

Proposed wheel tax rejected

Supervisors vote 26-0 against plan

By KEVIN PASSON Editor-in-Chief

There was so little support for a proposed Shawano County wheel tax, it almost didn't even get voted on by supervisors at their Feb. 26 meeting.

When Chairman Tom Kautza asked for a motion to adopt the measure so it could be discussed, supervisors sat in silence until Joe Miller spoke.

"The reason I did that (made the motion) - we all have a responsibility to our constituents so they know exactly what our position is on this," he said. "I stated my position at the last county board meeting that I opposed it. I'm not supporting the action. These folks have a right to know how we feel about this issue."

In the end, the measure failed 26-0 with one member absent.

Supervisor Randy Mallmann was among several supervisors who attended a Feb. 20 informational meeting about the wheel tax. About 100 residents attended and voiced opposition to the proposal.

"Overwhelmingly, it was understood people are not happy with this idea," he said. "It kind of changed my mind. Granted, it was a small percentage of actual people in the county, but then again, so are 27 supervisors making this decision. I am changing my vote to a no, and I'm just encouraging my colleagues to do the same."

Supervisors Terry Tipton and Dennis Knaak echoed Mallmann's comments.

Supervisor Jeremy Gretzinger attempted to amend the resolution enacting the tax by removing part of one of the clauses that led to the final resolution statement.

He said Shawano County will actually receive additional funds from the state, as noted in Act 12 and Act 19 that state the county will receive an additional 2.3% in aid in 2025 and thereafter. The initial clause said the state and federal governments continue to reduce funding available to the county.

The amendment failed 16-10.

The proposal was to create a \$20 an-

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Shawano resident Mary Arnold talks about election issues with state Rep. Elijah Behnke during a listening session March 1 at Shawano City Hall while Rick Stadelman, chairman of the Northeast Wisconsin Technical College board of directors, waits his turn to talk about technical college funding.

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Behnke hears concerns on many issues at listening sessions

Emergency volunteers, ORVs, election laws among topics

By LEE PULASKI City Editor

Rep. Elijah Behnke had some lively discussions at listening sessions March 1 in Shawano and Bonduel, as volunteer issues with fire departments and emergency medical services, changing election laws and even the controversial wheel tax hit the table, among other things.

Behnke, a Republican, told people in attendance that, while he voted for Donald Trump in the presidential election, he doesn't plan to be like federal representatives and fall in line with all of Trump's priorities.

"The demographic of people who might vote for me also might not vote for him," Behnke said, recalling at least a dozen people who signed his petition in the Bonduel area made it clear they would

not be voting for Trump. "I don't wear his gear. I don't need to hang out with him. I do like looking out for America with strong borders, but I'm not going to agree with him on everything."

He noted that, while he was interested in politics, it didn't become a main focus for him until it became necessary in 2020 with the pandemic. He noted that his pro-life beliefs put him more into the Republican camp.

"I never went to a Democrat convention or a Republican one," Behnke said. "I just did my due diligence of working hard, getting ahead and paying my taxes."

Shawano resident Mary Arnold pressed Behnke on election laws, especially the part where municipal clerks and poll workers are not allowed to start counting ballots until Election Day, even with elections where there are a large number of absentee ballots submitted.

"I was a poll worker for many years," Arnold said. "We counted the absentee ballots after 8 when the polls closed, because you didn't have time on Election Day. Would you support changing that law to say they can start counting them as soon as they come in like other states do?"

Behnke said election reform would likely come up in the current legislative session but was unsure what could be passed. He noted that an amendment in 2022 came up to provide a video feed in municipalities showing the ballot tabulation process to reassure folks who believe elections are rigged.

"If we're going to start counting a day before, that's fine, but we need to have proper counting methods and accountability, meaning there's at least three people in the room," Behnke said. "In Green Bay, the mayor got caught counting before hours, because if he agreed to start counting at 9 but then someone saw him counting at 6 a.m. with no observers. I don't want that, either."

Shawano resident Shirley Hinze, who ran against Behnke for the 6th District Assembly seat, has been an opponent of wheel taxes, which were passed by the Shawano Common Council but rejected by the Shawano County Board of Supervisors. Hinze pointed out that residents are forced to carry the burden with their motor vehicles, but not operators of off-road

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STATE TITLES!

Two local female wrestlers win state championship titles.

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Long-Reed graduates from treatment court

Program offers way out of life of drugs, alcohol

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

The past several years for Destinee Long-Reed have seen plenty of highs and plenty of lows, but one of the biggest highs came Feb. 28, when she graduated from the Shawano County Treatment Court, commonly known as drug court.

“Growing up around drugs and being around people who felt the same and used for some of the same reasons I had became my life when I was just a freshman in high school,” she said.

Long-Reed was arrested a couple of years into her addiction, referred to the drug court and placed on a waiting list.

“I wasn’t really ready to be sober, so I continued to use,” she said.

She was caught again. “I’m very thankful for, because my PO (probation officer) had seen something in me I couldn’t see in myself at the time,” she



Judge William Kussel presents Destinee Long-Reed with her certificate of achievement after graduating from the Shawano County Treatment Court program Feb. 28 in just 15 months. It usually takes someone 18 months to pass through the five phases of the court.

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said. “My whole life has changed.”

Her graduation ceremony marked the completion of a long process — one that must be undertaken by anyone who volunteers for the alternative court.

Amanda Farmer is the treatment court coordinator, a position she has held the past five months.

She started working for

the Department of Human Services two years ago in an evening crisis manager role.

She would go on her earn her master’s degree in social work.

“We dropped the word ‘drug’ from the name to reduce the stigma and help get more community buy-in,” Farmer said, of the treatment court.

It usually takes someone 18 months to pass through the five phases of the court. Farmer said the fastest it could happen is 14 months.

“Destinee is our first graduate in 15 months,” Farmer said.

Being part of the treatment court is voluntary. A maximum of 12 can be enrolled at any one time.

“We aim to end the recidivism and allow the individual to gain stability in his or her life,” Farmer said.

Since its inception in 2018, the court has had 38 individuals in the program. Fourteen of those have graduated, and 10 others are still in the program.

Among the eligibility requirements are Shawano County residency, on probation for 36 months, and no pending violent felony offenses or current charges for a violent felony offense.

There are five phases during the process. These include learning basic life skills, maintaining complete sobriety, landing a full-time job, having continual individualized treatment and establishing an after-care plan with a support network.

Rewards are given for positive behavior, and sanctions are imposed for recovery-interfering behavior.

Additional program components include random drug and alcohol testing (average twice a week), referrals to community resources, home visits, community service and recovery-focused opportunities.

The treatment court targets adult, non-violent felony offenders or repeat

misdemeanor offenders who have been arrested for a drug or drug-motivated offense. All participants are on supervision with the Department of Corrections and the program also accepts Alternative to Revocation referrals. All prospective participants must be screened to be high-risk and high-need and have a clinical diagnosis of a moderate to severe substance use disorder.

For Long-Reed, she faced many challenges along the way, including moving out of her mother’s home and finding a new home for her dog who had been with her since the start of her treatment.

She intends to stay connected with her peers in the program, continue her employment as a peer support specialist and continue to improve upon on stable home life.

The court is overseen by Judge William Kussel Jr., who presented Long-Reed with a certificate and medallion in recognition of her graduation.

“When drug court ends, this doesn’t mean I’m completely recovered or healed at all,” Long-Reed said. “This just means I’ve put in the work I’ve needed to be successful out in the world.”

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Record attendance reported at Shawano County Fair

Ag Society continues with improvements at fairgrounds

By KEVIN PASSON
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Scott Breitrick of the Shawano County Agricultural Society told Shawano County supervisors the 2024 county fair saw record attendance.

“The fair attendance was excellent. We had 70,751 people attend the fair,” he said at the Feb. 26 meeting of the county board. “I think that’s probably the most that we’ve ever had at the fair in one year.”

Breitrick spoke briefly about the ag society’s annual report.

“The midway stage we put up in the middle. It got used a lot,” he said. “We

had a lot of good compliments on it. Keith Raddant donated all of the material, and the Wolf River Builders helped us put it together.”

They also addressed a few issues with the barns.

“We put a new roof on the big barn,” Breitrick said. “We insulated the roof in the sheep barn. That made a big difference in there.”

He said the livestock committee paid for the sheep barn roof.

“Right before the fair, three days before the fair, the well back by the horse barn all of a sudden didn’t work,” he noted.

With a new pump installed, the problem was quickly fixed.

The fair had operating revenue of \$763,995 (about \$206,000 more than the previous year) and operating expenses of \$456,851 (about \$77,800 more than in 2023).

Breitrick also addressed the scale issues and a

shortened track at the Shawano Speedway.

“We put a new platform behind the old scale,” he said.

A platform was built inside the concrete pad.

“Literally, they can drive right straight on,” he said. “They can drive right straight off and have absolutely no problems this year.”

The speedway had six rainouts in 2024, but for those nights when races were held, attendance was 28,690.

The speedway had operating revenue of \$556,257 (about \$8,300 less than the previous year) and operating expenses of \$589,107 (about \$8,100 less than in 2023).

County Board Chairman Tom Kautza asked about the possibility of shortening the traditional half-mile track.

Breitrick said new clay on the track will push back any decision a few years.

He talked with Grant

Bystol, highway commissioner, and the highway department will bring in some of the same clay used to cap the landfill. Breitrick said they intend to add 4 inches of clay to the track.

“Outagamie had some (clay) just to give away. We had that tested, and it tested at 48% clay,” Breitrick said. “We tested six different spots on our track; they clay tested 25%, and the rest is sand and loam. And then we tested the borrow site ... and that tested at 43%.”

“If we get new clay on, I think it’s going to help.”

“The way it stands right now is that issue is dead, at least for another couple years, and then it’ll come back again,” Kautza added.

According to the report, the ag society’s total assets as of Oct. 31 amount to \$979,873, about \$52,000 more than Oct. 31, 2023.

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Scott Breitrick of the Shawano County Agricultural Society said attendance at the 2024 Shawano County Fair set a new record. Breitrick presented the ag society’s annual report to the Shawano County Board on Feb. 26. County Board Chairman Tom Kautza is seen in the background.

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Drugs can easily be hidden at home

Presentation shows soda cans, alarm clocks and more can hide pills, etc.

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They look like everyday items — alarm clocks, cans of soda, shaving cream canisters — but they could be places where teens hooked on drugs could be hiding their supplies.

Two social workers with Shawano Community Middle School gave a presentation Feb. 25 titled “Hiding in Plain Sight” on the issue of drugs and the great lengths teens go to to conceal pills, vaping supplies, marijuana, fentanyl and other drugs. It is similar to another presentation given a year ago by the Addiction Resource Council that includes the ability to create a basic facsimile of a teen’s bedroom for parents to see for themselves where drugs can be hidden. The council made the materials available through a Wisconsin Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse grant.

“People don’t realize



Elizabeth Basten, a social worker for Shawano Community Middle School, shows some of the things hidden in a can of shaving cream during “Hiding in Plain Sight,” a presentation for parents showing how teens could be hiding drugs and paraphernalia in everyday items.

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that with technology and everything, things have really progressed,” said Elizabeth Basten, one of the social workers. “People don’t realize that drugs are hidden in so many different places and look like com-

mon objects, so they can be easily dismissed.”

Fentanyl abuse is on the rise, and one of the hiding places teen uses is so close that some might never guess, according to Jodi Guenther, another

social worker. Because it’s a synthetic opioid and a small amount can kill, it’s especially concerning that the drug can be inserted under fake fingernails. “A few years ago, girls with those press-on nails

that they have, they found that they would be slipped under those nails so they would sit in school and chew on their nails,” Guenther said.

Basten noted that the school is also seeing an increase in cough medicine abuse, as the ingredient dextromethorphan can be extracted and made into a powder or capsule of the pure version.

Even if drugs aren’t hidden on a person, there are plenty of other places for pills and other items to go, as Basten and Guenther showed. A stuffed animal had marijuana stashed in it. A can of Arizona tea could be altered to hide a syringe. Another aluminum can, this time with soda, had been changed to hide pills. A fake cell phone became a flask. Vape pens have been developed to look like USB drives, iPad styluses and even highlighters. Even an ordinary wristwatch can have the timepiece hiding a pill grinder inside.

“The alarm clock has pills in the battery case,” Basten said. “There are a lot of things they can be sneaky about. A sploof I had to look up, but typi-

cally they do it to mask the methamphetamine smell, and they use dryer sheets.”

A lot of the drug abuse is caused through social media, according to Basten, which generates a lot of peer pressure to try them. This is especially true for vaping, she said.

“It’s easily accessible and convenient, and students desire to fit in with the crowd,” Basten said. “There’s celebrity endorsements of it, and marketing is specifically targeted to young crowds. The tobacco industry wants to hook younger audiences. They’re going to want to be targeting specific kids. There’s also common fallacies promoted on social media like it relieves pain and anxiety and is considered a safer and healthier alternative to regular cigarette smoking.”

There were only three people present Feb. 25 to learn about hiding drugs, which happened during the middle school’s parent-teacher conferences, but the social workers plan to hold additional presentations in the future to make parents aware.

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Baldwin’s phones in Washington ringing off hooks

Senator addresses Wisconsinites’ woes in virtual town hall meeting

By LEE PULASKI
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Sen. Tammy Baldwin has received an average of 1,000 calls daily from worried constituents since Donald Trump’s return to the White House and a flurry of executive orders that has many of them worried about cuts to Medicaid, immigration raids, rollbacks to LGBTQ rights and more.

Baldwin announced this during a virtual town hall meeting Feb. 27. She said she would have preferred to discuss the issues face to face, but the U.S. Senate is currently in the eighth week of a 10-week floor session.

“That is a clear sign to me,” Baldwin said. “We don’t usually get 1,000 calls a day. I want to tell you that, by reaching out

to me by email, by phone, by regular email, I hear you and I understand how chaotic this feels.”

Baldwin said the executive order in the early days of the president’s return to power regarding freezing federal funding resulted in a lot of Head Start directors contacting her. They were worried they wouldn’t be able to pay their employees or that the freeze would impact their ability to care for children.

She said it’s the role of Congress to determine where funding goes, not the president.

“This freeze was real. It wasn’t misinformation,” Baldwin said. “We had others like community health clinics that rely on Medicaid for a portion of their operating reimbursements, and they couldn’t access their reimbursements. We had a week or more of chaos where Head Start programs temporarily shut down, but we were able to help constituents navigate all that.”

Medicaid being a target

for cuts is troublesome to Baldwin, who noted that one-third of Wisconsin’s children, along with adults with disabilities and more than 8 million elders are impacted by actions taken. She said those funds help pay for nurses’ salaries, community health clinic and hospital operations, and nursing homes, and any cuts could cause some facilities to close their doors.

“This affects our local economies and especially our rural economies in significant ways,” Baldwin said.

Baldwin also attacked the across-the-board layoffs for hurting U.S. veterans, criticizing the administration’s “lip service” claims of supporting Americans. Most of the terminations in the effort come from probationary employees who are mostly in their first or second year with the U.S. government, but Baldwin pointed out that a program called the Veterans Preference Program has some veterans who have worked at

the federal level for longer than one or two years being served their walking papers.

“We saw when this mass discharge started taking place, veterans who had been working at the VA for well over a decade or more get fired,” Baldwin said. “What we need to do, first of all, is demand transparency. This week, we learned of nearly 2,500 VA employees, including folks here in the state of Wisconsin, who were fired. These are people who work on the 988 suicide and crisis lifeline. These are people who are serving veterans everyday.”

Addressing the immigration issue, Baldwin admitted that Congress has not done its job in coming up with comprehensive reform that addresses undocumented immigrants, and that she and her colleagues must come together to develop a solution. She added that Trump’s raids does not constitute a solution.

“What I have been so

heartbroken to see in the early weeks of this administration are unannounced raids and the places that we all have thought were so safe were the focal points of those raids,” Baldwin said. “Church services where they know that the services are being offered in a language other than English — Don’t you think churches should be a safe place for people to worship?”

She added that health clinics and schools have also been the sites for immigrant raids, and she believes it’s important to address health and education needs without violating those sanctuaries for all people.

On the subject of tariffs, Baldwin said that, when used sparingly and in a targeted fashion, they can be a good tool in negotiating prices of foreign goods. However, she claimed that the blanket tariffs planned for friends and foes of the U.S. alike will be particularly damaging for Wisconsin farmers and manufacturers.

“We need to see our prices at the grocery store go down,” Baldwin said. “Eggs are the highest they’ve ever been, but when I go to the grocery store in Wisconsin and get some fresh produce, I look at how much of that is grown in Mexico, especially at this time of the year. I think those tariffs are going to result in prices going up at a time when people are having trouble making ends meet.”

Baldwin noted at the beginning she’s taken every opportunity she can on the Senate floor to share Wisconsin residents’ concerns through their communiques with her.

“I have spent a lot of time on the Senate floor lately reading letters that I have received from constituents about how some of the Trump plans and proposals would impact Wisconsinites — not just statistics, but your stories,” Baldwin said. “I think that makes a difference.”

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Inland trout early catch-and-release season continues through May 2

Anglers are reminded the inland trout early catch-and-release season continues through May 2.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) noted that anglers can target any of Wisconsin’s inland trout species using artificial lures only, on designated early season trout streams.

Any trout caught during this time will need to be immediately released. Tips on how to release

your catch responsibly can be found on the DNR’s Responsible Release webpage.

Anglers will be able to keep the trout they catch once the general hook and line season opens May 3,

provided bag limits and length requirements are met. Check the Guide to Wisconsin’s Trout Fishing Regulations for specifics.

Anyone wanting to participate in the season will need a 2024-25 fish-

ing license and an inland trout stamp, which are both good until March 31, and can be purchased online through Go Wild or at one of many license sales locations throughout the state.

After April 1, anglers will need a 2025-26 fishing license and inland trout stamp.

For additional trout fishing information, visit the DNR’s Inland Trout Fishing webpage.

Bartz recognized by county at retirement

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Sarah Bartz, who retired Jan. 10 as manager of the human services income maintenance and child support division, was recognized for her 25 years of service at the Shawano County Board of Supervisor's Feb. 26 meeting.

"She's been with me since the beginning. We were both younger and had darker hair at the time," said Richard Kane, human services department director. "Sarah's done a great job. She's been a great custodian of the public funds, saved the county a lot of money, streamlined the organization and combined divisions together. She's just done a fabulous job."

Bartz was first with Shawano County when the social services department moved from the Shawano County Courthouse to the Fellman Center location, and then to the Anderson Avenue location, and along the way combined with the community programs department to form the current human services department.

She served in several positions through the



Retired Shawano County employee Sarah Bartz accepts a certificate of appreciation from Richard Kane, human services department director, at the Feb. 26 meeting of the Shawano County Board of Supervisors. Bartz retired Jan. 10 as manager of the human services income maintenance and child support division. She worked for the county for 25 years.

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years.

"It's been a long time, and I've enjoyed it," she said. "I've enjoyed my job. I've enjoyed all the changes. I've enjoyed all

the people I've met. I'm happy to retire, but it is something that I'm going to miss."

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SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

March 2

Deputies responded to 26 incidents, including a vicious animal on Evergreen Road in the Town of Almon; drugs on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; bail jumping on South Warrington Avenue in Cecil; one 911 call; three reckless driving incidents; two welfare checks; two crashes, one involving deer.

March 1

Deputies responded to 36 incidents, including bail jumping on West Green Bay Street in Bonduel; property damage on Fir Road in the Town of Maple Grove; custodial interference on South First Street in Bonduel; operating without a license at Tractor Supply, 1313 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; operating without a license on County Road Z in the Town of Hutchins; operating without a license on state Highway 29 in the Town of Belle Plaine; one 911 call; three reckless driving incidents; three welfare checks; four crashes, two involving deer.

Feb. 28

Deputies responded to 33 incidents, including repossession on Rustic Circle in the Town of Belle Plaine; bail jumping on Hidden Pines Lane in the Town of Washington; juvenile tobacco at Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School, 400 W. Grand Ave., Wittenberg; assisting the fire department on Middle Drive in the Town of Angelica; threatening on Valley Road in the Town of Waukechon; trespassing on Hill Street in the Town of Fairbanks; drugs on Cedar Avenue in the Town of Wescott; threatening at The Lighthouse, W6440 Gumaer Road in the Town of Wescott; two 911 calls; three reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; one welfare check; one crash.

Feb. 27

Deputies responded to 14 incidents, including a sick animal on County Road J in the Town of Morris; assisting the fire department at S&K Hardwoods, 295 U.S. Highway 45, Birnamwood; bail jumping on South Ellms Street in Wittenberg; animal bite on Graves Road in the Town of Wescott; one 911 call; two reckless driving incidents.

Feb. 26

Deputies responded to 22

incidents, including assisting the fire department on Sugar Bush Road in the Town of Aniwa; harassment on County Road E in the Town of Washington; operating without a license on Trieglaff Road in the Town of Grant; two 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; one traffic hazard; three welfare checks; four crashes, one involving deer.

Feb. 25

Deputies responded to 31 incidents, including a warrant on North Main Street in Shawano; found property at Nueske's Applewood Meats, 1790 Applewood Lane, Wittenberg; a warrant on state Highway 29 in the Town of Angelica; assisting the fire department on South Jefferson Street; three 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; three traffic hazards; two welfare checks; one crash.

Feb. 24

Deputies responded to 31 incidents, including a warrant on state Highway 29 in the Town of Morris; trespassing on Cloverleaf Lake Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; operating without a license on Meadow Road in the Town of Washington; animal bite on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Birnamwood; threatening on Box Elder Road in the Town of Richmond; threatening on Hiawatha Court in the Town of Wescott; snowmobile problem at Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School, 400 W. Grand Ave., Wittenberg; eviction on Prospect Circle in Shawano; trespassing on Blue Goose Road in the Town of Germania; operating without a license on state Highway 29 in Bonduel; one 911 call; three welfare checks; one crash involving deer.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

March 2

Officers responded to 13 incidents, including operating without a license on East Richmond Street; operating without a license on North Sawyer Street; juvenile returned home at an undisclosed location; warrant arrest on East Green Bay Street; one reckless driving incident.

March 1

Officers responded to 20 incidents, including custodial interference on South First Street in Bonduel; assault at an undisclosed location; warrant attempt on South First Street; bail jumping on South Lincoln Street; trespassing

on South Washington Street; bail jumping at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; six welfare checks; one crash.

Feb. 28

Officers responded to 27 incidents, including animal noise on South Hamlin Street; juvenile problem at Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St.; found property on South Andrews Street; fight in progress at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; assisting the fire department at SAM's House, 105 E. Richmond St.; assisting the fire department on South Andrews Street; found property at the Shawano County Highway Department, 3100 E. Richmond St.; drugs on South Lincoln Street; juvenile problem at Olga Brenner Intermediate School, 1300 S. Union St.; one 911 call; one reckless driving incident; three welfare checks.

Feb. 27

Officers responded to 22 incidents, including noise on South Lafayette Street; vicious animal on Fifth Street; threatening at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; drugs on Lakeland Road; property theft on Acorn Street; juvenile runaway at an undisclosed location; noise on South Smalley Street; two 911 calls; two welfare checks.

Feb. 26

Report not received by press time.

Feb. 25

Officers responded to 21 incidents, including a stabbing at an undisclosed location; juvenile problem on South Andrews Street; found property at the Shawano Police Department, 125 S. Sawyer St.; two truancy calls at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; juvenile problem at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; two 911 calls; four welfare checks.

Feb. 24

Officers responded to 20 incidents, including overdose at an undisclosed location; fraud on Humphrey Circle; attempted theft at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; two juvenile problem calls at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; warrant on North Main Street; drugs on East Elizabeth Street; juvenile problem at an undisclosed location; noise on Acorn Street; one 911 call; one traffic hazard; one welfare check.

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6 students place in Appleton SkillsUSA event

SkillsUSA Wisconsin announced a number of students from Shawano and Wittenberg placed during its regional competition held Feb. 21 at Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton.

Wittenberg-Birnhamwood High School student Logan Radun took second place in automotive service technology. WBHS student Chekotey Horacek took first place in diesel equipment technology. WBHS student Jessica

Quade finished second in the job interview category. Shawano Community High School student Jack Grieves took third in power equipment technology. SCHS student Jaydin Vanderpoel finished second in precision machining

technology. WBHS student Bella Rumpel finished second in welding sculpture. Those who place in the regional competition advance to participate in the 52nd annual SkillsUSA Wisconsin State Leader-

ship and Skills Conference on April 1-2 in Madison. State competitions will occur at the Alliant Energy Center, 1919 Alliant Energy Center Way, and Madison Area Technical College (MATC), 1701 Wright St.

The 2025 conference will feature more than 1,750 middle, high school, and college/post-secondary students, more than 200 teachers and more than 300 industry volunteers working in more than 75 competitions.

OBITUARIES

Robert 'Bob' Raasch

Robert "Bob" Edward Raasch, 62, of Townsend, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, Feb. 15, 2025. Bob was born on Dec. 8, 1962, and was adopted by the late Orville and Joyce (Baumgarten) Raasch of Shawano.

Bob was happiest when outdoors. He took a special interest in hunting and fishing; he often referred to himself as a "mighty, mighty, hunter." He was a member of the family hunting group Tri-da Kibosh and enjoyed going to hunting camps. Bob was especially handy and was a jack-of-all-trades. He often said, "If they don't find me handsome, at least they'll find me handy." He believed he could fix anything with a hammer and a wooden shimmy.

Bob was known for having a strong work ethic, always providing for his family. Bob had various jobs through the years. He always wanted to learn and do more, including working in construction, being a deputy officer, propane service technician and eventually going back to school to be a funeral director. Throughout the years, Bob enjoyed serving his community by teaching hunter safety education (for over 15 years), volunteering for Lakewood/Townsend Community Ambulance, Townsend Fire Department and was also given the opportunity to fight fires out west.



Bob enjoyed tending to his garden, telling dad jokes, golfing and grilling. Bob always joked he was, "Bob, doing Bob things." Above all else, he was the true definition of a family man. Family was everything to Bob; he would be there for his family and friends at the drop of a hat. He was most overjoyed and proud to be a Papa to Maddi. Recently, he was excited to connect with his biological family, which he found a sibling, cousins, aunts and uncles that he was able to make lasting memories with.

Bob is survived by his wife of 36 years, Mary Kay (Martin); daughters, Marcie Raasch and Lila (Nick) Stellato; granddaughter, Maddi Roberts; two grand pups, Apricot and Chauncey; brother, Chuck (Julie) Raasch; sister, Carrie Kersten; in-laws, Carol (Jerry) Wilmet, Cathy Martin, Betty Martin, Gary (Wendy) Martin, Dan (Marie) Martin and Wendy

Braun; special cousin, Keith Larsen; good friends, Jim Liesenfelder, Jerry Radant, Craig Heller, Robb Guddie, Wayne Marshall and Nick Koebach; many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Along with his parents, Bob was preceded in death by his daughter, Kristyn Raasch; grandson, Gavin Stellato; brothers-in-law, Les Martin, Chuck Martin, Paul Martin and Randy Braun. He was also preceded by Joyce's soulmate, Maynard Koehler, and Maddi's father, Adam Roberts.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, March 8, 2025, at Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring.

Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.

A special thanks to the cardiology department and Heart Failure Clinic at Bellin. Dr. Rafn, Dr. Rudy and Angela Klein have been pillars of Bob's health care. Also, a heartfelt thanks to Mountain Ambulance and first responders for their compassion and dedication.



Mary Clare (King) Bray



teaching, she performed with Bob, sharing the life and accomplishments of Benjamin Franklin through school programs. Mary had a love for travel, live theater and most importantly, her family.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

Mary is survived by her sisters, Micki (Joe) Thelen and Paula (Jim) Lemke. She is the proud

mother of David (Wendy), Paul, and Martha Wray, and grandmother to 15 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She will be missed by all and she will be remembered for her gift of music and her generous hospitality.

In lieu of flowers, the Brays request memorial contributions be made to Carroll University for the Bray Family Endowed Scholarship Fund. Three generations attended Carroll. The Bray Family Endowed Scholarship provides two students with scholarships each year.

Gifts can be sent to the Office of Institutional Advancement at 100 N. East Ave., Waukesha, WI 53186. Checks should be to Carroll University and "Bray Family Endowed Scholarship" noted in the memo portion of the check. Gifts may also be made online at www.carrollu.edu/give.

Dianne J. Pingel, 82, of Wittenberg, formerly of Tigerton, passed away early Sunday morning, March 2, 2025, at Aspirus Wausau Hospital.

Dianne Jean Pingel was born Oct. 6, 1942, in Tigerton, daughter to the late Alfred and Mildred (Roth) Menge. She was united in marriage to Robert Roy John Pingel in Kenosha on May 29, 1965.

Dianne's main role was enjoying being a mother and raising her children. However, she did work for Bushman's Potato Farm seasonally, and later worked at the Homme Home of Wittenberg for over 15 years doing cleaning and laundry. She later retired in 2010.

In her younger years, Dianne bowled on league in Tigerton and seemed to never miss a rummage sale. Her free time was spent watching her favorite shows like, "The Young and the Restless," "All My Chil-

Dianne Pingel



dren," "The Price is Right" and "Matlock." Spending time with her family was her greatest joy, especially taking her grandchildren wherever they asked her to go. Dianne will be remembered as someone who always spoke her mind, as well as the love she had for her family.

She is survived by her children, Bobby (Cindy) Pingel, Bowler, Susan Pingel, Wittenberg, and Cindy Gust, Fall Creek; grandchildren, Keith, Kyle

(Brooke), Kayla and Brandy; great-grandchildren, Arden, Eve, Ellie and Eila; siblings, James (Barb) Menge, Tigerton, Linda (Lowell) Johnson, Tigerton, Betty (Carl) Kriesel, Tigerton, Patsy Kriesel, Eland, Carol Owen, Wittenberg, and Debbie Deruchowski, Clintonville; sister-in-law, Renata Menge, Tigerton; her favorite grandpooches, Sophie and Teddy; and many other relatives and friends

Dianne was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Robert R. Pingel; grandsons, Jacob and Josh Pingel, and D.J. Wilson; and brothers, Harold, Richard and Arden Menge; and a son-in-law, Ricky Gust.

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 6, 2025, at the Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory, Tigerton, Interment followed at Evergreen Cemetery, Bowler.

An online guestbook is available at eberhardtstevenson.com.

Diane Lea Wopp



Diane Lea Wopp, 78, of Clintonville, formerly of Wittenberg, passed away March 1, 2025, at Theda-Care Medical Center in Shawano.

She was born Jan. 26, 1947, in Wausau, the daughter of Donald R. "Pete" Hanke and Doris Lorraine (Jensen) Hanke. She was a graduate of Wittenberg-Birnhamwood High School. She married Dale Blum in 1966. They had two children. Diane and Dale went their separate ways after many years of marriage. She later married Paul Wopp on March 20, 1999.

Diane worked as a line worker at S&E Enterprises window manufacturing company for many years and later worked at North Star Mohican Casino Resort and Ho-Chunk Gaming, before retiring.

She was a very enthusiastic Green Bay Packers fan and loved watching the Packers play. She enjoyed feeding and watching her birds outside her apartment window in Wittenberg. She loved collecting anything with owls on it. She was a Christian and a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Wittenberg for many years, and faithfully attended until her health no longer allowed. She was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend.

Diane is survived by two children, son Richard (Rhonda) Blum of Thayer, Missouri, and daughter Juli (Burt) Brady of Tigerton; four grandchildren, Jer-

ment window in Wittenberg. She loved collecting anything with owls on it. She was a Christian and a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Wittenberg for many years, and faithfully attended until her health no longer allowed. She was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend.

Diane is survived by two children, son Richard (Rhonda) Blum of Thayer, Missouri, and daughter Juli (Burt) Brady of Tigerton; four grandchildren, Jer-

emy (Brenda) Brady, Josh (Amanda) Brady, Garrett Blum and Abigail Blum; five great-grandchildren, Jaelyn Brady, Jaxson Brady, Jessalyn Brady, Cal Christianson and Haley Brady; two sisters, Donna Zeinert and Doris (Ron) Matz; several nieces and nephews; and many friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Dale Blum; husband, Paul Wopp; brother, Daryl Hanke; and brother, David Hanke.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 10, 2025, at St Paul Lutheran Church, Wittenberg. The Rev. Matthew Christians will officiate. Burial will be in the parish cemetery. Visitation will be held on Monday from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the church.

Schmidt and Schulta Funeral Home, Wittenberg, is assisting the family with arrangements. Memories and messages of support may be shared at schmidtschulta.com.

Edward J. Cody

Edward J. Cody, 91, of Clintonville, passed away Feb. 25, 2025.

Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory, Clintonville.

Jim R. Beery

Jim R. Beery, 95, of Clintonville, passed away Feb. 28, 2025.

Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory, Clintonville.

Delores C. Knapp

March 1, 2025. Eberhardt-Stevenson

Delores C. Knapp, 90, of Clintonville, passed away



Brenda Bartz, owner of Brenda's Brushstrokes and Bisque, demonstrates how to apply flux to a blank ceramic bowl during a 4-H activity at her farmhouse classroom at N2978 County Road K in the Town of Waukechon. When the members started their bowl-painting, Bartz said: "You don't have to be perfect; the messier you are with this, the better they turn out."

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Brushstrokes, bisque begin in farmhouse classroom

Brenda Bartz's experience in Army fuels lifelong artistic passion

By LYNN ZAFFRANN
Correspondent

Fourteen Shawano County 4-H members, from ages 8-16, met at Brenda's Brushstrokes and Bisque's Farmhouse Classroom on Feb. 23 to learn how to paint ceramic bowls.

Brenda Bartz is the "Brenda" in Brenda's Brushstrokes and Bisque. She opened the business about five years ago and has her farmhouse classroom at N2978 County Road K in the Town of Waukechon.

"This is the first time we're doing the stoneware bowls with a 4-H group," Bartz said. "We've done other stuff, like glass fusing and mosaics with 4-H kids before today."

Casey Bartz, 4-H Visual Arts County Committee Leader, who is married to Brenda Bartz's nephew, said: "It's more or less finding different opportunities for the kids they might not think they can do or try."

Casey Bartz noted that she's taken classes through Shawano Community Education in order to come up with things the 4-H clubs might be interested in.

"This activity is a \$20 class. Each kid pays \$10 for this one, and we kick in \$10," she said, adding that a 4-H rummage sale raised quite a bit of money and the proceeds help make activities more affordable for the kids.

As the members started their bowl-painting, Brenda Bartz reminded them that they don't have to be perfect.

"The messier you are with this, the better they turn out," she said.

In her interactions with the 4-H mem-



Evelyn Suehring, a member of the Tiger Tribe 4-H, studiously paints a ceramic bowl during an art class Feb. 23. The art class was held at Brenda's Brushstrokes and Bisque in its farmhouse classroom. The owner of the ceramics shop, Brenda Bartz, has hosted other 4-H art classes.

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bers, it was apparent that Brenda Bartz is well-versed in teaching the ceramics techniques to all ages. She presented the instructions slowly and calmly and demonstrated what the members should do.

"We're using the peacock technique," Brenda Bartz said. "It ends up looking like a peacock design."

Creative juices were flowing as the club

members excitedly chose two colors for their stoneware bowls, with help from the Bartzes.

Dean Bulger-Posbrig, 11, chose Glo-Worm as one of his colors. His brother, Grant, 10, chose two other green colors. Both are members of the Tiger Tribe 4-H

Leopolis man recalls incredible, long life

Farm heritage, military service, marriage high points

By KAY REMINGER
Correspondent

(Editor's note: Joe Reminger is an uncle, by marriage, to Kay Reminger.)

Joe Reminger, U.S. Army veteran for World War II from Leopolis, has seen much during his lifetime.

Born June 11, 1927, Reminger grew up during the Great Depression.

"To us it was normal living," he said.

Recalling moves Reminger to realize his life was rich and full — a good life.

"At the time we didn't think of it as hard, just routine," Reminger said. "We ate every meal together and got a belly full three times a day. People back then were born in the house you lived in, and when you died, the wake was at the house."

His grandmother and grandfather lived with his family. Very often multi-generational families lived together. There were 10 family members living in the house at that time.

Reminger's grandmother had originated from a region called Bohemia in Czechoslovakia and came to America as a baby. In World War II, there was a mandate that all immigrants must be categorized. His brother took his grandmother to register as a citizen.

Fond memories of growing up on the farm included playing softball with neighborhood kids on the farm yards, mostly.

"Not many kids my age lived on the road at that time," he said.

Right down the road from the farm was Reminger's school. The school he attended was a state-graded school.

"We were big shots," Reminger said.

Four rooms housed all children starting in first grade. Reminger went on to finish high school in Shawano.

"There were classrooms and a dining room. They had music classes and phy ed," Reminger said. "The basement was the boot-room in the winter time, and it had four big rooms and there we played whatever games we could dream up."

Wood stoves served the heating purposes for the entire farmhouse. One of Reminger's many jobs as a youngster was having

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Alta and Joe Reminger, shown in his U.S. Army dress uniform, were married Oct. 5, 1957 at Fort Hamilton in Brooklyn, New York.

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to keep the wood pile stacked and ready for distribution. He'd split the wood with an axe, hauling it into the house and filling the wood box.

"I had to haul lots of wood," Reminger said.

His father purchased 40 acres of woodland, and they cut everything they could — they'd lived off the logs out of that woods. Reminger recalled skidding them to a central location with horses. One day, the family members were using them to skid, and they figured the horses would stand and instead, they took off and ran home, about a county mile away through the woods. Reminger had to walk all the way home to get the horses and bring them back.

Almost exclusively working with the horses, Reminger also milked cows by hand, storing milk in the milk cans in water. How it stayed cool in the summer he could not remember. The horses did all the work — plowing, planting, harvesting.

"We planted corn and hay and had no silos at first," Reminger said. "My dad built a silo with rocks, laying them all out. He built it eight feet deep."

In 1922, Reminger's father also built the barn that's on the farm to this day. The barn is 103 years old. The house was built before the barn, which makes the house he grew up in, at this time, way over 100 years old.

Later, Reminger's brother had a milk route, and one time, the truck wouldn't start and horses were called into duty.

"Grandpa hitched them up to the truck and they got real skittish," Reminger said. "They weren't used to being around motorized vehicles, but Grandpa

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club.

Many of the girls chose subtle colors of pink, rose and lavender.

Brenda Bartz was quick to point out that, after firing, the colors would turn out differently than the paint colors.

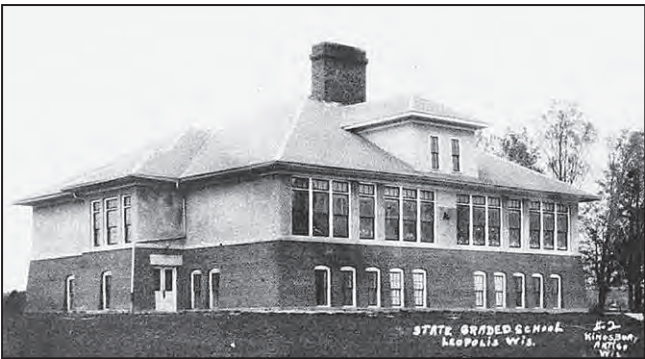
4-H members participate in showing more than just farm animals at the annual Shawano County Fair.

"Some of the activities that we do like this, go to the fair," Bulger-Posbrig said. The members participating in the bowl painting were encouraged to mark the bottoms of their bowls so that the fair judges would be able to identify the member.

Bulger-Posbrig said that, after the bowls were painted, they would be fired in a kiln.

Brenda Bartz said the bowls have to dry for 24 hours after being painted. Then, she will take the completed projects to her home, where she has two kilns in her garage.

"It's a 12-hour fire for these. Casey will pick them up and take them to



Joe Reminger went to this grade school in Leopold and then graduated high school in Shawano. CONTRIBUTED

calmed them right down. He'd worked with horses his whole life."

After completing schooling in Leopold, Reminger went on to finish high school in Shawano, staying the first year with a woman who needed a high schooler having a driver's license to live with her, to drive her car to run errands, etc. He was given room and board, bartering for hired help with chores. He said he'd walk to school from her house, "just a hop, skip and a jump away."

Graduating from high school in 1945, he was employed for a brief time with a standard lumberyard, which made oars for the U.S. Navy. He then enlisted in the Army, for there were two boys on the farm.

In 1957, Joe married his wife Alta, a career vet in her own right. After serving 20 years, she went on to school receiving a licensed practical nursing degree.

"I took my basic training in California, and Alta was stationed in California at the same time, but we didn't know it or meet," Reminger said. "The permanent stations in the states for me were Fort Bliss (El Paso), Texas, and Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Later, Alta and I got married at Fort Hamilton (Brooklyn), New York. I spent the Korean War in Germany."

Reminger had com-

pleted a mandated one-year in Vietnam beginning in 1964 in a non-combat assignment.

"I was assigned to Vietnam right before it heated up," he said. "My office was in a villa in Saigon, and I lived with all the NCOs (noncommissioned officers)."

At one point during Reminger's military career, he had orders to deploy to the USAEUR Headquarters stationed in Hidelberg. Another set of orders revoked that, and instead he was to be sent to the Third Armor Division. Rather than accept that offer, he opted to retire after serving 22 years.

Retiring from the service in 1967, he attended college in Oshkosh and graduated with a major in education and a minor in history. Rather than pursuing a teaching career, he instead applied with the civil service and was hired to work for the Social Security Administration in Rock Island, Illinois. There he worked for 17 years, and after that, to stay active, volunteered his time with AARP, teaching eight-hour driver's education classes to senior citizens.

After 55 years of marriage, Reminger's wife, Alta, passed in 2012. He then moved back to Wisconsin to live near family where today he resides comfortably in his own home.

the Courthouse (the 4-H division of the University of Wisconsin Extension)," she said. "They will be able to pick up their finished bowls there."

Every bowl using the techniques used at the 4-H class will be different, as no pattern is used. Examples similar to what the bowls the 4-H members created will look like can be seen on the 4-H Facebook page.

Brenda Bartz grew up in Belle Plaine and served in the U.S. Army from 1980-83. She found opportunities on-base to learn crafting.

"That's where I learned ceramics," she said. "I took classes at different bases."

Brenda Bartz returned to Shawano after being discharged and held different jobs, including a stint at the Shawano Clinic as a transcriptionist for 23 years, then as a biller. A couple of years later, her position moved to Neenah and she decided to sell bisque (ceramics) online instead.

Brenda Bartz opened her ceramics shop when she found the farmhouse was available to rent. The

house has a room set aside specifically for the classroom, where the 4-H activity was held. She stores paints, glass for stained and fused glass, and bisque pieces throughout the farmhouse.

"I have all the stuff I like to do here. Glass and glass fusing, ceramics and mosaics," Brenda Bartz said. "We can silk screen here, so designs can be put onto ceramics, too. It just keeps growing, and I keep adding."

In addition to hosting the 4-H event, Brenda Bartz has also had groups from the Stockbridge-Munsee Elderly Services take classes.

"It's open to anyone," she said. "We've had office Christmas parties, and other parties for people to get together and work on crafts. People can also come to our open hours."

More information about the business can be found on Facebook. Information about 4-H in Shawano County can be found at fyi.extension.wisc.edu/shawano4h.

Predator hunter uses voice to create recorded calls

Predator hunting guide and hunter Matt McHugh has fooled up to 24 coyotes in one night to be toppled by clients. His best single setup in North Dakota saw nine coyotes fall, and his best in Wisconsin dropped six song dogs.

The real skill nobody can match is his natural voice, duplicating dozens of predator and prey sounds that are so good, electronic call maker FOXPRO records him for their calls.

Call him the Pavarotti of predator sounds.

Members of the Clintonville Bow Hunters were treated to three of his hair-raising sounds Feb. 22 during their annual banquet in Marion, where the 37-year-old New London man shared his astounding hunting success and world champion voice calling.

"I grew up coon hunting with dogs (starting around age 7)," he said. "I was coon hunting as soon as I could walk and carry a flashlight. Hunting predators is going to teach you how to hunt anything better. You need to understand what makes them tick."

Coyotes are his main quarry, as there are few restrictions on hunting them in most states (they can be hunted year-round in Wisconsin), and they are known to prey on deer, which of course makes



Matt McHugh, of New London, a predator hunter and guide, kills about 400 coyotes a year with his custom rifles equipped with thermal scopes and suppressors. But his real talent is imitating predator and prey calls with only his mouth. FOXPRO game calls uses his recorded calls in their digital machines.

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Ross Bielema
Columnist

them extremely unpopular in this state. He averages 400-450 coyotes a year in multiple states.

To say he takes his hunting and guiding seriously is an understatement. He displayed four of his custom .22 Creedmoor bolt-action rifles used with his clients. They are fitted with thermal scopes and suppressors,

making lights and ear protection unnecessary.

Wisconsin has a quirky law that prohibits using lights to locate predators (the light can only be used to make the shot), but the thermal scopes eliminate this problem. The rifles sit atop rock-solid tripods for shots most hunters probably wouldn't attempt, thanks to rangefinding reticles dialed in to the ballistics of the hand-loaded cartridges.

He has about \$11,000 invested in each rifle package and carries \$8,800 thermal binoculars to ensure proper target identification and

coordinate up to four hunters firing in unison at the same coyote. It is all about efficiency, he explains. He wants his clients to leave with lasting memories of a successful hunt, but like all hunting, there are no guarantees.

"One hundred to 180 (yards) is my happy place," he told the group of spell-bound hunters. "Six hundred yards is a chip shot."

His incredible voice first learned to sing karaoke. To get coon dog puppies excited, he learned to mimic the sounds of raccoons. He then learned to imitate

the sounds of dying rabbits (a predator caller's most common choice) and later the sounds of both male and female coyotes, foxes and more.

He won back-to-back World Predator Calling Championships in 2013 and 2014 in Waco, Texas, where judges could request up to 65 different animal sounds. McHugh explained and demonstrated the differences between the non-aggressive female coyote call (which can readily draw males to the gun) and aggressive male calls (which can often spook males and females) during the banquet.

One of the judges at the contest, Steve Dillon, took an interest in McHugh's talents, because his family owns FOXPRO, one of the leaders in electronic game calls. In the old days, game call pioneers like the Burnham brothers used actual animals to record their calls, but those practices have been abandoned. Instead, McHugh travels to Pennsylvania where FOXPRO records his mimicry for the callers that are sold nationwide.

The callers sell for \$200-\$1,500 and can hold hundreds of digital sounds for hunting everything from crows and snow geese to four-legged predators. Don't play an e-caller

or blow a mouth call for 20 minutes at a time, he advised. Instead, try short bursts of two to eight seconds at a time. If your target animal doesn't show up in 15 minutes, move to another spot.

Wind is everything, and no cover scents will fool a crafty coyote's nose. Don't slam truck doors, and in general, get as high up as you can. Set the call 125-150 yards away to catch a circling animal.

To see McHugh among the FOXPRO field staff, go to www.gofoxpro.com/community/foxpro-field-staff.

He's been a guide for 13 years and charges about \$250 per hunter for his services, which includes use of his rifles, ammo and callers. If you're lucky, he might even use his voice.

He also runs Moondog Madness coyote hunting contests in multiple states. They recently wrapped up a contest in Dale, where 13 three-person teams brought in dozens of coyotes (the winning team harvested 34 animals in two rounds).

You can contact him through the Moondog Madness or Matt McHugh Facebook pages.

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Soda bread, pinwheels tasty for holiday

St. Patrick’s Day is coming up March 17. This holiday is celebrated by many, regardless of Irish ancestry. In the United States, this day is often associated with corned beef and cabbage, drinking and parades, but who was St. Patrick?

St. Patrick was actually born in Britain around the year 387 A.D. Captured by Irish raiders when he was 14, he spent six years as a slave in Ireland. He escaped back to Britain and became a Catholic priest and bishop. He then returned to Ireland and converted much of Ireland to the Catholic faith.

There are many legends associated with St. Patrick, one of the most notable being how he drove all snakes out of Ireland. He also used a three-leaf clover to teach the people of Ireland the truth of the Blessed Trinity; this is why a three-leaf clover is also associated with this day.

Our family has its own little traditions for this day. We make Irish soda bread and St. Pat’s pinwheels. We started these traditions when my sisters and I were old enough to bake. Despite St. Patrick’s Day occurring during Lent, we still wanted to honor St. Patrick by making the day special.

Irish soda bread is a quick bread that requires



Francesca Ullmer
Columnist

no yeast. It rises from the combination of buttermilk and baking soda. It is basically a moist biscuit with raisins. We try a different recipe every year. This year, I was looking up recipes on the computer and saw this recipe that said super simple. I decided to try it, having never made Irish soda bread before.

It was really easy to make and tastes great with butter and strawberry jam. The recipe did call for a 9- or 10-inch cast iron skillet. I believe the one that my family has is a 12-inch. I still used it since cast iron bakes bread amazingly well. So, the bread that I made spread out more than is probably normal. If you use the right size pan, the bread will most likely be taller. Other recipes I looked at mentioned that a glass pie pan will also work. Do not forget to cut the X on the top of the bread; this ensures that the middle of the bread will cook completely.

Our other tradition is St. Pat’s pinwheels. These cookies are delicious. They are also a real pain to make.



St. Patrick’s pinwheels is flavored with peppermint extract and contrasts perfectly with the buttery vanilla taste of the plain dough.

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This is because the dough is so sticky. Make sure that when making these cookies there is room in your freezer. Any time that the dough gets too unmanageable, stick it in the freezer for a few minutes. The cold does help. Remember, even if they look a little funny they still taste good.

The green part of the dough is flavored with peppermint extract, and contrasts perfectly with the buttery vanilla taste of

the plain dough. Honestly, these cookies taste so good it is worth the hassle. Do not get turned off by the idea of peppermint extract in these cookies. I was skeptical at first, too, but now, as in the words of Oliver Hardy, “I have nothing to say.”

Francesca Ullmer, the second child of a large homeschooled family, is from the Krakow area. She enjoys baking, reading, knitting, raising goats, and entering numerous items in the Oconto County Fair.

ST. PAT’S PINWHEELS

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| 1 1/4 cups granulated sugar | 1 stick butter | 2 eggs |
| 1/4 cup light corn syrup or regular pancake syrup | 1 tsp. vanilla | |
| 3 cups flour | 3/4 tsp. baking powder | 1/2 tsp. baking soda |
| 1/2 tsp. salt | 1/2 tsp. peppermint extract | 2 tsp. green food coloring |

Place the sugar and butter in a large bowl. Using a stand-up mixer with a paddle attachment, beat the sugar and butter at medium speed until well blended. Add the eggs, syrup, and vanilla; beat until well blended and fluffy. Whisk the flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt together. Add gradually to the butter mixture, beating at low speed until well mixed. Place half the dough into a medium bowl, and stir in the peppermint extract, desired amount of green food coloring, and 1/2 to 1 Tbsp. of flour to offset the extra liquid. Wrap each dough in plastic wrap and pat into a flattened disk. Refrigerate several hours or until firm. Sprinkle about 1 Tbsp. of flour on a large sheet of waxed paper. Place peppermint dough on the floured paper; flatten slightly with hands. Place another sheet of waxed paper on top, and roll dough into a 14-by-9-inch rectangle. Set aside. Repeat with plain dough. Remove top sheet of waxed paper from both doughs. Invert plain dough onto peppermint dough, aligning edges carefully. Trim if necessary. Remove waxed paper from plain dough. Roll dough tightly in jelly-roll fashion starting with long side, removing the rest of the waxed paper during rolling. Wrap the roll in waxed paper; freeze at least 30 minutes or until very firm. Heat oven to 375 degrees. Remove roll from freezer; cut into 3/8 inch-thick slices. Place slices 2 inches apart on an ungreased baking sheet. Bake for 6-9 minutes or until edges of cookies are very lightly browned. Do not overbake. Cool 2 minutes on baking sheet. Remove to cooling rack to cool completely.

SUPER SIMPLE IRISH SODA BREAD

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| 4 cups flour | 2 tsp. salt | 1 tbsp. sugar |
| 1 tsp. baking soda | 1 cup raisins or dried currants (optional) | |
| 1 egg | 1 3/4 cups buttermilk | 2 tbsp. melted butter |

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Whisk together the flour, salt, sugar, baking soda, and raisins. In a medium bowl, beat the egg and the buttermilk. Add the melted butter and stir to combine. Add the liquid ingredients to the dry ingredients and stir with a rubber spatula until combined. Mixture will be sticky. Grease a cast iron skillet (or other similarly sized baking dish) with softened butter. Set aside. Lightly flour your hands and sprinkle a little flour over the sticky dough ball. Use your hands to scrape the dough from the sides of the bowl, adding more flour as needed, and quickly shape the dough into a ball. Knead lightly if necessary. Transfer to prepared skillet. Sprinkle with a little more flour. Use a sharp knife to make a deep X across the top of the dough ball. Place in oven and bake for 30-35 minutes or until lightly golden and bottom sounds hollow when tapped. Remove from oven, transfer to cooling rack, and let cool for 15 minutes before slicing. Store in an airtight bag at room temperature for 3-4 days or freeze it for up to 2-3 months.

WHAT’S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

SHAWANO: Boost Your Brain and Memory, 9-10:30 a.m., ADRC of the Wolf River Region, W7327 Anderson Ave. A holistic approach to improving brain health. Final week of eight-week class, enrollment limited to 12 people; register by calling Ericka at 715-526-4712.

SURING: World Day of Prayer, 10 a.m., Our Redeemer’s Lutheran Church, 11015 County Road M. Hosted by Hickory United Methodist Church.

PULASKI: Wicka’s Jam Session, 2-6 p.m., Wicka’s Bar, 137 S. St. Augustine St. Casimir Pulaski Days event.

SHAWANO: Lenten Fish Fry, 4-7 p.m., Sacred Heart Catholic Parish and School, 124 E. Center St. Cod, fries, bread, beverages, non-fish food options available. \$20 adults, \$8 age 12 and under.

OCONTO: Fish Fry, 4-7 p.m., Holy Trinity Parish, 300 Arbutus Ave. Adults \$13, children 6-12 \$7, 6 and under free. 50/50 and cash raffles.

WITTENBERG: “Trouble at the Tropicabana,” a murder mystery dinner theater production by Crossroads Community Theatre. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. Tickets \$45 per person, available at Sentry Foods or by calling 715-253-3525. Choice of chicken or fish for plated dinner service.

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

PULASKI: Friday Night Polka Delight, 7-11 p.m., Mountain Bay Bar and Grill, 104 S. Wisconsin St. Casimir Pulaski Days event.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

SHAWANO: Cabin Fever Craft Fair, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Shawano Civic Center, 225 S. Main St. Handmade craft items and free admission.

SHAWANO: Maple Syrup Snowshoe Hike, 9:30 a.m. to noon, Sugar Shack Trails, N7061 Ash Road. Hosted by Shawano Pathways. Arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of the hike to register, get gear on and meet the guide. All hikes are free, but donations are appreciated.

NAVARINO: Thin Bunny Craft, 9 a.m. to noon, Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Easy guided class to paint, decorate and personalize a bunny decoration. Members \$25, non-members \$30.

PULASKI: Open House, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Pulaski Museum, 129 W. Pulaski St. Puzzles for Pints kids event 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SHAWANO: Cornhole Tournament, 11 a.m., Shawano Lake Golf Course, W5714 Lake Drive. Double elimination, \$30 per team, maximum 30 teams, 100% payout to top four teams. Registration 10 a.m.

GRESHAM: American Legion Meat Raffle, 5 p.m., Legion Hall, 951 Main St. 50/50 drawing

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SHAWANO: Live Comedy: Tom Clark, 6:30 p.m., Stubborn Brothers Brewery Crescent Ballroom, 220 S. Main St. Opening act Steph Clark 7 p.m., Tom Clark 7:30 p.m. \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, includes one drink ticket.

PULASKI: Casimir Pulaski Days Big Dance, 7-11 p.m., Scolly’s Hometown Ballroom, 149 W. Pulaski St.

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

KRAKOW: Casimir Polish Hearty Brunch, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., St. Casimir Catholic Church, W146 Park St. Casimir Pulaski Days finale.

MONDAY, MARCH 10

OCONTO: Masonic Pine Lodge 188 dinner, 6 p.m., 513 Superior Ave. Open to family, friends and interested guests, followed by Master Mason private meeting at 7 p.m. For info, contact the lodge secretary at 920-373-0950.

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, MARCH 11

WABENO: Free Veterans Breakfast, 9:30 a.m., American Legion Hall, 4494 N. Branch St. Coffee ready 9 a.m. Chef’s choice, hosted by Donna and Vicki, 715-889-3731.

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.

SHAWANO: Shawano Pathways monthly meeting, 6-8 p.m., Shawano Civic Center, 225 S. Main St. Use the entrance off Washington Street.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

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.

POUND: North Country Kickers line dance lessons, 6:30-9 p.m., Equity Hall, W7403 State Highway 64. \$5 admission. Playing a variety of music. Everyone welcome. For information, call Nancy 920-829-6316 or Charles 920-606-4370.

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

SHAWANO: Chili to Go, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Peace United Church of Christ, 208 E. Maurer St. Quart of chili with crackers \$9. Bake sale and raffles.

OCONTO: Jacob’s Well — Oconto All Community small group Bible study, 2:30 p.m. The Shop On Main (rear conference annex), 821 Main St. Information at jacobswellgb.org.

SHAWANO: Shawano Community High School Jazz Band, 7 p.m., Stubborn Brothers Brewery, 220 S. Main St.

ABRAMS: “Godspell,” 7 p.m., Nancy Byng Community Theatre, 5852 Maple St., presented by Abrams Spotlight Productions Inc. Adults \$19, senior citizens, youths and veterans \$17. abramstheater.com

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

FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Playing, working in snow serves purpose

Coming in from outside, I peeled off my coat and, stomping off my boots, eyed my leftover coffee from the morning. Zapping it in the microwave to reheat, it was sufficient to warm me up as it traveled to my belly.

Nose, toes and fingers were tingling. I had just shoveled our deck and sidewalk for the umpteenth time this season. We had managed throughout the winter months so far to stay relatively snow-free.

"I think we're in a snow drought," my husband had said just last month.

Quizzically looking at him, I asked, "Is that a thing? A snow drought?"

Seemingly the case, as snow was definitely not in the picture for a good hunk of the winter — just lately getting a boatload.

When we have a snowless or scant snowfall winter, however, I always feel for those whose livelihood depends on snow. Being a farmer my whole life, weather has always played a crucial role. We were provisionally dependent on sufficient rain and sun at just the right time, which could make or break a whole planting, growing and harvest season. So when we don't get snow, snowmobile repair shops



and sales, pubs, ski resorts, restaurants along trails — all feel the pinch from the lack of snow.

Myself however? I do not mind it if we get little or no snow. While I appreciate the moisture, I know that snow adds more than that.

Looking for information on just what purpose snow has, I found this from www1.udel.edu, "'Blanket of snow' is more than a visual description. It's also accurate in terms of warmth. Freshly fallen, uncompacted snow is typically 90 to 95% trapped air. Because the air can barely move, heat transfer is greatly reduced, thus slowing the flow of heat from the warm ground to the cold air above. This blanket effect makes snow an excellent insulator for gardens and landscapes, (and I imagine hay fields) protecting these natural areas and their animal inhabitants against frigid temperatures and damaging winds."

Moving the snow is another reason why I don't

particularly care for snow. Texting my brother-in-law after our recent snow dump, I asked, "Do you have a tractor and blade, a walk behind snowblower and a shovel — or all three?"

He quickly texted back, "I have all the necessary equipment to move the snow except for desire. Lol."

Moving snow off a farm yard takes on a whole elevated level of clearing. Access to all sheds and the barn yard and driveway as well as feeding areas make for a day of skidder work for my husband. He also takes care of the church parking lot on weekends and a neighbor down the road during the week. Snow-clearing can be an all-day affair. We have mounds of snow in our yard just now, and with cold temps forecasted ahead, a day of snow removal — or at least shoving it around — is necessary.

Going out to fill the wood stove in the wee hours, I pause, appreciating the stillness new-fallen snow brings — peaceful yet crisp, it was pristine, making everything look brand new. Trudging out in the snow in my knee-high boots, I barely made a sound, my actions muffled

and hushed. It seemed as though the whole earth was snoozing quietly under a filmy moon.

I started giggling, remembering the game "Duck-Duck-Goose" played as a kid on our home farm. The fresh snow was an invitation to play, just play. No work required.

Helping my middle school daughter build a fort one winter after a snowfall that was just wet enough to make a good packing snow, she and I had crouched behind our fort with our stockpile of snowballs to throw at her older brother when he came out to do barn chores.

"Here he comes," she said, breathlessly animated. Hiding.

We came up giggling and throwing and while there were two of us and one of him, our ready-made snowballs missed the mark — aiming way over his head or off to one side.

My son, the confident athlete — pitcher in baseball, point guard in basketball and quarterback in football — was inclined to be extremely accurate. Scooping up a ball of snow, he plopped it to land at just the right spot at the top edge of our fort, splaying us full of wet snow. His



Snow's not so much fun when you have to work in it or clear off the porch with it, but there are fun things to be done when the snow falls, too. KAY REMINGER

snowballs came at rapid succession and left both of us wet but laughing so hard we couldn't respond.

He'd literally thrown on the run, off one back foot, no less. Taunting all the while, he'd quickly took aim and got us. Hooting and skedaddling, he darted to the barn like Earnest T. Bass on "The Andy Griffith show." He was quick and elusive, and we couldn't hit him if we'd tried. To his credit, if he'd have wanted to, he could have smacked us square in the face.

Snow has come to stay and whether some consider it fun or a chore, it does serve a good purpose. Just think — in a few short months, spring will be here.

("He directs the snow to fall on the earth and tells the rain to pour down." Job 37:6)

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

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Whiting, Huffman repeat as state champs

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Six of the seven area girls who competed at the WIAA state wrestling meet placed in the top six, and two returned home as champions – again.

Lena junior Taylor Whiting is state champion again after pinning Neenah junior Kylee Kurszewski in 1:13 in the title match of the 114-pound weight class.

Wittenberg-Birnam-

wood sophomore Brooke Huffman pinned Kiley Georgel of Luxemburg-Casco in 33 seconds to win the 185-pound weight class crown.

At 152 pounds, Bonduel senior Madalyn Sokolski

placed second, losing the title match 14-0 to Isabelle Olesen of Oak Creek.

Pulaski's Harlow Skendore placed third in the 145-pound weight class. The sophomore pinned Katelyn Nosbisch of Black

River Falls in 1:21.

Taking fifth place at 165 was Bonduel sophomore Alisha Berg.

She pinned Amerarah Kayon of Shoreland Lutheran in 3:21.

At 138, Pulaski junior

Leah Kapla placed sixth. In the fifth-place match, she lost 7-0 to Natalie Poplawski of New Berlin West/Eisenhower.

Bonduel's Madelyn Hert competed at 185 but did not place.

Shawano, Bonduel, Witt-Birn girls advance to WIAA sectionals

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

March 1
Wittenberg-Birnamwood 55, Seymour 44

Melaina Granquist scored 22 points and Rory Salvesen dropped in 17 as Wittenberg-Birnamwood won its regional title with a 55-44 win over Seymour.

"Very proud of this group tonight," coach Nick Mechelke said. "We couldn't put it all together tonight. We made our runs, and then Seymour would come right back. We just couldn't put them away. This time of year, you just need to find a way, and that's what we did."

Salvesen led the Chargers with two assists. Granquist had 11 rebounds, and Faith Resch had seven steals.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood was scheduled to play against Florence at Oconto Falls on March 6 with the sectional finals set for March 8 at Seymour.

Bonduel 55, Auburn-dale 36

The Bears broke the game open in the second half, defeating Auburndale 55-36 for the regional title.

The Bears were led by Audrey Weier with 12 points and Tatum Sporisky with 11.

Bonduel was scheduled to play St. Mary Catholic at Brillion on March 6. The sectional final will be March 8 at Oconto Falls.

Shawano 54, Fox Valley Lutheran 31

Shawano, 20-5 overall, dominated Fox Valley Lutheran 54-31 to win the regional title.

The Hawks were scheduled to play Marinette at Pulaski on March 6. The



Emery Thompson brings the ball up court against Weyauwega-Fremont in WIAA regional action. Bonduel won 60-42 to advance to the sectional finals against Auburndale.

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sectional finals will be March 8 at Mosinee.

Freedom 60, Menominee Nation 42

Freedom held a slim four-point lead at halftime but opened it up in the second half en route to a 60-42 win in the regional finals.

Urijih Reeves led the Eagles with 19 points.

The Eagles, 13-12 overall, finished the season in third place in the Central Wisconsin East Conference with a 7-7 record.

Reeves led the team with 18.1 points per game. She was joined by Aaliyah Corn with 8.4 and Lena Waukau with 6.5.

Natalie Peters averaged

8.0 rebounds per game, and Reeves notched 7.2.

Reeves also led with 2.6 assists per game; Peters had 1.9.

Marinette 50, Pulaski 28

Pulaski didn't have a player score in double digits as Ashley Servais led the team with nine in its 50-28 loss to Marinette for the regional title.

The Red Raiders finished the season at 8-18, including a 4-14 mark in the Fox River Classic Conference.

Sprangers led the team with 10.7 points per game, with Servais at 9.6 and Lily Urben at 5.9.

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Bonduel's Tatum Sprosky looks for an open player in the Bears' 60-42 WIAA regional semifinal win over Weyauwega-Fremont. Sprosky and Audrey Weier led Bonduel with five assists each. Bonduel would go on to win the regional title against Auburndale and was scheduled to play March 6 in the sectional semifinal against St. Mary. Catholic.

BELLA ROBERTS

Shawano 71, Antigo 13

Shawano's victory was never in doubt as the Hawks crushed Antigo 71-13 in a WIAA regional game.

Leah Nordin led Shawano with 18 points, Jadyn Brown scored 10. Ella Stuber had nine points, all on 3-pointers.

Creden Weisnicht led

the Hawks with seven rebounds. Marissa Tomashek and Trinity Popelka each had three assists, and Nordin had four steals.

Pulaski 38, Luxemburg-Casco 34 (OT)

Pulaski used a 10-6 overtime period to win its regional game over Luxemburg-Casco 38-34.

Olivia Sprangers led the

Red Raiders with 12 points.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood 66, Oconto Falls 52

Oconto Falls played tough against Wittenberg-Birnamwood, but the Chargers played tougher and ended the Panthers season after winning 66-52.

GIRLS BASKETBALL, CONTINUED ON PAGE 15

Falk, Trepanier lead boys wrestlers at state wrestling meet

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Jack Falk, a sophomore from Pulaski, placed second in the WIAA state wrestling meet's Division 1 106-pound weight class.

In the title match, he lost to Union Grove's Camden Rugg.

Three Oconto Falls wrestlers finished either second or third.

Senior Nick Trepanier finished second in the D2 175-pound weight class. In the title match, he lost 16-2 to Micah Kuchta of Coleman.

Oconto Falls sopho-

more Isaiah Holtz placed third in the 113 class in Division 2. He defeated Kaiden Hahn of St. Croix Falls 13-6 in the third-place match.

Teammate Cole Bozile, a senior, placed third in the D2 138-pound class. He won on a 10-0 major deci-

sion of Antonio Sowell of Amery.

Ben Miller, a junior at Wittenberg-Birnamwood, placed fourth in the D2 144-pound class. In the match for third place, he lost 5-0 to Louis Hock of Wrightstown.

Bonduel's Colin

Fischer, a senior, placed fifth in the 165 class in Division 3. He won 7-4 over Nolen Waldner of Ithaca/Weston in the fifth-place match.

Also competing but not placing were Broc Ambrosius, D1, 138, Pulaski senior; Dane Hodkiewicz,

D2, 120, Shawano junior; Max Peterson, D3, 150, Lena junior; Mason Taylor, D1, 157, Pulaski junior; Andy Servais, D1, 190, Pulaski senior; Dalton Fletcher, D2, 120, W-B sophomore; and Devin Wudtke, D2, 138, W-B junior.

GIRLS BASKETBALL, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 14

Rory Salvesen led the Chargers with 28 points including four 3-pointers. Harper Rogowski scored 15 points, and Melaina Granquist added another 13.

Granquist led the team with five rebounds, Salvesen had three assists, and Kylee Beversdorf had four steals.

The Panthers end the season at 11-15 overall after finishing 8-10 in the North Eastern Conference.

Rylie shallow led Oconto Falls with 16.0 points per game, followed by Maddy Maloney with 11.5 and Ella Jahnke with 9.0.

Jahnke pulled down an average of 10.8 rebounds per game, and Maloney had 5.9.

Shallow also led with 2.2 assists per game; Maloney had 1.2.

Bonduel 60, Weyauwega-Fremont 42

Bonduel was led by Audrey Jacobs' 14 points and Audrey Weier's 11 in its 60-42 win over Weyauwega-Fremont.

Weier led the Bears with six rebounds. Weier and Tatum Sporisky each had five assists. Jayla Reinke, Cierra Schnell and Allison Zernicke each recorded three steals.

Menominee Nation 59, Tomahawk 26

The Eagles put the clamps on the Hatchets early and never let up in a 59-26 win.

Menominee Nation led Tomahawk 36-8 at half-time and outscored their opponents 23-18 in the second half.

Urijih Reevis led Menominee Nation with 21 points, with Lena Waukau adding 10.

Aaliyah Corn had eight rebounds, Reevis had five assists, and Corn had seven steals.

Green Bay NEW Lutheran/Providence Academy 56, Lena 48

Lena will not return to the state tournament after losing 56-48 to Green Bay NEW Lutheran/Providence Academy in regional action.

Kali Fischer led Lena with 15 points, and Eva Brooks had 14.

Madilyn Thomson pulled down 13 rebounds. Thomson and Maddy



Oconto Falls' Ella Jahnke (10) can't stop Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Melaina Granquist (42) from scoring in WIAA sectional action.

TINA BACON

Kushner each dished out three assists, and Abby Kostreva and Haley Van Ark each had three steals. Lena was the Marinette & Oconto Conference champion with a 15-1 mark while finishing 22-3 overall.

Thomson led the Eagles with 16.3 points per game, followed by Brooks with 16.2 and Fischer with 11.1.

Brooks pulled down an average of 9.6 rebounds per game, and Thomson recorded 9.4.

Thomson also led with 3.6 assists per game. Brooks recorded 3.1.

Florence 39, Gillett 38
Florence pulled out a one-point win, 39-38, over Gillett to end the Tigers season.

Gillett, 20-5 overall, was in second place with a 12-4 record in the Marinette & Oconto Conference.

Cilena Guns led the Tigers with 13.9 points per

game, followed by Audrey Pate with 9.9 and Hope Soper with 9.6.

Guns also set the pace with 7.8 rebounds per game, while Pate had 6.4.

Soper led with 2.8 assists per game; Maggie Kaczmarek averaged 2.3 per game.

Feb. 25
Oconto Falls 60,

Peshtigo 42

Oconto Falls was the only local team to win in the opening round of WIAA playoff action, capturing a 60-42 victory over No. 8 seed Peshtigo.

The No. 9 seed Panthers advanced to the next round and will take on No. 1 seed Wittenberg-Birnamwood, which has not lost all season.

Crivitz 53, Marion/Tigerton 36

The Marion/Tigerton season ended with a 53-36 loss to Crivitz.

The No. 11 seed Mustangs traveled to No. 6 for the first round of WIAA regional action.

Marion/Tigerton, which finished 4-2 and in second place in the Central Wisconsin North Conference, was 15-10 overall.

Green Bay NEW Lutheran/Providence Academy 50, Suring 30

The No. 8 seed Suring Eagles lost 50-30 to No. 9 seed Green Bay NEW Lutheran/Providence Academy in WIAA regional action.

Suring's year ended with a 4-12 record in the Marinette & Oconto Conference and 11-14 overall.

According to wissports.net, Bunny Cramer led the Eagles this year with an average of 17.0 points per game, followed by Paige Pommerich with 7.7 and Emma Kristof with 6.6.

Ellayna Skarban averaged 7.2 rebounds per

game, and Cramer had 4.3.

In assists per game, it was Kristof with 2.6 and Cramer with 2.4.

Oneida Nation 90, Bowler 31

Bowler finished the season with an overall mark of 4-16 after its 90-31 loss to Oneida Nation in WIAA regional action.

Bowler was seeded No. 13 and Oneida Nation was No. 4 in the Division 5 Sectional 2.

The Panthers finished 0-6 and in last place in the four-team Central Wisconsin North Conference.

Florence 52, Gresham 23

Gresham was out-matched by Florence in its 52-23 loss in the first round of the WIAA playoffs.

Gresham, winners of the Central Wisconsin North Conference with a 5-1 mark and 11-12 overall, was seeded 10th. Florence was seeded seventh and advanced to the next round to take on Gillett.

According to wissports.net, Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes led Gresham during the year with an average of 12.6 points per game. She was followed by Janay Pecore-Kirkland with 6.8 and Allie Cerveney with 5.8.

Pecore-Kirkland averaged 8.4 rebounds per game, and Emily Jensen had 6.9.

Baddmoccasin-Barnes led with 4.3 assists per game; Grace Haffner averaged 1.8.



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How far will Charger girls team go?

BY MIRIAM NELSON
Correspondent

Fresh off winning the Central Wisconsin Conference East title, having fun and the love of the sport seems to be the secret to the success of the Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School girls basketball team. With an impressive 14-0 conference mark, coach Nick Mechelke is looking forward to seeing how far this team will go.

“Our biggest strength is our defense and the pressure that we put on that teams have a hard time dealing with,” Mechelke said. “We are extremely quick and athletic, and the other teams can’t handle. We harass them to make mistakes that end up in our favor.”

With three rounds of regionals, two rounds of sectionals and then the top four competing at state, there are still a lot of games ahead. Mechelke is confident this team has what it takes to go far this season.

Melaina Granquist, junior, and Faith Resch, senior, have been playing basketball since middle school, and Mechelke has been there the whole time. His coaching philosophy involves trying to keep the passion of basketball in the sport and making it fun for them with the end

goal of being successful. Going into these championship games, Granquist, center, feels they have a 100% chance of taking it all the way to state.

“I just go in and play as hard as I can and hope for the best,” she said. Resch, guard, prepares for one game at a time.

“I just go in thinking it’s just like any other game and always put in as much effort as I can and know that I’ll play as hard as I can and it’ll end up as it’s supposed to in the end,” she said.

Resch and Granquist are prepared for whatever comes their way, and that preparedness is due in part to their exceptional attitude and training. For Resch, each school year has begun with swimming, then basketball, then on to track, then summer league and then straight into strength and conditioning. Mechelke coaches Resch in basketball and track.

Granquist plays volleyball in the fall and basketball in winter. She contributes her success to extra practice and participating in club sports. She would like to turn pro and is inspired by all the players in the WNBA, noting they all work hard to play at that level.

They each bring unique talents

to the team. At just 5 feet 4 inches, Resch uses her speed to outrace her opponents.

Granquist, at 5 feet 11 inches, finds most girls playing that position are about the same height, so she tries to consistently jump higher and faster than her opponents and get the ball to the right person.

In a normal game, they play around eight or nine girls.

“Their strength is being quicker and able to outrun their opponents,” Mechelke said. “The defense is good at throwing the other teams off their game.”

Most of the team members have been playing basketball together since middle school. They have been able to learn to depend on each other over the years to work as a well-oiled machine.

“I think just knowing each other and getting each other out of slumps and just having fun and playing the best they possibly can,” Resch said is the secret to teamwork.

“We are very proud of our girls on their accomplishments this year and look forward to supporting them with hopefully more continued success into the post season,” added Superintendent Garrett Rogowski.



Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School girls basketball coach Nick Mechelke stands behind a pair of his star players, Faith Resch, left, and Melaina Granquist.

MIRIAM NELSON

Bay Area Ice Bears making return trip to state tournament

BY NEW MEDIA STAFF

Feb. 28
Bay Area 3, Fond du Lac Warbirds 1
The Ice Bears punched

their ticket to the state tournament with a 3-1 win over the Fond du Lac Warbirds.

A scoreless first period gave way to Bay Area’s

three goals in the second period.

Rachael Beeck scored at 1:28 with an Addison Gady assist. Faye Brunke scored at 2:34 with assists

from Tiana Stindt and Emily Bill. Then, at 11:20, Bill scored with Addison Dahl and Julianne Bradford assisting.

The Warbirds scored

their goal in the third period.

The Ice Bears had 28 shots on goal. The Warbirds only managed six, with Reese Spiering get-

ting five saves. The Warbirds had more penalties than shots on goal, getting called for

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Boys basketball regular season comes to an end

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

**Feb. 27
Bonduel 87, Weyauwega-Fremont 69**

Bonduel finished the 2024-25 regular season a perfect 14-0 in the Central Wisconsin East Conference and 23-1 overall after defeating Weyauwega-Fremont 87-69.

Ryan Westrich scored 25 points with 12 rebounds. Carter Moesch scored another 21 points including five 3-pointers. Cade Johnson dished out 10 assists.

Quinn Wesenberg contributed 13 points, and Race Anvelink added 11.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood 75, Manawa 55

Wittenberg-Birnamwood finished the regular season with a 17-7 mark after beating Manawa 75-55.

Zandyr Barke paced the Chargers with 21 points including four 3-pointers. Jett Rogowski and Jaden Clark each scored 16.

Gillett 67, St. Thomas Aquinas Academy 64

Jesse DeBauch pounded in 49 points in Gillett's 67-64 win over St. Thomas Aquinas Academy.

The two teams tied at 10-6 in the Marinette & Oconto Conference. The Tigers are 13-11 overall

at the end of the regular season.

Little Chute 61, Oconto Falls 24

JJ Pytleski scored 11 points in Oconto Falls' 61-24 loss to Little Chute.

The Panthers' regular season ends with a 10-8 North Eastern Conference record and 14-10 overall.

Sheboygan North 99, Pulaski 69

Pulaski's 69 points were spread among 11 players, but the Red Raiders fell drastically short in a 99-69 loss to Sheboygan North.

Colin Schultz led Pulaski with 15 points, followed by Dixon Holewinski with 12 and Joseph Mijal with 10.

Bryce Wotruba led the team with four rebounds and three steals, and Schultz had two assists.

The Red Raiders are 10-8 in the Fox River Classic Conference and 13-11 overall.

Lena 55, Suring 44

Lena topped Suring 55-44 as both teams ended the regular season with a 4-12 record in the Marinette & Oconto Conference.

Lena is 9-14 overall, and Suring is 7-16.

White Lake 68, Bowler 34

Bowler's 68-34 loss to White Lake left the

Panthers with a 3-6 mark in the Central Wisconsin North Conference and 6-15 overall.

Tigerton 73, Northland Lutheran 55

Tigerton's regular season drew to a close with a 73-55 win over Northland Lutheran.

Caleb Dahlstrom led the Tigers with 16 points, followed by James Brady with 13 and Maverick Mass with 10.

Brady pulled down 13 rebounds. Brady and Sam Anheuser each had three assists, and Brody Miller had three steals.

Tigerton won the Central Wisconsin North Conference with a perfect 10-0 record. The Tigers are 22-1 overall.

Gresham 64, Marion 60

Marion's 64-60 loss to Gresham left the Mustangs winless in the Central Wisconsin North Conference this season. At 0-10 in league play, Marion is 3-21 overall.

Menasha 63, Shawano 61

Shawano's regular season ended at home with a 63-61 loss to Menasha.

The Hawks finished at 4-10 in the Bay Conference and 7-17 overall.

Shiocton 65, Menominee Nation 62

**Feb. 25
Tigerton 75, Crandon 62**

Tigerton improved to 21-1 with its 75-62 win over Crandon.

James Brady led the Tigers, recording a double-double with 20 points and 12 rebounds.

Caleb Dahlstrom scored another 13 points, and Joey Zimdars and Sam Anheuser had 10 each.

Brody Miller led the team with five assists, and Brady grabbed five steals.

**Feb. 24
Bonduel 88, Peshtigo 32**

Eleven Bonduel players

scored in the Bears 88-32 crushing of Peshtigo.

Leading in the scoring was Quinn Wesenberg with 28 points, including six 3-pointers. Carter Moesch sacred 13 points, including a trio of 3-pointers, and Ryan Westrich had 11.

Also scoring for the Bears were Cade Johnson, Cole Westphal, Mason Zuleger, Griffin Uelmen, Mason Ballwahn, Race Anvelink, Sam Roberts and Kody Schroeder.

Gillett 56, Suring 46

Suring slowly pulled ahead in the second half to defeat Gillett 56-46 in M&O Conference play.

The Eagles were led by Michael Bailey with 17 points, Taylor Booth Stofregen with 13 and Parker Haak with 10.

Jesse DeBauch led the Tigers with 37 points. Ryan Pensis chipped in another 10.

Coleman 77, Lena 55

Despite 23 points from Mason Spice, Lena couldn't stop Coleman in a 77-55 loss.

Shawano 72, Wittenberg-Birnamwood 58

Almond-Bancroft 95, Gresham 50

Valley Christian 76, Marion 36

Menominee Nation 73, Crandon 58

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seven infractions for 25 minutes, including five minutes for checking from behind (major) and 10 minutes for checking from behind (misconduct), both on the same player.

Bay Area, seeded No.1, was scheduled to play No. 4 seed Sun Prairie West Co-op in a semifinal game March 6. D.C. Everest, No. 2 seed, was set to play No. 3 seed Eau Claire North Co-op. The winners of the semifinal games will play for the state championship at 3 p.m. March 8 in Middleton.

**Feb. 25
Bay Area 6, Lakeshore Lightning 0**

The Bay Area Ice Bears won their first WIAA playoff game, a 6-0 semifinal shutout of Lakeshore Lightning.

The Ice Bears tallied 14

shots on goal in the first period, and the Lightning had seven, but neither team found the back of the net.

Scoring began in the second period when the Ice Bears connected on three of their 13 shots on goal.

Abby Monmaerts scored at 1:05 with a Rachael Beeck assist. Addison Dahl followed at 6:03 with assistance from Julianne Bradford and Tiana Stindt. The Ice Bears' third goal of the period was recorded at 8:15 when Ava McDonald scored with assists from Aisling Buchan and Lily Lyons.

Lakeshore only mustered three shots on goal in the period. The same was true for their third-period output.

Bay Area scored on three of six shots on goal in the third period.

Lyons scored at 3:47 with help from McDonald and Mya Sheppard. Then, Emily Bill scored twice, first at 10:00 and again at 11:50. Faye Brunke assisted on Bill's first goal, while she and Bradford assisted on the second goal.

In the end, Bay Area had 33 shots on goal. Lakeshore had 13, with Reese Spiering getting 13 saves.

The game was mostly free of penalties, with each team only called for two infractions apiece for four minutes.

The Warbirds are made up of girls from St. Mary's Springs, Oshkosh, Omro, Kewaskum, Campbellsport, Valders, Waupun, Plymouth, Kohler and Sheboygan.

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Grid 1 (Left): Shows the initial state of the puzzle. The numbers 1-9 are placed in the following positions (row, column): (1,1), (1,3), (1,5), (1,7), (2,2), (2,4), (2,6), (2,8), (3,1), (3,3), (3,5), (3,7), (4,2), (4,4), (4,6), (4,8), (5,1), (5,3), (5,5), (5,7), (6,2), (6,4), (6,6), (6,8), (7,1), (7,3), (7,5), (7,7), (8,2), (8,4), (8,6), (8,8).

Grid 2 (Middle): Shows the state of the puzzle after the first row is filled with words. The words placed are: "APPLE" (1,1-4), "DIVA" (1,5-8), "LITTLE" (2,1-4), "STOP" (2,5-8), "RELAX" (3,1-4), "VISIT" (3,5-8), "GRASP" (4,1-4), "SHIRT" (4,5-8), "OPTO" (5,1-4), "MINI" (5,5-8), "SPANGLISH" (6,1-4), "SLED" (6,5-8), "LEAF" (7,1-4), "KISS" (7,5-8), "ON" (8,1-4), "BEAR" (8,5-8).

Grid 3 (Right): Shows the state of the puzzle after the first two rows are filled with words. The words placed are: "APPLE" (1,1-4), "DIVA" (1,5-8), "LITTLE" (2,1-4), "STOP" (2,5-8), "RELAX" (3,1-4), "VISIT" (3,5-8), "GRASP" (4,1-4), "SHIRT" (4,5-8), "OPTO" (5,1-4), "MINI" (5,5-8), "SPANGLISH" (6,1-4), "SLED" (6,5-8), "LEAF" (7,1-4), "KISS" (7,5-8), "ON" (8,1-4), "BEAR" (8,5-8).

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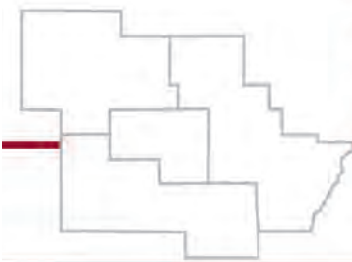
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Frozen roads declaration ends

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is ending the frozen road declaration for the entire state (Zones 1 through 5) as of Feb. 28.

Class II and posted road restrictions are temporarily on hold as field staff continue to evaluate conditions amid the rapid warmup in recent days. Motor carriers are encouraged to monitor the Seasonal Weight Restriction Program website and the Frozen Roads hotline at 608-266-8417 for the latest information.

WisDOT and county highway personnel monitor

COURT NEWS

- Jesse W. Wahsqonai-kezhik, 33, Keshena, pleaded no contest Feb. 25 to two counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor charges of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (second offense) and hit-and-run. Judge William Kussel Jr. levied fines and sentenced him to 240 days in county jail.
- Dean W. Kroening, 49, Bonduel, pleaded no contest Feb. 25 to operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense). Judge Katherine Sloma levied fines and sentenced him to nine months in county jail. She also revoked his license for 33 months.
- Daniel J. Vasquez, 23, Waukesha, pleaded no contest Feb. 26 to felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor charge of possession of THC. Sloma levied fines and sentenced him to 60 days in county jail.
- Chardawn R. Key, 37, Keshena, pleaded no contest Feb. 28 to possession of methamphetamine. Sloma withheld sentencing and placed her on three years of probation with conditions.
- Audie R. Murphy, 55, Shawano, was charged Feb. 24 with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense) and a misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Sloma set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for May 1.
- Trevor Smith, 23, Dallas, was charged Feb. 24 in an extradition case involving two counties in Texas. Sloma set a \$2,500 cash bond and scheduled a review hearing for April 21.
- Dylan T. Waupoose, 33, Shawano, was charged Feb. 24 with felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer. Sloma set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for March 6.
- Travis J. Grignon, 37, Keshena, was charged Feb. 24 with possession of THC (second or subsequent offense). Sloma set a \$1,500 signature bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for March 10.
- Steven S. Walter, 42, Algoma, was charged Feb. 25 with two counts of felony bail jumping, two counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer and possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for April 14.
- Alex F. Gomez, 19, Gillett, was charged Feb. 25 with felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of operating without a valid license and bail jumping.

temperature forecasts, along with frost tubes — liquid-filled devices under pavement — to help determine when roads are adequately frozen to accommodate heavier loads or thawed to lift declarations.

Class II roads include about 1,400 miles of state highways susceptible to damage from heavy trucks during the spring thaw period as frost leaves the ground.

Haulers with specific questions can contact WisDOT's oversize/overweight permits unit at 608-266-7320.

Sloma set a \$1,000 signature bond and scheduled a status conference for May 1.

- Machenoquet Peters, 19, Suring, was charged Feb. 26 with felony bail jumping. Sloma set a \$2,500 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for May 20.
- Shane A. Koukari, 47, Shawano, was charged Feb. 27 with possession of cocaine (second or subsequent offense), possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), five counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting or obstructing an officer. Sloma set a \$2,000 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for March 17.
- Angela D. Owen, 50, Shawano, was charged Feb. 27 with possession of cocaine (second or subsequent offense), possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), four counts of felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a \$5,000 signature bond and scheduled a status conference for March 5.
- Steven J. Champion, 61, Cudahy, was charged Feb. 28 with three counts of felony bail jumping. Sloma set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for April 10.

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02/21/25, 02/28/25, 03/07/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
Case # 2023-CV-0139 U
US Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Igloo Series V Trust, Plaintiff,
vs.
Susan B. Golding, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on 02/19/2024, in the amount of \$94,637.43, the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:
TIME:
March 12, 2025, 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 Shawano County 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:
Shawano County Courthouse 311 N. Main St. Shawano, WI 54166
DESCRIPTION: LOTS 1 AND 2 IN BLOCK 7 OF ARLINGTON ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SHAWANO, SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF. Tax Key No. 281403000890 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 308 Fairview Way, Shawano, WI 5416
DATED: 1/30/2025
Attorney Bryan Ward LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 5555 N. Port Washington Rd., Suite 305 Milwaukee, WI 53217 414-271-4849 Attorney Bryan Ward LLC is attempting to collect a debt and any information will be used for that purpose.
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02/21/25, 02/28/25, 03/07/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Michael Paul Galland
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25 PR 08

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 05/05/1951 and date of death 01/21/2025, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W13699 Cty Rd. A Bowler, WI 54416.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 15, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
John Paul Galland
1016 Fischer St
Gresham, WI 54128
715 853 1248
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02/28/25, 03/07/25, 03/14/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Janice Ann Willman
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 2025PR10

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10-28-1956 and date of death 05-24-2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of WI, with a mailing address of N3303 Fairview Road, Marion, WI 54950.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is [Date] May 15, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N Main St, Shawano, WI 54166, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
Form completed by: Atty. Thomas J Martell
117 N Main St, PO Box 237
Shawano, WI 54166
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01/31/25, 02/07/25, 02/14/25, 02/21/25, 02/28/25, 03/07/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION
PO BOX 107
ANTIGO, WI 54409
Plaintiff,
vs.
BRIAN L. ST. LOUIS
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BRIAN ST. LOUIS
626 STONE AVE.
MATTOON, WI 54450
Defendants.

Case No. 24-CV-97
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

COUNTY OF SHAWANO
311 N. MAIN ST.
SHAWANO, WI 54166

COUNTY OF MENOMINEE
PO BOX 279
KESHENA, WI 54135

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on June 18, 2024 in the amount of \$38,399.19 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:
TIME: March 12, 2025 at 9:00 am

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 Shawano County 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 for 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: Shawano County Courthouse, main lobby 311 N. Main Street in Shawano, WI 54166 in Shawano County

DESCRIPTION: Lots Seven (7) and Eight (8) of Block Twenty-three (23) of the Village of Mattoon according to the recorded plat thereof, Village of Mattoon, Shawano County, Wisconsin. ~This is not a Purchase Money Mortgage. ~This is the Homestead of the Mortgage.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 626 Stone Ave. Mattoon, WI 54450
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03/07/25, 03/14/25, 03/21/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY

Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority
PO Box 1728
Madison, WI 53701
Plaintiff,
vs.
David Brooks
W497 County Rd E
Green Valley, WI 54127-9425
Angela Brooks
W497 County Rd E
Green Valley, WI 54127-9425
Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority
PO Box 1728
Madison, WI 53701-1728
Defendants.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS
Case No. 25-CV-000012
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 March 7, 2025 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 27 day of February, 2025.

Gray & Associates, L.L.P.
Attorneys for Plaintiff

Michael M. Riley
State Bar No. 1033997
Case No. 25-CV-000012
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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02/28/25, 03/07/25, 03/14/25
ONEMAIN FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC
601 NW Second Street
Evansville IN 47708
Plaintiff,
vs.
DEREK J ROEHL
W8121 COUNTY ROAD MMM LOT 43
SHAWANO WI 54166
Defendant.
Case No.: 2025CV000124
Classification Code: 30301
The amount claimed is over \$10,000.

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 February 27, 2025, 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 320 S. Walnut Street, Appleton, WI 54911 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 a 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 2/18/2025 day of 2/18/2025 .

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
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03/07/25, 03/14/25, 03/21/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, MENOMINEE COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Louis A. Washinawatok Jr.
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 24 PR 55
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/08/1932 and date of death 12/30/2023, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W2092 Keshena Lake Rd. Keshena, WI 54135.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 29, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
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02/28/25, 03/07/25, 03/14/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Wayne F. Immel
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 25 PR 05
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 08/20/1935 and date of death 03/20/2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W5043 Hiawatha CT. Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 19, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
Form completed by: Pamela L. Lanza
201 E. Montana ST
Milwaukee, WI 53207 USA
414 881 1795
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03/07/25, 03/14/25, 03/21/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, OF SHAWANO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE Elisa Ruth Katchenago
NOTICE and ORDER for Name Change Hearing
case No.25cv30
By Elisa Ruth Katchenago
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Elisa Ruth Katchenago
To: Elisa Ruth Peters
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
Birth Certificate: Elisa Ruth Katchenago
IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin: Judge's name: Judge Sloma
311 N Main St Shawano WI BR1 April 07, 2025 10:45 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.
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03/07/25, 03/14/25, 03/21/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, OF SHAWANO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE Taylor Elsie White
NOTICE and ORDER for Name Change Hearing
case No.25cv31
By Elisa Ruth Katchenago
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Taylor Elsie White
To: Taylor Elsie Waupekenay
Birth Certificate: Taylor Elsie White
IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin: Judge's name: Judge Sloma
311 N Main St BR1 Shawano WI April 07, 2025 10:45 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.
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03/07/25, 03/14/25, 03/21/25
Plaintiff(s):
Wright Weber Managment LLC
W229N1433 Westwood Drive, Suite 204
Waukesha WI 53186
Vs.
Defendant(s):
Delia O'Kimosh
1350 E. Lieg Ave, #6
Shawano WI 54166

Publication Summons and Notice
(Small Claims) Case No. 24-SC-548
Publication Summons and Notice of Filing
TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):
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 clerk of court: 715-526-9347
2nd Floor, Room 206 311 N. Main Street Shawano, WI 54166 March 18, 2025
Time: 1:00. p.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 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. Law Firm of Conway Olejniczak & Jerry, SC
231 S. Adams Street
Green Bay, WI 54301
Joshua M. Koch 1062410
2/24/2025
920-437-0476
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03/07/25, 03/14/25, 03/21/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY

Plaintiff(s):
Wright Weber Managment LLC
W229N1433 Westwood Drive, Suite 204
Waukesha WI 53186
Vs.
Defendant(s):
Dalton J Hann
First name Middle name Last name
300 Mountain Bay Trail Drive, #11
Shawano WI 54166
See attached for additional defendants.

Publication Summons and Notice
(Small Claims)
Case No. 24-SC-378
Publication Summons and Notice of Filing

TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):
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
clerk of court: 715-526-9347
2nd Floor, Room 206
311 N. Main Street
Shawano, WI 54166

March 18, 2025 Time: 1:00. p.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 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.

Law Firm of Conway Olejniczak & Jerry, SC
231 S. Adams Street
Green Bay, WI 54301
Joshua M. Koch 1062410
2/24/2025
920-437-0476

Additional Defendant:
Emma C. Baum
300 Mountain Bay Trail Drive, #11
Shawano, WI 54166
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vehicles, which she suggested should fall under the jurisdiction of the Wisconsin Division of Motor Vehicles instead of the Department of Natural Resources, as well as large tractors that use municipal and county roads.

Behnke said he could see both sides of the off-road vehicle issue, but he was in favor of increasing the sales tax, which currently sits at 5.5% in Shawano County, to make the issue of maintaining roads more equitable to include all who use them, such as visitors to the community.

“My budget buddy said, if we let Shawano County have a sales tax increase, every county in the state is going to want one,” Behnke said. “He said what would be an easier sell, is get a budget motion to fix so many miles of road so that, if it’s \$1 million that the county needs to do, they can take the state money for some roads. They can take the money for the roads and alleviate their budget for other things.”

Behnke also heard from Peter Schmidt, who lost his bid in the primary to keep the 6th District Assembly seat he held for two years, as he discussed the difficulty of rural fire departments and EMS providers in finding volunteers.

“Fire departments, for the most part, have been turned into fire districts,



State Rep. Elijah Behnke, left, introduces himself to over a dozen constituents March 1 during a listening session at Shawano City Hall as his aide, Bradley Peterson, looks on.

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and that’s something that will cost taxpayers more money,” Schmidt said. “That’s the push between the urban divide and the rural.”

Behnke also brought up other issues that could come up during the legislative session, including:

- A bill regarding fluoride in the water, similar to

what Utah passed recently, is expected to go through the motions. Behnke brought it up during the Bonduel listening session that he and others spoke with the League of Municipalities and put a warning label on fluoridated water, noting that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is saying babies

nursing from bottles should not drink tap water. The league suggested, instead of looking like the state is touting a bad product, that fluoride should be banned entirely.

- The main issue for

the legislature right now is the biennial budget, and Behnke made it clear that much of the framework from Gov. Tony Evers is “not serious” and would turn the current \$4 billion surplus into a deficit simi-

lar to that amount. Behnke said anything that would result in raising taxes “is a no for me.”

• Behnke expects a bill regarding raw milk to be rolled out April 1, following the spring election. He noted that he and Schmidt had worked together on a similar bill last session and was going to meet with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection about whether raw milk was going to get anyone sick with the avian flu that is killing poultry and driving egg prices through the roof.

• Marijuana continues to be an issue, with all states surrounding Wisconsin permitting the drug in some form or fashion. Behnke expects medical marijuana to come up again in the legislature, and he said he supports a proposal that would have strict standards that would prevent marijuana from getting into the schools.

• Behnke said he was in support of the Menominee tribe getting approval to build a casino in Kenosha. He said his office sent a letter of support to Trump, as the proposal is going through the federal review process.

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WHEEL TAX, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

annual wheel tax on vehicles up to 8,000 pounds, not including those exempt by state law. There are about 37,350 eligible vehicles in the county, and the tax would generate \$747,000 in annual revenue for the county.

The intent was to pro-

vide the Shawano County Highway Department with a source of funds in addition to other funding sources currently being utilized to maintain highways, bridges and other transportation related purposes.

The tax would not nec-

essarily mean there would be additional funds for the highway department. Money regularly allocated to the highway department from the general tax levy could be reallocated to other departments.

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CITY OF SHAWANO

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following has applied for a license in the City of Shawano. The application will be acted upon at the March 12, 2025, City of Shawano Common Council meeting at Shawano City Hall, 127 South Sawyer Street, Shawano, WI.

Name and address of applicant:

COMBO CLASS "B" BEER /"CLASS B" LIQUOR LICENSE

Diablos Taqueria Shawano LLC, (dba Diablos Taqueria); agent Juliana Tirado; 1045 E. Green Bay Street, Shawano, WI

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

City of Shawano

FFP Grant Agreement 24-30

The City of Shawano will receive and accept bids ONLY through QuestCDN.com via the online electronic bid service (QuestvBid) for the construction and remodeling of the Shawano Recreation Center until 2:00 PM March 19, 2025. All bids will be downloaded and publicly read aloud during a virtual public bid opening at 2:00 PM March 19, 2025. All plan holders will receive information via Quest on how to join the virtual meeting prior to the bid opening.

A pre-Bid conference will be held at 10:00 AM, local time on March 4, 2025, at the Shawano Recreation Center, OWNER and ARCHITECT will be present to discuss the Project. Bidders are encouraged to attend and participate in the conference.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A. The project is the remodeling and addition to the existing 12,066 square foot Shawano Recreation Center. When completed, the Recreation Center will total 17,711 square feet in size with new and upgrade amenities.

• Approximately 4,800 square feet of the existing building will be remodeled which includes:

o New Men's Locker Room

o New Women's Locker Room

o New Family Family Changing Room

o New Reception Desk and Check-In

o Existing Corridor Interior Finish Upgrades.

• The New Additions are Approximately 7,500 square feet in size and includes:

o A New Classroom for Computer Training

o A New Tech Center

o Four New Administrative Offices.

o New Exercise Room with 24/7 Access

o A New Gathering Space for Community Gatherings and Computer Stations

o Exterior Improvements that include Two Outdoor Seating Areas and Playground Equipment

o New Public Toilet Rooms

o New Fire Suppression System

o New HVAC System

o New and Upgraded Lighting and Electrical System.

B. Total Renovation

• Except for the existing pool space, the entire facility will be renovated to meet current building codes, interior finishes will be modernized, and overall improvement with the interior circulation.

C. Building Site Development

• Two New Seating Areas for Community Gathering and Reading Areas.

• New Playground Equipment with Safety Ground Surface.

• New Green Space is being provided with Shrubs and Trees

• New Parking and Paved Walkways.

• With the New Additions, the Building Façade will be Enhanced.

D. The project will Improve the Site Accessibility and will provide a new and larger entry with Canopy.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

A. The highlighted dates are mandated by the FFP Grant Agreement (FFP-GA) with no extensions granted.

• Bid Documents Available to Bidders: February 19, 2025

• Bids Due: March 19, 2025

• Bids Reviewed and Contractor Selected By: March 27, 2025

• City of Shawano Committee(s)/Council Approvals By: April 18, 2025

• Owner/Architect Contract Finalized By: May 23, 2025

• **Start of Construction, FFP-GA No Later Than: June 27, 2025**

• **Construction Complete, FFP-GA No Later Than: September 25, 2026**

Planholders list will be updated interactively on our web address at http://www.msa-ps.com under Bidding.

Copies of the BIDDING DOCUMENTS are available at www.questcdn.com. QuestCDN Vbid system requires Bidders to purchase BIDDING DOCUMENTS from QuestCDN. You may download the digital plan documents for \$45 by inputting Quest eBidDoc #9553557 on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with the digital project information. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Architect will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated QuestCDN website.

Each bidder must deposit with his/her bid, an amount to secure the bid and subject to the conditions provided in the information for bidders, in accordance with bidding requirements set forth in Wis.Stats. § 66.0901 and § 62.15.

The contract shall be subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (CWHSSA), 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, and DOL (29 CFR Part 5); Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA); and fair labor practices and wage standards for the program under which the contract is funded, and subject to the federal and state equal opportunity provisions, as specified in the bid packet. Small businesses, minority-owned and women-owned business enterprises (MBEs, WBEs), disabled veteran-owned businesses (DVBs), and firms in labor surplus markets are encouraged to participate in the bidding.

No bidder may withdraw their bid within 60 days after the date of the opening thereof.

Contracts awarded under this advertisement for bids may be funded in whole or in part by the U.S. Department of Treasury's Capital Project Fund through a grant awarded to the owner named above from the State of Wisconsin Department of Administration Flexible Facilities Program (FFP); and will be subject to all program requirements specified in the bid packet.

OWNER reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.

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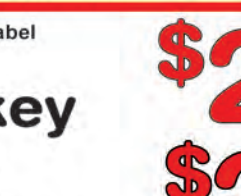
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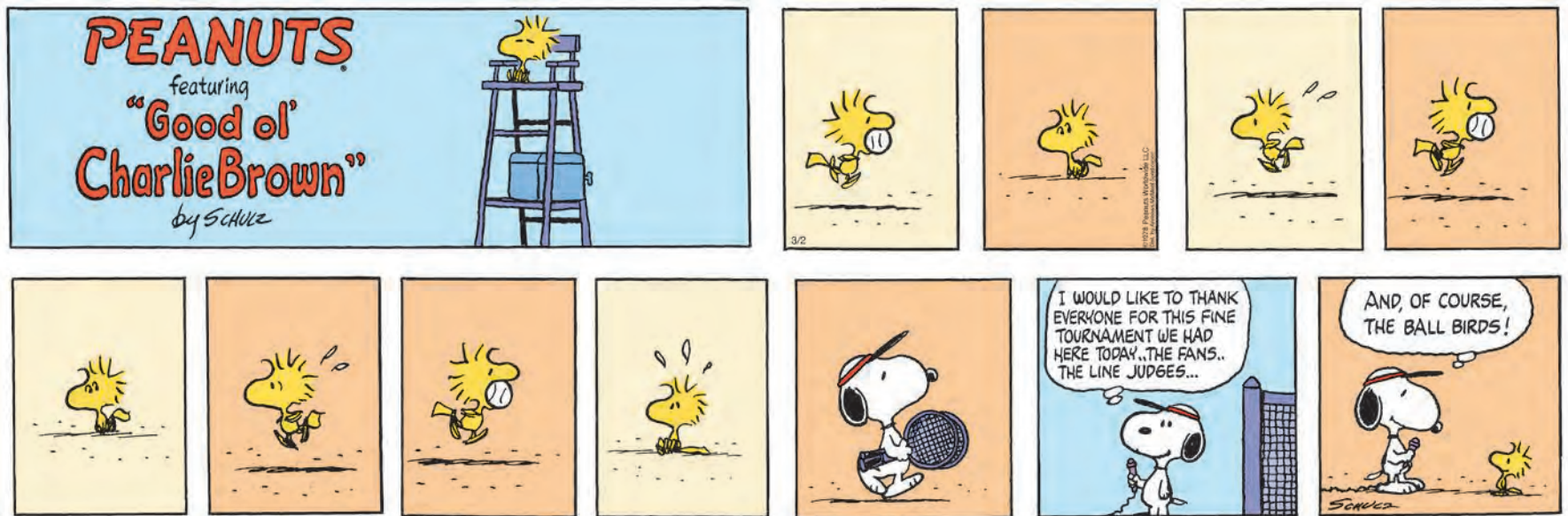
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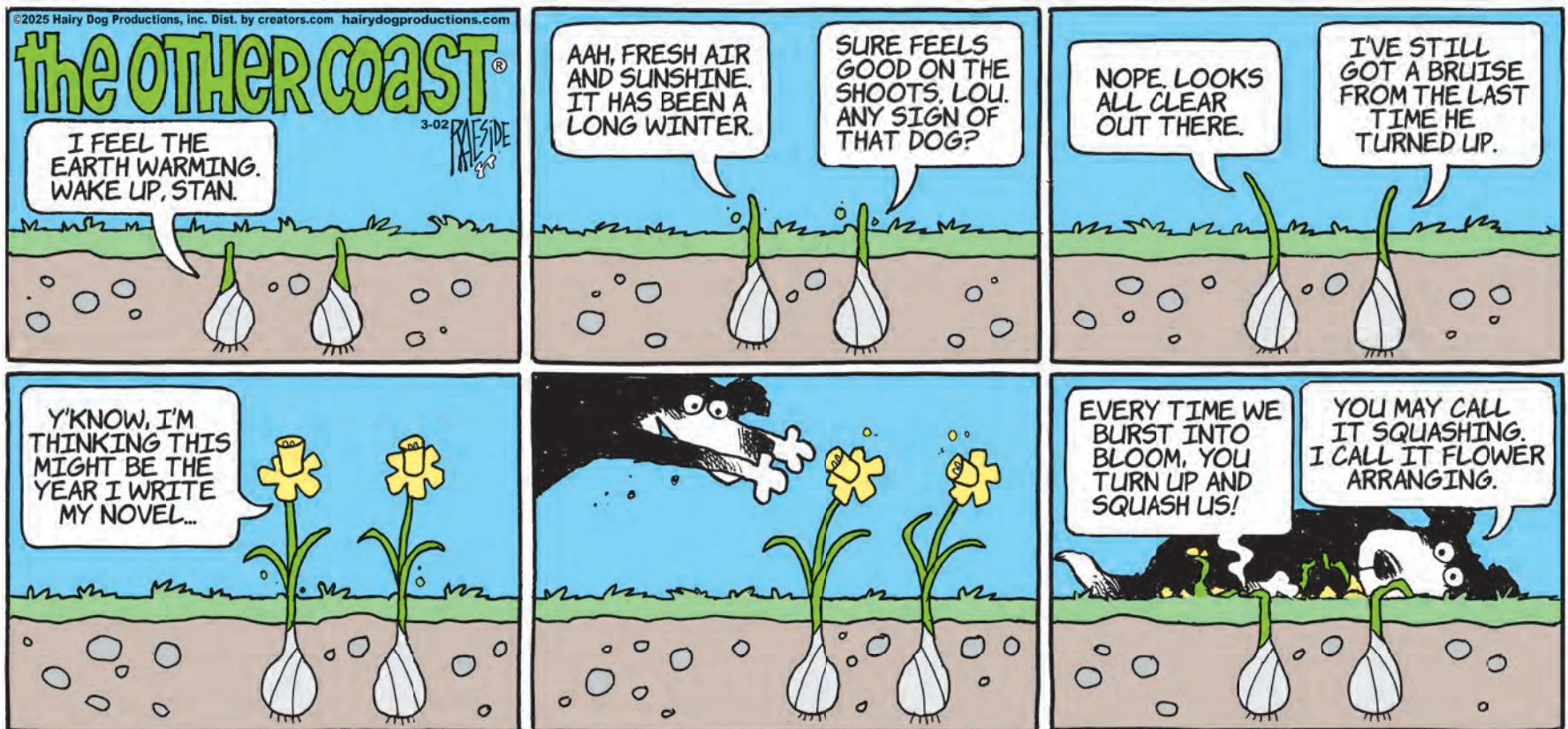
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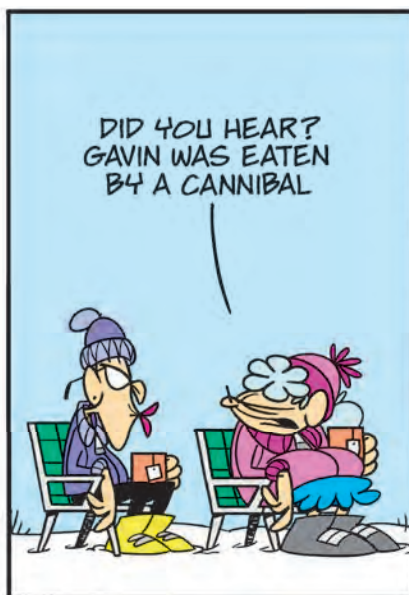
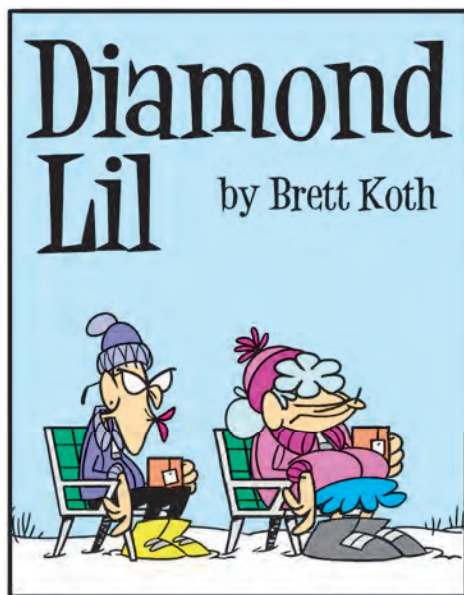
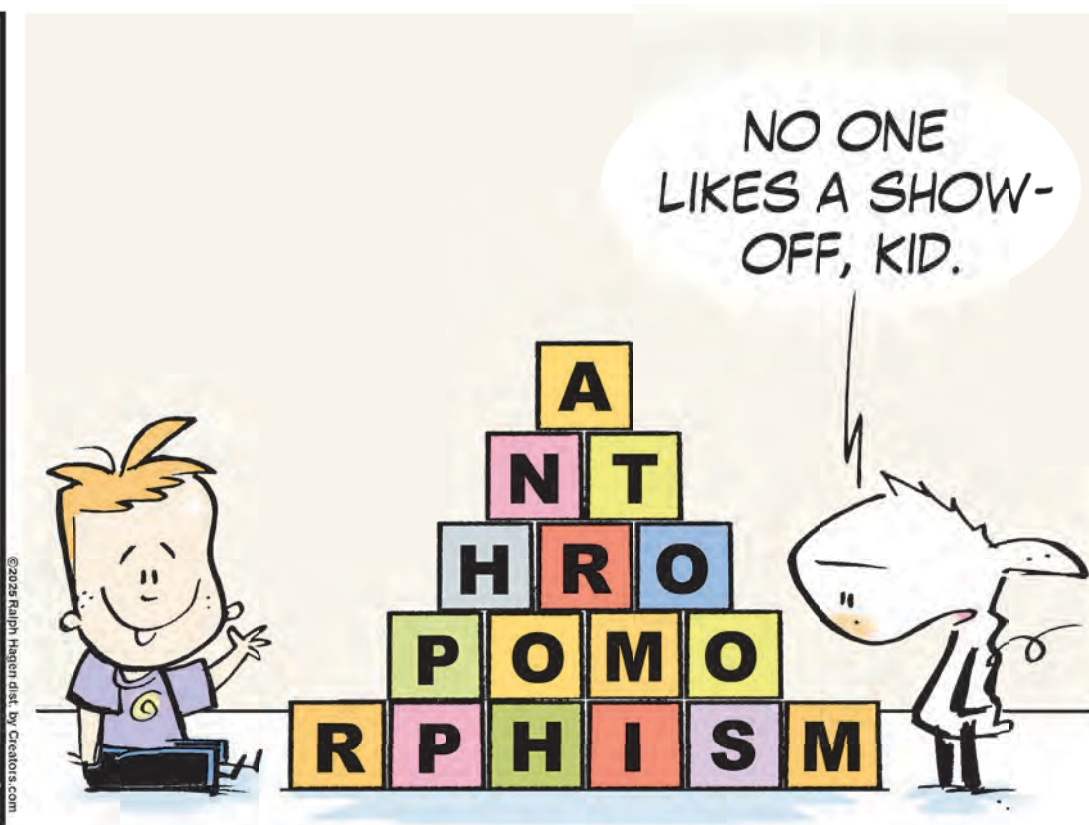
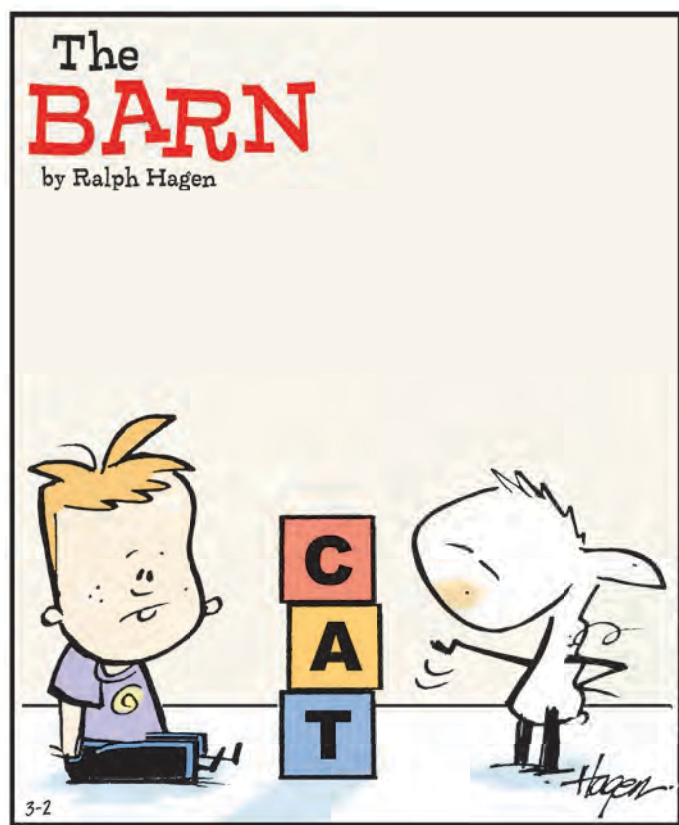
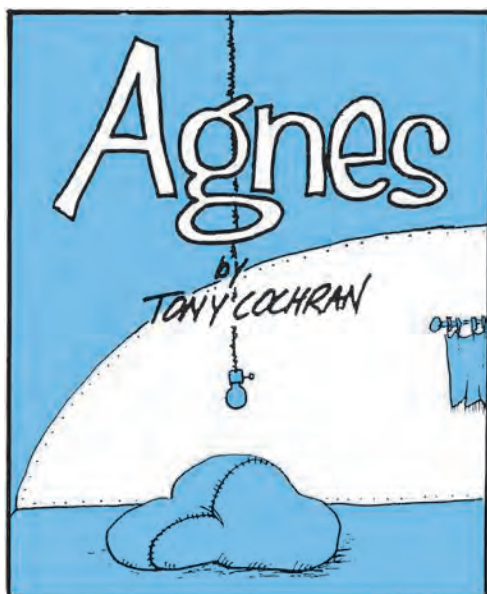
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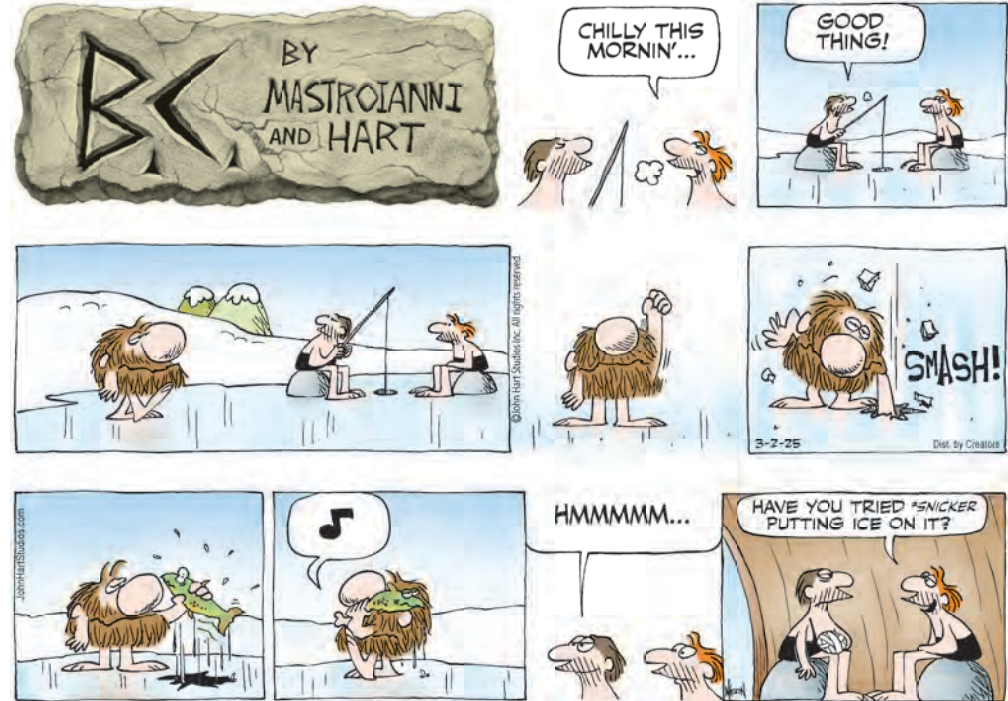
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