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Optical Scan Voting is Used
On referendum questions, the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using an electronic ballot marking device ("Automark," "ExpressVote," "Clear Access" or "ImageCast Evolution-ICE") to mark an **optical scan ballot** on referendum questions, the elector shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Touch Screen Voting is Used
On referendum questions, the elector shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

After Voting the Ballot
After an official **paper ballot** is marked, it shall be folded so the inside marks do not show, but so the printed endorsements and inspectors' initials on the outside do show. The elector shall deposit the voted ballot in the ballot box or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit and shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official **optical scan ballot** is marked, it shall be inserted in the security sleeve, so the marks do not show. The elector may insert the ballot in the voting device and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the elector shall insert the ballot in the ballot box and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official **touch screen ballot** is cast, the elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

Spoiling Ballots
If an elector spoils a **paper or optical scan** ballot, they shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one elector. If the ballot has not been initialed by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the elector shall return it to the election official who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

The elector may spoil a **touch screen ballot** at the voting station before the ballot is cast.

The following is a sample of the official ballot:

Official Referendum Ballot
April 2, 2024

Notice to Voters: If you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initialed by two election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initialed by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials. (See end of ballot for initials).

Instructions to Voters

If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help. (Absentee voters: contact your municipal clerk):

To vote in favor of a question, make an "X" or other mark in the square next to "Yes," like this: ☒

To vote against a question, make an "X" or other mark in the square next to "No," like this: ☒

School District

Question: Shall the Shawano School District, Shawano County, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$54,500,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: renovations, additions, building infrastructure and systems improvements at Shawano Community High School, including for classrooms, technical education, fitness, performing arts, the outdoor athletic facility and swimming pool; building infrastructure, systems and ADA accessibility improvements at Olga Brenner Intermediate School; renovations and building infrastructure improvements at the Hillcrest Primary School building, including for classrooms and early childhood education space; capital maintenance improvements at Shawano Community Middle School; districtwide site improvements; and districtwide acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment?

☐ Yes

☐ No

(Reverse Side of Ballot)

OFFICIAL REFERENDUM BALLOT

April 2, 2024

for

Shawano School District, Wisconsin

Municipality and ward number(s):

Ballot issued by

Initials of Inspectors of Election

Absentee Ballot issued by

Initials of Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk
(If issued by SVDs, both SVDs must initial.)

Certification of Voter Assistance

I certify that I marked or read aloud this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §6.82 to receive assistance.

Signature of assistor

Persons with questions regarding the referendum election should contact
Kurt Krizan, District Administrator.

Done in the Shawano School District
on March 29, 2024
Jeana Winslow
District Clerk
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FEMA awards more than \$872K to Menominee tribe

Through the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant program, FEMA has awarded \$872,894 to the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin for an underground power line conversion project.

The project will convert a series of overhead cop-pers weld power lines to underground aluminum power lines. Since their installation in the 1950s, these lines have sustained repeated outages from natural hazards. By con-

verting the overhead lines to underground lines, this project will ensure power to the reservation remains operable during severe weather, ice storms and extreme cold. For this project, FEMA will pay 89% of the

\$985,526 eligible project cost with the remaining 11% of the costs, \$112,632, provided by the tribe. FEMA will also cover 100% of management costs at \$93,860. “MITW Emergency Management is very ap-

preciative of the FEMA assistance. This project will provide electrical infrastructure protection in one of the most rural parts of our reservation,” said Ben Warrington, MITW emergency management coordinator. “The team at

Wisconsin Emergency Management, Mitigation Office and our team in Menominee tribal administration worked very hard over the past year on this funding application. We look forward to completing this project as soon as possible.”

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

March 24
Officers responded to 11 incidents, including assisting other law enforcement on Pleasant Street in Gresham.

March 23
Officers responded to 23 incidents, including property damage on South Lincoln Street; threatening on South Union Street; intoxicated person at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.; animal bite on River Heights Drive.

March 22
Officers responded to 21 incidents, including a hit-and-run at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; property theft on Mills Street; fraud on Hillside Lane; child abuse or neglect at an undisclosed location; threatening at an undisclosed location; found property at Kwik Trip, 1241 E. Green Bay St.; fraud at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.

March 21
Officers responded to 18 incidents, including vehicle theft on South Sawyer Street; weapon offense at an undisclosed location; drug offenses at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; truancy at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; reckless driving on South Franklin Street; property theft at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; lost property on East Green Bay Street; drug offenses on West Fifth Street.

March 20
Officers responded to 16 incidents, including noise on South Water Street; vehicle crash at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; reckless driving on South Hamlin Street; bail jumping at Ole Town Tap, 115 N. Main St.; two juvenile problem calls at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; warrant arrest on South River Street.

March 19
Officers responded to 26 incidents, including two truancy calls at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; pornography at an undisclosed location; drug offenses at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; drug offenses on South Sawyer Street; noise on South Water Street; drug offenses on North Union Street.

March 18
Officers responded to 25 incidents, including a juvenile problem on Fairview Way; vehicle crash at Subway, 1230 E. Green Bay St.; drug offenses on Humphrey Circle; juvenile problem at Hillcrest Primary School, 1410 Waukechon St.; traffic hazard on South Airport Drive; drug offenses at Shawano Police Department, 125 S. Sawyer St.; threatening at SAM's House, 105 E. Richmond St.; sex offense on East Center Street; truancy at Shawano

Community High School, 220 County Road B.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

March 24
Deputies responded to 23 incidents, including assisting with a fire on East Green Bay Street; one 911 call; one reckless driving incident; nine crashes.

March 23
Deputies responded to 22 incidents, including intoxication on Main Street; one 911 call; two reckless driving incidents; three traffic hazards.

March 22
Deputies responded to 31 incidents, including property damage on South Warrington Avenue in Cecil; property damage on North Warrington Avenue in Cecil; harassment on Old 29 Road in the Town of Seneca; property theft on County Road MMM in the Town of Richmond; fraud on state Highway 22 in the Town

of Belle Plaine; one reckless driving incident; one traffic hazard; four crashes.

March 21
Deputies responded to 28 incidents, including shoplifting at Dollar General, 410 N. State Highway 22, Cecil; assisting with a fire on North Branch Road in the Town of Birnamwood; assisting with a fire on state Highway 29 in the Town of Seneca; found property on Frontage Road in the Town of Washington; harassment on Frazer Corner Road in the Town of Lessor; three 911 calls; two out-of-county warrants; two reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; two crashes.

March 20
Deputies responded to 41 incidents, including a restraining order violation on Glenwood Court in the Town of Wescott; trespassing on County Road D in the Town of Seneca; property theft on Pine Lane in the Town of Belle Plaine; criminal damage on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town

of Fairbanks; fraud on North Hunter Street in Wittenberg; bail jumping on West Grand Avenue in Wittenberg; trespassing on West Rollman Street in Wittenberg; two 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; two crashes, one involving deer.

March 19
Deputies responded to 38 incidents, including a warrant on Murphys Road in the Town of Bartelme; bail jumping on South Union Street in Shawano; assisting with a fire on Two Mile Road in the Town of Germania; criminal damage on Cherry Road in the Town of Hutchins; scam on Leopolis Road in the Town of Herman; one 911 call; three reckless driving incidents; two crashes involving deer.

March 18
Deputies responded to 29 incidents, including a disturbance on Old Keshena Road in the Town of Wescott; two 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; three crashes.

COURT NEWS

• Geran D. Metko, 39, pleaded no contest Dec. 15 to three counts of possession with intent to deliver amphetamine, possession with intent to deliver narcotics, possession with intent to deliver THC, possession of a firearm by a person convicted of a felony, possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a drug trafficking place, four counts of possession of narcotic drugs, 23 counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor charges of carrying a concealed knife and operating a motor vehicle while his license was revoked. On March 18, Judge Katherine Sloma sentenced him to seven years in

prison followed by 10 years of extended supervision.

• Ryan J. Welch, 33, Shawano, pleaded no contest March 19 to misdemeanor charges of battery, disorderly conduct and victim intimidation. The charges were amended from felonies in a plea agreement. Sloma levied fines and other court costs.

• A jury found Leila J. Bigjohn, 40, Wittenberg, not guilty of possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia after a one-day trial March 19.

• Dylan L. Corn, 21, Stevens Point, was charged March 18 with possession of nar-

cotic drugs, nine counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, and misdemeanor charges of operating a motor vehicle while his license was revoked and possession of drug paraphernalia. Judge William Kussel Jr. set a \$750 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for March 25.

• Daniel K. Reiter, 37, Birnamwood, was charged March 18 with felony bail jumping and misdemeanor bail jumping. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for April 9.

• Robert W. Harris, 53, Birnamwood, was charged March 18 with nine counts of felony bail jumping, four counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, two misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and a misdemeanor charge of driving without a valid license. Kussel set a \$5,000 cash bond, and a status conference was scheduled for March 25.

• Joel L. Lehouillier, 41, Wittenberg, was charged March 19 with two counts of felony bail jumping. Kussel set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled a

status conference for April 15.

• Hannah E. Hoffman, 17, Shawano, was charged March 21 with two counts of battery or threat to a law officer, 10 counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of battery, disorderly conduct, and attempted criminal damage to property. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond and a \$10,000 signature bond and scheduled a review hearing for March 28.

• Joseph C. Gleason, 53, Merrill, was charged March 21 with possession of methamphetamine, possession of

paraphernalia to manufacture methamphetamine, possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and six counts of felony bail jumping. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond and a \$2,500 signature bond and scheduled a status conference for May 7.

• Terrell R. Waukau, 24, Shawano, was charged March 21 with four counts of felony bail jumping and two counts of knowingly violating a domestic abuse injunction. Kussel set a \$15,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for March 28.

OBITUARIES



James Ward
James John Ward, 88, Green Bay, passed away Thursday, March 21, 2024. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 27, at Seventh-Day Adventist, 1414 Shawano Ave., Green Bay. To view the full obituary or send condolences, please go to www.blaney-funeralhome.com.

Chloe L. Witt
Chloe L. Witt, 82, of Clintonville, passed away March 23, 2024. Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory.

Ronald C. Ostrowski
Ronald C. Ostrowski, 76, of the Town of Belle Plaine, passed away March 20, 2024. Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory.

Garret P. Bork
Garret P. Bork, 91, of the Town of Pella, passed away March 20, 2024. Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory.

James M. Reed
James M. Reed, 83, of Shawano, passed away on Tuesday, March 19, 2024. Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory.

Notice of Presidential Preference Election and Spring Election
Tuesday, April 2, 2024
Polling Place Locations

Notice is hereby given that Spring Election will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 in all Towns, Villages and City in Shawano County. All polling places will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will close at 8:00 p.m. All polling places are accessible to elderly and voters with disabilities.

Town, Village or City	Polling Place-Town, Village or City Hall Address	Municipal Clerk	Phone
Town of Angelica	Angelica Town Hall, N3285 Co. Rd C, Pulaski	Connie Przybylski	920-822-3112
Town of Belle Plaine	Belle Plaine Community Center, N3002 St. Rd. 22, Clintonville	Kris Vomastic	715-460-3053
Town of Green Valley	Green Valley Community Center, W1734 Co. Rd E, Cecil	Janalee Jenerou	715-745-2699
Town of Hartland	Hartland Town Hall, W3454 Co. Rd. BE, Bonduel	Carrie Bohm	715-851-3107
Town of Lessor	Lessor Town Hall, W4055 Landstad Rd., Bonduel	Mark Heling	715-280-1005
Town of Morris	Morris Town Hall, N15320 Berg Rd Tigerton	Jennifer Dzioba	715-881-1751
Town of Pella	Pella Town Hall, W11021 Co. Rd. D, Marion	Karen Habeck	715-823-6259
Town of Richmond	Richmond Town Hall, N5170 Co. Rd. MM, Shawano	Rick Stadelman	715-526-6477
Town of Seneca	Seneca Town Hall, W13104 Co. Rd. D, Tilleda	Raymond Rigsby	715-851-2251
Town of Washington	Cecil Community Hall/Fire Station, 111 E Hofman St., Cecil	Kara Skarlupka	715-851-6592
Town of Waukechon	Waukechon Town Hall, N3999 Co. Rd. K, Shawano	Chris Prey	715-853-7001
Village of Bonduel	Bonduel Village Hall, 117 W. Green Bay St. Bonduel	Michelle Maroszek	715-758-2402
Village of Bowler	Bowler Village Hall, 107 W Main St. Bowler	Kerry Breitrick	715-793-4713
Village of Cecil	Cecil Community Hall/Fire Station, 111 E. Hofman St., Cecil	Teri Westerfeld	715-745-4428
Village of Gresham	Abby Bank, 801 Main St., Gresham	Judy Kristof	715-787-3991
Village of Pulaski	Pulaski Village Hall, 585 E. Glenbrook Dr., Pulaski	Karen Ostrowski	920-822-5182
Village of Tigerton	Tigerton Community Center, 221 Birch St., Tigerton	Helen Selle	715-535-2262
Village of Wittenberg	Wittenberg Community Center, 208 W. Vinal St, Wittenberg	Traci Matsche	715-253-6063
City of Shawano	Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St. Shawano	Lesley Nemetz	715-526-6138

Notice of Meeting of the Local and Municipal Board of Canvassers

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, the Election Inspectors will convene as a joint meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers and the Municipal Board of Canvassers for the purpose of conducting the local and municipal canvasses pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§7.51 and 7.53(1). This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

Notice of Meeting of the Local and Municipal Board of Canvassers (MBOC)

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, the Election Inspectors will convene as a joint meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers and the MBOC for the purpose of conducting the local and municipal canvasses pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§7.51 and 7.53(1). This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

Learn to identify AI in photos, videos, writing

Gone are the days when one could confidently say, “Seeing is believing.”

New artificial intelligence (AI) technology is becoming more sophisticated and more accessible, making it possible for just about anyone to create realistic-looking images and videos.

Unfortunately, this also means scammers can now use AI images and videos to lend credibility to their tricks. AI videos and images can make a phony celebrity endorsement look real or convince family members of a fake emergency.

AI in writing

If you’re reading something and are wondering whether it was written by a human or generated by AI, consider these tips from the Better Business Bureau.

Look for typos. Normally, typos are red flags for scams. But, if you’re trying to decipher between human-written or AI-generated content, the MIT Technology Review mentions that typos are a great indicator that a human wrote the content.

Watch for incorrect or outdated information. Many AI bots are trained on limited data sets and, therefore, may write with out-of-date information.

See any repetitive words and phrases? When discussing a single topic, AI may use the same keywords and phrases that it learned during training repeatedly. This can make the writing sound unnatural.

Pay attention to the tone of voice. AI writing may have a more robotic and emotionless tone, whereas humans may write more informally and causally with slang.

When in doubt, seek out another source. If you’re not confident that what you’re reading is coming from a credible source, seek out the information from another source.

AI in images

Look at the context for red flags. Ask yourself these kinds of questions: Is the image or voice being used with pressure to take an urgent action, one that seems questionable,

such as sending money to a stranger, or through an unexpected or odd payment mechanism? Is the context political, and does it seem like someone is trying to make you feel angry or emotional? If the image or voice is one of a friend or loved one, don’t respond to any requests that come with it before you contact that person offline to see if it’s a genuine message.

Find a high-resolution image and zoom in. If you see a surprising photo of a politician or celebrity, look closer before you believe what’s in the picture. Search the image in the highest-possible resolution and then zoom in. You’ll likely find a few giveaways if you’re looking at an AI-generated image.

Consider asymmetry and other physical inconsistencies — but be careful. Less sophisticated versions of AI can have a hard time with physical traits. Asymmetry in human faces, teeth and hands are common issue with poor quality AI images. You might notice hands with extra (or not enough) fingers, too. Another telltale sign is unnatural body proportions — such as ears, fingers or feet that are disproportionately large or small.

However, AI technology is already advancing, and these mistakes will show up less and less often. Recent reports have indicated that physical inconsistencies are no longer a reliable marker for spotting higher-quality AI-generated images, especially with faces.

Strange textures or a glossy effect. AI images often have textured backgrounds or an airbrushed look that real photos don’t share. You might also notice strange-looking backgrounds or sharp images with random blurry spots.

AI in videos

Look out for strange shadows, blurs or light flickers. In some AI-generated videos, shadows or light may appear to flicker only on the face of the person speaking or possibly only in the background. This is especially true of low-quality deep fake videos.

Unnatural body language. This is another AI

giveaway. As with photos, AI can have a hard time replicating actual humans. If the body language feels off, it’s time to question the veracity of the video you’re watching.

Take a closer listen. Synthetic audio might sound a little strange too. Choppy sentences, confusing inflection or background sounds that don’t match the speaker’s location are all dead giveaways.

How to verify that a photo or video is authentic

Check the source. This can be hard to do when a video or photo goes viral on social media, but it’s essential if you want to know if you’re looking at a fake. Try to trace the photo back to the original post to see who shared the image or video and why they shared it. If it shows shocking political events or messages, ask yourself if the news is on social media or mainstream media. Why might mainstream media be hesitant to pick up the story? It’s probably fake news corroborated by AI-generated images and videos.

Do a reverse image search. If you’re having trouble figuring out where an image came from, try a reverse image search. This can bring up all the websites where the image has been shared, which can help you understand the context of the image and its origins.

Be prepared for change. AI technology will continue to evolve and improve, so these tips will change, too. The best thing you can do is be aware that fake videos and images exist and always fact-check what you see before you believe it.

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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’s tech college president plans to retire

Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) President Morna Foy has announced her plans to retire later this year.

“It’s been my honor and an absolute blast to lead such an amazing organization,” Foy said. “I’ve had the chance to work with so many talented educators, state and local policymakers and workforce development partners to realize the technical colleges’ promise of excellence for students, employers and communities across Wisconsin. I am confident that my WTCS colleagues will



MORNA FOY

continue this tradition of innovation for years to come.” Foy’s public service career spans 35 years, the last 26 in the WTCS. During her tenure, Foy championed the system’s collaborative culture and demonstrated student outcomes. She developed new partnerships with employers, industry organizations and education philanthropies. Foy also advanced significant growth in dual enrollment

opportunities for high school students, stackable credentials, transfer pathways and student success outcomes.

“The Wisconsin Technical College System has had strong, intentional leadership under Dr. Foy,” said Mark Tyler, WTCS board president. “Twelve years ago, we asked Morna to elevate awareness of, and appreciation for, technical colleges and their graduate outcomes.”

The WTCS board will conduct a nationwide search for a new system president in the months ahead.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration)

MENOMINEE COUNTY

Case Number - 24pr02

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Jeanette M. Trost

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 01/18/1926 and date of death 08/24/2023, was domiciled in Menominee, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W2155 County VV, Keshena, WI 54135, USA.

3. All interested persons waived notice.

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 06/19/2024.

5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N Main St, Shawano, WI 54166, USA.

Form completed by: James E. Aschenbrenner 311 N Main St, Shawano, WI 54166, USA James E. Aschenbrenner Phone: 7155246258 Bar Number: 1008896

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03/29/24, 04/05/24, 04/12/24

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 Probate Registrar 03-07-2024

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

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Before the Town of Hartland Planning Commission

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Town of Hartland Town Hall located at W3454 County Road BE, Bonduel, Wisconsin, the Town of Hartland Planning Commission will hold a public hearing for the purpose of considering the following petition: Dannie J Borntrager/Premier Custom Cabinetry, LLC, requests a conditional use permit for expansion of the "Light Industrial" land use/building (i.e., cabinet manufacturing) on the property addressed N3966 Valley Road (tax parcel number 022-18230-0001). Applicant is proposing a 48' x 92' addition to the existing building housing the "Light Industrial" land use. Additional information or a copy of the conditional use permit application are available upon request filed with the Town Zoning Administrator, Jeff Kussow, at (920) 785-7332 or jeff.kussow@cedarcorp.com. The hearing is open to the public and all interested parties are encouraged to appear in person or by agent and be heard. If you cannot appear in-person, any person may submit written comments by letter addressed to: Cedar Corporation, Attn: Jeff Kussow, 1695 Bellevue Street, Green Bay, WI 54311; or by email to jeff.kussow@cedarcorp.com. Town of Hartland Carrie Bohm, Clerk

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY

Case Code 31003

Case No. 24-SC-102

To: JOSEPHINE PAMONICUTT

You are hereby notified that a summons and complaint has been issued to recover possession of the following described goods and chattels, to wit: 2017 CHEVROLET EQUINOX - VIN: 2GNALBEK1H1549117 of which I, the plaintiff am entitled to thepossession, and which you have unjustly taken and unlawfully detain from me. NOV, THEREFORE, unless you shall appear in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, located in the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street in the City of Shawano, State of Wisconsin, on April 9, 2024 at 1:00 P.M. before the calendar judge or any other judge of said court to whom the said action may be assigned for trial, judgment will be rendered against you for the delivery of said property to the plaintiff and for damages for= the detention thereof and for costs. Dated at Milwaukee, WI this 15th day of March, 2024.

ALLY CAPITAL CORP. d/b/a ALLY BANK Plaintiff

By: Zachary L. Enstrom, Attorney State Bar# 1102478 413 N. 2 nd Street, Ste. 150 Milwaukee, WI 53203 Tele: 414-271-9556 PO No.: 10085.78

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Agenda

Board of Adjustment - Public Hearing

Notice Meeting

Thursday, April 11, 2024 @ 9:00 AM

Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A & B

311 N Main St., Shawano, WI

Members: Alan Beyer, Bill Bowers, John Stezenski, Thomas Tauferner, Gary Thomack

Alternates: 1st Robert Krause, 2nd David Korth V-1-24: Kristin L Fritsch and Robert Miller III request variance to construct an 11' x 12' single family dwelling addition where a 6' by 11' section would be 70 feet (70') from the ordinary high water mark of Shawano Lake where 75 feet (75') is required pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland-Wetland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 6.2. Property is located and describedas that part of Government Lot 4 in Section 28, T27N R16E, bounded and described as commencing at the West Quarter Section corner of said Section 28'; thence North along the Section line, 476.7 feet; thence angle 65° 25' to the right 270.95 feet to the point of beginningof the land to be described; thence angle 68° 39' to the left, 259.95 feet more or less, to the water's edge of Shawano Lake Outlet; thence Westerly along the water's edge, 60 feet; thenceSouth and parallel to the first course, 277.43 feet; thence angle 111° 21' to the left, 64.5 feet to the point of beginning. Tax parcel #048-28230-0150. Town of Wescott. Property address: W6486 Gumaer Road Any interested person may address the Board of Adjustment by letter or appear in person or by agent and be heard at the public hearing. Written correspondence mustbear a legible signature of the author a well as the primary address of the signer. The Board of Adjustment will be meeting after the public hearing to deliberate and take possible action on the following items:

1. Public hearing decisions V-1-24: Kristin L Fritsch & Robert Miller III

2. Approval of minutes from previous meetings. December 14, 2023 December 27, 2023

3. Discuss, review and take possible action on V-18-23 - Steve Speckhard, agent for Speckhard Family LLC.

4. Board member comments or new business to be considered at a future meeting.

5. Correspondence.

6. Set next public hearing date.

7. Adjournment.

Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766

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03/22/24, 03/29/24, 04/05/24

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 main 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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03/29/24, 04/05/24, 04/12/24

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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Don't store it in the attic. SELL IT!

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NOTICE

TOWN OF GREEN VALLEY TOWN PLAN COMMISSION BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

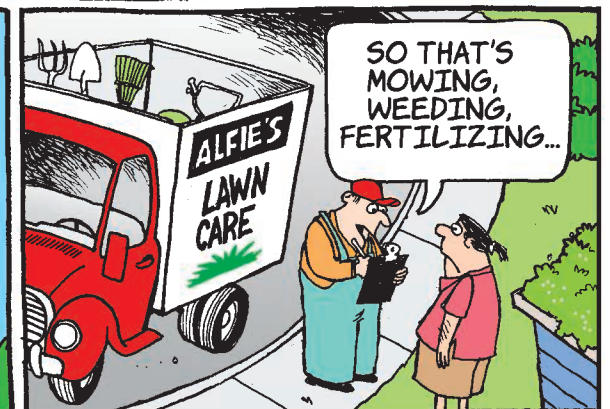
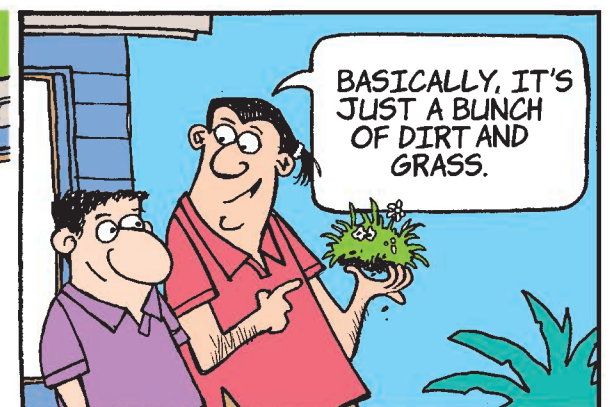
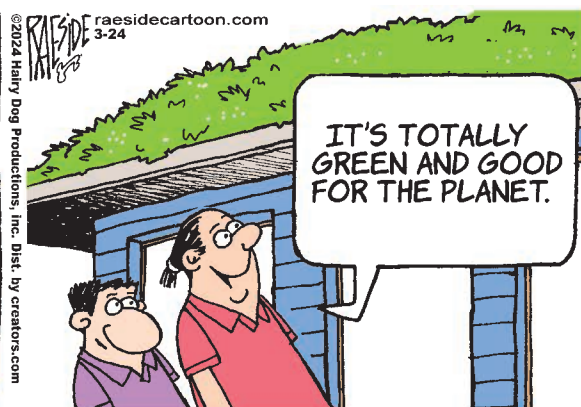
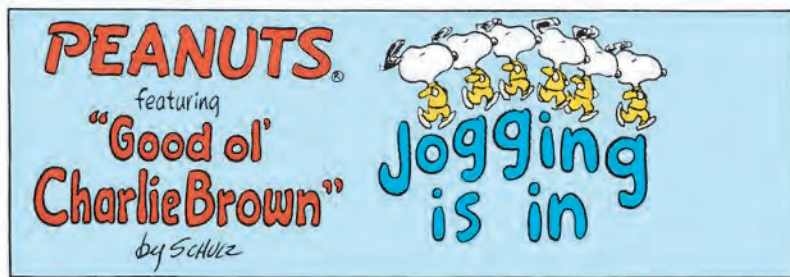
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6:00 PM

Community Center in Advance

Conditional Use Permit request for Kody Duchateau request for Conditional Use Permit for an Outdoor Commercial Entertainment or Recreation (land use) for the purpose of operating 2 truck and tractor pull events per year in the OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture, and Residential Zoning District. Site address N6161 Highway 32, Oconto Falls, WI 54154. Comments will be taken at Public Hearing or direct written comments to W2267 Highway 22, Pulcifer, WI 54124 or call 715-745-6056. The Plan Commission will hold their monthly meeting immediately following the Public Hearing. The Plan Commission will render a recommendation for the Town Board of Supervisors during their meeting. Town Board of Supervisors will hold their monthly meeting following the Plan Commission meeting.

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by
TONY COCHRAN



I HAVE WRITTEN TO MANY, MANY FAMOUS PEOPLE. NONE OF THEM EVER WRITE BACK.

WRITE TO UNFAMOUS PEOPLE.



WHAT WOULD BE THE POINT?

FORGING FRIENDSHIPS? CAMARADERIE? A FEW NORMAL CONVERSATIONS?



HA! LIKE I CAN SELL THOSE SAD LETTERS ON EBAY.

HEY...IF I WRITE A LETTER TO OUR MAILMAN, DOES HE HAVE TO DELIVER IT BEFORE HE CAN READ IT?



The **BARN** by Ralph Hagen

STAN WILL BE SURPRISED I BROUGHT HIM A COFFEE!



HOP
HOP



SIGH



TRIP



SURPRISE!

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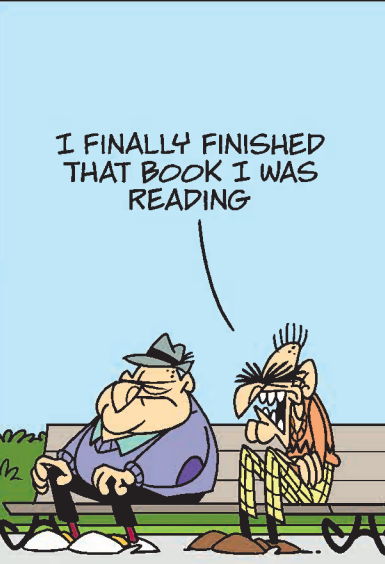


Diamond Lil

by Brett Koth

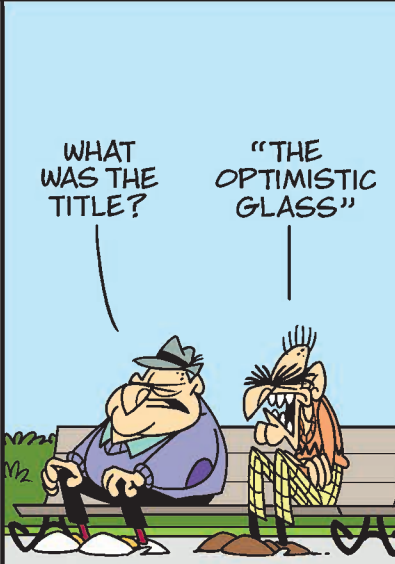
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:
HARRY AND AL
ON THE BENCH

I FINALLY FINISHED THAT BOOK I WAS READING



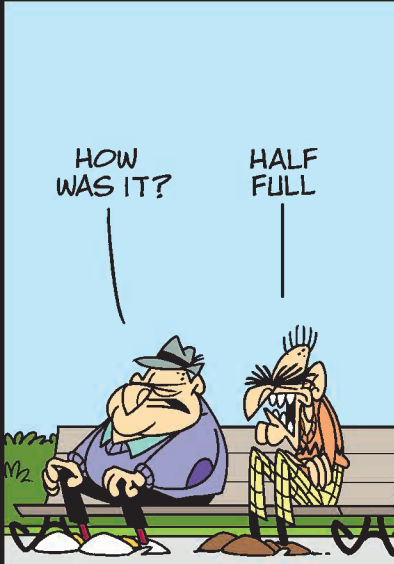
WHAT WAS THE TITLE?

"THE OPTIMISTIC GLASS"



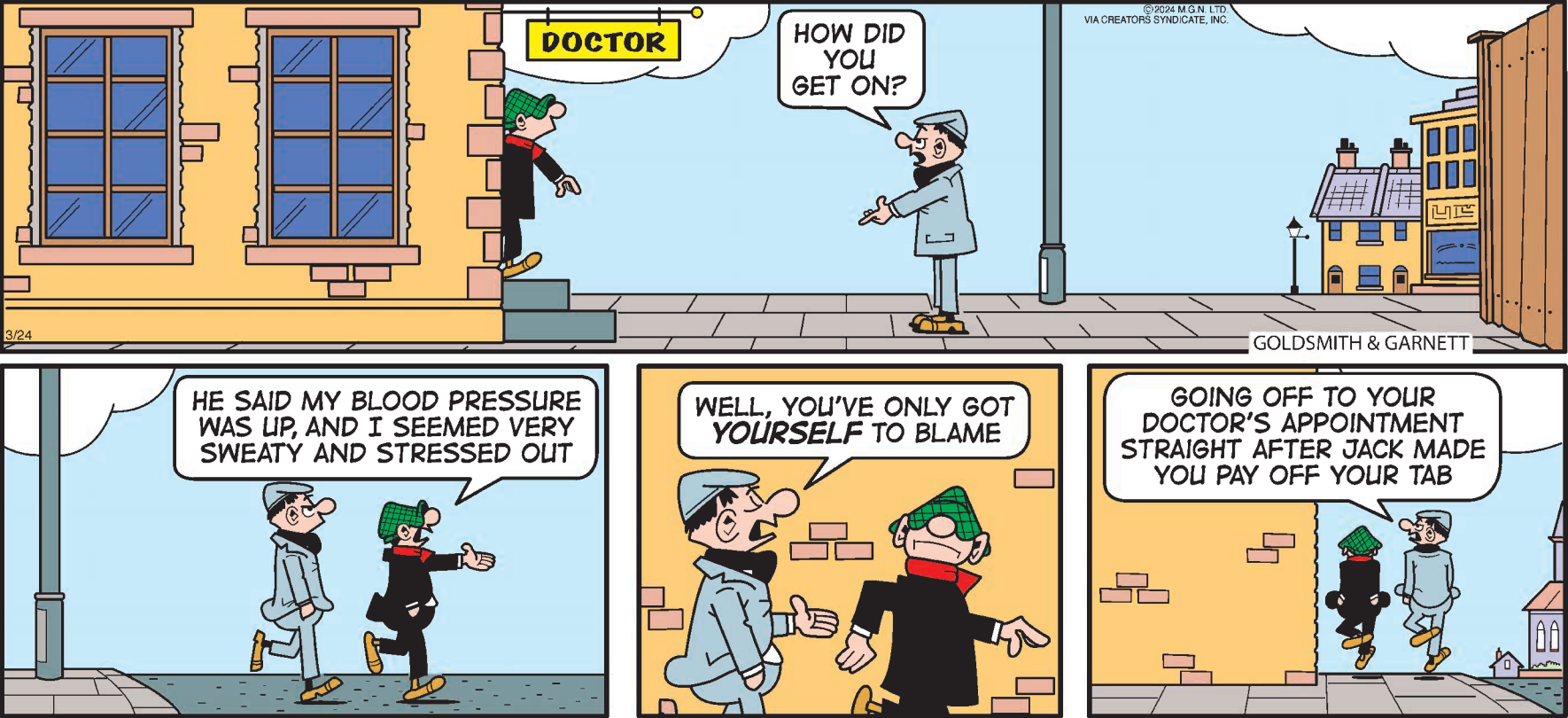
HOW WAS IT?

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ANDY CAPP

by Smythe



DOGS OF C-KENNEL

BY MICK MASTROIANNI AND MASON MASTROIANNI

