

Lifesavers recognized for saving man's life

13 commended for actions during heart attack incident

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

More than a dozen people from the Shawano Police Department, Shawano Ambulance Services and elsewhere were recognized by the city police for saving a man's life recently.

Lt. Mike Musolff gave letters of commendation during the Nov. 13 Shawano Common Council meeting to Sgt. Michelle Kamba, Officer Jeff Buettner, Officer Jacob Giannoni and community service officer Tom Cotter from the police department; Michelle Brittnacher, Joe Gazeley, Jed Meidam, Brock Epping, Jordan Hebert and Josh Zandi with the ambulance service; Dohn Dallman and Cody Hudson with the public works department; and co-worker Steve Baird.

"Today, we gather here to recognize an extraordinary team of first responders who recently demonstrated exceptional courage, skill and unwavering dedication during a critical emergency," Musolff said.

The incident in question took place in the early afternoon of Sept. 13, Matthew Meidam was in a work vehicle in Shawano when he experienced a heart attack, according to Musolff. He noted that, in those crucial moments, every



During the Shawano Common Council meeting, on Nov. 13, the Shawano Police Department recognized those within its own ranks, Shawano Ambulance Service, the public works department and co-workers for saving the life of a Shawano man.

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second mattered.

"Steve Baird, Matthew's co-worker, was the first to act by immediately calling 911 and providing Matthew with lifesaving assistance," Musolff said. "Without hesitation, Officer Jeff Buettner responded swiftly to the scene and initiated CPR, beginning a lifesaving chain of events."

Kamba arrived on the scene shortly thereafter with a defibrillator to shock

Meidam's heart and stabilize him, according to Musolff. The public works employees also assisted before the ambulance crews arrived on the scene, he said. Giannoni and Cotter helped to secure the road so the other responders could tend to Meidam.

Ambulance crews initially took Meidam to ThedaCare Medical Center-Shawano, but he required advanced care at another hospital, according to Musolff.

"This collaborative and courageous team effort is a testament to the commitment each of you has as citizens of our community and to one another," he said to the honorees. "Today, we recognize each of you for your selfless actions, professionalism and unwavering dedication to preserving life. Your teamwork exemplifies the very best of public service."

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County, Bertram partner for grant

Funding could bring fiber optic internet service to thousands

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

Shawano County will team up with Bertram Communication LLC to hopefully provide underground fiber internet service to several thousand homes and businesses in the county.

With support from the county board, Bertram will submit an application for grant funding from the Wisconsin Public Service Commission (PSC).

Shawano County recognizes internet access as an essential utility for modern life and economic development for residents and businesses, according to Matt Hietpas, the county's technology services director. However, due to budget limitations, it has been difficult to attract

internet service providers without grant funding.

"This project aligns with Shawano County's goals to expand and enhance connectivity of fiber-to-the-premises broadband access to all residents and businesses and supports Shawano County's choice to partner with Bertram Communications to serve their municipality with broadband access," Hietpas wrote in a letter to the PSC.

The national Bipartisan Infrastructure Law allocated \$42 billion under the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) Program for broadband infrastructure deployment. Wisconsin was awarded \$1.056 billion for broadband infrastructure that will produce high-quality, reliable, affordable internet in unserved and underserved households and businesses.

There are 4,777 broadband serviceable locations spread across Shawano County that are eligible for BEAD funding.

It is expected grants will be awarded in 2025, but Hietpas said completing the

project will take about five years because of the number of projects that will be funded across the state all at the same time.

Bertram's proposal was recommended by the county's BEAD Committee and the county board's executive committee.

Four providers were interviewed. "We felt Bertram fit us best," Hietpas said about the BEAD Committee's recommendation.

Bertram Communications has partnered with the county in the past. It has also previously been awarded grant funding to increase internet connectivity in rural areas that had very poor connectivity.

Most recently, they completed a project that brought fiber optic internet to 1,000 customers in Baileys Harbor in Door County and nearly as many in Oconto County.

"We have a buried fiber network that by the end of November, they will have 980 customers near Mountain," said Sarah

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A view of the supermoon



An airplane at the Shawano Municipal Airport is seen in front of the full moon Nov. 15. The moon was designated a supermoon, which occurs when the full moon coincides with the moon being at the point in its orbit within 90% of its closest approach to Earth, called perigee. November's supermoon will be the last of four supermoons in a row this year.

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Off-road vehicles in Shawano face backlash on two fronts.

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ORV issues come back to council's attention

Alderman wants tighter restrictions; resident cries discrimination

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Off-road vehicles could be back on the Shawano Common Council's agenda in the future for a full discussion as backlash has arisen regarding their sharing the road with motor vehicles.

The vehicles were brought up during the council's Nov. 13 meeting, but for two very different reasons. Because

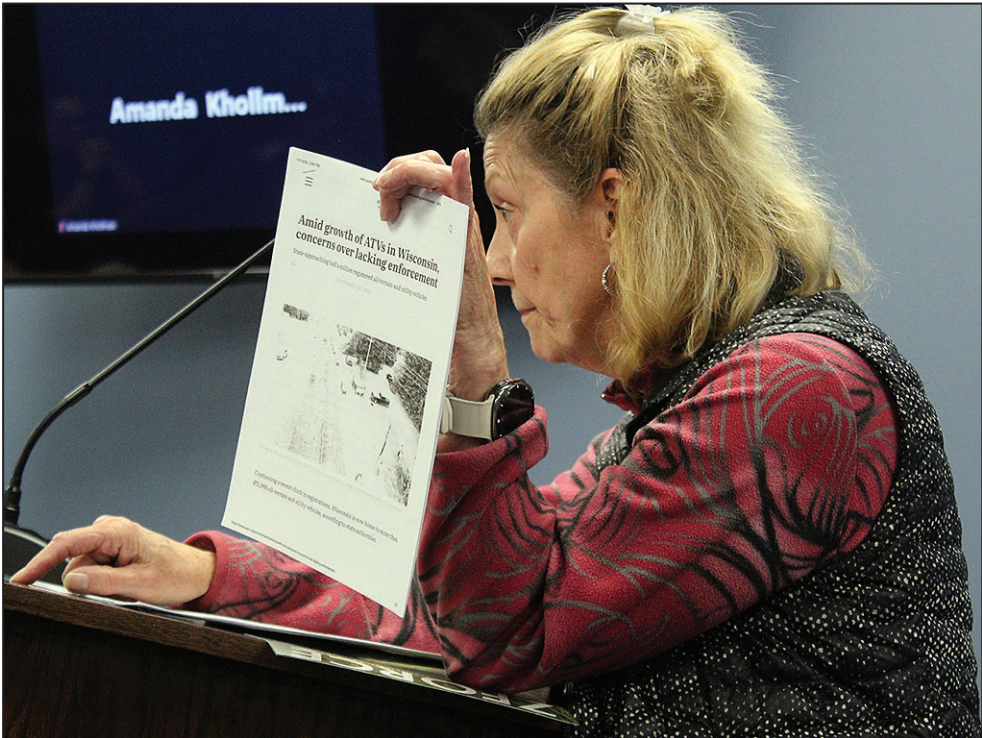


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the topic wasn't on the agenda, the issue could not be fully discussed, but Alderman Jim Hauer wants the vehicles put on a future agenda.

Hauer, who also works as a sheriff's deputy for Shawano County, commented along the same lines as his boss, Sheriff George Lenzner, about the need for stricter guidelines about who can operate all-terrain vehicles and utility-terrain vehicles on paved roads. However, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resource guidelines are fairly loose, and it might be difficult to approve restrictions that don't reflect state rules.

The issue is not new,



Shirley Hinze, a Shawano resident who recently ran for the 6th Assembly District, holds up an article she found online regarding off-road vehicles as she tells the Shawano Common Council that the wheel tax approved in September should apply to those vehicles, as well.

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as the matter of the rules came up when the Shawano County Board of Supervisors approved its measure in February 2021 and the council gave the green light in April 2021. The city recently expanded where off-road vehicles can go to include primary roads like Main and Green Bay streets.

Currently, off-road vehicles can be operated by anyone ages 12 and up, with younger operators required to have an adult in the vehicle, and there are no insurance requirements like there are with motor vehicles. Also, the DNR rules do not forbid ORVs from having open intoxicants inside the vehicle, whereas having

them in a motor vehicle is against the law.

"I propose that we modify our statute that you have a valid license to drive on the roadways," Hauer said. "Also, under that statute, it says that you can't operate under the influence of an intoxicant to operate a UTV, but there's no mention of open intox. So I'm going to propose we include in that municipal code, no operating with an open intoxicant inside of the vehicle. You can't be driving around with a beer in your ATV."

Hauer also said he wants to see insurance requirements on all ORVs operating in the city.

The proposal got some

pushback at the meeting, despite not being on the agenda for discussion.

Mayor Bruce Milavitz said he was open to discussing the concerns but questioned the wisdom of having stricter rules than the state.

"The reason we have what the state was doing is because they've already vetted the program," Milavitz said. "I think the reason we didn't put further restraints is because, when people come into the community, now you've got to look at all the different rules and regulations for each community you're driving through."

Hauer acknowledged that the city or the county

having stricter ORV regulations could be controversial, and he said it would be better if the state were to take action on its rules so that municipalities could follow suit.

"I'd treat it like a motorcycle, in my opinion," Hauer said.

He noted that one of his neighbors told him about someone whose driver's license has been revoked using his UTV to travel around the city.

"If he drives a car, he's committing a crime," Hauer said. "Because he's driving a UTV in the city of Shawano, he's able to, and he can have a beer while he's doing it."

Alderman Brad Keuschel also expressed reservations about stricter ORV guidelines, especially since he also uses one.

"As a UTV driver, I don't research every city or county that I drive through, so if I have my son driving, and we get pulled over, he gets in trouble for it," Keuschel said.

Milavitz said that the current policy was vetted through the city's field committee over three years ago, and that it took a lot of time getting input from law enforcement about whether it should be allowed in Shawano.

City Attorney Keith Steckbauer halted further debate on the matter, reminding the council that there was no agenda item for the issue.

Earlier in the meeting, former Assembly candidate Shirley Hinze

brought up off-road vehicles for an entirely different reason, as she continued to protest the wheel tax implemented in September. Motor vehicles under 8,000 pounds will be required to pay a \$40 registration fee on top of what the state assesses, but the tax is not assessed on ORVs.

"They're just as big (as motor vehicles). They don't have any of the safety equipment. They aren't licensed by the state as far as a license plate and don't require a 16-year-old driver, and they most certainly don't have any insurance on it," Hinze said.

Hinze recommended that, if the city needs revenue, it should charge the same \$40 fee for ORVs. She said that she's seen six to eight of them in a caravan go through her neighborhood in western Shawano.

"Now, we've got vehicles that are a hazard to the public in a high-traffic situation in the city, and the city has put a \$40 wheel fee on vehicles — automobiles, like my neighbor who has smaller cars and electric vehicles, fully licensed, insured, air bags, the whole nine yards," Hinze said. "He's paying a \$40 wheel fee, and yet the guy in the big side-by-side ... is now not. You want to generate revenue? You're going to have to make it equal across the board for every citizen in this city."

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Dean positions restored after coach resignation

Decision allows more consistent behavioral handling at schools

By LEE PULASKI
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The Shawano School District has reversed a decision that eliminated the dean of students positions for Hillcrest Primary School and Olga Brener Intermediate School in 2022, following the resignation of a behavioral coach.

Two years ago, the dean positions were eliminated after the district made moves to cut staff and more to plug up what

was called at the time a \$2 million deficit for the 2022-23 school year. As it turned out, the district ended that year with a \$2.6 million surplus; later, the district decided to bring back a single dean position alternating days between Hillcrest and Olga Brener.

Superintendent Kurt Krizan said he has met with Brandie Genske, special education coordinator, about how best to refill the behavioral coach position, which was also labeled a student success coordinator who worked among all four schools. Krizan said they figured the best approach would be to bring back the second dean of students position instead, reducing

the need for the principals to spend so much time dealing with disciplinary issues.

"As Brandie and I have looked at some of the different services that we provide for our students and our buildings, there are needs that continue to come up, and having a more consistent person would help our pupil services staff and also our administrative staff be able to do things that are parts of their jobs," Krizan said in a presentation Nov. 11 to the Shawano School Board. "Having a full-time person there who would be able to support behaviors is one of the other pieces we looked at."

Krizan noted that behavioral issues are already

being handled at the middle and high schools by the associate principals, so having a behavioral coach geared toward all four schools is less necessary. He added that the behavioral coach position was never well defined.

Genske said it was important to have behavioral support at the "local level," meaning at specific schools.

"This will be supporting students where they need it at that moment," Genske said.

Board member Christine McKinnies heralded the measure but noted it would not be necessary if the positions had not been eliminated in the first place.

"This makes me sad,

because four or five years ago, we did have two dean of students — one in each building — and the district at that time decided that they were not needed," McKinnies said. "Now we know that they were needed. I'm all for this, because there's not really a financial impact necessarily, but we know the need was there when they were eliminated. We know the need is there still."

Board member Tim Renard expressed concern when he heard the behavioral coach position was funded through a grant, but Krizan and Genske assured him that the grant was flexible in what position it funded.

"I support what you

are moving towards, but if we already have a position that was based upon a grant, that typically means there was an application process and that we need this person for this reason," Renard said. "Now we're backtracking. I just want to make sure we're not stumbling over something that gets us in trouble."

Krizan said there would be no financial impact to altering the position. He hopes to have the position filled by the time schools reopen from their Christmas break, but added that if the district hires from within, it will require looking for external candidates for other positions.

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Food and crafts at Zion Lutheran Church



ABOVE: Bonnie Wolf sorts through the cash box counting money Nov. 16 in the basement of Zion Lutheran Church. She was selling cookies and other treats to raise money for the church's Wee Care program, which provides nonperishable food to children at Hillcrest Primary School, Sacred Heart Catholic School, Olga Brenner Intermediate School and Shawano Community Middle School. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

RIGHT: There were plenty of craft vendors Nov. 16 at Zion Lutheran Church selling plenty of stocking stuffers, wreaths and more for the coming holiday season. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA



School district could purchase 20 acres by SCHS

Special electorate meeting called to get community permission

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

The Shawano School District will hold a special meeting of the electorate Dec. 9 to get guidance on whether it should purchase 20 acres of land adjacent to Shawano Community High School.

In 1992, the district purchased the 70 acres of land where the current high school would eventually be built. According to Superintendent Kurt Krizan, when that deal was made, part of the contract stipulated that the district would have the right of first refusal if the adjoining parcel was ever put up for sale. The 20 acres was announced to have received an offer Oct. 17, which gives the district until mid-December to decide if it wants to purchase the land or let it go to someone else.

With the possibility of seeking a new middle school just a few years down the road, it could be tapped as a potential site. No decision has been made on where the middle school could go, and the Shawano School Board has committed to operating the current middle school at least through 2035.

“(Buildings director) Shawn Mathwich and I had a chance to tour the property and talk with

some of the individuals there,” Krizan said. “We’re looking at this from a financial impact, as well as a future investment for the district.”

The purchase would likely be made through the district’s fund balance, and Krizan noted that the land could be rented out while the district decides what to ultimately do with the property. If it’s decided not to use it for any educational purpose, it could be resold at a later date.

Board president Mike Musolff noted that having the land and renting it out would help the fund balance, even though it’s already very healthy.

Board member Christine McKinnies said she had some questions that would need to be addressed before the electorate meeting, including what is the amount of the existing offer for the land.

“When we decide, it would be nice to know what we were deciding on, and what the financial impact would be,” McKinnies said.

The special meeting will begin at 5 p.m. and will precede the school board’s meeting, which will begin at 5:30 p.m. and is expected to have action on purchasing the land on the agenda.

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County to invest \$1.7M in jail HVAC

By KEVIN PASSON
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A bid of slightly more than \$1.7 million to replace the HVAC system at the Shawano County Sheriff’s Department and its jail was accepted by county officials earlier this month.

“The original piping and duct work will remain but will be cleaned; all other equipment and systems will be replaced with new,” said Steve Dreher, director of facilities and grounds. “This will include new controls.”

Bids were opened at the Nov. 7 public property committee meeting, and the

low bid of \$1,713,860 from J.F. Ahren Co. was accepted, and then agreed to by the executive committee Nov. 13.

Two other bids were also submitted. Mechanical Technologies Inc. bid \$1,997,768, and August Winter and Sons Inc. bid \$2.3 million.

The project will be paid for with the remaining American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

One of the concerns noted was whether the county wanted to invest the funds into a facility that may be demolished in a few years if officials decide to build new.

Supervisor Tom Kautza said the public property committee wasn’t sure if the project should be completed.

“They didn’t formally vote on it, but they think it should be done,” Kautza told the executive committee.

Sheriff George Lenzner said there were earlier concerns the bids would be much higher than the county had funds.

“Do you invest in something when you have an ad hoc committee out there that still hasn’t given their recommendation?” he said. “We don’t know what’s going to happen in the future.

How long does this system last? Do we invest \$2 million in something for all we know could be demolished in 10 years?”

Kautza said that’s the same question about most of the county buildings, including the courthouse and library.

Supervisor Randy Young said he was told the existing unit is on its last legs and needs to be replaced.

“I hate to spend that kind of money, but whatever happens, you guys are going to be in that building for at least five years,” Kautza told Lenzner.

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Chamber seeks citizen, business nominations

Every year, the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce recognizes exceptional businesses and individuals who have contributed to the area’s overall quality of life in a very positive way.

The chamber is seeking nominations from the community for the Business of the Year and Distinguished Citizen of the Year. The award recipients will be announced at the chamber’s annual awards banquet Jan. 16, 2025.

All businesses in Shawano and Menominee counties that have been operating for two or more years are eligible to be nominated for Business of the Year. Criteria that are considered by the award selection committee include community involvement, company

growth, job creation/retention, facility improvement/expansion and commitment to employees.

All citizens residing in Shawano or Menominee counties are eligible to be nominated for the 2024 Distinguished Citizen of the Year Award. Criteria that are considered by the committee include demonstrated leadership, community service and economic and business development.

The deadline for nomination forms is Dec. 2.

To receive a nomination form, contact the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce at 715-524-2139 or chamber@shawanocountry.com. Forms can also be found online at https://www.shawanocountry.com/chamber/chamber-events.

Agencies awarded law enforcement grants

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Area law enforcement agencies are the recipients of \$135,000 in grants for extra traffic enforcement in their quest to deter seat belt, speeding and operating while intoxicated violations.

Three highway safety grants were awarded by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.

The money will be used to pay deputies and officers, including overtime pay as necessary, to provide additional traffic enforcement for OWI, speed and seat

belt special enforcement operations.

Shawano County, Menominee County and the city of Shawano were jointly awarded a total of \$50,000 for seat belt enforcement, \$35,000 for OWI enforcement and \$50,000 for speed enforcement to be used from Jan. 1

through Sept. 30, 2025.

Shawano County’s share of these funds totals \$30,000 for seat belt, \$30,000 for speed enforcement and \$25,000 for OWI special enforcement operations.

No matching dollars are required from any of the law enforcement agencies.

US House seat may be out of reach for Dems

Wied won district by nearly 15 points in a race expected to be competitive

BY PETER CAMERON
The Badger Project

The dominoes seemed in place for, if not a Democratic win, at least a close race.

The 8th Congressional District was open after the popular incumbent retired. The Republican candidate was a political novice who struggled to fundraise. The Democrat was riding a powerful issue that many thought would lift her party to victory.

The end result was the same as it has been for years — the Republican won in a near landslide.

Tony Wied, the Donald Trump-endorsed, former owner of a Green Bay-area chain of dinosaur-themed gas stations, easily defeated De Pere physician Kristin Lyerly by nearly 15 points.

Wied, also of De Pere, got 240,214 votes, or 57.4% of the total, to Lyerly's 178,621 votes, or 42.6% of the total.

"That is certainly not a good sign if you are the Democratic Party and thinking about trying to win that district in the future," Aaron Weinschenk, a political science professor at UW-Green Bay, wrote in an email. "Most political scientists would characterize (anything around) a 15-percentage-

point margin as a landslide victory."

Like many political watchers of the district, Weinschenk said while he thought the Republican would win the right-leaning district, he believed the race would be closer. He guessed maybe 5-10 points.

The district has been mostly Republican-dominated for decades, and several reasonable Democratic challengers have lost there over the years, Ed Miller, a political science professor emeritus at UW-Stevens Point, wrote in an email.

Lyerly also did not have much political experience and had hoped that the abortion issue would be more effective for her than it was, Miller said.

"Apparently it paralyzed the national vote," Miller said. "(Vice President Kamala) Harris didn't get as much mileage out of the abortion issue that some had expected."

Wied was somewhat politically fortunate. He won the Republican primary with about 42% of the vote after two experienced state legislators split the remaining vote against him. One of those politicians, former state Sen. Roger Roth, was directly targeted by Donald Trump, who apparently believed Roth to be insufficiently

loyal, publicly calling him a "RINO," a common insult hurled within the GOP that stands for "Republican In Name Only."

Wied also struggled to fundraise, bringing in only about \$1 million by mid-October, not including a contribution of \$500,000 he gave to his own campaign. Lyerly raised \$2.4 million in the same time frame.

The former holder of the seat, Mike Gallagher, regularly won reelection with huge margins. The last time Democrats challenged the seat was 2020, when Gallagher won with more than 64% of the vote.

By that measure, Democrats did much better this time, but knocking out a veteran in future elections could be even harder, Weinschenk noted.

"Once a candidate is elected to Congress, they start to build the incumbency advantage and it is usually hard to beat an incumbent," he said. "In the House, I think the incumbent reelection rate is hovering in the 98% range these days. The size of the incumbency advantage has decreased over time, but it certainly still exists and is hard to overcome. It certainly seems like a district that will be hard for the Democratic party to win anytime soon."

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Wisconsin establishing electric vehicle tax

A new excise tax effective Jan. 1, 2025, establishes an electric vehicle (EV) charging tax and requires certain persons to register for the new tax.

As stipulated by 2023 Wisconsin Act 121, an excise tax of 3 cents per kilowatt-hour is due on the electricity delivered or placed into the battery or other energy storage device of an EV by a Level 3 charger, or a Level 1 or Level 2 charger installed on or after March 22, 2024, of an EV charging station.

An owner, operator, manager, or lessee of

an EV charging station must register with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue using the Online Business Tax Registration prior to delivery or placement of electricity from an EV charging station that is subject to the excise tax.

The registration and excise tax applies regardless of whether the charging station is available for public use and whether there is a charge to the consumer for the electricity from the EV charging station. Excise tax does not apply and registration is

not required for residential EV charging stations, except for hotels.

"The excise tax represents a crucial source of revenue for maintaining Wisconsin's roadways and infrastructure," said Department of Revenue Secretary Designee David Casey. "It will help ensure continued funding for road repairs and construction as Wisconsin drivers increasingly make the switch to electric vehicles, while creating a more equitable system in which all drivers contribute to road maintenance costs."

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Lawrenz, strategic partnerships manager with Bertram Communications.

The company, headquartered in Random Lake in Sheboygan County, has 30 locations in Wisconsin, including one in Shawano.

Bertram's family of companies includes Powertec, a software company they created for their own data management.

"We didn't really plan on selling it, but we do," owner Jim Bertram said.

Today, that software can be found across the world in places like Australia, Italy, Africa and Canada. Thousands of ISPs use it as their back end system.

"We built that," Bertram said. "We run that right out of Random Lake. We have our network, but we also run thousands of networks around the world."

Bertram also builds its own hardware in Wisconsin, and products are used

by NASA and the History Channel's "Ice Road Truckers."

Specific details for the Shawano County project were presented in closed session per PSC regulations, said Peter Thillman, Shawano County Economic Progress Inc. chief economic development officer. Proprietary information was shared during that time.

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OBITUARIES

Mary Katherine Dussling



Mary Katherine Dussling, 69, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2024, at UW hospital after a brief illness.

Mary was born in Shawano on June 29, 1955, to Bernard and Marie Dussling (nee Piehl).

She grew up in Bonduel, the youngest of four children. Mary attended schools in Bonduel, graduating from Bonduel High School in 1973. She attended UW-Stout, graduating as a bachelor of science majoring in sociology in 1977.

After graduation, Mary was involved in county weatherization and solarization programs in northwestern Wisconsin where she enjoyed the hands-on building aspects of these programs.

Mary moved to the Madison area in the early 1990s. Her building experience and interest in quality construction led her to take extensive training to become a building inspector. Mary was very conscientious and always had both the builders and the owners in mind as she valued the time and safety of her projects.

During this time, she moved to Oregon, Wisconsin, and purchased a home she was happy to own and enjoyed maintaining.

In her mid-life, she learned about bats and their benefit to nature. She was inspired to start her own small business focused on providing housing for bats.

She learned how to construct bat houses and how to market them. She displayed her bat house products at many garden shows and gained national recognition for her houses. She sold bat houses to many private and government customers, including the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. She also donated houses to

organizations.

Mary was always interested in animals and at various times had a horse and numerous beloved dogs. All received her tender care.

Mary enjoyed celebrating holidays and celebrations with family and friends, providing home-made treats for all to enjoy. She always remembered birthdays, anniversaries and major events in family and friends' lives with cards and calls.

Mary will be dearly missed by her sister, Patricia Wyman; and brothers, William Dussling and John Dussling and wife Frankye; nieces, nephews and lifelong friends.

Mary will be remembered lovingly for her free spirit, ready laugh and compassionate heart.

Mary was very well cared for at UW hospitals. She was so grateful for the compassionate attention she received from all staff members and outside hospice agency services. A memorial for Mary will be held at a later date.

Cress Funeral Home, 206 W. Prospect St., Stoughton

Sandra 'Sandy' Jean Cottingham



Sandra "Sandy" Jean Cottingham, 86, Green Bay, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Friday, Nov. 8, 2024.

She was born Nov. 24, 1937, in Shawano to Ruben and Beulah (Salzman) Moede.

Sandy graduated from Shawano High School, class of 1955. She then went on to Radgon Business College, graduating from their secretary and bookkeeping program. Sandy married Donald R. Cottingham on Aug. 13, 1960, at St. James Lutheran Church in Shawano. He preceded her in death on July 24, 2013.

She enjoyed bowling, doubles tennis, going for walks, watching sports, playing cards, playing board games, feeding her critters, spending time with her beloved cat, Tweety, playing iPad games and playing bridge. She was a long-time member of Western Racquet Club and Western Lanes.

She is survived by her

son, Randy Cottingham, and his husband, James Burns; sister, Andrea Hoerres; brothers, Richard Moede, James Moede; many beloved nieces and nephews; very close family friends, Carrie Whipple and her son, Austin; as well as Ruth Anne Christophersen and her family, and her feline companion, Tweety.

Sandy was preceded in death by her husband, Donald; parents, Ruben and Beulah; parents-in-law, William and Harriet Cottingham; brother-in-law, Leonard Cottingham, and wife June; nephew, Timo-

thy Rodriguez; as well as close family friend, Dave Christophersen.

A celebration of Sandy's life was held at Blaney Funeral Home, 1521 Shawano Ave., Green Bay, Sunday, Nov. 24.

To send online condolences, please go to www.BlaneyFuneralHome.com.

Special thanks to Carrie and Austin for all the companionship, love and support they shared with Sandy, as well as the staffs of Heartland Hospice and Bellevue Senior Living for their compassionate care.

Richard 'Dick' Lawrence Smith



Richard "Dick" Lawrence Smith, 76, of Shawano, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on Nov. 8, 2024.

Born in Mankato, Minnesota, on Nov. 5, 1948, to the late Richard and Mildred (Enter) Smith, he is survived by daughter, Shaine (Stu) Schnurman; son, Adam Smith; brother, Jerry Smith; sister, LuAnn Barrows; and grandchildren, Anna and Spencer Schnurman.

He was preceded in death by son, Chad Smith; parents, Richard and Mildred Smith; sister, BettyJane (Gil) Negen; and brother-in-law, Randy Barrows.

Richard is further survived by friends such as

Perry Prey, Erin Christianson, Tom Bagshaw, Dave Adler and Cindy Katz. He will be missed by many, including his pals at Popp's Ballpark Diner. Richard graduated from Long Beach Wilson High School in California and attended Long

Beach City College before joining the United States Marines, being discharged as a sergeant. He went on to work in the pulp and paper industry in California, Texas, Arizona and Wisconsin as a lab technician and chemical salesman.

Always the life of the party, Richard was a man with a love for fast boats, classic cars, hunting and playing pool. He enjoyed many years on Shawano Lake with his family, spending his later years in the comfort of his home on the Wolf River.

Per Richard's request, no services will be held at this time.

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A crowd of about 200 people witnessed the introduction of a dozen more yearling buffalo into the Medicine Fish sanctuary, bringing the herd to 29 animals.
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Buffalo herd continues to grow in Middle Village

Medicine Fish, Nature Conservancy partner to restore cultural, ecological relationships

By **WARREN BLUHM**
News Editor

About 200 people came from as far away as California, Atlanta and New York, and as near as Keshena and Gresham, to welcome a dozen young bison to a herd that lives near the Menominee Nation community of Middle Village. Spectators stood along a fence and cheered Nov. 9 as the young animals sprang from a trailer and raced into the prairie sanctuary maintained by Medicine Fish along County Road G.

The yearling bison, who were born in the Nachusa Grasslands in Illinois, a Nature Conservancy preserve, joined 17 others that have called the local preserve home since November 2022.

The effort is an initiative of Medicine Fish, an Indigenous-led nonprofit organization that works with local youth, to restore the Menominee's relationship with the buffalo that once roamed the area by the millions.

"The buffalo being introduced has built a movement across the nations," said Bryant Waupoose, executive director of Medicine Fish. "It's about restoring and cultivating relationships that remove cultural barriers with tribal and non-tribal members to work together taking care of Mother Earth."

The Nature Conservancy has been working with tribal nations to restore the relationship with the buffalo, which Waupoose described as "a cultural keystone species and an ecological keystone species" for the Menominee and other nations.

"We are always working to restore relationships and connections to bring healing to our culture and the land," he said. "That's what brought these people



Donavan Waupoose, director of buffalo restoration for Medicine Fish, stands on the Nature Conservancy trailer that delivered 12 yearling bison to the organization's preserve outside Gresham to explain how the animals are to be released Nov. 9.
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from all over to witness this."

Ten buffalo were brought to Menominee Tribal land and released Nov. 12, 2022, through the efforts of Medicine Fish, Menominee Nation, Nature Conservancy and the Inter-Tribal Buffalo Council. In 2023, an additional five yearlings were brought and celebrated as well. Earlier this year, two calves were born, bringing the herd to 17.

During the ceremony that took place before the 12 new buffalo were introduced, tribal elder and preservationist Dave Grignon said a Menominee prayer for "our buffalo relatives," asking the Creator to look to their well-being on this

new land and welcoming them to their new home.

He explained that historically, there was a connection between the Menominee and the buffalo, which in their language are called pesaehkiw or "prairie animal."

Grignon praised Waupoose and his brother, Donovan Waupoose, director of buffalo restoration for Medicine Fish, for their work in restoring the buffalo to their historic home.

"We're so happy that these young guys, Bryant and Donovan, and the group Medi-

Down With Mylestones helps kids with needs

Family starts foundation after giving birth to child with Down syndrome

By **KAY REMINGER**
Correspondent

Lisa and Robbie Hill are the parents of three boys — the youngest of whom, Myles, happens to have a form of Down syndrome.

Myles has Trisomy 21, which is caused when there is an extra copy of chromosome 21. According to Lisa Hill, it is a very individualized condition.

"Every child with Down syndrome is different," Hill said. "There's no two alike. It doesn't mean they're going to be doing the same things or have the same health concerns. You don't know until you know. The journey can feel impossible to some; it did for me. But the second he was born and we locked eyes, I knew he would lead me through this."

When Myles was just eight months old, Lisa Hill took her boys to a park to play, and her older boys wanted to put their little brother in a swing. Myles was just sitting up on his own and just started to have head control, Hill recalled, so he was unable to use the swing, as this equipment had no support for his head and neck. If Myles were to sit in a typical swing, he could hurt his neck; he wouldn't be able to sit upright and his little body needed extra support.

The boys had asked, "Is there any park he could play in?" and Hill had to say no. This was the first time her boys saw Down syndrome as a bad thing. They felt it wasn't fair and didn't understand why God would do this to their brother. Barely holding back tears of frustration, Hill gathered her boys and headed home.

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Lisa Neely Hill and her 3-year-old son, Myles, sit at home as she talks about Down With Mylestones, a nonprofit working to raise funds to help children of all abilities, especially at public parks. The effort sprang up after the mother had to explain to her two older sons why Myles couldn't use regular playground equipment.
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Thanksgiving important time to cherish family

Thanksgiving has always been my favorite holiday because it's about appreciating, not accumulating. The fourth Thursday of November is the perfect combination of joyful human activities — family, feasting and taking time to count our blessings. I like that there's a holiday to express that without sounding churchy. It also doesn't hurt that I enjoy the special foods connected with it.

Thanksgiving was a big deal when I was growing up on Hilrose Dairy Farm. With at least 16-20 people to feed, Mom had to roast a huge turkey. Funny, it seemed about the same year after year, but Dad always said it was her best one ever. No one disagreed; you wouldn't be so bold as to argue with my father over something that serious. Mom's stuffing and gravy — if I live to be 100, I'll never be able to duplicate that.

After I started my own family, I continued to carry on familiar traditions such as going around the table with each participant sharing what they were thankful for. I remember so many of those moments. One of my favorite



Kathleen Marsh, front row, center, poses with all of her siblings and spouses in a 2021 family photo. Marsh recently lost her sister, Carol Roche, front row, second from left, due to cancer in October.

CONTRIBUTED



ites happened when my son was 8. He said he was thankful that his father "didn't tell Mom I drove the Jeep down the lane and hit a tree, not hard, just kinda bumped it," or when my tweener daughter said she was grateful her mom was an English teacher because "reading books is the most fun you can have in this house."

As the years passed, I hosted Thanksgivings for our blended family.

That tradition continued when Jon and I retired in Townsend, but then we started celebrating at my sister Carol's in Mequon after her husband, Dave, was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. Our sister, Sharon, her husband, their daughters and special friends joined us. My daughter and granddaughter usually came, too. It was always a day filled with laughter and love.

Carol, a home economics major in college, worked overtime to make every detail perfect. Their condo was decorated as if it was being featured in House Beautiful Magazine. Seriously, it was like we were on the set

of a Hallmark holiday movie. Her turkey melted in your mouth, and her stuffing was incredible. Each of us brought a side dish; my contribution was always homemade dinner rolls and cranberries. Instead of pumpkin pie, Sharon brought pumpkin cheesecake. Now I do not often do dessert. But that cheesecake? It was divine.

COVID interrupted our visits, and Dave's illness progressed so Carol was unable to host the past few years. In September, we discussed resuming the tradition, albeit on a scaled-back version. Then, out of the blue, she called on Oct. 2 to tell me she had been diagnosed with

cancer. The oncologist told her it was incurable but treatable. She sounded upbeat, ready to fight, determined to resume caregiving for Dave.

Of my four sisters, I have always been closest to Carol. She was born 10 years after me, so she was my "living doll" for real. I fussed over her until Sharon came along to dislodge her from her lofty place. I spent time reading aloud school assignments to her, teaching her cursive, practicing my oratory for the annual 4-H Speaking Contest, showing off the latest dance steps featured on Dick Clark's "American Bandstand."

Imagine my shock Oct. 11 when I got the news that Carol had been hospitalized. The next day, I made the three-hour drive to Mequon. She was sedated, but she smiled and nodded and squeezed my hand when I showed her mementos I had brought that meant something special to both of us.

I tried to ease the pain and fear in her eyes by reading her a favorite bedtime story, but I couldn't stop choking up. So I just told her how much I loved her and what a great sister

she was. The next day I held her hand as she drew her last breath, her hospice room full of family to comfort her and each other. I was heartbroken, bewildered and, yes, angry. How could this be happening? I couldn't get my head around it.

Fortunately, I had booked the next few days for a grandma-duty visit with my granddaughter. An 11-year-old is truly a balm for a broken heart. When I got home, I wrote Carol's obituary, the most difficult series of sentences I've ever put on paper. I wanted it to be perfect, like her Thanksgiving décor and dinner. It ends with her favorite Irish blessing: "Death invites a heartache no one can heal; love leaves a memory no one can steal."

So, this Thanksgiving, hug those you hold dear; tell them how much you love them. Don't squander the time you have together on petty disagreements. Make a memory no one can take away. Happy Thanksgiving.

Kathleen Marsh is a lifelong educator, writer and community advocate. She has published eight books, four on the history of Townsend, where she and husband Jon are happily retired on the beautiful Townsend Flowage.

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That night, Hill approached her husband with a mandate, "We are going to build a playground." The sadness and disappointment of the afternoon at a park that could not accommodate her special needs child was the impetus needed to begin a project that would take the Hills on the intricate journey to secure the right of every little boy or girl: to play on a playground, no matter their ability.

"Down with Mylestones is a nonprofit my husband and I established," Hill said. "Our heart's desire is to help educate others about Trisomy 21 and other disabilities as well as bring resources and opportunities into our community. A lot of Myles' care is located in Appleton or Green Bay, such as occupational, speech and physical therapies, so we need to travel anytime he needs therapy."



Myles Hill, 3, smiles recently as he holds on to the couch for support in the family home. Because he has Down syndrome, he's not able to play in public parks the same way as other children, but his parents are working to develop a park in Clintonville that would include playground equipment for children of all abilities.

KAY REMINGER

Approaching Clintonville's city administrator and mayor, the Hills explained the idea of a

playground, and to their great delight, the officials were more than happy to help make this happen. The area they felt best to accommodate the playground was to add onto Olen Park in Clintonville, which isn't as busy. They wanted to make it convenient for the surrounding areas, including but not limited to New London, Marion and Shawano.

The Hills touched base with physical therapists who work with Myles and other children with special needs, getting ideas on what equipment would be safe but universal, such as a five-point harness swing for more stabilization and a Jenn swing with a headrest. The merry-go-round would have three sections with one wide enough for a wheelchair, one section for someone to sit and a third section to stand, so it can accommodate any child and any level of ability.

The ideal is to have a big playset in which all wheelchairs can fit through the whole playset, according to Hill. An innovative wheelchair swing was discussed, one that can go back-and-forth and side-to-side to give the rider the motion of swinging. There would be a bay of swings that offer more support than a typical swing. Also incorporated would be a climber in a ninja-warrior-type style. Poured-in-place rubber would be used for the foundation. Unlike mulch and/or pea gravel, using this as the foundation is easier for wheelchairs and strollers.

"We want to stress how important it was to have something for all kids, not only for kids with disabilities," Hill said. "This park is to be inclusive. This equipment doesn't mean that typical kids can't go on it; it means that kids with special needs can."

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: Breakfast and Photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus, a benefit for Down With Mylestones
WHEN: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 30
WHERE: Blue 52, W12850 County Road M, Caroline
ADMISSION: \$20 adults, \$5 children. Price includes breakfast, professional photo and kids' craft.

Hill noted there are challenges to having a Down syndrome child, as Myles is 3 but unable to talk or do other things. He has to do much more work than a typical child does, she said, which often generates questions from his brothers on "why."

"The benefits outweigh the challenges," Hill said. "He's given us a whole new way to look at the world. He's been working for six months on how to jump, and he doesn't give up. Myles takes perseverance to a whole new level. Something as simple as a leaf falling on his face

makes him smile. He has such an appreciation for the smallest things."

The nonprofit was officially established a year ago in April with a board of directors in place.

"The nonprofit is founded on faith; that is our foundation," Hill said. "Second to that is if a community needs a park, it should be a park for all abilities, all kids. The gift of play needs to be available for all. Kids are wired to play; it's not just a fun time. It's all parts put together — cognitive, mental, physical and emotional — it's all those pieces together and helps build the character of the child."

The website www.downwithmylestones.com and its Facebook page show where the Hills' journey is documented and events are shared. Anyone wanting to donate can click the "Donate Now" button on the website.

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cine Fish are bringing these back home to us, and I want to say these words today to thank the Creator for bringing the buffalo home to us," Grignon said.

After the prayer, a group of about a dozen young men sang a song in honor of the buffalo and thanked the Creator for protecting them on their journey. Then, the trailer gates were opened and the huge animals galloped

onto the prairie toward their new family.

Elizabeth Bach, a research assistant for Nature Conservancy, said the Nachusa Grasslands preserve covers 4,000 acres in north central Illinois.

"The buffalo have access to 1,500 of those acres. They were reintroduced to Nachusa Grasslands in 2014, so they've been on our land now for about 10 years," Bach said.

The bison have become an integral part of the ecosystem, she said.

"They're shaping the native plant and animal community in our neighborhood," Bach said. "We have to keep the herd at a certain size so that that grazing is in balance with the other parts of the ecosystem. After several years, it got to the point where we needed to transfer some of these young ones."

That was the beginning of the collaboration with Medicine Fish and the Menominee Buffalo Initiative, Bach said.

"For the past three years, we've been able to take some of these yearlings who've been born at the Nachusa Grasslands Preserve and bring them to this amazing landscape up here and share," she said.

Medicine Fish plans to replicate the work done

at Nachusa Grasslands as prairie restoration contributes to carbon sequestration, something the Menominee Nation has done since time immemorial and is exemplified through their world renowned forestry practices, Bryant Waupoose said.

"In addition to the ecological and environmental impact, Medicine Fish's vision is holistic wellness for the community," he

said. "Buffalo rematriation provides incredible opportunities to bring people together to restore native plants through seed collection, community harvest, and events that inspire purpose and represent healing."

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

WITTENBERG: "The Most Wonderful Crime of the Year," 6 p.m., Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg, N7198 U.S. Highway 45. Dinner theater performed by the Murder Mystery Company. Tickets: \$95 available in the gift shop.

SATURDAY, NOV. 23

KESHENA: Holiday Bazaar, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. Michael's Church, N816 State High-

way 47-55. Christmas Shop, cookies by the pound, basket raffle and food. Thrift and Gift open.

SHAWANO: Shawano School District Pow Wow, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shawano County High School gymnasium, 220 County Road B. Grand entry at noon.

WITTENBERG: "The Most Wonderful Crime of the Year," 6 p.m., Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg, N7198 U.S. Highway 45. Dinner theater performed by the Murder Mystery Company. Tickets: \$95 available in the gift shop.

MONDAY, NOV. 25

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, NOV. 26

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

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 27

GILLET: 34th annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner, 3:30-6:30 p.m., Hillside Assembly of God, 5890 State Highway 22. Servings at 3:30-4:15 p.m., 4:15-5 p.m. or 5-5:45 p.m. Reservations call

920-855-2962 or visit www.hillsideassembly.com. Home delivery available to Gillett, Suring, Cecil or Oconto Falls.

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

THURSDAY, NOV. 28

SHAWANO: Total Fitness Turkey Trot 2024 5K run, 9 a.m., Total Fitness, 116 N. Main St. \$25 Adults and \$20 for Kids 10 and under. Register at front desk, 715-526-2899 or www.shawanototal-fitness.net. Proceeds benefit the Shawano Menominee Resiliency Coalition.

SHAWANO: Thanksgiving

Dinner, noon to 1:30 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church, 1254 S. Union St. Reservations appreciated by Nov. 18 at 715-526-2017. Free will donations, \$8 per plate suggested. Children under 5 free. No carry-outs.

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

FRIDAY, NOV. 29

OCONTO: Winter Wonderland Kickoff, 5 p.m., Holtwood Campground, 400 Holtwood Way.

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

SATURDAY, NOV. 30

CAROLINE: Breakfast and Photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Blue 52, W12850 County Road M. Benefit for Down with Milestones. \$20 adults, \$5 children, price includes breakfast, professional photo and kids' craft.

BIRNAMWOOD: Holiday Fair and Berry Merry Holiday Kickoff, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., Chet and Emil's Hall and Matsche Center, 388 Main St. Vendors and raffles 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Santa and crew, kids crafts, gingerbread house judging, and hot cocoa bar 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.; chili and soup supper 4:30 p.m.; parade 6 p.m. followed by tree lighting; live music with Lovin Country 7-11 p.m.

SHAWANO: Holiday Stroll and Tree Lighting, 3-5 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Features 100 decorated Christmas trees, Santa and his reindeer, horse and wagon rides, Christmas caroling, kids activities. Community Tree lighting at 5 p.m.

OCONTO FALLS: Avenue of Lights Kickoff, 6 p.m., East Side Beach. Oconto Falls High School choir caroling 6 p.m., Santa and Mrs. Claus arrive with tree lighting 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, DEC. 1

PULASKI: Holiday Craft and Gift Market, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Pulaski Community Middle School, 911 S. St. Augustine St. Over 90 vendor booths. \$2 suggested donation. Lunch available for purchase.

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DNR proposes pre-2014 deer management units

Deer management boundaries may return to a pre-2014 habitat-based system rather than the current county boundaries in an effort to improve hunting and management. Although this system is only being considered in the Northern Forest Zone tier of counties, it seems likely it will be used in the rest of the state if the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources' Natural Resources Board approves the proposal in February, according to DNR deer program specialist Jeff Pritzl.

The DNR hosted a series of informational meetings this month in Woodruff, Cable, Adams and virtually to explain the plan and the timeline for its implementation. Pritzl noted that the proposed system likely would have fewer management units than the somewhat "micromanaged" units used prior to 2014 in a form of hybrid management used in other states.

The state switched to management of deer by counties in 2014 in response to hunters, forestry interests, tourism leaders, wildlife lovers and other stakeholders, as well as suggestions offered by nationally noted biologist James Kroll, better known as "Dr. Deer." County Deer Advisory Councils (CDACs) made up of various stakeholders have since guided the number and distribution of antlerless hunting permits in an effort to manage the deer population. The CDACs are led by representatives of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress.

The largest problem revealed with a decade of county management units is that there are different kinds of habitat and distribution of deer within each county, Pritzl explained. Northern hunters have faced the most



A deer approaches the tribal office for the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians in the Town of Bartelme on Oct. 21. Deer make their homes in areas of mixed woods and croplands or recently harvested timber with fresh plant growth. In thicker woods, deer are common around dwellings and towns.

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Ross Bielema
Columnist

difficulties with this system, because some areas of vast forests may have few deer, but permits may be issued based on the overall county population, which could have sections where deer are plentiful.

"Deer are creatures of the edge of habitat," Pritzl said.

Deer thrive in areas of mixed woods and croplands or recently harvested timber with fresh plant growth. In thicker woods, deer gravitate toward dwellings and towns, often where hunters can't access them.

Counties like Ashland and Iron, the only two counties in the 2024 gun season to allow only buck hunting, routinely see the fewest buck harvests in the state, he noted. Northern Forest Zone hunters

have faced the problems of a "one-size-fits-all" county management system and expressed their concerns at the County Deer Advisory Council meetings as well as special hearings called by state legislators, Pritzl noted.

The DNR routinely reviews the management units every three years. Although the county management units offer little flexibility, a few counties, such as Oconto County, are split into the Northern Forest and Central Farmland zones because of their habitat diversity and varied deer distribution.

The proposed 26 DMUs in 19 counties use the same boundaries as they were prior to 2014. Pritzl said the DNR consulted with biologists and looked at changes in the habitat landscape, and all agreed that the earlier boundaries were still appropriate.

Another advantage of using the old boundaries is that comparisons of

harvests, bear and wolf predation, winter kill and severity indexes can be made more easily.

Boundaries could change, based on public comments during a formal virtual hearing in January and consulting with members of the ceded territory of the Ojibwe (Chippewa) tribes, he noted.

The proposal will officially go to the Natural



This map shows the proposed numbered deer management units (DMUs) in the Northern Forest Zone that the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources plans to present to the Natural Resources Board in February. If approved, this would mark a return to habitat-based management units, used prior to 2014, rather than county-based units. The goal is to offer more flexibility in antlerless tag numbers within county boundaries, as requested by many hunters.

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Resources Board at its Feb. 25-26 meeting. In order for the new system to be implemented in next year's hunting season, the plan would need to be approved in the spring of 2025 so the process of CDAC review could be done, he said.

If the new habitat-based management unit system is approved, it probably would be ap-

plied to other portions of the state but possibly in a hybrid format that could combine county and habitat-based zones.

Issues with public versus private antlerless harvest authorizations (permits) also could be addressed in later years.

Ross Bielema is a freelance writer from New London and owner of Wolf River Concealed Carry LLC. Contact him at Ross@wolfriverccw.com.

Pow wow coming to Shawano Community High School

The Shawano School District, in conjunction with its Title VI program, is having its first-ever pow wow Nov. 23 at the Shawano Community High School gymnasium, 220 County Road B.

Doors open at 11 a.m., with grand entry at noon and finishing at 3 p.m. The free event is open to everyone.

The pow wow is an opportunity to connect and experience a pow wow in an experiential way that creates dialogue and bonds for everyone in the Sha-

wano community.

During the pow wow, the district will be working with Life Church of Shawano to collect non-perishable food items for local district families for Thanksgiving.

Several high school clubs will be selling food to support their programs. The culture club will be selling Indian Tacos. The baking club will be selling baked goods. Student council will be selling candy, soda and water. Title VI will be selling fry bread, chili, Menominee

hull corn soup, wild rice casserole, and wild rice and berries.

Prizes donated by local businesses will be given during the pow wow's spot, potato, feather, swan and fish dances.

Honor songs will be performed for the high school's state volleyball, soccer and cross-country programs.

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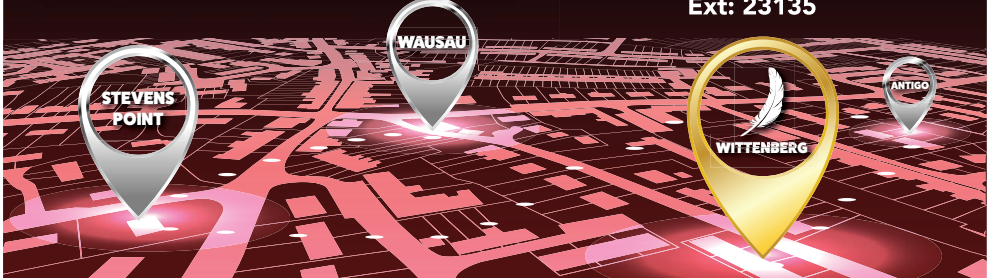
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Lena/StAA falls 50-36 in state title game

Owen-Withee (12-0) completed an undefeated season by capturing the state 8-player football championship with a 50-36 victory over Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas (10-2) at South Wood County Stadium in Wisconsin Rapids on Nov. 16.

The Blackhawks scored touchdowns on their first four drives of the game. Gaining possession of the ball with only five seconds remaining in the first half may have kept them from scoring on every possession until their final drive of the game.

Statistically, the game was remarkably even. Owen-Withee gained 417 yards of total offense to Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas' 412 yards. The Titans actually had more than a four-minute advantage in possession time in the game.

After forcing a Titans' punt on their first possession to begin the game, Owen-Withee marched 86 yards on 10 plays to go ahead 8-0 after the successful two-point attempt. Mason Gay, who set the 8-player state record with six touchdowns in the game, capped the drive with a 3-yard run.

The Titans tied the score at 8-8 on the ensuing kickoff on a 95-yard return by Lucas Heimke and the successful two-point try. Just eight seconds later, the Blackhawks regained the lead at 16-8 with a 46-yard run by Gay on the first play from scrimmage following a failed onside kick. Lena/St. Thomas

Aquinas scored on its next possession, going 80 yards in 12 plays to tie the game at 16-16 with a 27-yard pass from Calvin Peters to Ty Shallow at the 9:11 mark of the second quarter.

The Blackhawks would add two more Gay scoring runs of 5 and 34 yards to open a 30-16 halftime advantage. They took control of the game with a five-play, 55-yard drive on the first possession of the second half when Gay raced 37 yards to give Owen-Withee a 36-16 lead.

Peters plunged into the end zone on a 1-yard run to cap an 11-play, 64-yard drive to cut the Titans' deficit to 36-22 with 4:52 remaining in the third quarter. The Blackhawks responded with a touchdown on its next drive on a 44-yard pass from Dominic Sherwood to Tim Stock, who was alone behind the Titans' secondary to double-up the score at 44-22.

Shallow scored a rushing touchdown from a yard out to bring the Titans' back to within two scores at 44-30 with 9:58 to play in the fourth quarter. However, the Blackhawks answered with its final score of the game on an 11-yard Gay scamper, capping an eight-play, 54-yard drive with 5:47 remaining in the game. The Titans scored on the game's final play with a 12-yard pass from Peters to Shallow as time expired to account for the final score.

Gay accounted for most of the Blackhawks' offense, rushing for 321



Members of the Titans hold up their second-place trophy at the end of the state title game Nov. 16 in Wisconsin Rapids. Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas lost 50-36 to Owen-Withee in the WIAA 8-player championship game.

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yards and six scores. His rushing yardage total ranks second-most in championship game history. Sully Poehler ran for 35 yards on nine carries. Sherwood completed his one pass attempt for 44 yards and a touchdown. The Owen-Withee defense was led by

Colin Fritz with 17 tackles, including 10 solos and a sack, and Sherwood contributed with 12 tackles.

Peters rushed 30 times for 178 yards and a score to lead the Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas offense. He also completed 10-of-16 passes for 122 yards and a pair of

scores.

Max Peterson and Shallow each carried the ball eight times for 42 and 37 yards, respectively.

Shallow caught five passes for 74 yards and two touchdowns, and Max Peterson made four receptions for 51 yards. Peterson

led the Titans' defense with 11 tackles.

Owen-Withee wins its first 8-player football title in the Blackhawks' first appearance in the championship game, and Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas finishes runner-up in its first experience in the state final.



Tyler Shallow is in the end zone following a touchdown in the state title game Nov. 16. Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy lost 50-36 to Owen-Withee.

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After Owen-Withee took an 8-0 lead in the first quarter, Lucas Heimke returned the kickoff 95 yards. A successful two-point conversion tied the score at 8-8.

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W-B swimmers place fifth at state

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood girls swim team placed fifth out of 34 teams at the Division 2 state swim meet Nov. 15 in Waukesha. Swimmers also broke five school records.

Whitefish Bay won the title with 360 points, followed by Edgewood with 270, Rhinelander with 251, Kohler co-op with 148 and Wittenberg-Birnamwood with 122. The Chargers edged out Shorewood, which placed sixth with 121 pants.

The foursome of Kelsie Davis, Reese Dickman, Brooklyn Beran and Faith Resch placed fourth in the 200-yard medley relay in 1:50.76, just four seconds behind the winning Whitefish Bay team.

The team also placed fourth in the 200-yard freestyle relay in 1:39.99, fewer than three seconds off the Whitefish Bay winning time.

In the 50-yard freestyle, Resch finished sixth in 24.64, with Dickman behind her in seventh place with a time of 24.8.

Davis finished seventh in the 100-yard butterfly in 59.32.

Resch placed eighth in the 100-yard freestyle in 54.31.

Dickman was eighth in the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:08.57.

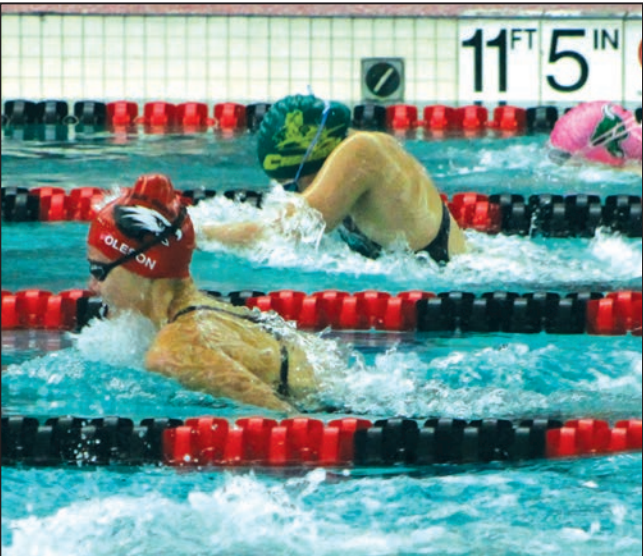
In the 100-yard backstroke, Davis was 13th in 1:00.4.



The Wittenberg-Birnamwood foursome of Kelsie Davis, Reese Dickman, Brooklyn Beran and Faith Resch placed fourth in the 200-yard medley relay in 1:50.76 and fourth in the 200-yard freestyle relay in 1:39.99. In front are Dickman, left, and Resch. In back are Beran, left, and Davis.



Faith Resch tied for eighth place in the 100-yard freestyle in 54.31 seconds at the state swim meet Nov. 15 in Waukesha. The Wittenberg-Birnamwood team of four swimmers placed fifth overall among 34 teams.



In the 100-yard breaststroke at the Division 2 state swim meet, Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Reese Dickman finished eighth in 1:08.57.

Kapla takes over as Pulaski girls wrestling coach

Ashton Kapla and Cole Motiff will coach the Pulaski High School girls wrestling team this season.

Kapla replaces long-time PHS boys and girls wrestling coach Terry Manning, who started the girls program two years ago, as head coach. Motiff will continue his role as assistant coach.

Both are graduates of Pulaski High School and have been involved in Pulaski wrestling as athletes and coaches for many years. They both have served as assistant coaches

for the girls program the past two years.

"We are excited to have Ashton Kapla and Cole Motiff back guiding our girls wrestling program at Pulaski High," said Janel Batten, PHS athletic and activities coordinator. "Their Pulaski wrestling backgrounds will be helpful moving forward, and we are thankful that they are back with us."

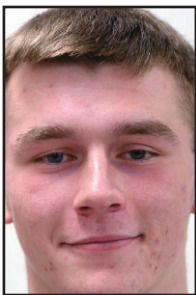
Kapla graduated from PHS in 2022. He is on pace to graduate from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay in May 2025

with a degree in accounting. He is a credit analyst at Premier Community Bank.

Kapla, who began wrestling in first grade and in high school wrestled on varsity all four years and was a team captain, is excited about the opportunity.

"It allows me to give back to the sport that gave so much to me," he said.

Motiff, assistant girls wrestling coach, is a 2012 PHS graduate. He earned a degree in forest administration and utilization



ASHTON KAPLA

for the city of Green Bay Forestry Department.

He wrestled in the Pulaski wrestling program from kindergarten through his senior year of high school. He has been a vol-

unteer youth wrestling coach since 2017, mainly working with third through fifth grade wrestlers.



COLE MOTIFF

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"Coach Manning was also my head coach in high school. Over the last two seasons, I was very fortunate in being able to

coach with him as the Red Raider girls wrestling team took shape," Motiff said. "I can't thank him enough for all he has done for Pulaski wrestling and for all he has done for me as an individual as well. Coach Kapla and I are both very excited for another season and for another opportunity to grow as a program."

Kapla urges PHS students to join in.

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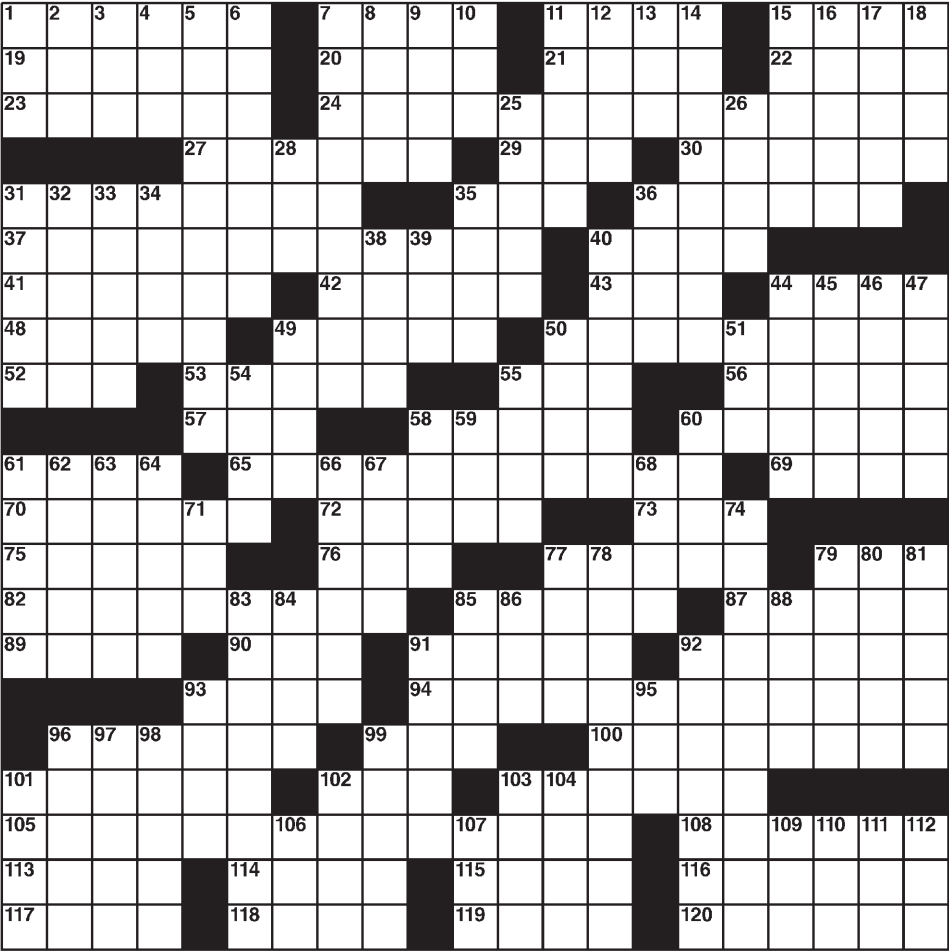
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NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

Gresham School District April 1, 2025

Election Details

An election is to be held in the Gresham School District on Tuesday, April 1, 2025. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed.

<u>Office</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>
School Board Member at Large	Joe Ejnik
School Board Member at Large	Ethan Schmidt
School Board Member at Large	Jerrit Lyons

Office Terms

The term of office for a school board member is three years beginning on Monday, April 28, 2024. A description of the school district boundaries can be obtained from the school district office.

For Candidates

A campaign Registration Statement and a Declaration of Candidacy must be filed no later than 5:00pm on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, in the office of the school district clerk.

If nomination papers are required, the first day to circulate nomination papers is December 1, 2024 and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00pm on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 in the office of the school district clerk.

Primary Election

If a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 17, 2025.

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 Gresham on November 11, 2024
Pat Pleshek,
Clerk, Gresham School District

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11/22/2024

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

Shawano School District April 1, 2025

Election Details

An election is to be held in the School District of Shawano, on Tuesday, April 1, 2025. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed.

<u>Office</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>
Appointment ending 2025 for Area 3 – Town of Wescott, parts of the Town of Washington	Tim Renard
Area 4 – City of Shawano	Karen Houston Bobbie Lemerond Jeanna Winslow

Office Terms

The term of office for school board member is three years beginning on Monday, April 28, 2025. A description of the school district boundaries can be obtained from the school district office.

For Candidates

A Campaign Registration Statement and a Declaration of Candidacy, must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 in the district office of the school district clerk.

Primary Election

If a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025

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 Shawano on November 11, 2024
Jeana Winslow, School District Clerk

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11/22/2024

**NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION
CITY OF SHAWANO
APRIL 1, 2025**

Election Details

An election is to be held in the City of Shawano, on Tuesday, April 1, 2025. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>
Aldersperson, District 1	Brad Keuschel
Aldersperson, District 3	Kevin Barkow
Aldersperson, District 5	Sandy Steinke

Office Terms

The term for alderperson begins on Tuesday, April 22, 2025. All terms are for two years.

District Boundaries

Information concerning aldermanic district boundaries may be obtained from the Shawano City Clerk, Lesley Nemetz, 127 S Sawyer Street Shawano, WI 54166, 715-526-6138.

For Candidates

The Campaign Registration Statement and a Declaration of Candidacy form must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, in the office of the city clerk. **The first day to circulate nomination papers is Thursday, December 1, 2024, and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7, 2025.**

Primary Election

If necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

Additional Information

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote in 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 Shawano, on
November 22, 2024
Signed: Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk

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Salvation Army seeks volunteers to ring bells

The Salvation Army of Shawano County is in need of volunteers to ring bells during the Red Kettle Campaign, which runs from Nov. 15 through Christmas Eve.

Bell ringers are needed at Charlie's County Market, Qualheim's True Value, The Mill in Bonduel and Walmart. Ringing takes

place on Fridays and Saturdays during the season.

All donations made in Shawano County stay in the area to help families in need with financial assistance such as rent, utility bills, transportation needs, medical bills and other needs. Individuals meet with a representative of Salvation Army to discuss

their options.

Anyone interested in ringing bells can sign up through the Shawano County Service Unit Calendar at www.registertoring.com. Any person of any age can help ring bells.

For information, call/
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715-853-6456 or Jeane Sager
at 920-304-9161.

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MENOMINEE COUNTY LEGAL NOTICE SALE OF FORECLOSED PROPERTIES					
OPENS November 8, 2024 and CLOSES December 4, 2024 AT 1:00 P.M.					
The Menominee County Treasurer's Office will begin accepting sealed bids on the below listed properties acquired through tax foreclosure proceedings. These properties may be sold at, above, or below the appraisal value shown. Details shown in this listing include physical address/fire number, parcel number, deed restriction information, appraisal value, and the County's costs associated with the property.					
#	Physical Address	Parcel/ /Tax ID#	Deed Restrict*	Appraisal Value	County Costs**
FIRST SALE ATTEMPT					
1.	W2745 CTH VV, Keshena, WI Parcel 80 Vol. 1 PG.56 CSM, Except NW/Corner, Except Doc #642 (2.150 acres)	01602370030	10-Day	\$16,300	\$2,995.81
2.	W2263 Keshena Lake Rd., Keshena, WI LaMotte Lake Lot 1 Vol. 2 PG. 37,38 CSM (4-B) AKA Parcel "I" N/K/A Lot 8 Vol 3 PG 171-172 CSM #129. (2.270 acres)	01602372018	10-Day	\$102,100	\$8,144.98
3.	W2262 Joe Summers Rd., Keshena, WI LaMotte Lake Lot 1 Vol. 2 PG. 37,38 CSM (4-B) AKA Parcel "E" Exc Lots 3 & 4 of CSM 172 Vol 30 PG 274. N/K/A Lot 1, Vol 3, PG 227-228 CSM #147. (0.474 acres)	01602372014	10-Day	\$22,800	\$3,580.49
* Deed Restrict: "LLPOA" means Legend Lake Property Owner's Assoc.; "10-Day" means the Menominee Tribe owns a 10-day right of first refusal. ** "County Costs" represents the minimum value the County will attempt to recover through the sale; however, bids less than this amount will still receive consideration by the Personnel & Finance Committee and the County Board. Legal descriptions are available upon request. <u>Some properties may not have fire numbers posted, so bidders are urged to verify the location of the property prior to placing a bid.</u> Bids shall be placed on the "Bid and Purchase Agreement" form and sealed in an envelope along with the required bid deposit of \$250. Copies of the Bid and Purchase Agreement can be obtained on the County's website at www.co.menominee.wi.us or by contacting the Treasurer's Office. The bid deposit of \$250.00 shall be in the form of a cashier's check or money order made payable to Menominee County. The bid deposit of unsuccessful bidders shall be returned. The bid deposit of successful bidder shall be retained as a down payment, with the balance due to be paid within 30 days after bid acceptance. Failure of successful bidder to make payment within 30 days of bid acceptance shall result in a forfeiture of bid deposit without further notice or legal recourse. Bids may be withdrawn up to the deadline date and time. Bids withdrawn after the deadline will result in the automatic forfeiture of the bid security without further notice or legal recourse. The County will provide preference to family members of the former property owner(s) if their bid is within 10% of the highest bid. Final acceptance of a bid by the County is contingent upon the Menominee Tribe not exercising any 10-day waiver option it might have. Properties are sold in "as is, where is" condition. Menominee County makes no warranty as to boundaries or acreages or any other matters on properties offered for sale. Menominee County reserves the right to reject any or all bids. More details concerning the properties can be found at www.accurateassessor.com and clicking on the "Municipalities" link. More information concerning the bid process can be found on Menominee County's website at www.co.menominee.wi.us under the "News and Events" link. MAIL/DELIVER BIDS TO: Menominee County Treasurer, W3269 Courthouse Lane, P.O. Box 279, Keshena, WI 54135 in an envelope clearly marked "LAND BID – PARCEL # _____". The deadline to submit sealed bids is December 4, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. All bids will be publicly opened on December 4, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. The public bid opening is not a forum for determining the winning bid. The Personnel and Finance Committee will formally review and recommend award of bids at its first meeting scheduled after the deadline. WNAXLP					

GUEST COLUMN

Testing updates better reflect student learning

As a parent of two Wisconsin public school students, I pay close attention to how my kids are doing at school. We talk about how they are doing academically, as well as emotionally and socially. Like many caregivers, their well-being at school is a topic of conversation at my dinner table each night.

Despite my best efforts to stay informed, I often found myself confused by my kids' results on our state's required test, the Forward Exam, and what testing data actually means.

I've heard this same reaction from many families and educators over the years. What I learned was that our statewide assessment cut scores — the data markers that label a student "proficient" or not — were aligned to an entirely different test.

In recent years, Wisconsin's standards in various subjects were updated to better reflect what students should know and be able to do in the classroom at a given point in time. This meant the Forward Exam needed to be updated to accurately assess students on those learning goals, and that a standard setting was required to take place. That allowed us, for the first time, to also create a distinct year-over-year comparable student score for the subject of reading — a big step forward in supporting our bipartisan work on early literacy.

As state superintendent, I wanted to be sure experts and professionals — specifically classroom teachers — helped us address these alignment challenges. So, this past summer, my agency, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, convened a group of 88 Wisconsin educators representing communities across the state, and different perspectives from various education sectors, to review and update our measures.

Their goal was to make sure we more accurately reflect where students perform academically and to align the standards to what's tested on our Wisconsin assessment. These changes make test results clearer and easier to understand for families like yours and mine.

I also want to offer some historical context. To fully understand how



we got here, we need to go back more than a decade to when Wisconsin joined several states in aligning our test cut scores to the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) exam. Proficiency levels on this national test are considered an extremely high standard to meet, beyond grade-level knowledge. Overnight, NAEP's cut scores made it falsely appear as if the number of students proficient in reading and math decreased by 30%. This misalignment is exactly what we needed to change.

If standards are the units of measurement, the test is our tape measure. Until last year, we were teaching in pounds and measuring in miles. Our Wisconsin standards are grade level, so our Forward Exam performance levels should reflect where kids are on Wisconsin standards.

So let me be blunt — we are not lowering our standards; rather, we are reflecting actual student results using Wisconsin's strong academic standards.

I am proud of the work our state's educators did to align our test with Wisconsin's Academic Standards and provide families with results that better reflect what our students should know at each grade. In the coming years, these updates will provide our schools with better data as we work collectively to improve outcomes among students across our state.

In the end, it is not solely about numbers on a test. It's about giving our kids a clear path to success. By realigning proficiency levels to our state standards, we're not only improving the clarity of test results, but also reaffirming our commitment to educational excellence.

As parents, we deserve to understand how our kids are doing and what they need to thrive. With these updates, we can have more meaningful assessment conversations around the dinner table — ones rooted in honesty and transparency.

Jill Underly is the state superintendent of public instruction for Wisconsin.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Internet phishing labels leading to censorship

To the editor:

On Oct. 11, Fortiguard released a major update. Since then, I have experienced several blocked links in my emails when using the library's public wi-fi.

At casual glance, they appear to be legitimate blocking of shady sites, but these are sites I know and have been subscribing to for years, plus, I've recently gotten home internet, and these same sites are not getting blocked on my home connection.

The difference is that the public wi-fi is being filtered Fortiguard (aka Fortinet), and the blocked links are being labeled "Phishing" and/or "Newly Registered Domain" (which describes almost every political campaign site). The "phishing" label, in particular, seems to be levied only against domains with subject matter unfavorable to the Biden-Harris administration.

Unlike YouTube and Facebook, which, ultimately, are only single sites, this sort of shenanigans can cut people off from dozens of sites, simply by putting the domains on a list called "phishing" or other filter that many system administrators commonly block.

I tried to file a complaint with the Federal Communications Commission about this, since wi-fi would logically fall under "communication," but the FCC washed its hands of it and said that politically-motivated interference with election-related communications was an Federal Trade Commission issue.

The librarians seemed concerned when I told them about it, but nothing's been done. This is the same sort of censorship I experienced during the COVID lockdowns. How many people aren't getting access (or getting extremely limited access) to both sides because they depend on public internet access?

Wendy Goerl, Shawano

Be careful what you wish for in American elections

To the editor:

I am completely unknown to probably about 99.9% of you. I am a 78-year-old white woman (about to be 79) who has written no books. Nor ever been interviewed by anyone.

I am ashamed to be an American. I am disgusted and embarrassed. I cannot believe that millions of you voted for a convicted felon, a convicted rapist, a misogynist, a racist, an anti-Semite and, oh, by the way, a liar and cheat. Obviously, you see something positive in him that I do not.

Oh, you say he is a great businessman. Really? His father gave him \$400 million, which he squandered after six bankruptcies. He has been convicted of fraudulent business practices and fined \$450 million.

You say he is good for the economy. He promises to make bread and rent cheaper.

Also, he said he will be a "dictator," admires Hitler and other tyrants. Well, of course. Who doesn't want cheaper bread and rent? He will fix it. That's what the Germans said about Hitler in 1939.

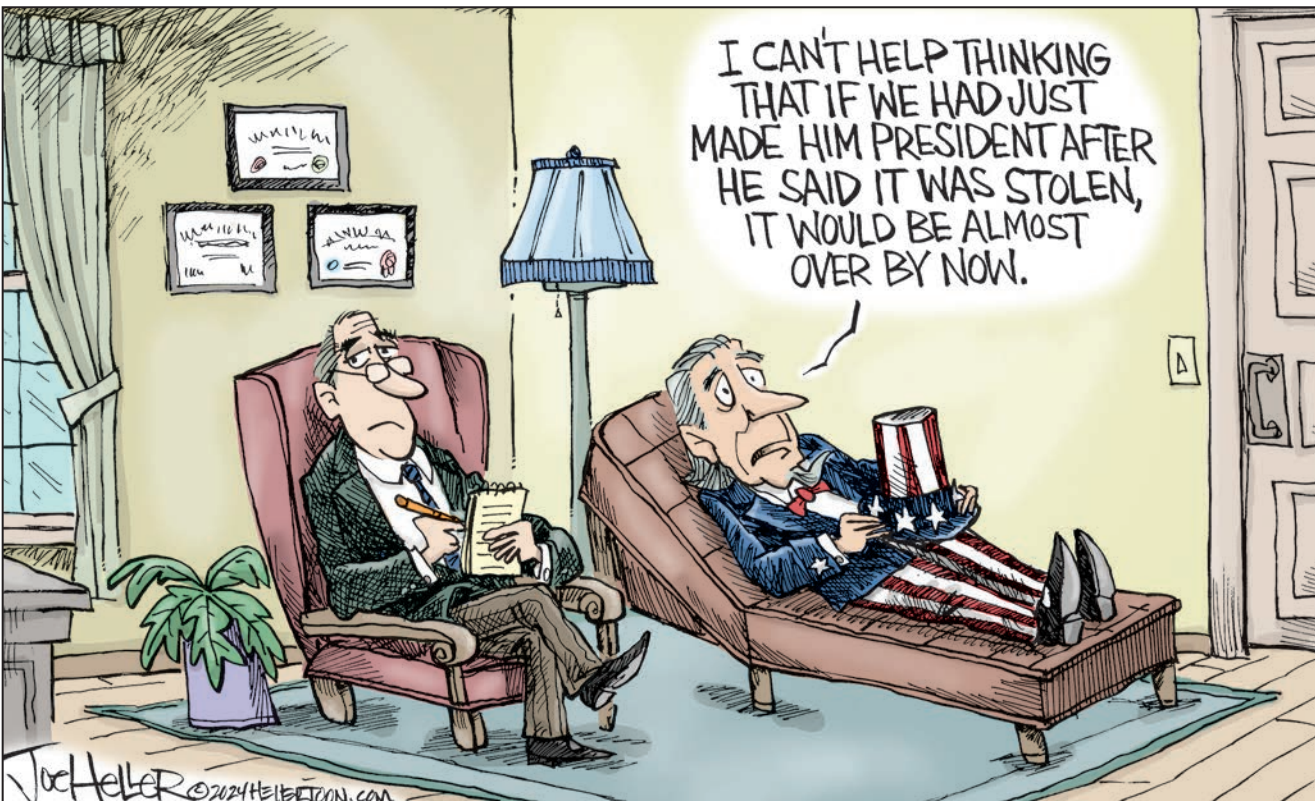
Let's talk about all the people he wants to deport. Sound familiar, again, to Hitler, who "deported," killed, millions of Jews, gypsies, "homosexuals," "cripples" and others, well, because he could?

Just for the record, I have voted in every election since I was 18 years old. I have knocked on doors, handed out literature, talked to potential voters and championed the cause for a just, fair and equitable America. I will continue to do that. Despite the election results.

The upshot is that more than half of America voted for him. Now deal with him. He is your "hero."

Plus, your bread will not be cheaper.

Katie Bally, Shawano



PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Nov. 17 Deputies responded to 21 incidents, including found property on North Franklin Street in Shawano; trespassing at the Novitiate, W9711 Butternut Road in the Town of Herman; one 911 call; two reckless driving incidents; seven crashes, three involving deer.

Nov. 16 Deputies responded to 12 incidents, including a DNR violation on Boehms Road in the Town of Bartelme; one 911 call; one reckless driving incident; two crashes involving deer.

Nov. 15 Deputies responded to 40 incidents, including assisting the fire department on Washington Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; sick animal on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; intoxication at

North Star Casino, W12180 County Road A in the Town of Bartelme; four 911 calls; four reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; one welfare check; three crashes involving deer.

Nov. 14 Deputies responded to 29 incidents, including a warrant on Split Rock Road in the Town of Fairbanks; animal bite on North Church Street in Bonduel; assisting the fire department at Bonduel High School, 400 W. Green Bay St., Bonduel; truancy at Bonduel High School, 400 W. Green Bay St., Bonduel; threatening on County Road Y in the Town of Belle Plaine; operating without a license at Brother's Pub, N5867 Lake Drive, Shawano; vehicle fire on state Highway 29 in the Town of Morris; one 911 call; two reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; three welfare checks; two crashes, one involving deer.

Nov. 13 Deputies responded to 31

incidents, including fraud on state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine; operating without a license on state Highway 29 in the Town of Angelica; property damage at Kwik Trip, 102 W. Express Way, Bonduel; assisting the fire department on Honeysuckle Lane in Tiger-ton; drugs on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; trespassing on Belle Plaine Avenue in the Town of Belle Plaine; sick animal on U.S. Highway 45 in Marion; bail jumping on Cat-tau Beach Drive in the Town of Wescott; vehicle fire on state Highway 160 in the Town of Angelica; two 911 calls; three reckless driving incidents; five traffic hazards; three crashes, two involving deer.

Nov. 12 Deputies responded to 20 incidents, including three 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; three traffic hazards; two crashes, one involving deer.

Nov. 11 Deputies responded to

14 incidents, including bail jumping on Country Lane in the Town of Washington; two reckless driving incidents; two crashes, one involving deer.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Nov. 17 Officers responded to 13 incidents, including assisting the fire department on South Main Street; animal noise on South Lincoln Street; one 911 call; three welfare checks; one crash.

Nov. 16 Officers responded to 20 incidents, including harassment on Alpine Drive; two reckless driving incidents; two welfare checks; four crashes, one involving deer.

Nov. 15 Officers responded to 15 incidents, including assisting the fire department on Oak Court; fraud at Walgreen's, 401 E. Green Bay St.; one 911 call; two reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; one welfare check; one crash.

Nov. 14 Officers responded to 30 incidents, including found property at the Shawano Police Department, 125 S. Sawyer St.; missing person on East Randall Street; drugs at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; truancy at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; three tobacco problem calls at Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St.; sex offense at an undisclosed location; burglary attempt on South Main Street; threatening on Aspen Court; one reckless driving incident; one welfare check; two crashes.

Nov. 13 Officers responded to 28 incidents, including after-hours violations at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.; tobacco problem at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; juvenile problem at Olga Brenner Intermediate School, 1300 S. Union St.; two truancy calls at Shawano

Community High School, 220 County Road B; trespassing on Acorn Street; one reckless driving incident; noise at Kuckuk Park, 700 Oak Drive; two welfare checks; three crashes, one involving deer.

Nov. 12 Officers responded to 24 incidents, including a juvenile problem at an undisclosed location; property theft at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; operating without a license on Eberlein Park Drive; seven welfare checks; one crash.

Nov. 11 Report not received by press time.

COURT NEWS

Manih F. Waupoose, 37, Neopit, pleaded no contest Nov. 11 to felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Judge Katherine Sloma levied fines and court costs and sentenced him to 60 days in county jail.

Brandon L. Kruschke, 42, pleaded no contest Nov. 11 to misdemeanor charges of criminal damage to property and disorderly conduct. A related felony charge was dismissed but read into the record as part of a plea agreement. Judge Louis Molepske withheld sentencing and placed him on one year of probation with conditions.

Brandon W. Marohl, 45,

Shawano, was charged Nov. 11 with possession of methamphetamine, possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), four counts of felony bail jumping and two misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 27.

Felicia L. Genz, 31, Greenleaf, was charged Nov. 11 with possession of narcotic drugs, possession of methamphetamine, and misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and use of or possession with intent to use a masking agent. Sloma set a \$500

cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 27.

Sapphire M. Otradovec, 22, Suring, was charged Nov. 11 with hit-and-run causing injury, second-degree reckless endangering safety, six counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of causing injury while operating under the influence, reckless driving causing bodily harm and resisting or obstructing an officer. Sloma set a \$5,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 20.

Ethan A. Escalante, 27, Shawano, was charged Nov. 11 with five counts of felony bail jumping, four counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of operating while revoked and possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a \$2,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 20.

Anthony L. Perez, 40, Shawano, was charged Nov.

11 with possession of an electric weapon, 10 counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of operating while revoked and resisting or obstructing an officer. Sloma set a \$1,500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 19.

Susan A. Mahl, 32, Keshena, was charged Nov. 12 with felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of retail theft. Court Commissioner Eric Hendrickson set a \$5,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 19.

Ronald F. Zittlow, 41, Pulaski, was charged Nov. 12 with victim intimidation, six counts of felony bail jumping, nine counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of battery and disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$1,500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Nov. 20.

Kenneth W. Long, 25, Suring, was charged Nov. 14 with felony bail jumping and misdemeanor bail jumping. Hendrickson set a \$750 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Jan. 21.

Menards toy drive underway

All Menards home improvement stores are once again serving as drop sites for a toy drive.

There is a drop box near each exit door that serves as a collection site for new and untapped presents now through the end of November.

Also, a tradition for more than 50 years is the Enchanted Forest at Menards.

People of all ages can walk through the decorated trees, colorful lights and displays of Christmas decor the make up the Enchanted Forest.

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Is requesting bids for an
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11/22/2024
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The City of Shawano Plan Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 5:00 PM at Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St., Shawano, WI to consider the following:
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT to allow Stone Creations LLC, to add a principal structure as a group development at 1257 Jaycee Court, Shawano, WI per City of Shawano Municipal Code Section 10-118(2)(c) Group Development, as a conditional use. The property is located in the Business Park (BP) zoning district. (Legal description: City of Shawano Raasch Industrial Park Acres Sec5 T26N RI 6E Lot 14)
At the above time and place all interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard.
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City of Shawano

11/22 & 28/2024
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The City of Shawano Plan Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 5:00 PM at Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St., Shawano, WI to consider the following:
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT to allow Kotula Auto Services (Anthony B. Kotula Jr., owner), to have an auto service shop at 1118 McDonald Rd., Shawano, WI per City of Shawano Municipal Code Section 10-35(3) vehicle repair, as a conditional use. The property is located in the Community Mixed Use (CMU) zoning district. (Legal description: City of Shawano Prt NW ¼ NW ¼ Sec 32 T27N R16E Was Lot 1 V7 CSM P203 Map #1974 NKA Lot 1 and Lot V23 CSM P136 Map #4339 & Prt Des Doc #764239 Plat of Survey #9006542PS Parcel A, Parcel #281-322200120)
At the above time and place all interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard.
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Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk
City of Shawano

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TYLER T. CHANCE SCHREIBER
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 24 PR 73
TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 08/07/1984 and date of death 10/04/2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N6394 Lake Drive Shawano WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is February 19, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street Shawano, WI 54166, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
Form completed by:
Attorney Michael A. Maas
Heritage Law Firm, LLC
2050 Riverside Drive
Green Bay, WI 54301
920-785-8570
Bar Number 1061377
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11/22/24, 11/29/24, 12/06/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, OF SHAWANO COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE
Hailey Fae Kalz
By Savannah Rachelle Peotter
NOTICE and ORDER for Name Chance Hearing
case No.24cv213A
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From:
Hailey Fae Kalz
To:
Hailey Fae Poetter
Birth Certificate:
Hailey Fae Kalz
IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin: Judge's name: Judge William Kussel 311 N Main St Shawano WI Date: 01/13/2025 Time: 11:45 a.m.
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.
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11/22/24, 11/29/24, 12/06/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, OF SHAWANO COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Jayda Mae Kalz
By Savannah Rachelle Peotter
NOTICE and ORDER for Name Chance Hearing
case No.24cv213B
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
FROM:
Jayda Mae Kaltz
TO:
Jayda Mae Poetter
Birth Certificate:
Jayda Mae Kalz
IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin: Judge's name: Judge William Kussel 311 N Main St Shawano WI Date: 01/13/2025 Time: 11:45 a.m.
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.
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11/22/24, 11/29/24, 12/06/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing
55 Beattie Place, Suite 110
Greenville, SC 29601
Plaintiff,
vs.
Lee J. Nicholas
501 S Washington St
Shawano, WI 54166-2860
Jane Doe Nicholas
501 S Washington St
Shawano, WI 54166-2860
Cottonwood Financial WI LLC DBA The Cash Store
c/o CT Corporation System, Registered Agent
301 S Bedford St Ste 1
Madison, WI 53703
The United States of America
c/o US Attorney
517 East Wisconsin Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53202
&
c/o US Attorney General
950 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Rm B-103
Washington, DC 20530-0001
State of Wisconsin
c/o Attorney General
114 East State Capitol
Madison, WI 53703
Defendants.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS
Case No. 24-CV-000195

The Honorable
Katherine Sloma

Case Code 30404
(Foreclosure of Mortgage)
The amount claimed exceeds \$10,000.00

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
To each person named above as a defendant.
You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. Within 40 days after November 22, 2024 you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166-2145 and to Gray & Associates, L.L.P., plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 16345 West Glendale Drive, New Berlin, WI 53151-2841. You may have an attorney help or represent you.
If you do not demand a copy of the complaint within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
Dated this 13th day of November, 2024.
Gray & Associates, L.L.P.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
Ian J. Thomson
State Bar No. 1076280
Case No. 24-CV-000195
16345 West Glendale Drive
New Berlin, WI 53151-2841
(414) 224-1987

Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.
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11/22/24, 11/29/24, 12/06/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
Plaintiff:
WRHC3 LLC,
W5322 Debbie CT Shawano WI 54166
vs.
Defendant:
Charon Carpenter
802 Sweet ST
Shawano, WI 54166

Publication Summons and Notice (Small Claims)
Case No 24 SC 00544

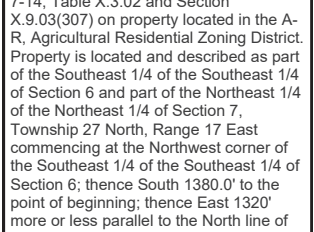
Publication Summons and Notice of Filing
TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following small claims court: Shawano County Courthouse 715-526-9347 County Board Room, 311 N Main St Shawano, WI 54166 12/10/2024 1:00p.m.

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court before the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county Ashley Engle 715 853 8371 11/12/24 W5322 Debbie CT Shawano WI 54166
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11/15/24, 11/22/24
Notice of Public Hearing
Planning, Development and Zoning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, December 4, 2024 @ 9:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A & B
Members: Ken Capelle, Jeremy Gretzinger, Lowel Hammett, Kathy Luebke, Theresa Serrano
Z-10-24: Gary A Falendysz request zone change on 2 parcels of land, both from FP, Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District to A-R, Agricultural Residential Zoning District pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Section X.2.01(1) to Section X.3.01(2), Table X.2.02 to Table X.3.02 and Section X.9.03 (287) on property located and described as Parcel #1: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 29, Township 29 North, Range 11 East, Town of Aniwa, Shawano County, Wisconsin, described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest quarter corner of said Section 29; thence N 89°40'58" E along the North line of the Northwest quarter, 1304.33 feet to the Northwest corner of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter and to the point of beginning; thence continuing N 89°40'58" E along the North line of the Northwest quarter, 268.08 feet; thence S 0°57'59" E 325.00 feet; thence S 89°40'58" W 268.08 feet to the West line of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter; thence N 0°57'59" W along the West line of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter, 325.00 feet to the point of beginning for the purpose of converting an existing structure to a single family dwelling; AND Parcel #2: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 29, Township 29 North, Range 11 East, Town of Aniwa, Shawano County, Wisconsin, described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest quarter corner of said Section 29; thence N 89°40'58" E along the North line of the Northwest quarter, 1575.41 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing N 89°40'58" E along the North line of the Northwest quarter, 268.08 feet; thence S 0°57'59" E 325.00 feet; thence S 89°40'58" W 268.08 feet; thence N 0°57'59" W, 325.00 feet to the point of beginning for the purpose of constructing a single family dwelling in the future. Both being part of parcel #'s 006-29210-0010 & 006-29210-0000.
CU-24-24: Brian M and Bonnie K Feltz request conditional use permit for the Temporary Occupancy of Recreational Vehicle (land use) pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Table X.3.02 and Section X.9.03(307) on property located in the A-R, Agricultural Residential Zoning District. Property is located and described as part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 6 and part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 7, Township 27 North, Range 17 East commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 6; thence South 1380.0' to the point of beginning; thence East 1320' more or less parallel to the North line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 6; thence North 60' more or less to the Southeast corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 6; thence West along said South line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 to the centerline of the creek; thence Northerly along the centerline of the creek to a point which is 1260' South of the North line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 6; thence West parallel to said North line to the West line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence South 120.0' along said West line to the point of the beginning. Tax parcel #044-80150-0150. Town of Washington. Property address: N6912 Springbrook Road.
CU-25-24: Aden E and Mary L Raber request conditional use permit to establish a Home Occupation, Major (land use) pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Table X.2.02 and Section X.9.03(147) on property located in the OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District for the purpose of establishing a business constructing vinyl windows for Tracy Corners IG of Cecil LLC. Property is located and described as Lot 2 of Certified Survey Map recorded in Volume 7 Page 367, Map #2057, located in the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 33, T27N R17E. Tax parcel #044-33220-0070. Town of Washington. Property address: N5198 St 117 Highway.
NOTE: Any person may appear at the public hearing and be heard and/or submit comments to be read into the record for Committee consideration. Correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer.
Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766
Meeting notice emailed/posted: Shawano County Courthouse, Department of Human Services, Shawano County Library, Shawano Leader, WTCH Radio, Shawano County Civic website @
coshawanowi.civicweb.net
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11/22/24, 11/29/24, 12/06/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT BROWN COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
BCG Equities, LLC
225 S. Executive Dr.
Brookfield WI 53005

Plaintiff,
vs. Case No.: 2024CV001484
Classification Code: 30301
The amount claimed is over \$10,000.

JANESSA EDWARDS
W2673 CHIEF JOSETTE ST
KESHENA WI 54135
Defendant.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, To the person named above as a defendant: You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within 40 (forty) days after 11/22/2024, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the complaint. The court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is 100 S JEFFERSON STREET COURT GREEN BAY, WI 54305 and to Dobberstein Law Firm, LLC, the plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 225 S. Executive Drive, Brookfield, Wisconsin 53005. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper answer within 40 (forty) days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 11/7/2024 day of 11/7/2024 .

DOBBERSTEIN LAW FIRM, LLC
Attorneys for the plaintiff

Electronically signed by Jillian E Caggiano
Jillian E Caggiano
State Bar No. 1101032

MAILING ADDRESS:
225 S. Executive Dr.
Brookfield, WI 53005
(262) 641-3715
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11/22/24, 11/29/24, 12/06/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF Rose Marie Benotch By (Petitioner) Rose Marie Benotch By (Co-Petitioner)
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Rose Marie Benotch
To: Alex Lappen Benotch
Birth Certificate:
Rose Marie Benotch
IT IS ORDERED:
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin: Judge's Name: Judge Sloma Place: Shawano County Courthouse, Br.1, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166 January 7, 2024 8:15 a.m. 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.
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11/15/24, 11/22/24, 11/29/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration)
Case Number - 24pr71
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF William K. Teetzen
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 01/26/1941 and date of death 07/01/2020, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N6103 West Hazel Drive Shawano, WI 54166, 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 02/19/2025. 5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N Main St, Shawano, WI Wisconsin Room 202 Probate Office.
Form completed by: James E. Aschenbrenner P.O. Box146, Shawano, WI 54166, USA
Phone: 715 524 6258 Bar Number: 1008896
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11/22/24, 11/29/24, 12/06/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT BROWN COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
BCG Equities, LLC
225 S. Executive Dr.
Brookfield WI 53005

Plaintiff,
vs. Case No.: 2024CV001484
Classification Code: 30301
The amount claimed is over \$10,000.

JANESSA EDWARDS
W2673 CHIEF JOSETTE ST
KESHENA WI 54135
Defendant.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, To the person named above as a defendant: You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within 40 (forty) days after 11/22/2024, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the complaint. The court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is 100 S JEFFERSON STREET COURT GREEN BAY, WI 54305 and to Dobberstein Law Firm, LLC, the plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 225 S. Executive Drive, Brookfield, Wisconsin 53005. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

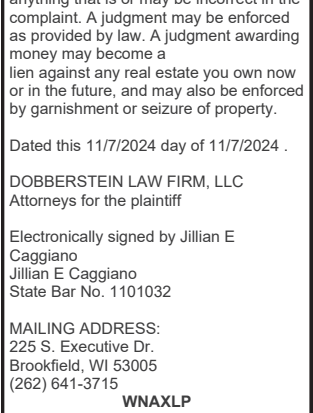
If you do not provide a proper answer within 40 (forty) days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 11/7/2024 day of 11/7/2024 .

DOBBERSTEIN LAW FIRM, LLC
Attorneys for the plaintiff

Electronically signed by Jillian E Caggiano
Jillian E Caggiano
State Bar No. 1101032

MAILING ADDRESS:
225 S. Executive Dr.
Brookfield, WI 53005
(262) 641-3715
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11/08/24, 11/15/24, 11/22/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Trustee of LSF10 Master Participation Trust
Plaintiff,
vs.
David B. Pyatskowitz and Lynn M. Pyatskowitz
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Case No. 19-CV-000153

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on December 2, 2019 in the amount of \$79,300.43 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:
December 11, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.
Terms Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is', and subject to all liens and encumbrances.

PLACE: In the front lobby of the Shawano County Courthouse, City and County of Shawano
DESCRIPTION: The East 63 feet of Lot Eleven (11) of Block Thirteen (13) of the City of Shawano according to the Assessor's Map, Shawano County, Wisconsin. Also described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Block 10 of Naber and Ruedebusch's Addition to the Village, now City, of Shawano; thence East 60 feet to East line of Hamlin Street; thence South 5 feet to North line of Randall Street; thence East along the North line of Randall Street 177 feet and there shall be place of beginning; thence East along North line of Randall Street 63 feet; thence North 207 feet more or less to a point 160 feet South of the South boundary of Center Street; thence West parallel with South boundary of Center Street 63 feet; and thence South 207 feet more or less to place of beginning.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 617 E Randall St Shawano, WI 54166-2609
DATED: October 16, 2024
Gray & Associates, L.L.P.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
16345 West Glendale Drive
New Berlin, WI 53151-2841
(414) 224-8404

George Lenzner
Shawano County Sheriff

Please go to www.gray-law.com to obtain the bid for this sale.
Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT LANGLADE COUNTY AMENDED SUMMONS
Case No. 24-CV-106

In the matter of:
CAROL LEE DETTMAN-SMITH
285 Ridgeview Drive
Johnston City, TN 37615
Plaintiff,
-vs-
KENNETH JOHN DETTMAN
N7549 Pine Street
Eland, WI 54427
Defendant.

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, to the above-named Kenneth John Dettman:
You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.
Within forty (40) days after November 15, 2024, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is 800 Clermont Street, Antigo, Wisconsin 54409 and to Michael B. Winter, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 835 Fifth Avenue, Antigo, Wisconsin 54409. You may have an attorney help you or represent you.
If you do not demand a copy of the complaint within forty (40) days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that s or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
DATED this 4th day of November, 2024.
WINTER LAW OFFICE
Attorneys for Plaintiff
BY: Michael B. Winter
This document drafted by:
Michael B. Winter
State Bar #1025676
Winter Law Office
835 Fifth Avenue
Antigo, WI 54409
(715) 623-2905
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11/22/24, 11/29/24, 12/06/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY AMEMDED
NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration)
Case Number - 24pr70
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Jeffrey Lundmark
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 07/29/1951 and date of death 07/25/2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 725 S. Evergreen ST, Shawano, WI 54166, 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 02/19/2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N Main St, Shawano, WI Wisconsin Room 202 Probate Office.
Form completed by: James E. Aschenbrenner P.O. Box146, Shawano, WI 54166, USA Phone: 715 524 6258 Bar Number: 1008896
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11/15/24, 11/22/24, 11/29/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF Taylesia Raye Lynn Blackowl By (Petitioner)
Josephine Louise Pamonicutt By (Co-Petitioner) Brad Lucas Blackowl

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Taylesia Raye Lynn Blackowl
To: Taylesia Raye Lynn Pamonicutt
Birth Certificate:
IT IS ORDERED:
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin: Judge's Name: Judge Sloma Place: Shawano County Courthouse, Br.1, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166 December 20, 2024 8:45 a.m. 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.
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11/15/24, 11/22/24, 11/29/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
CASE NO. 2024CV000070
FORECLOSURE CASE CODE: 30404

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION
Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON GAMBSKY; COREEN WETTSTEIN A/K/A COREEN GAMBSKY;
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JASON GAMBSKY, IF ANY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE
OF COREEN WETTSTEIN A/K/A COREEN GAMBSKY, IF ANY; CAPITAL CREDIT UNION; et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SHERIFFS SALE
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on September 5, 2024, in the amount of \$128,479.25, the Sheriff, or Designee, will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:
December 11, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.
TERMS: 1. 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check, or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment will be forfeited to the Plaintiff.
2. Sold "as is" and subject to all legal liens and encumbrances.
3. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price.
PLACE: Main level of the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 North Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: ALL THE PROPERTY IN SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN:
LOTS 1 AND 2 OF TIGERTON LOG AND LAND DEVELOPMENT 3-73-1, BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4, SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST, TOWN OF FAIRBANKS, SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN.
TAX KEY NO.: 014800500010
PROPERTY ADDRESS: N2792 FAIRVIEW LANE, TIGERTON, WI 54486
Submitted by:
Scott D. Nabke
Bar No.: 1037979
Diaz Anselmo & Associates, P.A.
P.O. BOX 19519
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33318
Telephone: (954) 564-0071
Facsimile: (954) 564-9252
Service E-mail: answersms@dallegal.com
Dated this ____ day of _____, 20____
Shawano County Sheriff or Designee
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
Plaintiff:
Nightsitel Wireless LLC, d/b/a Cellcom P.O. Box 5301 De Pere WI 54115
vs.
Defendant
Emma C. Baum
300 Mountain Bay Trail Dr Apt 11
Shawano, WI 54166
Publication Summons (Small Claims)
Case No 24 SC 543

Publication Summons and Notice of Filing

TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following small claims court: Shawano County Courthouse 715-526-9347 Courtroom 2, 311 N Main St Shawano, WI 54166 12/10/2024 1:00p.m.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF William E Wilson, Jr.
Name
DOD 10-6-2024

Amended Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for Filing Claims (Informal Administration)
Case No. 24 PR 68

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 8-15-1957 and date of death 10-6-2024 was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1005 S. Washington Street, Shawano, WI 54166 .
3. The application will be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Probate 202, before Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar, on December 12, 2024 at 1:00. 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 is February 4, 2025 .
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202 Probate .
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Mary J. Murawski
D.O.D. 08/22/2024
Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims
(Formal Administration)
Case No. 24 PR 69
A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.
THE COURT FINDS: The decedent, with date of birth 12/14/1946 and date of death 08/22/24 was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin with a mailing address of W5449 Lakewood Court Shawano, WI 54166
THE COURT ORDERS:
1.The Petition be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse 311 Main St Shawano, WI Branch 1, before Circuit Court Judge Katherine Sloma on 01/27/2025 at 9:00 am.
You do not appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.
2.The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is Feburuary13, 2025.
3. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse 311 Main St Shawano, WI, Wisconsin Room 202 Register in Probate Office.
4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petitions for final judgment.
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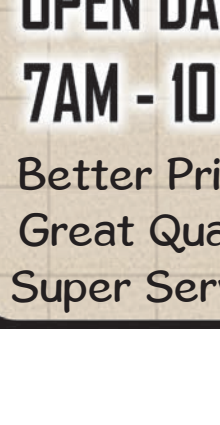
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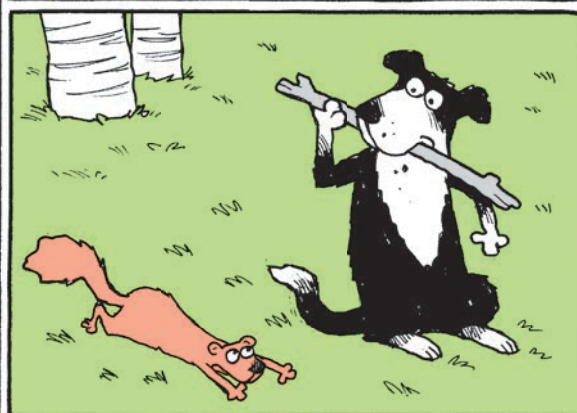
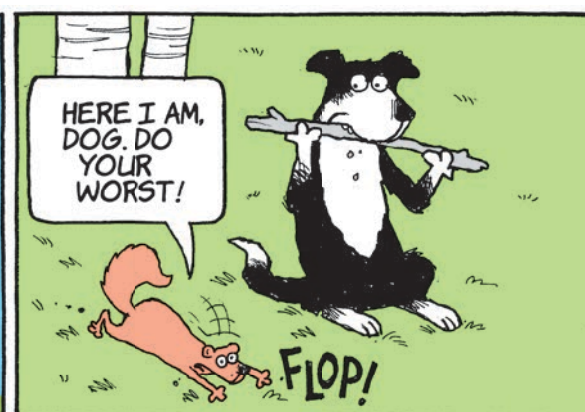
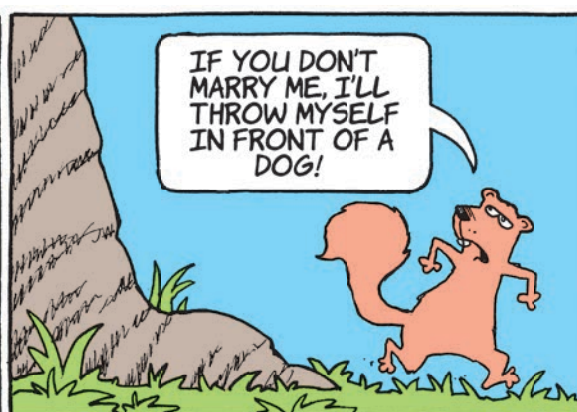
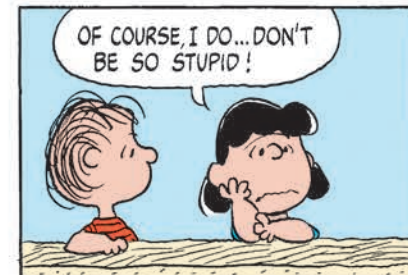
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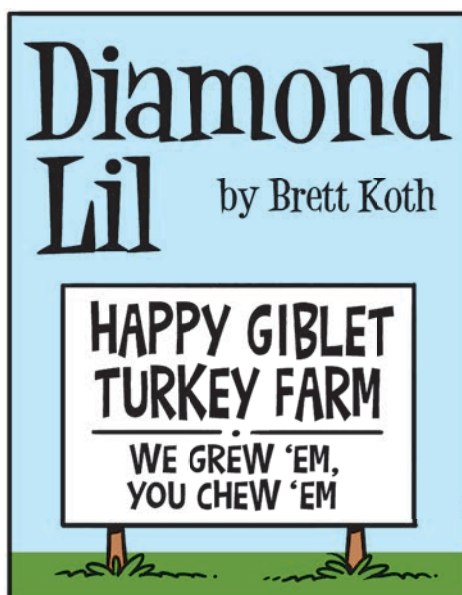
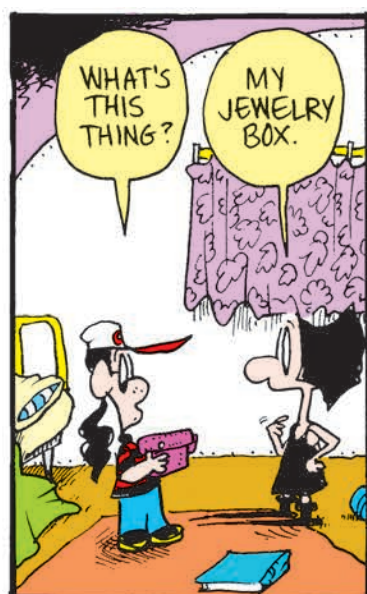
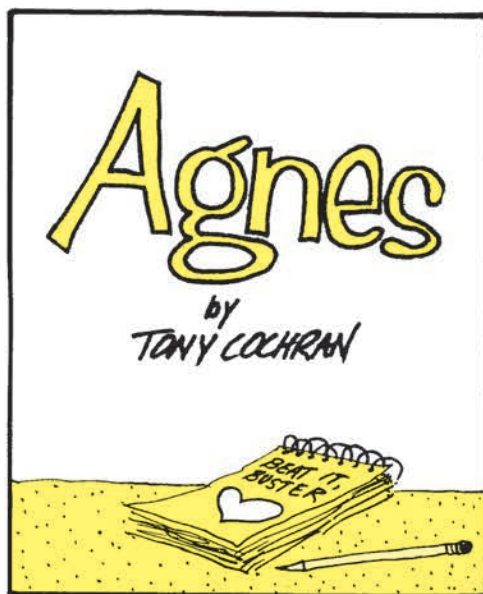
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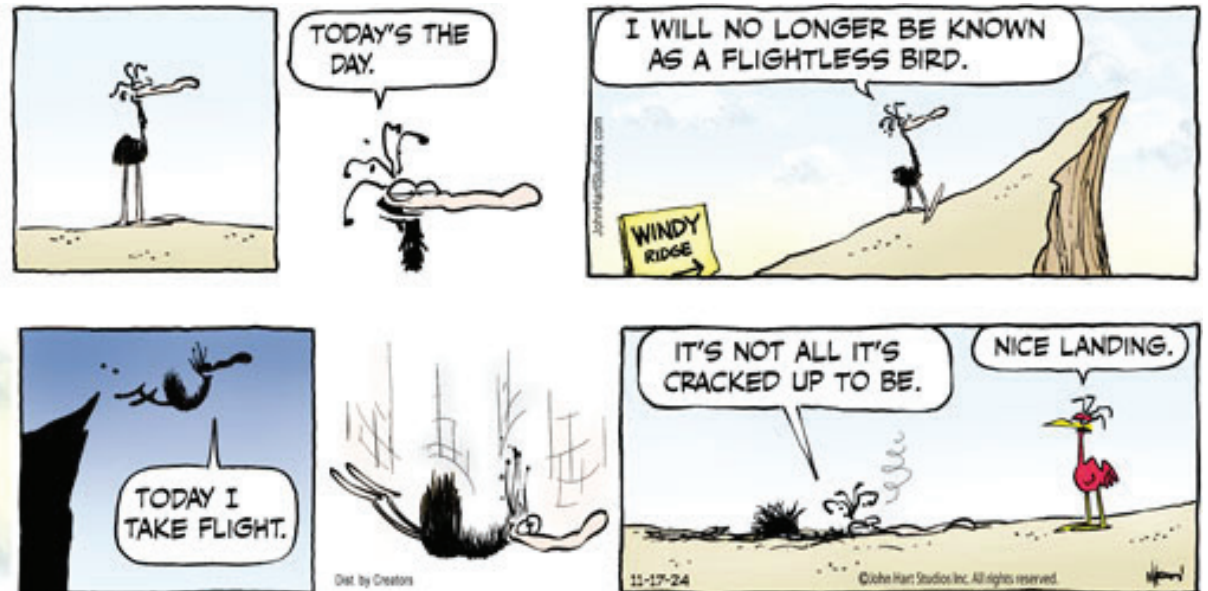
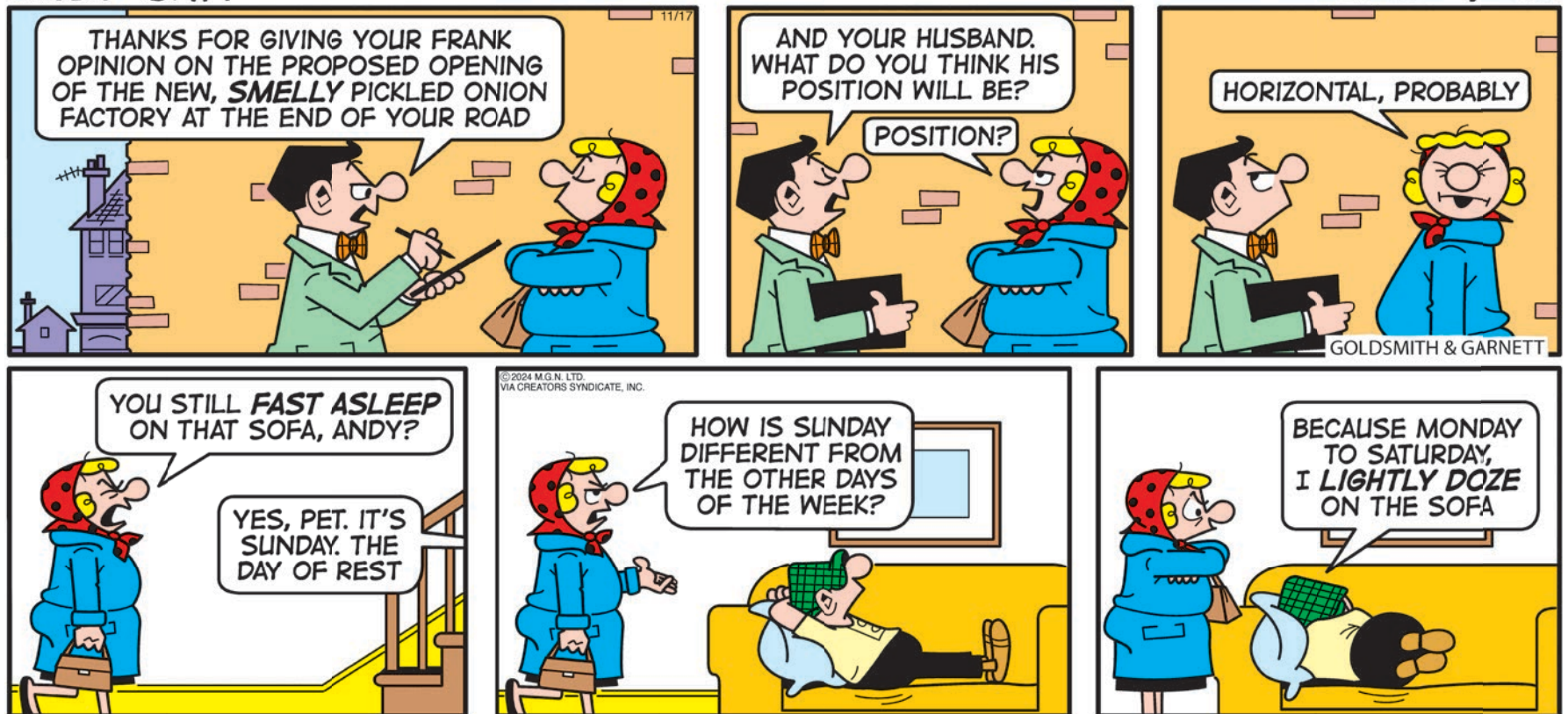
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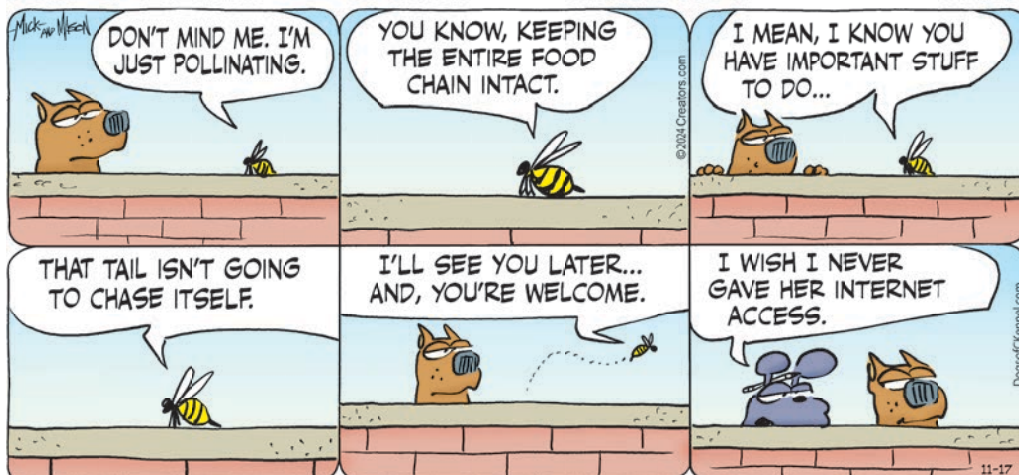
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Leading up to Sunday6s game against Chicago, the Packers’ special teams coordinator Rich Bisaccia saw a potential gap in the Bears’ field goal protection on film and relayed that to Karl Brooks and the rest of Green Bay’s blocking unit. With the game on the line, Brooks charged, raised his left hand and got his middle finger on Cairo Santos’ attempt at a game-winning 46-yard field goal to preserve a 20-19 Packers victory as time expired. According to the Elias Sports Bureau, it was the second time the Packers blocked a field goal on the final play of a game. The other was nearly 85 years ago during a 7-6 win over the Cleveland Rams on Nov. 26, 1939. Brooks also blocked a field goal against Minnesota last year.

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DIFFERENT KEY, BUT SAME HAPPY TUNE



Jordan Love ran for a go-ahead score in the closing minutes, and Green Bay hung on to beat Chicago 20-19 on Sunday. It helped make up for a play earlier in the quarter, when Love scrambled on a fourth down play, headed toward the end zone but was pulled down shy of the goal line as the Packers turned the ball over on downs.

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Brooks blocks Bears game-winning field goal attempt to give Pack victory

BY LUKE REIMER
Green & Gold Express

Another chapter was added in the legendary Green Bay Packers and Chicago Bears rivalry this past Sunday.

With three seconds left in the game, the Bears were set up to kick a game-winning field goal. As the kick went up, Packers defensive lineman Karl Brooks got his hand up to block the attempt giving Green Bay a 20-19 victory in Chicago.

“I just got penetration – I just wanted it more and I got a hand up,” said Brooks.

The field goal attempt was set up after Green Bay took a one-point lead on a Jordan Love 1-yard touchdown rush with 2:59 left in the game. On the ensuing possession, Chicago quarterback Caleb Williams was sacked twice on the first two plays, setting up a third-and-19.

On third down, Williams rolled to his right and fired a dart to wide receiver Rome Odunze to bring up fourth-and-3. Williams then connected with Odunze again to pick up the first down. From there, Chicago milked the clock, eventually finding itself with a second-and-8 to set up the game-winning attempt.

Love finished the game completing 13-of-17 passes for 261 yards, one touch-



Christian Watson set a career high with 150 yards on just four catches, including a 60-yarder that set up Jordan Love’s touchdown run, and the Packers (7-3) avoided falling further behind Detroit and Minnesota in the NFC North.

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down and one interception.

Christian Watson was the main benefactor through the air, as he compiled 150 yards on four receptions. The 150-yard game for Watson is his highest yardage total as a pro.

Josh Jacobs added 58 yards on four receptions, while Jayden Reed recorded 23 yards and a touchdown on two receptions.

As for the ground game, Jacobs was the leader for Green Bay, as the Alabama alum totaled 76 yards and touchdown on 18 carries. Love added another 18 yards and a touchdown on four carries.

On Chicago’s side of the ball, Williams completed 23-of-31 passes for 231 yards and no touchdowns.

Odunze led the Bears in receiving, as he caught six passes for 65 yards. DJ Moore and Keenan Allen

added 62 yards on seven catches and 41 yards on four catches, respectfully.

D’Andre Swift found success on the ground in this one, as he totaled 71 yards on 14 carries, scoring a touchdown. Roschon Johnson added the second touchdown on the ground for the Bears, while Williams used his legs nine times to pick up 70 rushing yards.

In a hard fought divisional matchup, Green Bay’s best drive of the game came immediately after the opening kickoff. Jacobs picked up 25 yards on the ground on four rushes, while Romeo Doubs hauled in a 17-yard reception. After Emmanuel Wilson broke free for a 13-yard rush, Love connected with Reed for a 15-yard touchdown.

KEYS TO THE GAME

Big names could mean big trouble for Packers

By JACOB WESTENDORF
Green & Gold Express

The Green Bay Packers' second half of the season is off and running.

Their game against Chicago on Sunday was their first of three in a span of 11 days.

The middle game of that stretch is against what feels like a perennial thorn in their side.

The San Francisco 49ers will be coming to Lambeau Field. It's their first trip to Lambeau since what turned out to be Aaron Rodgers' last play-off game as a Packer.

The 49ers won 13-10 that night.

They ended the Packers' season last year with a 24-21 win over Jordan Love and company.

This year, the roles are slightly reversed. The 49ers have been ravaged by injuries but have rebounded like the strong team that they usually have been under Kyle Shanahan.

They've lost Brandon Aiyuk for the season but will have Christian McCaffery back, after an ominous injury cycle that plagued him early in the season.

The Packers need more wins against NFC opponents, as this game could help decide another tiebreaking scenario in a competitive NFC. The Packers do not have many of those advantages at this point with losses to Philadelphia, Minnesota and Detroit already on their resume.

Here are the keys to finally getting the monkey off their back, and beating their arch nemesis.

Christian McCaffery

Running backs do not matter is the saying that goes around social media. Apparently Christian McCaffery did not get the memo. The 49ers win more than 80% of the time when McCaffery has been active since they traded for him.

They are around .500 when he does not play.

McCaffery is as dual threat as it comes in the NFL. He's productive in the backfield as a runner but also dangerous as a receiver. He caught six



Josh Jacobs (8) celebrates with Jordan Love (10) as Tucker Kraft (85) looks on during the Packers 20-19 victory over the Chicago Bears on Nov. 17. It was the 11th straight win for the Packers in the longtime rivalry.

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passes in his first game back in the lineup. He's still finding his way in the run game, but he's someone the Packers have seen plenty of.

McCaffery scored twice the last time these two teams met in January. He's one of the best players in all of football.

On a star-studded team like the 49ers, McCaffery is the star that shines the brightest. Keeping him under control needs to be priority number one for Jeff Hafley and his defensive staff.

Special Teams

The last time these two teams met at Lambeau Field, the Packers' special teams' unit was historically bad.

It was a trend that was noticeable all season long. It reared its ugly head at the worst possible time, as a blocked punt that was returned for a touchdown was a big reason San



The Packers' defense generated back-to-back sacks of Caleb Williams on the Bears' last drive of the game. Facing third-and-19, Williams regrouped and hit fellow rookie Rome Odunze with passes on back-to-back plays to put the ball in Packers territory.

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Francisco was able to pull off the upset on that cold January night.

This time around, the roles are reversed. The 49ers special teams unit is horrendous, ranked 31st in the NFL by FTM Fantasy's DVOA stat.

Their kicker, Jake Moody, has struggled mightily since being

drafted out of Michigan.

Their coverage units have struggled, and their return game is not particularly explosive unless they put Deebo Samuel back as a returner.

This could be a big week for Keisean Nixon as the temperatures are supposed to drop, potentially leading to more oppor-

tunities for the two-time first-team All-Pro return man.

It's rare that the Packers have an advantage in the third phase of the game, but this week they should. A few big plays in this phase could swing the game in Green Bay's favor.

Packers tackles vs. Nick Bosa

Bosa is one of the premier rushers in all of football. It's rare that a player qualifies as a game-wrecker, but Bosa certainly is one.

He's one of, if not the best player in football at his position.

Putting pressure on Jordan Love, or any quarterback, can make them prone to more mistakes.

Love has been prone to those this season, and could be more affected if Bosa has his way.

He lines up on both sides of the line of scrimmage, which will pit him against both of Green Bay's tackles.

They'll need to protect Love. If they can, there is room in this secondary for Green Bay's talented pass catching group to roam.

If they don't, this game could look like a re-run of so many matchups between these two teams in the past five years.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS AT GREEN BAY PACKERS

TIME AND DATE: 3:25 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24

LOCATION: Lambeau Field

TV: Fox

RADIO: Flagship WRNW-FM Milwaukee — 97.3; Packers Radio Network includes WIXX-FM Green Bay — 101.1, WRLO-FM Antigo — 105.3, WLST-FM Marinette — 95.1, and WSAU Wausau — 55.0 AM and 95.1 FM

2024 RECORDS: Packers, 7-3, 49ers 5-45

HISTORY: The 49ers and Packers have been a tale of two eras. In the 1990s, and early 2000s, Brett Favre and the Packers dominated the

49ers, beating them in three separate playoff games.

Since the days of Jim Harbaugh stalking the sidelines for San Francisco, the 49ers have owned the Packers, especially in the playoffs.

They bludgeoned Aaron Rodgers four times and continued their dominance in last year's 24-21 victory in the Divisional Round.

Overall the Packers lead the series 38-34-1.

The last time the two teams met at Lambeau Field was the Divisional Round in January 2022, where the 49ers won on the strength of a

blocked punt that was returned for a touchdown.

The last time the two teams played at Lambeau Field in the regular season was a Monday night classic in October 2018.

Aaron Rodgers led a late drive that culminated in a short Mason Crosby field goal to give the Packers a 33-30 victory.

COACHES: Packers - Matt LaFleur fifth season, 63-30. 49ers - Kyle Shanahan, eighth season 69-55.

PACKERS SCHEDULE

Friday, Sept. 6 at Philadelphia, L 29-34

Sunday, Sept. 15 vs. Indianapolis Noon W 16-10

Sunday, Sept. 22 at Tennessee Noon W 30-14

Sunday, Sept. 29 vs. Minnesota Noon L 29-31

Sunday, Oct. 6 at LA Rams 3:25 p.m. W 24-19

Sunday, Oct. 13 vs. Arizona Noon W 34-13

Sunday, Oct. 20 vs. Houston W 24-22

Sunday, Oct. 27 at Jacksonville W 30-27

Sunday, Nov. 3 vs. Detroit 3:25 p.m. L 14-24

Week 10 BYE

Sunday, Nov. 17 at Chicago Noon W 20-19

Sunday, Nov. 24 vs. San Francisco 3:25 p.m. FOX

Thursday, Nov. 28 vs. Miami 7:20 p.m. NBC

Thursday, Dec. 5 at Detroit 7:15 p.m. Amazon Prime

Sunday, Dec. 15 at Seattle 7:20 p.m. NBC

Monday, Dec. 23 vs. New Orleans 7:15 p.m. ESPN

Sunday, Dec. 29, at Minnesota Noon FOX

Week 18 vs. Chicago TBD

NFL SCHEDULE

Thursday, Nov. 21 Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 7:15 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 24 Tennessee at Houston, Noon

Minnesota at Chicago, Noon

Dallas at Washington, Noon

New England at Miami, Noon

Kansas City at Carolina, Noon

Tampa Bay at NY Giants, Noon

Detroit at Indianapolis, Noon

Denver at Las Vegas, 3:05 p.m.

Arizona at Seattle, 3:25 p.m.

San Francisco at Green Bay, 3:25 p.m.

Philadelphia at LA Rams, 7:20 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 25 Baltimore at LA Chargers, 7:15 p.m.

WEEK 11 / OFFENSE

THE MOMENT

PACKERS 20 VS BEARS 19



Green Bay Packers quarterback Jordan Love rushed four times for 18 yards, including one touchdown, against the Chicago Bears on Nov. 17. In the passing game, Love completed 13-of-17 for 261 yards and a touchdown. The Packers won 20-19 when Karl Brooks blocked a Chicago field goal attempt as time expired. Green Bay leads the longtime series 108-95-6, including victories in the last 11 games. The Bears have won only three times since Jan. 2, 2011.

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Packers extend winning streak over longtime rival Chicago

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2024-25

Week 12 Games: Sun., Nov. 24

Minnesota @ Chicago
Detroit @ Indianapolis
Dallas @ Washington
Baltimore @ LA Chargers - Mon., Nov. 25

Tie Breaker Game:
San Francisco @ Green Bay



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LA Chargers

Tie Breaker Game:
Final Score: San Francisco 20 @ Green Bay 31

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LA Chargers

Tie Breaker Game:
Final Score: San Francisco 10 @ Green Bay 24



This Week's Picks:
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Tie Breaker Game:
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This Week's Picks:
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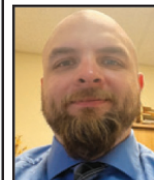
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WEEK 11 / OFFENSE

THE MOMENT

PACKERS 20 VS BEARS 19



Josh Jacobs battles for extra yardage after catching one of his four passes against the Bears on Sunday. He picked up 58 receiving yards on the day. On the ground, he ran up the middle for a 7-yard touchdown in the third quarter for his 50th career rushing touchdown. The TD tied the game at 13-13 and capped off a six-play, 65-yard drive. Brandon McManus' extra point kick gave the Packers at 14-13 lead.

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A STEP AHEAD OF THEIR OLDEST RIVAL

Jacobs gets 100-plus yards rushing, receiving against Bears

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Jordan Love prepares to take a snap against the Bears on Sunday. In three games against the NFC North rivals, Love is 3-0. He is 55-of-76 for 822 yards with six touchdowns, one interception and a passer rating of 128.3. So far in 2024, Love is 160-for-257 for 2,081 yards, 16 touchdowns, 11 interceptions and a passer rating of 90.6. His only rushing touchdown in 2024 came Sunday against the Bears.

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14	Ricky Pearsall.....	WR
15	Jauan Jennings.....	WR
17	Brandon Allen.....	QB
18	Chris Conley.....	WR
19	Jacob Cowing.....	WR
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93	Kalia Davis.....	DL
94	Yetur Gross-Matos.....	DL
97	Nick Bosa.....	DL
99	Maliek Collins.....	DL



GREEN BAY PACKERS

2	Malik Willis.....	QB
7	Quay Walker.....	LB
8	Josh Jacobs.....	RB
9	Christian Watson.....	WR
10	Jordan Love.....	QB
11	Jayden Reed.....	WR
13	Dontayvion Wicks.....	WR
17	Brandon McManus.....	K
18	Malik Heath.....	WR
19	Daniel Whelan.....	P
20	Javon Bullard.....	S
21	Eric Stokes.....	CB
22	Robert Rochell.....	CB
23	Jaire Alexander.....	CB
24	Carrington Valentine.....	CB
25	Keisean Nixon.....	CB
26	Corey Ballentine.....	CB
27	Kitan Oladapo.....	S
29	Xavier McKinney.....	S
30	Chris Brooks.....	RB
31	Emanuel Wilson.....	RB
32	MarShawn Lloyd.....	RB
33	Evan Williams.....	S
39	Zayne Anderson.....	S
42	Matt Orzech.....	LS
45	Eric Wilson.....	LB
50	Zach Tom.....	OL
52	Rashan Gary.....	DL
53	Arron Mosby.....	DL
55	Kingsley Enagbare.....	DL
56	Edgerrin Cooper.....	LB
57	Brenton Cox Jr.....	DL
58	Isaiah McDuffie.....	LB
59	Ty'Ron Hopper.....	LB
62	Jacob Monk.....	C/G
63	Rasheed Walker.....	T
67	Josh Myers.....	C/G
73	Andre Dillard.....	T
74	Elgton Jenkins.....	G/T
75	Sean Rhyan.....	G
76	Kadeem Telfort.....	T
79	Travis Glover.....	T
80	Bo Melton.....	WR
85	Tucker Kraft.....	TE
86	John FitzPatrick.....	TE
87	Romeo Doubs.....	WR
89	Ben Sims.....	TE
90	Lukas Van Ness.....	DL
93	T.J. Slaton.....	DL
94	Karl Brooks.....	DL
95	Devonte Wyatt.....	DL
96	Colby Wooden.....	DL
97	Kenny Clark.....	DL

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While Green Bay came away with the victory, the team struggled again when it came to the red zone. The most notable occurrence came in the second quarter after Green Bay dove down to the Bears 15-yard line. On the ensuing play, Love dropped back and threw a pass intended for tight end Tucker Kraft. The ball sailed over Kraft's head and was intercepted by Chicago defensive back Terrell Smith.

In total, Green Bay came away with points on three of its five red zone trips. While 60% isn't horrible, Jacobs knows the offense is capable of so much more.

"We just have to execute, you know," said Jacobs, on Green Bay scoring just 20 points in the game. "When we get in the red zone, you know, we have to execute. We have to make plays when it is time, and it is really just as simple as that. We were moving the ball, we didn't

really feel like we had a problem with that ... we just have to be better when it is time."

The Packers have now won each of the past 11 games against its NFC North rival. More important though, the win pushes the Packers to a 7-3 record. With the Washington Commanders losing to the Philadelphia Eagles, the Packers jumped up to the sixth seed in the NFC playoff picture. At four games over .500, Green Bay now has an 85% chance to make the playoffs according to the New York Times NFL Playoff Predictor.

The Packers will look to improve those playoff odds, as it takes on the San Francisco 49ers this week.

The last time the two teams met at Lambeau Field was the Divisional Round in January 2022, where the 49ers won on the strength of a blocked punt that was returned for a touchdown.

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Running back Josh Jacobs (8) and wide receiver Romeo Doubs (87) jump for joy after the Packers scored a touchdown against their longtime rival, the Chicago Bears, on Sunday. Green Bay leads the series 108-95-6 and now prepares for another rival, the San Francisco 49ers. In the 1990s, and early 2000s, the Packers dominated the 49ers, beating them in three separate playoff games. Since then, the 49ers have owned the Packers, especially in the playoffs. Overall the Packers lead the series 38-34-1.

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